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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

R20/PRB APO 394 CSF/dp

PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

SUBJECT: Reference attached. July 28, 1945

TO: Mr. Michael Stewart
Press Attache
British Embassy

Major O. C. Anderson
Press Attache
American Embassy

Mr. James Linen
PWB

Attached is a signal from PWB, Milan reporting on the disposition of PWB newspapers in the North.

It is sent to you for your information.

Sincerely,

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

Attachment

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M/AC/27646
JUL 27 1030B

F/1494
JUL 27 1445B

IMPORTANT

FROM : PWB MILAN

TO : PRB HQ AICOM (FOR BROWN)

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Reur 2506 dated 25 July disposition PWB newspapers as follows:

MILAN GIORNALE LOMBARDO terminated 21 July replaced by independent CORRIERE LOMBARDO (FRANCHI GROUP) and MILANO SERA (INDEPENDENT paper to be run by the parties). TURIN CORRIERE DEL PIEMONTE terminated 15 July replaced by independent NUOVO STAMPA and GAZZETTA D'ITALIA. VENICE CORRIERE VENETO ceased 17 July replaced by independent IL GAZZETTINO. BOLOGNA CORRIERE DELL'EMILIA ceased 15 July replaced by independent GIORNALE DELL'EMILIA. GENOA CORRIERE LIGURE ceased 15 July replaced by independent CORRIERE DEL POPOLO. ENDIT

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ACTION: PR Br
INFO: Chief Commissioner
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: M/AC/27646
Date/Time of Origin: JUL 271030B

Message Centre No: F/1494
Date Time Rec'd: JUL 271445B
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: PB MILAN

TO : HQ RC ALCOM (FOR BROWN)

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INFO: Chief Commissioner
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

R20/PRB APO 394 GSE/dp

PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

July 28, 1945

SUBJECT: Reference attached

TO : Lt. Lannin

The matter of allocation of newsprint in liberated Italy is entirely in the hands of the Italian Press Commission, appointed by the Italian Government. The paper in question should make representations to the Italian Government to have its allocation modified.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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U. S. NAVAL OPERATING BASE
PALERMO, SICILY

FILE NO:
SERIAL:

24 July 1945.

Rear Admiral E. W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner of Allied Commission,
Navy #728, Box 35,
Fleet Post Office,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Admiral Stone:

I would like to bring to your attention the needs of Sicily's most important newspaper, the Giornale di Sicilia. Your suggestions as to the possibility of improving the situation would be greatly appreciated.

As with most dailies, the greatest difficulty facing the publishers of the Giornale is obtaining a sufficient quantity of newsprint so that even a part of its potential circulation may be realized.

Under the AMG this newspaper was assigned enough paper for the publication of 70,000 copies. Since AMG no longer functions here, this allotment, now under the Allied Commission, is now changed. The last assignment of newsprint for the Giornale was for 40,000 copies and was delivered on 15 June, 1945.

The actual circulation of this newspaper at present is 40,000; the maximum it can publish with its paper limitation. Potentially, however, it has circulation of over 100,000 copies, since it is read widely not only in Palermo, but throughout the island as well. It also published a popular, well. It also published a popular, well-edited Sunday magazine supplement called "Domenica".

It is necessary to note that this newspaper is not in any sense a political organ and therefore, it is wholly unsubsidized. It has maintained a neutral policy in its reporting and has been giving a commendably complete news coverage under the circumstances limiting its size. Its policy towards the United States Naval Operating Base has always been one of cooperation, fairness and sympathetic understanding of our needs and difficulties.

It is known that while the various political newspapers of this city have been assigned sufficient newsprint for 30,000 copies, none have a circulation of more than 2500 copies.

It is my recommendation that the supply of newsprint for the Giornale di Sicilia be increased to at least double its present allotment, even if the increment is at the expense of cutting the amount of newsprint supply to the other newspapers, which receive an allotment far in excess of their needs.

Very truly yours,

C. L. NICHOLS

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

R20/PRB

GSB/dp

SUBJECT: Poletti, Interview on Coal

TO : Chief Commissioner

Executive Commissioner

For your information IL GLOBO today publishes an INS despatch from Como reading as follows:

"POLETTI AND COAL FOR ITALY, Como, July 20th.

In an interview with the POPOLO COMASCO Poletti declared that Italy's deficiency of coal could be avoided if the Russians would authorize the importation of coal from Czechoslovakia and Poland. Importation could reach the figure of 1,000,000 or more tons per month. Poletti concluded saying that measures were being taken to favor private initiative by abolishing the restrictions which until now have been a hinderance."

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G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

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Political Adviser (B)

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7-25-45

Elections will decide in Italy

AN Allied Commission spokesman states that the Commission is encouraging the Italian Government to hold elections for a constituent Assembly as soon as possible, and that the Assembly then can decide whether it wants to retain the monarchy.

This comment was made in reference to the speech in Milan by Sar Pietro Nenni in which the Socialist Vice-Premier urged the Big Three to scrap the armistice terms to enable the constituent Assembly to meet quickly, and added: "We will crush every attempt to bar the way of its legality."

The Commission spokesman said that the Allied terms did not prevent the election of an Assembly, and that the Commission wants elections held quickly.

Questioned whether Nenni's speech was considered as violating the Government's pledge not to "prejudice the institutional question" until the constitutional Assembly meets, the Commission spokesman said he could not comment before receiving the full text of Nenni's speech.

The spokesman also said that the Milan meeting was "perfectly legal" inasmuch as the ban on political gatherings in Northern Italy was lifted some days ago. As in the United States, it is still necessary to get local authorities' permission for political meetings, but this is practically always granted, he said.—A.P.

7-24-45

Gli Alleati favorevoli

alle elezioni per la Costituente

Secondo l'« Associated Press » un portavoce della Commissione Alleata ha dichiarato che la Commissione incoraggia il Governo italiano ad indire le elezioni per l'Assemblea Costituente, al più presto possibile, affinchè essa possa pronunciarsi pro o contro la monarchia.

Il portavoce ha soggiunto che le condizioni di armistizio non prohibiscono che siano tenute elezioni per la nomina dell'Assemblea, elezioni che la Commissione desidera, anzi, siano indette presto.

7-29-45

Nenni Blasts Monarchy At Large Rally In Milan

MILAN, July 22 (AP)—Socialist Vice Premier Pietro Nenni, addressing 20,000 Milanese in the great courtyard of the Sforcesca Castle here today, called for a republic as a prerequisite to the "democratic rebirth" of Italy, asserting the war was not caused "by one man alone, but by Fascism in its entirety, from the King down."

It remained to be seen whether the declaration, which received a tremendous ovation, would be considered by the Allied Commission in Rome as a violation of the truce on the monarchy, which Nenni, together with other ministers of the Parri Government, pledged to observe when they assumed office.

The speech, given in Allied Military Government territory where a ban is imposed on political gatherings, was billed by the Socialists as an address by the vice premier on the urgent necessity of supporting the treasury bond campaign and the "granaries of the people." Nenni spoke only a few words on this topic, however.

The Socialist leader appealed to the Potsdam conferees to scrap the armistice terms to enable Italy quickly to convene a constituent assembly, and asserted amid shouts of approval: "We will crush every attempt to bar the way to its legality."

These words apparently were aimed at the Allied governments, which are understood not to have decided as yet whether the monarchial question should be settled by a constituent assembly or a plebiscite.

Nenni said the Socialists' aims were: (1) a republic; (2) agrarian reform to smash the landed caste; (3) socialization of the great northern industries "to prevent former Fascists who now call themselves anti-Fascists from retaking control."

Will write e.c.'s letter to Parri

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PIETRO NENNI's SPEECH

Referencee to the insitutional question.

... We have the right to say that Fascism, from the King down to its lowest representative, is responsible for this war...

... We (Socialists) went into the Government to open the path to the "Costituente"...

... The attention of the popular masses must be focussed on the the battle for the "Costituente". To win the battle of the "Costituente" means to win the battle of democracy...

... What the Socialists, for instance, ask to the Costituente ? They ask the "Costituente" to give Italy the Republic, because today the Republic is the guarantee of our democratic life.

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24 July 1945

AFHQ/MB

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I have given very careful thought to your letter of July 19, Protocol No. 535/45, and have obtained a report from Turin on the situation insofar as regards LA STAMPA.

According to my information the representatives of AMG on July 20 met in Turin with representatives of the C.L.N. and the five Turin newspapers to discuss the situation. It was amicably agreed by all that LA STAMPA should resume publication under the name of LA NUOVA STAMPA. It was further explained that the new paper was not financed either by the present or past owners of LA STAMPA and that eventual disposition of LA STAMPA property would be a responsibility for the Italian Government.

We trust you will share our belief that the matter has been settled in a satisfactory manner by the interested parties in Turin and that no further action is necessary.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Professor Ferruccio Parri,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government
Rome

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Info cc: Ex. Comm
Political Advisers - British
American

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TO: The Chief Commissioner
(Through Executive Commissioner)

The attached letter is submitted for approval and signature.

7.35.45

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G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PRB

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letter signed & returned herewith for despatch. Copies have been withdrawn for cc & file.

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TO: The Chief Commissioner.

1. Original letter and translation returned herewith for your files.

25 Jul.'45.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director, PRB.

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
n. 55/45

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Rome, 19 July 1945

Dear Admiral,

I am most happy to tell you that, in the draft for the publication in the north of some pre-fascist and fascistacized papers, the Allied Command foresaw the epuration of the editorial and administrative staff, the appointment of Commissioners in the administrations, and the setting aside of the profits made from these papers, and the questions relative to the ownership and definitive arrangements concerning the same papers, till the return of the Northern regions under our jurisdiction. There is no doubt that the allied program was previously approved by the Bonomi Government.

My letter of July 6th didn't question this truth which so clearly appears from the text of the draft sent to President Bonomi together with your letter of March 10th and from the answer of the President. However, as the said draft met with serious local obstacles in Milan, obstacles which had not been foreseen before the liberation, and which were such as to prevent the publication of the 'Corriere della Sera', and as difficulties just as serious seemed likely to occur in Turin, I thought of drawing your attention on the new situations which took place in the North and on the need of re-examining all the problem of the former pre-fascist papers, on a national plan, and based on the real state of things. I think that the Allied draft suggested a convenient solution in point2) para a), which foresaw, as an alternative to the solution which was then adopted, the suppression of all former pre-fascist papers. After the experience we had in Milan and Turin, after giving up the enforcement in Milan of the draft expressed before the liberation, it seems to me that the facts demand a revision of the agreement made with President Bonomi, and that the most advisable revison would consist in enforcing the solution proposed by the Allied Command itself in point 2) para a) of the above mentioned letter.

Having thus cleared up matters, I only have to reassert my well known point of view on this matter. Whatever its pre-fascist past, none of the papers published under the fascist regime, could or knew how to save a minimum of dignity and moral authority, which might make their name still bearable in democratic Italy. The owners who wanted to save their dignity had to give up their paper, as Senator Albertini. In any case, the attitude of this press kept in bondage by the fascist regime roused such hatred, and odiousness, that its reappearance under the former titles would be deeply offensive and therefore dangerous.

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Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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For these reasons, as I wrote in my letter of July 6th, 1945, it seemed to me that the publication of the said papers was bound to cause reactions wherever it took place, and couldn't therefore be considered as a contribution to the internal unification which is the first moral and political requirement of the Italians; unfortunately, the incidents which followed the publication of the 'Stampa' proved that this prevision was correct.

I am most grateful, my dear Admiral, for the informations you gave me; but I feel I must ask you to intervene to obtain the withdrawal of the authorization given for the publication of the 'Stampa', and kindly to avoid that other authorizations be given to newspapers in similar conditions.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

s. Formaggio Parri

c/c

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ACTION: P.R. BN (2)
INFO: CHIEF COMMC
EXEC COMMC

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CC/630

Roma, lì 19 luglio 1945

Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

N.535/45

Caro Ammiraglio,

mi è gradito darle atto che il Comando Alleato, nel progetto per la pubblicazione nel Nord di alcuni giornali prefascisti e fascistizzati, prevedeva l'epurazione del personale di redazione ed amministrativo, la nomina di Commissari nelle amministrazioni e l'accantonamento, fino al ritorno delle regioni settentrionali sotto la nostra giurisdizione, dei profitti tratti dagli stessi giornali e delle questioni relative alla proprietà ed alla sistemazione definitiva di essi. E non esiste alcun dubbio che il programma alleato abbia avuto l'assenso preventivo del Governo Bonomi.

La mia lettera del 6 luglio non metteva in discussione queste verità, risultanti chiaramente dal testo del progetto comunicato al Presidente Bonomi con la Sua lettera del IO marzo scorso e dalla risposta del Presidente. Ma poichè a Milano il progetto in parola aveva incontrato gravi ostacoli locali, non previsti prima della liberazione, tanto che si dovè rinunziare alla pubblicazione del "Corriere della Sera", e non meno gravi difficoltà si erano già annunziate a Torino, mi parve opportuno richiamare la Sua attenzione sulle nuove situazioni riscontrate nel Nord e sulla necessità di riprendere in esame il problema complessivo dei vecchi giornali prefascisti su di un piano nazionale ed in base allo stato reale delle cose. Ed una soluzione conveniente mi parve quella suggerita dallo stesso progetto alleato al punto 2°) capo a), che, come alternativa

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Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

alla soluzione adottata poi, prevedeva la soppressione di tutti i vecchi giornali prefascisti. Dopo l'esperienza fatta a Milano ed a Torino, dopo aver rinunziato ad applicare a Milano il progetto formulato prima della liberazione, mi sembrava che i fatti imponessero una revisione dell'intesa raggiunta con il Presidente Bonomi e che la revisione più opportuna potesse consistere appunto nell'applicare la soluzione proposta dallo stesso Comando Alleato al punto 2°) capo a) della lettera suddetta.

Chiarite così le cose, a me non resta che riaffermare il punto di vista a Lei ben noto sull'argomento. Nessuno dei giornali pubblicati sotto il regime fascista, qualunque ne sia il passato prefascista, ha saputo, e sia pur potuto, salvare quel minimo di dignità e di autorità morale, che possa renderne ancora sopportabile il nome nell'Italia democratica. I proprietari che vollero salvare questa loro dignità, dovettero, come il senatore Luigi Albertini, lasciare il loro giornale. In ogni modo la condotta di questa stampa asservita al regime fascista è stata tale, da attirare tale avversione, tale odiosità, che la sua riapparizione con le vecchie testate riesce profondamente offensiva e quindi pericolosa.

E' per queste ragioni che, come scrivevo nella mia lettera del 6 luglio 1945, la pubblicazione di detti giornali mi sembrava dovesse inevitabilmente suscitare reazioni ovunque avvenisse e, come tale, non potesse essere considerata un contributo alla pacificazione interna, che è la prima necessità morale e politica degli italiani; e purtroppo gli incidenti seguiti

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Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

alla pubblicazione della "Stampa" provano la giustezza di questa previsione.

Le sono molto grato, caro Ammiraglio, delle precisazioni che ha voluto darmi; ma io mi sento in obbligo di chiederle di voler intervenire perchè sia ritirata l'autorizzazione già data per la pubblicazione della "Stampa" e di voler evitare che altre ne siano date a giornali in analoghe condizioni.

La prego di gradire i sensi della mia più alta considerazione.

Ferruccio Parri

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Al Sig. Ammiraglio
Ellery W. Stone
Capo della Commissione Alleata

R O M A

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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

FILE No. PRB/20

SUBJECT: Italian Press Law

24 July 1945

TO : Chief Commissioner

1. Reference the attached.

2. According to my information the new Italian press law is still being drafted and we have not been able to get a copy. There was a draft prepared by the Italian Press Commission which apparently the government did not like and Parri, according to my information, is giving the matter his own personal attention.

G. S. Brown
Director, PRB

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/cb

20/PRB

24 July 1945

Dear Rag. Liverani,

I very much appreciate your letter of July 21 asking me if I could attend the conference of editors which will be held sometime in August in Milan.

I am very interested in the discussion which undoubtedly will take place at this conference and I will do my best to be present if you will let me know the definite date. In the event I cannot attend, I will see that we are represented by someone from our office.

Sincerely yours,

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director
Public Relations Branch

Rag. C. Liverani,
Consigliere Delegato
A.N.S.A.
Via Propaganda 27
Roma

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AGENZIA NAZIONALE STAMPA ASSOCIATA

(SOC. COOPERATIVA PER QUOTE A RESPONSABILITÀ LIMITATA)

DIREZIONE - REDAZIONE
AMMINISTRAZIONE

ROMA - VIA PROPAGANDA, 27
Telefoni: 60.456 - 60.457 - 63.996

Roma, 21 luglio 1945.

Mr. G. STEWART BROWN
Director Public Relations Branch
R O M A

Per iniziativa dell'ANSA avrà luogo a Milano - nella prima decade di agosto - un convegno nazionale di tutti gli editori dei giornali italiani.

Scopo del Convegno - al quale sono stati invitati, come osservatori, anche i dirigenti di tutte le Agenzie giornalistiche estere, comprese quelle non associate all'ANSA - si può così riassumere: Modifiche allo Statuto Sociale e rinnovo delle cariche sociali dell'ANSA in seguito alla adesione all'Agenzia stessa di tutti i giornali del Nord Italia.

In tale occasione saranno illustrati lo spirito democratico ed il carattere di assoluta indipendenza ed obiettività che costituiscono il principale fondamento dell'ANSA, nonchè la complessa organizzazione creata per la fornitura alla stampa in genere di vasti notiziari nella forma più rapida ed economica.

Molto gradiremmo, Mr.Brown, ch'Ella intervenisse a questo importante Convegno, che offrirà la tangibile dimostrazione di come la stampa nazionale italiana si sia profondamente rinnovata, dando vita, tra l'altro, in forma cooperativa e sull'esempio delle maggiori Agenzie americane, ad una propria Agenzia di stampa, in piena aderenza alle nuove concezioni che caratterizzano lo spirito della nuova Italia, liberatasi finalmente dalla schiavitù fascista.

Contiamo, perciò, sulla Sua cortese adesione, sia pure in qualità di osservatore.

Mentre ci riserviamo di comunicarLe la precisa data del Convegno, restiamo in attesa di un Suo cenno di riscontro.

Con osservanza.

IL CONSIGLIERE DELEGATO
(Rag. Liverani)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: 21606
Date/Time of Origin: JUL 211130B
Message Centre No: F/720
Date Time Rec'd: JUL 220930B
Precedence: IMPORTANT

FROM: PWD MAJ GEORGE W. ELSEY PWD

TO : STEVARD EWON HQ ALLIED COMMISSION ROME, RUSSELL BARNES DIRECTORE P/D PAPIER

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All papers appeared in TURIN this morning including LA NUOVO STAMPA.. Everything seems to be under control. GAZZETTA D'ITALIA scheduled to appear Monday or latest Tuesday. Both LA NUOVO STAMPA and GAZZETTA approved by ACC CLN and AFB.

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ACTION: PWB Relations Sr
INFO: Chief Commissioner
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Ref: 454

Message Center No. F/531

Date/Time of Origin: 20 July 45

Date Time Rec'd: Jul 2019Z18

Precedence: URGENT

From: BULLOCK, from PX PIRANNIE from MARSHALL

To: ADMIRAL STONE

1. Damage at La STAMPA plant negligible.

2. Publication of all papers will resume Saturday morning under complete accord with all parties in interest. GAZETTA DEL POPOLO with slight modification in title will resume very shortly.

3. Officer this Headquarters reporting home tomorrow will furnish additional details upon arrival.

4. Situation under complete control.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: 12 F-1

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE 29/1210

Message Centre No: F/5/0

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 30/2000B

Precedence: URGENT

FROM: BROWN FREEDOM MEDIC FROM BULLOCK

TO : AC HQ ALCOM ROME FOR MEDIC +

IN CLEAR.

MARSHALL ed TURIN reports damage at LA STAMPA plant negligible. publication all papers resumes Saturday under complete accord between all parties interested. GAZZETTA DEL POPOLO will resume with slight change in title. situation under complete control. officer FRONTINI will be in ROME tomorrow with full details. MARSHALL informs no he doesnot anticipate any outward manifestations but says subversive elements are strong and determined nevertheless.

DAY BULLETIN:

Representatives of parties, newspapers and press agencies in MILAN have decided to form a press commission for northern ITALY first to collaborate with AC as consultants secondly to do over functions of AFB later thirdly to prepare for ultimate fusion of that commission with press commission in ROME fourthly to help draft the new Italian press law and finally to advise press officers of "prefetture" on issue of permits to publish newspapers and magazines. Commission will be made up of 1 CLNAI representative, 1 representative each party of CLN, 1 representative of the independent parties and 1 representative of Association of Journalists ?

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

20 July 1945

Subject: Dispute at Office of 'LA STAMPA'

To: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission

Following is telephone message from Captain Thatcher, AMG Lombardia, 1630 hours:

"I am relaying message from Colonel Selby, Regional Commissioner of Piemonte, and he is referring to message from Admiral Stone.

"Admiral Stone addressed two questions to the Regional Commissioner of Piemonte.

1. How much damage was occasioned by the dispute at the office of 'LA STAMPA'?

   Answer: No damage to plant or property, but a number of archives of the paper were thrown into the street and burned. There was no other public disturbance.

2. Has publication been resumed?

   Answer: No, as the matter is under consideration by Regional Commissioner."

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L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
AO to CC

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

JNL/am
17 July 1945

Ref : TIX/HQ/P/2/3

Subject : Status of Fascist newspapers belonging to the "Ente Stampa".

To : Director of Public Relations Branch, Allied Commission

1. Ref. your letter PRB/20 of 13 June 45.

2. I am enclosing copy of letter from PC Reggio Emilia, which is self explanatory, and will furnish detailed information when available.

For the Regional Commissioner:

John N. Lummus

JOHN N. LUMMUS
Major, AUS
(Actg)Executive Officer

18 JUL 1945

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Province of Reggio Emilia- Emilia Region
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

REF : RIX/RE/IOI 16 July 1945

SUBJECT : Status of Fascist Newspapers belonging to the "Ente Stampa".

TO : Regional Commissioner,
H.Q. Emilia Region.

1. Ref. your RIX/HQ/P/2/3 dated 17 June I945.

2. The newspaper "Il Solco Fascista " is defunct. It has been taken over by the Reggio Democratica, a CLN sheet published daily.

3. Reply to your letter was held up due to unsatisfactory information received from Italian officials regarding the present status of this newspaper. Today Dr. ALBERTO DI MONTE appointed by the "Presidente Consiglio dei Ministeri" arrived to liquidate said newspaper and therefore I should have a complete report in the very near future as to the condition of this publishing company.

18 JUL 1943

/S/

STEPHEN M. YOUNG, Major, A.U.S.
Provincial Commissioner

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13 June 45

SUBJECT: Status of Fascist Newspapers Belonging to the old "Ente Stampa"

TO : Col. A.C. Bowman, Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region
Brig. D. K. Dunlop, Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region
Col. N.W. Monfort, Regional Commissioner, Venezia Giulia
Col. C. Polotti, Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region

1. We have received a request from the Italian Government for information regarding the present status of certain newspapers in your territory which were owned in part or in whole by the Fascist Government through the old "Ente Stampa". The newspapers concerned are:

"Il Solco Fascista" - Reggio Emilia - Societa Anonima Editrice Reggiana

"Il Veneto" - Padova - S.A.G.A.

"Vedetta d'Italia" - Fiume

"Il Popolo del Friuli" - Udine

"La Provincia" - Como

"L'Arena" - Verona

"Vedetta Fascista" - Vicenza

2. Any information you could give us would be greatly appreciated.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director, Public Relations Branch

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ETTORE PASEVI

Rome, July 16th, 1945

Admiral
Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome, Italy

Dear Admiral,

(29 PRB)

In acknowledging your letter of July 12th, 45, I take the opportunity of thanking you for your kind assistance in the question of General Bencivenga's newspaper.

I may inform you that no further result has been as yet obtained, owing to the change in press matters which the recent reorganization of the Italian Government has brought about and following which the State Department for the Press has ceased to exist. However, the General will certainly follow your advise and contact Mr. Francesco Cavallotti or Mr. Lazzara.

With best regards,

/s/ Dr. Ettore Pasevi

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH JPL/DO

20/FRB 14 Luglio 1945

OGGETTO : Trasporti in Sardegna.

A : Redazione del "Globo"
Via San Basilio 45

A proposito dell'accenno fatto nell'articolo "E la nostra lignite ?", pubblicato su "Il Globo" dell'8 luglio u.s., alle deficienze di trasporti quale una delle cause della scarsa produzione di carbone in Sardegna, la Sotto-commissione per i Trasporti desidera che codesto giornale pubblichi i seguenti dati sull'attuale situazione dei trasporti in quell'isola :

(a) Strade : Nell'aprile 1945 vi erano 280 veicoli circolanti sotto il controllo dell'ENAC e ve ne erano solo 85 fuori uso. Da allora l'Esercito italiano ha riconsegnato 93 veicoli per uso civile.

(b) Naviglio : L' "Abbazia" e il "Campidoglio" fanno ciascuno la traversata Cagliari - Napoli ogni quindici giorni. Il "Langano" fa la traversata Olbia - Civitavecchia due volte la settimana.

(c) Strade ferrate : Non vi sono limitazioni di sorta sui treni passeggeri e vi sono servizi quotidiani sui treni merci. Fra Olbia e Cagliari vi sono due treni passeggeri al giorno e treni merci partono quotidianamente da Cagliari per i centri principali dell'isola senza alcuna limitazione per il trasporto delle merci. Durante il mese di aprile sono state trasportate 24.690 tonnellate di merci. Le "Strade Ferrate Sarde" fanno una corsa giornaliera fra

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Sassari e Alghero e due corse al giorno di andata e ritorno fra Sassari e Sorso. Le "Meridionali" hanno otto corse al giorno, di andata e ritorno, da Iglesias alle miniere di carbone; la linea è in condizioni ottime, tali da poter trasportare il doppio della quantità di carbone attualmente ricavato.
Per concludere, in fatto di servizi ferroviari la popolazione della Sardegna è servita molto meglio che non quella di qualsiasi altra parte della Sicilia o della Penisola.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

Copia a : Transportation Sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Transportation Sub-commission

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Tel. Ext 318 541

AC/656/89/Tn.3

13th July 1945

SUBJECT. Traneport in Sardinia

TO. Public Relations Branch /

1. Reference is made to articles in the "Globo", the "Italia Libera" and the "Secolo XX", which appeared in the Daily Digest of Rome Press on July 8th 1945.

2. The assertions made in the above articles as to the state of transport in the island of Sardinia are quite untrue, and bear no relation at all to fact. The present transport position is as follows -

(a) Road. In April 1945 there were 280 serviceable vehicles under ENAC control, and only 85 unserviceable. Since then, a further 93 vehicles have been handed back to the civilians by the Italian Army.

(b) Shipping. The "Abbazia" and the "Campidoglio" make one trip each a fortnight, from Cagliari to Naples. The "Langano" makes two trips a week from Olbia to Civitavecchia.

(c) Rail. There is no restriction at all on passenger travel, and there are daily freight services. There are two trains a day from Olbia to Cagliari (passenger) and daily freight services operate out of Cagliari to main points of the island, there being no restriction on the movement of goods. In April 24,690 tons of freight were moved. The Strado Ferrate Sarde runs a daily service from Sassari to Alghero, and two round trips daily from Sassari to Sorso. The Meridionali operates 3 round trips daily out of Iglesias to the coal mines; the line is in first class condition and

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SUBJECT. Transport in Sardinia

TO. Public Relations Branch /

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3. Will you please bring these facts to the notice of the papers mentioned above, and ask them to publish statements on the true position of transport in Sardinia.

For the Director,

M.J. SIFF, Colonel.

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14 July 45

SUBJECT: Miss Doris Duca

TO : Col. R. R. Cripps
Local Government Sub-Commission

1. Reference is to the attached.

2. There is a Miss Doris Duca employed as a secretary by the Rome correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune. She has been employed there for one year. She denies that she has been in northern Italy for more than a year. The correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune is a new man who just arrived three weeks ago and he has no way in knowing whether her statement is correct or not. Apparently he has had some other reports on her which have not been too favorable and he informed me that it is his intention to let her go.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

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JPL/DO

13 luglio 1945

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OGGETTO : Presunto scomparsa del fascicolo personale di Gino Tirone.

A : Redazione dell' "Avanti", Corso Umberto 479

Sull' "Avanti!" di questa mattina, 13 luglio, è stata letta da questi uffici la notizia della scomparsa del fascicolo personale di Gino Tirone dagli Uffici della Questura.

Questa notizia è completamente infondata e la nostra "Security Division" ci ha pregati di comunicare a codesta redazione che detto fascicolo si trova perfettamente al sicuro in mano di chi deve averlo.

Pertanto preghiamo vivamente codesta redazione di pubblicare sull'edizione di domani dell' "Avanti!" la rettifica di questa notizia falsa.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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To: Col. L. A. Jenny cd. Ristedt
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1st floor Room 60

Mr. Brown

The translation has been approved by Col. Jenny - Can it be released to "Microthursday" ?

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Released to "Microthursday" on July 13 by order of Mr. Brown. DDX

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RISPOSTE DEL COLONNELLO L.A. JENNY EX DIRETTORE DELLA SOTTOCOMMISSIONE PER I LAVORI PUBBLICI DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA, ALLE DOMANDE SOTTOPOSTE DA "RICOSTRUZIONE".

9 luglio 1945

D.1 – Ci è stato detto che Lei partirà presto per l'America. E' vero ?

R. – Sì, spero di partire fra giorni.

D.2 – Quanto tempo è stato in Italia ?

A. 21 mesi.

D.3. – Nella sua qualità di Direttore della Sottocommissione per i Lavori Pubblici della Commissione Alleata, e occupandosi dei problemi della ricostruzione durante questo periodo, quali sono state le sue impressioni sui Funzionari del Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici e delle Compagnie dei Servizi di interesse pubblico ?

R. – Posso dire con tutta franchezza che ho sempre trovato i funzionari del Ministero dei Lavori Pubblici e delle Compagnie di Servizi di interesse pubblico molto capaci e comprensivi e sono sempre stato in ottimi rapporti con loro. Nel periodo in cui preparavo i programmi di ricostruzione e ne dirigevo la messa in atto ~~• periodo in cui a volte era necessario essere severo •~~ ho sempre cercato di essere più un collaboratore che non uno che dava gli ordini. Forse questa è una delle ragioni per cui ho sempre avuto tutto il loro appoggio, tanto necessario per ottenere dei risultati concreti, poichè erano essi che eseguivano i lavori fatti per noi.

D.4 – Come si presenta, secondo Lei, il nostro problema attuale della ricostruzione ?

R. Questa domanda è assai vasta e vi si può rispondere solo in modo generico. Mai nella storia l'Italia ha dovuto affrontare un così immane ~~problema~~ compito di ricostruzione. Anche se lo avesse avuto non avrebbe dovuto affrontarlo con così poche risorse di materie prime, di impianti e di attrezzature come ne ha oggi.

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Sebbene un vasto programma di ricostruzione sia stato avolto con il nostro aiuto durante la guerra, ne rimane uno assai più grande da compiere. Per questo l'Italia non può più fare assegnamento sulla guida e l'aiuto degli Alleati nella misura possibile durante la guerra. Adesso essa deve valersi della sua iniziative e di quell'aiuto che può ottenere da ingegneri di fuori. Nessuno deve aspettarsi dei miracoli, perchè il compito è enorme e pieno di difficoltà.

D.5. - Recentemente abbiamo sentito dire che in America si erano formate delle Compagnie private con capitali privati con lo scopo di assumere l'opera di ricostruzione in Italia. Come possono simili compagnie venire qui a lavorare e perchè allora sono necessari dei crediti ?

R. - Questa domanda richiede una risposta piuttosto complessa. Ho letto sul "Secolo XX" che una simile compagnia si era formata, ma non so come intenda funzionare. Talvolta queste compagnie sono formate da imprese industriali con lo scopo di usare i loro prodotti esclusivamente per i lavori eseguiti da queste compagnie; talvolta sono formate da istituti finanziari o da altri istituti con interessi commerciali oppure nelle regioni dove queste compagnie intendono lavorare; e talvolta per un insieme di queste ragioni. Simili compagnie non intraprendono questi lavori per il pure piacere di lavorare.
Se non vien costituito un credito o se questo credito non è sufficiente e entrano in azione simili compagnie, è evidente che esse devono avere delle concessioni importanti, ivi compreso il controllo delle industrie che aiutano e dei loro commercio, a ricompensa dell'aiuto apportato alla loro riattivazione.
Se verrà costituito un credito ragionevole, l'Italia potrebbe assumere degli ingegneri neutrali privati come consulenti e potrebbe ottenere macchinari ed impianti per mezzo di concorsi fra le industrie americane, avendo così il vantaggio di avere il miglior macchinario al prezzo più basso. In questo caso gli ingegneri non avrebbero interesse ad avere concessioni o il controllo delle industrie.

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Tutto la questione si riduce a sapere se l'Italia potrà disporre di crediti sufficienti. Se questi crediti non ci saranno, dato che l'Italia deve incominciare la sua ricostruzione, sembrerebbe che vi sia poca scelta da fare.

D.6 - Cosa può fare l'Italia per dare inizio ad un energico programma di ricostruzione, particolarmente delle sue industrie ?

R. - Questa è una domanda molto importante ed è difficile rispondervi in modo semplice.
Vi sono molte cose che il Governo probabilmente potrebbe fare.
Prima di tutto le industrie private dovrebbero sapere in che misura il Governo risarcirà i danni di guerra per aiutare nelle spese di ricostruzione. Nel "Decreto senza tetto", che ha avuto la nostra piena approvazione, il Governo ha dichiarato quanto avrebbe pagato ai proprietari privati per la ricostruzione delle loro case. Basandosi su questo, in tre mesi dalla pubblicazione di questo Decreto, circa 20.000 proprietari di case, in circa 400 comuni dell'Italia Centrale, hanno iniziati i lavori di ricostruzione per un valore di circa 2 miliardi di lire. Questo è stato il più energico incoraggiamento dato alla iniziativa privata per lo sforzo per la ricostruzione ed ha procurato lavoro a molte migliaia di persone.
Se il Governo facesse una legge simile per le industrie, queste industrie saprebbero che cosa aspettarsi e molte di esse, e forse quasi tutte, otterrebbero dei finanziamenti privati per ultimare i lavori. Questo aiuterebbe molto l'attuale situazione finanziaria d'Italia e darebbe da lavorare a centinaia di migliaia di uomini e donne.
Che gli Italiani abbiano abbastanza spirito di iniziativa per intraprendere questa opera, una volta che sappiano quale sarà il contributo del Governo, è già stato dimostrato dai 20.000 proprietari di case private, che avevano fatto pochissimo finchè non sapevano che cosa dovevano fare, ma che poi si misero energicamente all'opera.

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Il Governo ha già spesso grosse somme per la riabilitazione di alcune industrie fondamentali e a me sembra che una politica nazionale uniforme per i contributi governativi alle industrie tutte, darebbe dei benefici risultati.
Mai, nella storia d'Italia, l'iniziative individuale è stata così importante come oggi.

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QUESTIONNAIRE OF "RICOSTRUZIONE"
INTERVIEW WITH COL. L.A. JENNY,
FORMER HEAD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES
SUB-COMMISSION.

July 9, 1945

Q. 1 - We have heard that you were going to leave for America soon. Is that correct?

A. - Yes, I hope to be leaving for America shortly.

Q. 2 - How long have you been in Italy ?

A. - 21 months.

Q.3 - Having been Director of the Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission, A.C., in charge of reconstruction during this period, what has been your impression regarding officials of the P.W. Ministry and Utility Companies?

A. - I can say very frankly that I have always found the officials in the Ministry of Public Works and the Utility Companies very helpful and cooperative and that I have always had very excellent relations with them. While I have made the programs of reconstruction and have directed their execution, ~~and it was necessary at times to take a firm stand,~~ I have always tried to be more of a collaborator with them, than a Director over them. That may have been part of the reason why I always had their full support which was needed so much to obtain results, because they were the ones who had to execute all of the work done for us.

Q. 4 - What in your opinion is the present picture of our reconstruction problem ?

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A. - As that is a very broad question it can only be answered in a broad sense. Never in the history of Italy has this country been confronted with such a huge construction task. Even if it had, it would never have had to face such a task with so little in material resources, plant and equipment to do this work as it is confronted with today. While a very large reconstruction program has already been completed with our assistance during the war, a much larger task remains to be done. To accomplish this Italy can no longer depend upon Allied guidance and help to the extent possible during the war. It must now rely upon its own initiative with such possible help as it may get from outside engineers. No one should expect miracles, as the task is an enormous one full of difficulties.

Q. 5 - We heard recently that private companies were being formed in America with private capital to undertake reconstruction work in Italy. How can such companies come here and do such work, and why then is a credit needed ?

A. - That question requires a somewhat elaborate answer. While I have read in "Il Secolo XX" of one such company being formed I do not know how it plans to function. Sometimes such companies are formed by industrial enterprises for the purpose of having their products used exclusively in the work done by such companies; sometimes they are formed by financial institutions or others interested in trade or otherwise in regions where such a company is to operate; and sometimes for a combination of these purposes. These companies do not engage in such work for the pleasure of doing so. If no credit is established, or insufficient credit, to pay for exports, and companies of this kind enter the field, it is obvious that they must have very important concessions, including the control of the industries helped, and their trade, as a reward for assisting in their rehabilitation.
If a reasonable credit is established, private neutral consulting engineers could be engaged by Italy and plant and machinery could be obtained by competitive bidding of American industries, from which Italy would benefit in getting the best machinery at the lowest price. In this case the engineers would not be interested in concessions or control of industries. The rehabilitation of Italy would be greatly advanced by engaging such expert neutral engineers and Italy could retain control of

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its industries.
The whole thing would seem to be a question of whether or not sufficient credit is made available for Italy. If it is not, and as Italy must begin its rehabilitation, it would seem to have little choice.

Q. 6 - What can Italy do to help to get an active reconstruction program started, particularly of its industries ?

A. - As that is a very broad and important question it is hard to answer in a simple way.
There are several things which the Government could probably do.

In the first place private industry should known how much of a war damage refund the Government will make towards the cost of reconstruction. In the "Decreto Senza Tetto", which had our full support, the Government has stated how much it will pay to private owners in the reconstruction of their houses. Based upon this knowledge, in 3 months after the Decree became Law, about 20.000 such house owners, in about 400 communes in Central Italy, had started reconstruction, costing about 2 miliards of lire. It has been the strongest impetus given to individual reconstruction effort in Italy and has given work to many thousands of people.

If the Government were to pass a similar Decree for industry, these industries would then know what to expect and many of them, or perhaps most of them, would then obtain private financing for balance of work. This would greatly help Italy's present financial position and it would bring work to hundreds of thousands of men and women all over Italy.
That Italians have enough initiative to undertake such work, once they know what the Government contribution will be, has been already demostrated by the 20.000 owners of private buildings, who did very little until they knew what they were expected to do, and then took vigorous action. The Government has already spent large sums in rehabilitating certain basic industries, and it would seem to me that a uniform national policy on Government contribution to all industries would have a very wholesome effect.
Never in the history of Italy was such individual initiative more important than today.

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INTERVIEW WITH " RICOSTRUZIONE "

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Questions-

1- We have heard that you were going to leave for America soon, is that correct ?
2- How long have you been in Italy ?
3- Having been Director of the Public Works and Utility Sub-Commission, A.C.., in charge of reconstruction during this period, what has beenyour impression regarding officials of the P.W. Ministry and Utility Companies ?
4- What in your opinion is the present picture of our reconstruction problem ?
5- We hear of Italian credit in America for exportation of materials and machinery needed in Italy? How can such credits be used ?
6- We heard recently that private companies were being formed in America with private capital to undertake reconstruction work in Italy; How can such companies come here and do such work, and why then is a credit needed ?
7- What can Italy do to help to get an active reconstruction program started , particularly of its industries ?

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TO: Chief Commissioner
(Through [redacted] Executive Commissioner)

The attached is submitted for approval and signature.

7.12.45

G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PRB

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To: P.R.B.

Reference Minute 1 above, letter is returned for dispatch. Copies have been withdrawn by cc and E.C.

13 July 45

E. Talbot

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PO/PRB 12 July 45

Dear Dr. Basevi:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter of June 6 but unfortunately it was held up in the process of liquidation through which the PWB, which has been responsible for the activities of the Allied Publications Board, is undergoing.

As you probably know, applications for authorization to print newspapers in territory under Italian government control are entirely within the jurisdiction of the Italian Press Commission. Unfortunately the last meeting of the Italian Press Commission was held three months ago and no decision was taken at that time on the application of General Bencivenga because apparently it was not accompanied with adequate documents. At that time the Commission was to meet again in a few days. Questions were subsequently raised as to the functions of the Commission and since then there have been no further meetings.

It is suggested that if General Bencivenga would contact Dig. Francesco Cavalletti or Dig. Lazzara at the former Undersecretariat of Press they will do whatever they can to help him.

Yours very truly,

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/s/ HENRY W. STONE
HENRY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Dr. Ettore Basevi
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Roma

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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

21 June 1945

TO: Mr. Stewart Brown, P.R.O., A.C.

Ref. the attached correspondence.

Marchese Cavalletti now informs me that the General Bencivenga's application was considered at the last meeting of the Italian Press Commission held about three months ago. No decision was taken as the application was not accompanied by the correct documents. At that time it was thought that the commission would be meeting again in a few days. Actually as you know, questions as to the function of the commission intervened and there has been no meeting since.

Since General Bencivenga had not insisted, no further action was taken. If the General will now contact either Cavalletti or Lazzara, at the Sottosegretariato, they will do what they can to help him.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

9 June 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Public Relations Office (Attention: Mr. Brown)

Reference attached correspondence, please investigate and draft appropriate reply for the Chief Commissioner's signature.

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
Staff Officer to the Chief Commr.

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ETTORE BASEVI

Rome, June 6th,1945

11,Via A.Guattani
Tel. 850 138

To the Admiral
Ellery W.Stone
High Commissioner
Rome, Italy.

Dear Admiral,

In reference to the conversation between you and General Bencivenga, at which I had the honour to assist in my quality of Chief of Press of the Clandestine Front of Resistance, I have been asked by the General to submit to your attention a memorandum on the General's application for authorization for a daily newspaper to be published in Rome.

I therefore have the pleasure of presenting you the enclosed memorandum and am at your complete disposal for any further information you may want on the subject.

I beg you to accept, dear Admiral, my best regards,

(Dr.Ettore Basevi)

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CAMERA DEI DEPUTATI

PRESIDENZA

Rome, June 6th, 1945

M E M O R A N D U M

Re application for a daily newspaper by General R.Bencivenga.

On June 26th,1944 General Roberto Bencivenga presented a first application for a daily newspaper to be published in Rome to A.P.B.,P.W.B.

P.W.B. having already authorized the six daily papers of the C.L.N. and three more papers ("Tempo", "Italia Nuova", "Voce Repubblicana") declined to give permission for another daily.

On July 15th,1944 P.W.B. turned over to the Italian authorities and precisely to the "Sottosegretariato Stampa, headed at that time by Spataro,member of the Demo-Christian Party, all the questions concerning the Roman press.

In this occasion General Bencivenga addressed himself with various letters to the Undersecretary in order to urge authorization for his newspaper without any result.

On December 30th,1944 General Bencivenga informed the authorities concerned of his intention to change the title of the daily by him requested from "IL PAESE" into "LA LIBERTA'". Again General Bencivenga did not obtain an answer.

In January 1945 authorization was issued for 13 new daily papers in Rome, but again the Italian Press Office refused to give permission for General Bencivenga's paper, vaguely indicating "paper shortage" as the reason for this refusal, whereas permission was given to people of no name or reputation whatsoever, to former fascist newspapermen and to businessmen who immediately after having obtained the authorization, sold the paper to those who offered the highest price.

The titles of the newspapers approved by the Italian authorities - amongst which are many for which application for publication had been presented long after General Bencivenga's request - are the following:

TRIBUNA (Chief editor Gaetano Natale);
LIBERA STAMPA (Chief editor Luigi Barzini Jr.,owner Ermete Santucci);
IL LAVORO (paper of the Confederation of Labour of the C.L.N. which disposes of another 7 newspapers in Rome only);
IL GLOBO (Chief editor Luigi Barzini Jr., owner Carlo Vaccaro);
IL SECOLO XX (Chief editor Lelio Ravà);

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LA PATRIA (publication of the Ministry of War);
IL GIORNALE DEL MATTINO (formerly "Corriere di Roma",publication of F.W.B.,owned by Perrone when still "Il Messaggero"); Chief Editor Arrigo Jacchia, financed by Perrone);
IL REPORTER (Local Roman news);
LA CAPITALE (owner Michele Campanelli);
L'INDIPENDENTE (Chief editor Enrico Molè);
L'EPOCA (Chief editor Leonida Repaci);
L'OPINIONE (Chief editor Armando Zanetti;authorized as a daily, but is being published as a weekly);
IL DOVERE (authorized as a publication of the Association of war veterans, has so far never been published);
IL PROGRESSO ECONOMICO (authorized as a daily,but has never been published).

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TO: Chief Commissioner
(Through Executive Commissioner)

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1. The attached letter is submitted for approval and signature.

C. STEWART BROWN
Director, PHB

7.11.45

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To: P.R.B.

Reference 1 above. Letter is returned for dispatch, copies having been withdrawn by C.C. and E.C.

13 July 45.

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12 July 45

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In reply to your fonogram of 10 July we are happy to inform you that the Allied Publications Board has authorized the "Franchi group" to establish an independent, non-party newspaper after the PRB newspaper GIORNALE LOMBARDO ceases publication on July 15.

In addition word has been sent to the representatives of the Allied Publications Board in Milan requesting them not to authorize the publication of any other newspaper which in any way, directly or indirectly, might be connected with the Crespi interests.

We trust this action meets with the approval of the Italian Government.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Professor Ferruccio Parri
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

Copy to: Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
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Translation

Presidency of the Council of Ministers

Ministry of the Interior
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Rome, 10 July 1945

To Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

TELEGRAM

For what concerns the permission to carry on the publication of the 'Giornale Lombardo' of Milan, this Government whose opinion was asked, stated that it approved of the direction being assumed by the 'Franchi Group', considering that this solution neither modifies nor troubles the situation of the Milan press.

It then came to the knowledge of this Government that the competent Allied Commission decided to split the succession of the 'Giornale Lombardo' in two new dailies: one to be directed by the 'Franchi Group', represented by Dr. Sogno, the other by the Administration of the Corriere, represented by Dr. Palazzi.

As it is well known that Dr. Palazzi is the Administrator General of Mrs Crespi, owners of the Corriere, and in any case, represents their interests, this Government cannot help being preoccupied by the serious repercussions that the fact of granting the Crespis or their representatives to publish a second daily might have on public opinion, and it therefore begs you to have the situation re-examined, for the 'Giornale Lombardo' to be entrusted to the 'Franchi Group'.

THE PRESIDENT

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MINISTERO INTERNO
MALA TONOGRAMMI
N.° 5929

Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri

GABINETTO Roma, 10 luglio 1945

F O N O G R A M M A

All'Ammiraglio Ellery STONE
Commissario Capo
Commissione Alleata
= R O M A =

In merito alla concessione di proseguire la pubblicazione del "Giornale Lombardo" di Milano, questo Governo, richiesto del suo parere, si è dichiarato favorevole all'assunzione della gestione da parte del "Gruppo Franchi", considerando che tale soluzione non modifica nè turba la situazione della stampa milanese.

Successivamente questo Governo è venuto a conoscenza che la competente Commissione Alleata ha deliberato di suddividere la succession del "Giornale Lombardo" in due nuovi quotidiani: uno da gestirsi dal "Gruppo Franchi", rappresentato dal Dott.Sogno, l'altro dall'Amministrazione del Corriere, rappresentata dal Sig.Palazzi.

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Essendo notorio che il Palazzi è Amministratore Generale dei Sigg.Crespi, proprietari del Corriere, e ne rappresenta in ogni caso gli interessi, questo Governo non può non preoccuparsi delle gravi ripercussioni che avrebbe sull'opinione pubblica la decisione di concedere ai Crespi o a loro mandatari la pubblicazione di un secondo quotidiano, e prega pertanto di voler cortesemente predisporre un riesame della questione, affinchè la continuazione del "Giornale Lombardo" venga affidata al "Gruppo Franchi".

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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12 July 45

Dear George:

Attached are copies of application for the publication of a Milan edition of "Il Tempo", an excellent independent daily presently published in Rome.

I understand that Col. Poletti is favorable to having such a paper appear in Milan but I believe your office should check with him before the request is considered at the next meeting of your regional AFB office.

Sincerely yours,

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

Mr. George Edman
PWC, P.W.B.
15th Army Group Hq.

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Attachment

c.: Miss Vining, PWB

QUESTIONNAIRE OF A.N.S.A. AGENCY
INTERVIEW WITH ADM ELLERY STONE
FOR THE ITALIAN AND FOREIGN PRESS

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A. 2. - Various announcements have been made by the responsible military authorities on this subject. It would not be appropriate for me to comment on them.

Q. 3. - What was the actual machinery, which liberated the Italian ex-prisoners of war, now passed under the control of the Italian military authorities?

A. 3. - Action followed instructions from the Combined Chiefs of Staff and subsequent negotiations with Italian government. We are glad an agreement has been reached.

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Q. 4. - What, in your opinion, are the possibilities of communications in Central, Southern, and North Italy returning to normal?

A. 4. - Obviously, as long as there are Allied military units and installations in Italy and Austria there will be some interruption of normal transport and communications services. Even assuming complete withdrawal, however, destruction has been such that it will be some time before normal condistions can be restored. The Allied Commission is doing everything in its power to restore communications to normal as fast as possible. We have had excellent cooperation from the officials of the Ministries of Posts and Telegraphs and Transports.

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Q. 5. - What possibilities of work for the Italian merchant marine, especially in connection with the immersion of our fleet in the Allied pool?

A. 5. - At present the Italian merchant marine which forms part of the Allied pool is fully employed. A greater share of its wartime tonnage will be allotted to Italy's specific needs as soon as Allied military needs permit.

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Q. 6. - What, in your opinion, are the possibilities regarding the quantity of grain which will be necessary for Italy to import in now to meet her needs, in view of the shortage determined by the adverse agricultural year?

A. 6. - This is difficult to say. Before the reports of a bad harvest it was estimated that 500,000 tons should be imported. With no definite figures on the extent of crop shortage it is believed that 1,200,000 tons may be needed. But this figure is subject to revision.

Q. 7. - What is the quantity and value of the total goods supplied to Italy by the Allied Nations since the beginning of the liberation of Italian territory?

A. 7. - Official accounting between Rome, Washington and London is not yet completed. As of spring, 1945 the estimated quantity was more than 2½ million tons valued at approximately $300 million.

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Jul 7 1950

SUBJECT: Attached

FILE No. 20/FRB

From : Chief Commissioner

7 July 1945

To : Mr. Brown

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G. Bernard Brown/mo.
G. BERNARD BROWN
Director, FRB

Check figures with following
Brig Anderson
Gen McKinley
Brig Gen Hoffman Smith
Col Monaghan
> Have seen estimates in dollars. Why are we unable to give any?

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G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PRB

Maj. L:

Please check thefigures in answere 1, 6, and 7 with the sub-commissions concerned. The Admiral xxxxxx himself gave me the figure in answer 1 but I would like to have it checked with the coal people to be sure.his statement is correct.

Mr. B.

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Translation

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INTERVIEW WITH ADM. ELLERY STONE
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Translation

Rome, 1 July 45

To : Mr. G. Stewart Brown
Director
Public Relations Branch

Rome

Will you kindly submit to Adm. Stone the attached questionnaire, which we have prepared for distributing the opinion of the Head of the Allied Commission in Italy on some important problems of our country to the national press associated to ANSA.

We trust that you will favourably consider our request and we thank you for all the kindness you always had towards us.

(sgd)

The Chairman of the Board of Directors

G. LIVERANI

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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: File No.

TO : Mr. Brown

Mrs. Oxilia
Please translate and I will discuss with the admiral.
JCB.

Will you please let me know what you think about the attached questionnaire. I suppose Adm. Stone will not and cannot answer it. If you think Adm. Stone might take it into consideration, I'll translate it.

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AGENZIA NAZIONALE STAMPA ASSOCIATA

(SOC. COOPERATIVA PER QUOTE A RESPONSABILITÀ LIMITATA)

DIREZIONE - REDAZIONE
AMMINISTRAZIONE

ROMA - VIA PROPAGANDA, 27
Telefoni: 60.456 - 60.457 - 63.996

Roma, 1 Luglio, 1945

Mr. G.STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch
R O M A

Preghiamo vivamente la Sua cortesia di voler sottoporre al Sig. Ammiraglio Stone l'unito questionario, che abbiamo formato per poter diramare alla stampa nazionale associata all'ANSA, il giudizio del Capo della A.C. in Italia in merito ad alcuni importanti problemi riguardanti il nostro Paese.

Siamo certi ch'Ella vorrà favorirci e Le porgiamo per questo e per tutte le altre cortesie usateci il nostro vivo ringraziamento.

Coi più distinti saluti.

IL CONSIGLIERE DELEGATO
(rag.C. Silverani)

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QUESTIONARIO CHE L'AGENZIA "A . N . S . A ."
SOTTOPONE ALL'AMMIRAGLIO ELLERY STONE PER
UNA INTERVISTA DA DIRAMARE ALLA STAMPA ITA=
LIANA ED ESTERA

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1) Qual'è il suo pensiero sulla ripresa della vita democratica, economica e industriale dell'Italia ?

2) Che cosa può dirci circa l'annunciato graduale ritiro delle truppe Alleate dal territorio italiano ?

3) Come è avvenuta praticamente la liberazione degli ex pri= gionieri di guerra italiani passati sotto il controllo delle Autorità militari italiane ? Vi sono accordi per il rimpiego di questi ex prigionieri nelle forze militari o nella vita civile ?

4) Quali sono,nel suo giudizio,le possibilità di un ritorno alla piena normalità nelle comunicazioni fra l'Italia centro-meridionale e le regioni settentrionali ?

5) Quali sono le possibilità di lavoro che si prospettano per la marina mercantile italiana,specie in rapporto all'acco= glimento del nostro naviglio nel "pool" della marina percantile Alleata ?

6) Quali ritiene che possano essere le possibilità riguardo ai rifornimenti di grano che l'Italia dovrà importare dall'este= ro per coprire il fabbisogno,in rapporto alla scarsità del prodotto determinata dall'andamento stagionale dell'annata agricola ?

7) Qual'è,in quantità ed in valore,l'ammontare complessivo degli aiuti e dei soccorsi forniti dalle Nazioni Unite all'Ita= lia dall'inizio della liberazione del territorio italiano ad oggi ?

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4 July 45

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Your letter of July 6, protocol number 535, has been carefully considered here at the Allied Commission and by the Allied Publications Board which is the body charged with executing decisions of Allied Forces Headquarters with respect to matters dealing with newspapers in territories under the control of Allied Military Government.

It is the feeling both of the Allied Commission and the Allied Publications Board that you have been misinformed as to the actual terms of the plan approved by Allied Forces Headquarters for handling those Italian newspapers which had a national and international reputation prior to the advent of fascism and which during the fascist regime were obliged, generally by forced change of ownership, to subscribe to fascist policies. The provisions of the plan dealing with pre-fascist papers is attached hereto.

The instructions from AFHQ, which had the prior concurrence of the Bonomi government, specifically authorized the reappearance of these famous newspapers on condition 1) that the personnel and administration first be purged, 2) that a commissario be appointed to administer the newly spurated newspaper, and 3) that all profits of the newspaper, questions of eventual ownership and control of the newspaper be left to the Italian government to settle when it assumed jurisdiction in the north with the important condition that the properties should not be returned to fascist control.

You can readily see that there was no intention on the part of the Allies to protect the interests of the fascist owners of these properties; quite on the contrary the question of the eventual disposition of these properties was left in suspense for the Italian government to settle. It was our intent, however, to see that these famous and independent pre-fascist newspapers of Italy with a reputation for presenting news and information in an impartial

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and non-political manner should be preserved. The fact that the fascist regime took over, by one means or another, these papers and forced them to publish its point of view does not obscure the point that these newspapers are entitled to return to their pre-fascist and democratic status even prior to the settlement of the question of ownership. As you will see from the exact terms of paragraph seven of the instructions dealing with this subject which is attached hereto, the previous Italian government agreed that none of these newspapers would be returned to the control of fascist owners.

I have gone into this in some detail as I am sure you did not understand either the intent of the Allies or the specific provisions of the plan. These provisions exclude, as your letter would seem to suggest to the contrary, that the pre-fascist papers are being revised for the benefit of the owners during fascism. Our intention was quite the contrary. I am sure you will agree that it is only fair that those newspapers which defended democracy prior to fascism until they were forced into the hands of other owners should be permitted to cleanse themselves of this hateful period and resume their glorious tradition under new and democratic owners.

Yours very truly,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN
Chief Commissioner

Professor Ferruccio Parri
The President of the Council of Ministers
Italian Government
Rome

Attachment: Para 7 of "Press Plan for Northern Italy"

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Copy to: Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
Political Advisors - British and American
Miss Vining, PWB, Rome
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20 April 1945

PRESS PLAN FOR NORTHERN ITALY

7. Pre-Fascist Papers. Papers with a pre-Fascist history, which had, however, been taken over and run as Fascist periodicals, will be suspended on Allied entry, pending the appointment of a Commissario by the AMG Regional Commissioner. As soon as the Commissario can show that epuration is completed, these papers will be allowed to re-appear under their own and historic titles, but as independent non-party information sheets. If the Regional Commissioner considers it necessary or if an appeal to the Regional Commissioner is made by responsible elements of the community, a committee of three will be attached to the Commissario in a consultative capacity. The papers will conform to all economic and other restrictions imposed by wartime conditions on the press as a whole.

Any profits accruing will be frozen by the Commissario who will retain control until the area is returned to Italian administration. Question 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.

Translation

F. R. S.

The President of the Council of Ministers
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Rome, 6 July 1945

Dear Admiral,

the complete liberation of the country has enabled us to know concretely the situation of the press in the various towns of the North, and the attitude of public opinion towards it. In practice, the previsions, according to which the agreement of March 26th with President Bonomi was made, didn't prove to correspond with the real state of things in Milan, and as you well know, the publication of the 'Corriere della Sera' met with such difficulties that the Allied Administration deemed it advisable to give it up. The difficulties for the Turin newspapers are in no way smaller, as Undersecretary told you during his visit and in the memorandum of June 30th, while I was away.

The conditions being such, I think the time has come for a definitive solution. According to the informations which are now in our possession, it seems to me that the solution proposed by you in n.2) para a) of the enclosure to your letter of March 10th, 1945, would be the best one from all points of view. More than any other one, this solution is also conform to justice, which would suffer greatly if the publication of ex-fascist newspapers was allowed in the North after having been forbidden in Rome.

The truth is that none of the newpapers which lived under the regime of dictatorship was able to save the minimum of dignity and moral authority which is indispensible for the fulfilment of the press in a democratic regime. The collections of the newspapers are an indiscutable proof of this fact, and the series of detailed and often ridiculous orders daily given by the dictator to all the newspapers of the peninsula prove the point of abjection they had reached. It is not possible to condemn the fascist regime and save at the same time its most efficacious collaborator, which for years poisoned the country with lies, exercising daily a corrupting action on the people, and thus participating in the most criminal deeds. Besides, no one would understand why small newspapermen are being epurated, while the unprejudiced ownerssof newspepers,which so greatly benefited from dictatorship, are left well alone.

The first of the two solutions you proposed last March, by definitely suppressing this press, will support in the Northern provinces our work for moral rehabilitation, which our country needs as much as bread. Besides, the publication of the said newspapers would not benefit national discipline, for it would certainly caused undesirable reactions among the working masses, and in the part of the population which most suffered; to them, this would mean safeguarding interests and men belonging to those which where most corrupted by fascism.

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s. Ferruccio Parri

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Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

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Roma, lì 6 Luglio 1945

Caro Ammiraglio,

la totale liberazione del paese ci ha messi ora in grado di conoscere concretamente la situazione della stampa nelle diverse città del Nord e l'atteggiamento della pubblica opinione verso di essa. All'atto pratico le previsioni, in base a cui fu formulata l'intesa del 24 marzo scorso con il Presidente Bonomi, si sono rivelate non del tutto rispondenti allo stato reale delle cose ed a Milano, come Ella sa, la pubblicazione del "Corriere della Sera" ha incontrato tali difficoltà, che l'Amministrazione Alleata ha giudicato opportuno rinunziarvi. Nè sono meno gravi le difficoltà per i giornali torinesi, com'ebbe ad informarla in mia assenza il sottosegretario Arpesani nella sua visita e con il pro-memoria del 30 giugno scorso.

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Al Sig. Ammiraglio
Ellery W. STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata

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Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

In queste condizioni è giunto, credo, il momento per una soluzione definitiva. In base ai dati di fatto oramai in nostro possesso a me sembra che la soluzione da lei proposta al punto 2°) capo a) dell'allegato alla sua lettera del IO marzo I945 sia la più indicata sotto tutti i punti di vista.Tale soluzione è anche più conforme di qualsiasi altra alla giustizia, che sarebbe gravemente lesa, se fosse consentita la pubblicazione di giornali già fascisti in Alta Italia, dopo essere stata proibita a Roma.

La verità è che nessuno dei giornali vissuto sotto il regime della dittatura ha potuto salvare quel minimo di dignità ed autorità morale, che è indispensabile allo svolgimento dell'alta missione della stampa in regime di democrazia.Le collezioni dei giornali ne costituiscono la testimonianza indiscutibile e la raccolta degli ordini minuziosi e spesso grotteschi impartiti dal dittatore ogni giorno a tutti i giornali della penisola documentano fino a qual punto di abbiezione questi fossero scesi. Non è possibile condannare il regime fascista e salvare nello stesso tempo il suo più efficace collaboratore, che ha avvelenato il paese di menzogne per anni, esercitando quotidianamente un'azione di corruttela sul popolo

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Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

e rendendosi solidale delle gesta più criminose. E poi nessuno comprenderebbe che, mentre si epurano i piccoli giornalisti, si rispettino gli spregiudicati proprietari delle testate dei giornali, tanto largamente beneficati dalla dittatura.

La prima delle due soluzioni da lei proposte nel marzo scorso, sopprimendo in maniera definitiva una tal stampa, varrà a sorreggere nelle provincie settentrionali la nostra opera di rinnovamento morale, che è per il nostro paese necessaria quanto il pane. La pubblicazione dei giornali in parola, oltre tutto, non gioverebbe alla disciplina nazionale, perchè provocherebbe certamente reazioni indesiderabili nelle masse operaie e nella parte più provata della popolazione, che vi vedrebbero la difesa di interessi e di uomini tra i più bacati del regime fascista.

Ferruccio Parri

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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

FILE No. .....

SUBJECT: INTERVIEWS WITH ITALIAN PRESS. 9th July 1945.

TO : ~~Major Loercos.~~ Mr. Brown

For your information here are the latest interviews given to the Italian Press:-

1. Interview with Col. de Wald, Fine Arts & Monuments S/C, ORMIS Agency - June 29th.
2. Interview with Industry S/C - ORMIS - 2nd July.
3. Interview with Major Boget, Industry S/C.(iron & steel), SECOLO XX - 4th July.
4. "Alimentary Situation in the North" - SECOLO XX - July 7.
5. Interview with Col. Glendinning, Industry S/C. -(Cement) SECOLO XX - July 9th.
6. Questionnaire answered by Col. Jenny, Public Works S/C. RICOSTRUZIONE - July 9th.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH JPL/DO

20/PRB 9 luglio 1945

OGGETTO : Articolo "La difesa Sanitaria della Nazione".

A : Spett. Redazione di "Il Quotidiano",
Largo San Carlo al Corso, 439 A.

In seguito alla cortese visita del Loro redattore, la Sottocommissione per la Sanità Pubblica ci ha chiesto di porgere le sue scuse a codesta Redazione per il malinteso sorto circa l'articolo "La Difesa Sanitaria della Nazione."

Come il Colonnello Frizelle ebbe già occasione di spiegare al Loro redattore, l'equivoco è sorto dal fatto che nel sommario quotidiano della stampa romana, fatto in questi uffici, la frase "malaria, febbre gialla e tifo vanno diffondendosi" era messa in posizione tale da far pensare che si riferisse soltanto alla situazione sanitaria in Italia e non a quella internazionale in genere.

Rinnovando le nostre scuse, preghiamo di gradire i nostri saluti distinti.

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JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

Copy to : Public Health Branch, Public Health Sub-Commission.

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Public Health Sub-Commission

6 July 45

AC/3042/3/4H

SUBJECT: - Harmful Reports on Public Health in Rome Press.

TO : - Public Relations Officer, Allied Commission.

1. Further to this office AC/3042/3/4H dated 30th June, a visit was received today from a representative of the "Quotidano", bringing with him the original article.

2. It was then seen that the remarks to which this Sub-Commission took exception were quotations from an American publication referring to world-wide conditions.

3. The unfortunate juxtaposition in the PRO Daily Digest of 29th June of the statement "Malaria, Yellow Fever and Typhus are spreading" with references to the Italian Health organization actually led to the interpretation that these conditions are spreading in Italy. This sentence was not qualified by noting that it was a quotation referring to international conditions.

4. While the representative of the "Quotidano" understood that the paragraph in the Digest was inevitably liable to misinterpretation, it would be appreciated if you would write to this newspaper officially, pointing out how the misunderstanding arose.

For the DIRECTOR:

C. M. WHITTLE,
Lt Colonel,
Chief, Public Health Branch.

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
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Rome, 6 July 1945

Dear Admiral,

The complete liberation of the country has enabled us to to know concretely the situation of the press in the various towns of the North, and the attitude of public opinion towards it. In practice, the previsions, according to which the agreement of March 24th with President Bonomi was made, didn't prove to correspond with the real state of things in Milan, and as you well know, the publication of the 'Corriere della Sera' met with such difficulties that the Allied Administration deemed it advisable to give it up. The difficulties for the Turin newspapers are in no way smaller, as Undersecretary told you during his visit and in the memorandum of June 30th, while I was away.

The conditions being such, I think the time has come for a definitive solution. According to the informations which are now in our possession, it seems to me that the solution proposed by you in n.2) para a) of the enclosure to your letter of March 10th, 1945, would be the best one from all points of view. More than any other one, this solution is also conform to justice, which would suffer greatly if the publication of ex-fascist newspapers was allowed in the North after having been forbidden in Rome.

The truth is that none of the newspapers which lived under the regime of dictatorship was able to save the minimum of dignity and moral authority which is indispensible for the fulfilment of the press in a democratic regime. The collections of the newspapers are an indiscutable proof of this fact, and the series of detailed and often ridiculous orders daily given by the dictator to all the newspapers of the peninsula prove the point of abjection they had reached. It is not possible to condemn the fascist regime and save at the same time its most efficacious collaborator, which for years poisoned the country with lies, exercising daily a corrupting action on the people, and thus participating in the most criminal deeds. Besides, no one would understand why small newspapermen are being epurated, while the unprejudiced owners of newspapers, which so greatly benefited from dictatorship, are left well alone.

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Ferruccio Parri

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HEAD UARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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PRB/20

6 July 45

Dear Avv. Libonati:

This is in reply to your letter of 11 June (Prot. St. 6319) in which you asked us for information regarding certain newspapers in northern Italy belonging to the old "Ente Stampa".

We have received the attached information regarding some of the papers listed in your letter.

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Director,
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Under-secretary for Press, Tourism
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Roma

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

1 July, 1945.

TO : H.Q., A.C.
(Attn. Public Relations Branch.)

SUBJECT : Status of Fascist Newspapers Belonging to the old "Ente Stampa".

FILE No : RKII/000.76

1. Reference your PRB/20 of 13th June, 1945, the following information regarding Fascist owned newspapers in this region has been obtained:-

(a) "Il Veneto" This paper has ceased to appear. SAGA is administered by a Commissario appointed by the CLN and later confirmed by the Prefect. At present SAGA prints the "Corriere Padovana" in accordance with a contract between the Commissario and PWB. All funds have been frozen and profit is used only for running the "Corriere Padovana". Quite a large sum of money has, however, accumulated. SAGA is also used to print "Vita Libera", the organ of the local CLN.

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Regional Commissioner

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VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
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13 June 45

SUBJECT: Status of Fascist Newspapers Belonging to the old "Ente Stampa"

TO : Col. A.C. Bowman, Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region
Brig. D. M. Dunlop, Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region
Col. H.W. Monfort, Regional Commissioner, Venezia Giulia
Col. C. Poletti, Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region

1. We have received a request from the Italian Government for information regarding the present status of certain newspapers in your territory which were owned in part or in whole by the Fascist Government through the old "Ente Stampa". The newspapers concerned are:

"Il Solco Fascista" - Reggio Emilia - Societa Anonima Editrice Reggiana

"Il Veneto" - Padova - S.A.C.A.

"Vedetta d'Italia" - Fiume

"Il Popolo del Friuli" - Udine

"La Provincia" - Como

"L'Arena" - Verona

"Vedetta Fascista" - Vicenza

2. Any information you could give us would be greatly appreciated.

C. STEWART BROWN
Director, Public Relations Branch

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Translation

11 June 45

Thank you very much for the kind information you sent me in your letter 20b/PRB, dated 4.6.45, concerning the present situation of the Limited Company "La Gazzetta dell'Emilia". The "Ente Stampa" ows 60% of the capital of the above Company.

I shall greatly appreciate if you will inform me as soon as possible on the situation of the other journalistic concerns of North Italy (see attached list), of which the "Ente Stampa" owes the whole or the majority of their social patrimony.

(sgd)

F. LIBONATI

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Roma, 11 giugno 1945

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Mr. G. STEWART BROWN
Director Public Relations Branch

R O M A

La ringrazio per le cortesi informazioni, pervenutemi con la sua lettera 20b/PRB in data 4.6.45, in merito all'attuale situazione della Società Anonima "La Gazzetta dell'Emilia" del cui capitale azionario l'Ente Stampa è proprietario per circa il 60%.

Le sarò molto grato se vorrà comunicarmi, appena possibile, altre informazioni in merito alle aziende giornalistiche del Nord Italia (elenco allegato), di cui l'Ente Stampa è interessato come proprietario delle totalità o delle maggioranze del patrimonio sociale.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
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Major Leacacos
It's my guess this was an OSS's story x
Suggest check with Galazzo
OSS's
PWB

5 July 1945

RC/2195

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Public Relations Section, Hq Allied Commission.

ATTEN: Mr. Stuart Brown.

1. At my suggestion, PWB published an article, inclosed, describing how Italian prisoners of war live in America. It occurred to me you might be interested in this story in Southern Italy.

Charles Poletti

CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

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CORRIERE LOMBARDO

I nostri prigionieri

Così vivono in America

Oltre i tre quinti collaborano con gli alleati in condizioni di maggiore benessere e libertà

Washington 27 giugno.

Circa 33.000 soldati e ufficiali italiani collaborano con gli Stati Uniti. Come membri di unità italiane di servizio, « Italian Service Unit », essi svolgono compiti che sono di solito affidati a truppe o a civili americani. Si tratta di volontari provenienti dalla massa di circa 50.000 Italiani che furono fatti prigionieri di guerra e trasportati negli Stati Uniti prima dell'8 settembre. Gli uomini dell'« I.S.U. » non soltanto sono stati sottoposti a un esame fisico e mentale, ma non sono stati accettati se non dopo accurate indagini condotte dal Ministero della Guerra americano al fine di constatare il loro antifascismo.

Il servizio dell'« I.S.U. » presso l'esercito americano include svariati compiti, escluso però il combattimento. Vari membri delle unità contribuiscono a preparare materiali da guerra da spedire oltremare, provvedono al montaggio dei veicoli, imballano accessori, verniciano gli autocarri, ecc. Altri lavorano nei campi dell'esercito come elettricisti, meccanici, carpentieri, giardinieri o sarti oppure si occupano del bucato per il campo o attendono al forno e alla cucina. Il Ministero della Guerra ne usa parecchi come impiegati: quelli che sanno l'inglese lavorano come traduttori e come interpreti.

Essi godono dello stesso vitto e dello stesso trattamento dei soldati americani e sono sottoposti alla medesima disciplina. 184 unità italiane sono disposte in 60 stazioni situate in 25 dei 48 Stati; i loro membri sono comandati da ufficiali e sottufficiali italiani, sotto il controllo americano.

In compenso dei loro servigi, i membri dell'« I.S.U. » sono trattati meglio dei prigionieri di guerra comuni ed hanno altre libertà. Non sono tenuti in recinti di filo spinato, non hanno guardie armate, non portano distintivi di prigionieri di guerra e godono di ogni libertà compatibile con le esigenze del campo. Le loro uniformi provengono dai magazzini dell'esercito americano e sono contraddistinte soltanto dalla parola « Italy » su bracciali verdi e bianchi e dal cappello con distintivo straniero.

Oltre ai programmi ricreativi organizzati dall'esercito americano, i volontari dell'« I. S.U. » partecipano a gite d'istruzione e possono assistere a manifestazioni religiose e sociali organizzate da gruppi civili in cooperazione con l'esercito. Possono venir ricevuti da famiglie di lingua italiana e ricevere a loro volta dei visitatori. E' assegnata loro la paga fissata per i prigionieri di guerra; inoltre, per lavori, i soldati vengono retribuiti con 24 dollari al mese. Gli ufficiali ricevono da 20 a 40 dollari al mese, a seconda del grado. Invece di versare loro la paga in parte con *coupons* che si possono spendere negli spacci dei campi e di depositare il resto che sarà consegnato all'atto del rimpatrio, come si fa per i prigionieri di guerra, a questi militari si dà un terzo della loro paga in contanti ed il resto in *coupons*.

Gli Italiani irreggimentati nelle unità di servizio sono addestrati come tutte le reclute americane, ma non vengono istruiti sulle armi da fuoco. Il loro addestramento comprende anche l'insegnamento n'è tutta una gamma, dagli ufficiali anziani ai più giovani che non hanno ancora raggiunto la ventina. Vi si trovano rappresentate tutte le categorie: professori di università, ingegneri e medici, nonchè artigiani e operai.

Tutti i prigionieri regolari, nonchè gli uomini dell'« I.S. U. » si occupano direttamente della propria mensa e ricevono gli stessi alimenti dell'esercito americano, con qualche variazione fatta tenendo conto delle preferenze italiane. Il *menu* tipico giornaliero, che comprende pane o crostini e burro per ogni pasto, si compone di frutta, cereali, latte, uova, caffè alla prima colazione; fagioli, lardo, verdura, insalata, frutta e limonata per colazione; bistecche, patate, cipolle, dolci e caffè a pranzo.

Le caserme dell'« I.S.U. » sono simili agli alloggiamenti dell'esercito americano e sono decorate con fotografie e disegni. Le loro sale di ricreazione contengono giochi, come il tennis da tavolo, gli scacchi, la dama, nonchè riviste e giornali in lingua italiana.

I militari italiani che rimangono prigionieri normali di guerra vivono in campi di prigionia. I loro recinti sono formati da una doppia siepe di filo spinato con guardiole situate nello stretto passaggio fra le siepi; e sono divisi in tre blocchi che comprendono abitazioni, mense, sale ed altri servizi. I prigionieri possono circolare liberamente entro i propri reparti e sono trattati con tutto il rispetto dovuto a soldati onorevoli. Hanno ricreazioni, quali i film o la radio; dispongono di campi sportivi e delle attrezzature di ricreazione dell'esercito americano. Ricevono completa assistenza dentistica e medica e assistono regolarmente ai servizi religiosi.

Secondo le clausole della convenzione di Ginevra i prigionieri di guerra, tranne gli ufficiali, possono essere adibiti a lavori di qualsiasi genere non attinenti direttamente alle operazioni militari. Essi vengono impiegati generalmente in lavori agricoli o legati alla alimentazione, in località in cui c'è deficienza di lavoro civile. Non possono lavorare più di sei giorni alla settimana tranne in casi eccezionali e non oltre dieci ore al giorno,

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Oltre ai programmi ricreativi organizzati dall'esercito americano, i volontari dell'« I.S.U. » partecipano a gite d'istruzione e possono assistere a manifestazioni religiose e sociali organizzate da gruppi civili in cooperazione con l'esercito. Possono venir ricevuti da famiglie di lingua italiana e ricevere a loro volta dei visitatori. E' assegnata loro la paga fissata per i prigionieri di guerra; inoltre, per lavori, i soldati vengono retribuiti con 24 dollari al mese. Gli ufficiali ricevono da 20 a 40 dollari al mese, a seconda del grado. Invece di versare loro la paga in parte con *coupons* che si possono spendere negli spacci dei campi e di depositare il resto che sarà consegnato all'atto del rimpatrio, come si fa per i prigionieri di guerra, a questi militari si dà un terzo della loro paga in contanti ed il resto in *coupons*.

Gli Italiani irreggimentati nelle unità di servizio sono addestrati come tutte le reclute americane, ma non vengono istruiti sulle armi da fuoco. Il loro addestramento comprende anche l'insegnamento dell'inglese per facilitare il loro lavoro con gli Americani.

Il trattamento dei prigionieri italiani fu alleviato fin dal 19 ottobre 1943, quando vari prigionieri, che erano stati sottoposti ad osservazione a cura del Ministero della Guerra per almeno sei mesi, ebbero il permesso di trasferirsi dalla loro sede al luogo di lavoro senza essere sottoposti a vigilanza. Quando l'« I.S.U. » venne inaugurato nel maggio 1944, il 76 per cento degli ufficiali e il 62 per cento dei soldati si offersero come volontari. Nel giugno 1944 essi avevano già contribuito allo sforzo bellico americano con oltre un milione di giorni-uomo lavorativi.

La maggior parte di questi Italiani è sui vent'anni, ma ce

giunto la ventina. Vi si trovano rappresentate tutte le categorie: professori di università, ingegneri e medici, nonchè artigiani e operai.

Tutti i prigionieri regolari, nonchè gli uomini dell'« I.S.U. » si occupano direttamente della propria mensa e ricevono gli stessi alimenti dell'esercito americano, con qualche variazione fatta tenendo conto delle preferenze italiane. Il *menu* tipico giornaliero, che comprende pane o crostini e burro per ogni pasto, si compone di frutta, cereali, latte, uova, caffè alla prima colazione; fagioli, lardo, verdura, insalata, frutta e limonata per colazione; bistecche, patate, cipolle, dolci e caffè a pranzo.

Le caserme dell'« I.S.U. » sono simili agli alloggiamenti dell'esercito americano e sono decorate con fotografie e disegni. Le loro sale di ricreazione contengono giochi, come il tennis da tavolo, gli scacchi, la dama, nonchè riviste e giornali in lingua italiana.

I militari italiani che rimangono prigionieri normali di guerra vivono in campi di prigionia. I loro recinti sono formati da una doppia siepe di filo spinato con guardiole situate nello stretto passaggio fra le siepi; e sono divisi in tre blocchi che comprendono abitazioni, mense, sale ed altri servizi. I prigionieri possono circolare liberamente entro i propri reparti e sono trattati con tutto il rispetto dovuto a soldati onorevoli. Hanno ricreazioni, quali i film e la radio; dispongono di campi sportivi e delle attrezzature di ricreazione dell'esercito americano. Ricevono completa assistenza dentistica e medica e assistono regolarmente ai servizi religiosi.

Secondo le clausole della convenzione di Ginevra i prigionieri di guerra, tranne gli ufficiali, possono essere adibiti a lavori di qualsiasi genere non attinenti direttamente alle operazioni militari. Essi vengono impiegati generalmente in lavori agricoli o legati alla alimentazione, in località in cui c'è deficienza di lavoro civile. Non possono lavorare più di sei giorni alla settimana tranne in casi eccezionali e non oltre dieci ore al giorno, incluso il tempo necessario per recarsi al lavoro e per tornare alla caserma.

I prigionieri di guerra soldati — che non hanno un impiego rimunerato percepiscono un'indennità di tre dollari al mese, mentre gli ufficiali, che lavorino o no, sono pagati secondo il loro grado.

I giornalisti americani che hanno visitato questi campi riferiscono che i prigionieri si mostrano contenti e che la loro maggiore preoccupazione è il benessere delle loro lontane famiglie.

Sulla vita dei prigionieri italiani che si trovano in Inghilterra, attendiamo nei prossimi giorni un particolareggiato resoconto da Londra.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 000.76

5 July 1945

SUBJECT: Rome Press and Radio Reports.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Reference telephone conversation (Bergin-Macnamara) regarding letter G-5 000.76 29 June.

The Foreign Office has been informed that the statements quoted by the French Press Agency as mentioned in this letter have been contradicted in the Italian Press and by Government officials and that the matter is now "dead".

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

C. J. MACNAMARA
Major, FC

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

5 July 45

4/16.F/CA

SUBJECT : Derequisitioning

TO : P.R.O.

I notice that Globo has recently carried a list of works derequisitioned in Naples.

It would, I believe, be a useful thing if publicity were given to derequisitions in Rome. Would you consider contacting RAAC (Real Estate) on it. CA Section is proposing to take up the whole subject with AFHQ.

C. D. Bonham Carter

A.D. BONHAM CARTER,
Lt., Colonel,
CSO CA Section

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5 July 45

The following message was telephoned to the Private Secretary of Avv. Cosattini (Presidency Office) on behalf of Mr. Brown on Thursday 5 July 45 at 18,00 hrs.

Pursuant conversation between Avv. Arpesani and Mr. Brown at the Admiral's home on Monday, Mr. Brown informs that if the new Italian Government is opposed to the reapparance of pre-fascist newspaprrs in North Italy such as La Stampa of ~~xxx~~ Turin, Prof. Parri should immediately get a letter to Admiral Stone to such effect so that a possible modification in the original orders may be discussed at AFHQ on Saturday. The Allied Commission cannot change the orders from AFHQ without the consent of AFHQ and to do so it must have an official letter from the Italian Govt. stating its opposition to the reapparance of these papers. Otherwise nothing can be done but carry out the original orders. The letter should be here by tomorrow (Friday) in order that the Admiral can take it to a meeting at AFHQ on Saturday.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

PR/SC

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2 luglio 1945

OGGETTO : Articolo "La Difesa Sanitaria della Regione" pubblicato in "Il Quotidiano" del 29 giugno u.s.

A : Spett. Redazione di "Il Quotidiano", Largo S.Carlo al Corso 429A.

1. Qui allegato trasmettiamo la traduzione di una lettera inviataci dalla Sottocommissione della Sanità Pubblica, con la preghiera di darne conoscenza a codesta Spett. Redazione.

2. Inoltre la detta Sottocommissione ci ha incaricati di riferire a codesta Redazione che sarà ben lieta di ricevere un Loro redattore per dargli informazioni orali sulla attuale situazione sanitaria in Italia perchè possano rettificare i dati erronei pubblicati nel suddetto articolo.

3. Il nostro ufficio è a Loro disposizione per fissare un appuntamento con la Sottocommissione della Sanità Pubblica.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

Copy to : Public Health Sub-Commission, Public Health Branch.

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Traduzione

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.C. 154
Public Health Sub-Commission

AC/3042/3/PH 30 giugno 1945

OGGETTO : Notizie dannose sulla Sanità Pubblica, pubblicate nella Stampa romana.

A : Public Relations Officer, Allied Commission.

Questa Sottocommissione protesta energicamente contro l'articolo di un certo Dott. Antonio Calsoni sul dilagare delle malattie infettive, apparso nel "Quotidiano".

Per quel che riguarda la malaria, è ancora troppo presto per poter dare dei dati precisi sulla diffusione di essa raggiunta; quel che è certo è che tanto il Governo Italiano quanto la Commissione Alleata e le Forze Armate Alleate stanno lavorando attivamente e prendendo provvedimenti energici per combatterla.

Quanto vien riferito in cadente articolo circa la febbre gialla è completamente infondato. Nè quest'anno nè l'anno scorso si è verificato alcun caso di febbre gialla nè sul continente nè in Sicilia nè in Sardegna. Una simile affermazione potrebbe avere ripercussioni gravi nei rapporti internazionali nel campo della Sanità Pubblica.

In quanto al tifo petecchiale, se ne sono avuti alcuni casi sporadici sul continente che però sono stati immediatamente contenuti; in Sicilia invece si è avuto una piccolissima epidemia.

La pubblicazione di notizie infondate ed allarmate è assai dannosa per il morale della popolazione, scuote la fiducia nei servizi della Sanità Pubblica e va tutto a disfavore dello autore e del giornale che pubblica notizie così avviate.

(firmato)
G.F. PIZZELL,
Lt Colonel.
Chief, Public Health Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Public Health Sub-Commission

AC/3042/3/PH

PH/GMF/ja
30 June 1945

SUBJECT: - Harmful Reports on Public Health in Rome Press.

To : - Public Relations Officer, Allied Commission.

This Sub-Commission wishes to protest in the strongest possible manner against an article written in the "Quotidano" by a Doctor Antonio Maissani on the subject of the spread of infectious diseases.

As far as Malaria is concerned, it is yet too early to be able to state that it is spreading and both the Italian Government, the Allied Commission and the Armed Forces are taking active and energetic measures to combat it.

The statement concerning Yellow Fever is entirely without foundation. No Yellow Fever has been reported from the Italian Mainland, Sicily or Sardinia either this year or last year. Such a statement is liable to provoke grave international repercussions in the sphere of Public Health relationships.

As regards Typhus, certain sporadic cases have occurred on the Italian Mainland but have immediately been sealed off, while small epidemics occurred in Sicily.

The publication of such wild and groundless statements is harmful to public morale, undermines confidence in the Italian Public Health Service and reflects unfavourably on the author and the paper which countenances such a travesty of the facts.

For the DIRECTOR:

G. M. GIGLIO,
Lt Colonel,
Chief, Public Health Branch.

Copy to: - PR CA Section (This refers to extract in PRO Branch Daily Digest of 29th June, page 3.)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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20/PRB

2 July 1945

SUBJECT: Attached letter from G-5, AFHQ.

TO : Political Advisors (American & British)

The attached letter was referred to PRB.

In my opinion the Political advisors are more competent than PRB to comment on the contents of the letter.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 000.76

25 June 1946

SUBJECT : Rome Press & Radio Reports

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394

1. This Section would be pleased to receive your comments on the following information received from the British Embassy at Rome.

2. It is mentioned that an organisation known as "French Press Agency" is quoted in the Italian newspapers as having broadcast the following information emanating from Rome:- Begins.

> Three ships which should have taken coal to Genoa destined for use in the factories of Northern Italy have been diverted by Allied authorities. This news has caused a deep impression in political circles. By acting thus, the Allies give warning to new Italian Government. It should be remembered that on the eve of the constitution of the Cabinet, the Allied Commission took care to remind them, in a communication issued to press, of condition which the new Government would have to respect according to the terms of the armistice. In the first place amongst these was the maintenance of existing political institutions.

3. Another reports which was also carried by the Rome Radio on June 23rd states: " The Allies have informed the Italian authorities that if the present labour agitation in the north of Italy does not end, they will be forced to replace Italian workers by German prisoners in important works."

For the Assistant Chief of Staff G-5

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C. J. MACNAMARA
Major, P.C.

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ROME, ITALY June 28th. 1945.

Director C.Stewart Brown,
Public Relations Branch,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

Re linotype machine 20/PRB- CSB/mew

Dear Sir;

Many thanks for your letter of June 12th. instant informing me that the said linotype machine was returned to my client and for the speedy manner in which you have had the matter settled. Renewing my thanks, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

E. Paul Yaselli

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

CSB/mew

20/PRB

12 June 1945

Dear Mr. Yeselli:

We have discussed the matter raised in your letter of May 15 to Admiral Stone with P.W.B. and according to our information the matter has now been settled directly with the S.T.E.

According to the information received from P.W.B. the linotype machine in question was returned to S.T.E. on June 4 and S.T.E. certified that they renounced any claims whatsoever against P.W.B., the Allied Forces, British or U.S. Governments.

We assume, therefore, that the matter has been settled amicably.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,

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C. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Mr. F. Paul Yeselli
15 A. Via A. Depretis
Roma

Info copy to: Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
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HQ. 15TH ARMY GROUP

PWB UNIT 18

APO 512, U. S. ARMY 8 June 1945

To: Mr. G. Stewart Brown, Director, PWB, Hq. Allied Commission, Rome

From: George W. Edman, PFC, PWB, 15th Army Group Hq.
Re: PWB/CC

Dear Stewart:

I enclose a letter from Major Pisco regarding the matter referred to in your communication to me of May 16th, in which you enclosed correspondence from the lawyer for the Societa Tipografica Editrice. Let me know if there is anything further we can do in this connection.

Sincerely yours,

George W Edman

GEORGE P. EDMAN, PFC
PWB 15TH ARMY GROUP HQ.

cc: Mr. F. Lyon, Administrative Officer

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

P.W B. 15th ARMY GROUP

P.W.B. UNIT No. 16 A.P.O. 512, U.S. ARMY

PRINTING AND PAPER DIVISION

5 June 1945

SUBJECT: Linotype machine belonging to Societa Tipografica Editrice Italiana

TO : Br. George W. Edman, PWO, PWB 15th Army Group Hq.

1. With reference to the linotype machine which PWB borrowed from S.T.E. and the claim made by S.T.E. to the Allied Commission for its purchase or return, the following action has been taken.

2. The subject linotype machine was returned to S.T.E. on 4 June 1945. S.T.E. certifies that it renounces any claims whatsoever against P.W.B., the Allied Forces, the British or U.S. Governments, being fully satisfied and contented with the return of the linotype machine in perfect running condition. The receipt for the return of this machine is held in our files.

3. Returned herewith is all the correspondence relative to this matter.

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JORDAN PISCOP
Maj, SC,
Deputy Chief, PWB-AFHQ Printing & Paper Division

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Mr. E:

I called Maj. Piscop's office and spoke to an Italian civilian there who said that Maj. P was still in Florence and Milan and doubted whether he'd be back here in the near future - he suggested that we send copies of the back correspondence along to a Mr. N. S. Geplin, Chief of the Paper and Printing Division #149 Via Quattro Novembre Rome - who is sort of taking Piscop's place.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/mew

20/PRB

23 May 1945

SUBJECT: Attached Correspondence

TO : Mr. N. S. Goplin, Chief
Paper and Printing Division
P.W.B.
149 Via Quattro Novembre

1. You will note that Mr. Edman states in his letter to Mr. Brown of 17 May that this matter is being handled by Maj. Piscop. After contacting your office today I found out that Maj. Piscop is not expected back in Rome for quite a while. The civilian that answered my inquiry as to whether any recommendations had been made on the matter told me to send the material over to you to handle in the absence of Maj. Piscop.

2. We would appreciate it if you could give us your ideas on the matter as soon as possible.

For the Director,

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Public Relations Branch
Allied Commission

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HQ. 15TH ARMY GROUP

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH

P. W. B. UNIT No. 14 - A. P. O. 512

17 May 1945

Dear Stewart:

Our Major Piscop knows about the linotype mentioned in your letter of May 16, 1945, I am sure, and I am asking him to deal with it.

My address has changed and it is about to change again. If you care to reach me, address me care of PWB, Unit 16, APO 512, U. S. Army. I am no longer head of PWB Liberated Italy. The title now is PWO, 15th Army Group Hq.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

GEORGE W. EDMAN, PWO
PWB 15TH ARMY GROUP HQ.

Mr. G.Stewart Brown,
Director, PRB
Allied Commission Hq.

cc: Major Piscop

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Maria

when an answer
comes in to this
note you are
began to prepare
a reply a

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In answer to date
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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16 May 1945

Dear George:

Attached is a letter from the lawyer for the Societa Tipografica Editrice presenting a claim for the purchase of a linotype machine by P.W.B.

I am trying to find out where claims of this type are adjudicated but in the meantime I would appreciate your comments on the claim in order to better determine how it should be handled.

I would appreciate it if you could do this at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Mr. George Edman
Head (LIBERATED ITALY) HQ.
P.W.B.
62 Via Veneto
Rome

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ROME, ITALY May 15th. 1945.

To Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Allied Command,
Via Veneto,
Rome.

From,
E.Paul Yaselli, as attorney for the Societa` Tipografica Editrice Italiana.

Subject- Claim for the purchase of a Linotype machine.

Dear Sir;

As attorney for the above firm, permit me to submit to you, for your consideration a claim by the said firm for the sum of lires 1,200.00, for a Linotype Machine taken from the said firm, by the P.W.B. on Nov. 28th. 1944. Up to date same has not been settled.

The undersigned presented a bill, for the above sum, to Mr. Robinson, of the P.W.B. in Feb. 1945. Mr. Robinson referred me to Mr. Paget, for his approval. Mr. Paget offered to pay lires 400.000.00. This sum the owner would not accept it, because to get such a machine today in Italy, one must pay about lires 2,000.000.

I took up the matter of the refusal on the part of my client with the P.W.B. and they referred me to the claims and Hirings Department, at Via delle Botteghe Oscure 46. This Dept. referred me to the U.S.Claims service, at Piazza dei Lombardi, Rome. This office said they had no jurisdiction in the matter and suggested I take the matter up with you personally.

Enclosed herewith is a photostat copy of the receipt left when the machine was taken; it was never requisitioned. The above firm has a large printing plant, employing over 100. persons and need such a machine very badly. If a satisfactory settlement in cash cannot be made, my client would be satisfied to get the machine back.

Trusting that this matter will receive your kind attention, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

E Paul Yaselli

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+WB — 8th Army

% Capt. Piscop
Via IV Novembre 149
Roma

The following items have been removed from Via Cesare Fracassini 60 —

1 — Morganthaler Linotype # 8 (model) Serial # 12149, complete, without motor.

Matrices — full set — 7 pt.
4 pt.
1 pt.

Liners: — 16 assorted sizes,
Space Bars — 18

1 — case of assorted brass
slugs and rules & miscellaneous

Received November 28, 1944
Allied Force H.Q.
% Rebel Force
Caserta 205

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TO: Chief Commissioner
(Through Executive Commissioner)

Th attached letter is submitted for approval and signature.

24.6.45

G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PRB.

P. R. B.

Letter signed & returned for despatch.
Copies withdrawn for CC & EC files

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Ref: PRB/20.

30 June 45.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

On June 18 His Excellency Signor Bonomi wrote me (Prot. 500) regarding the desire of the Honorable de Berti to publish in Venice a newspaper dedicated to the interests of Venezia Giulia.

In the opinion of the Allied Commission, it is not desirable to have a newspaper printed in Venice which would be devoted to polemics on such a delicate subject. We do not feel, therefore, that we can support this request.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner.

Professor Ferruccio Parri,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
R o m e.

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Copies for info. to:- Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
Political Advisors - British & American
Brig. D.K.Dunlop
Col. H.W. Monfort
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ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

FILE No. PMB/20

SUBJECT: Attached Letter

TO : Political Advisors - British and American

20 June 1945

1. Attached is a translation of a letter from Sig. Bonomi to the Admiral.

2. The Chief Commissioner has asked me to obtain the opinions of the two embassies as to whether you think the appearance of such a paper is advisable. As PAO I doubt the wisdom of having a paper exclusively devoted to Venezia Giulia published in Venice.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PWB

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Translation

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P.R.B.

The President of the Council of Ministers

Rome

Rome, 18 June 1945

Dear Admiral,

a group of citizens of Venezia Giulia, led by the old deputy, on. De Berti, want to publish in Venice a newspaper which would defend the interests of Venezia Giulia.

I think that such a paper - to be entrusted to people who have a keen sense of their responsibility - would greatly benefit the Italian cause and prove that Italy is concerned about the fate of those of her children who are far away.

I beg you, my dear Admiral to obtain the consent of the authorities of Venice for the publication of this paper.

Yours very truly,

s. I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
Rome

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Action: P.R.B.
Pol. Officer Comm'R
Exec Comm'R

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JUN 19 REC'D

Il Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri

Roma, 15 giugno 1945

Prot. 500

Caro Ammiraglio,

un gruppo di cittadini della Venezia Giulia, con alla testa l'antico deputato on. De Berti, vorrebbe pubblicare a Venezia un giornale che tuteli gli interessi della regione giuliana.

Io credo che un tale giornale - che sarebbe affidato a persone che hanno vivo il senso della responsabilità - farebbe molto bene alla causa italiana e sarebbe una prova dell'interessamento dell'Italia alla sorte dei suoi figli lontani.

La prego perciò, caro ammiraglio, di voler far consentire dalle autorità di Venezia la pubblicazione di detto giornale.

Con i migliori saluti.

F. Sorrano

Al sig. Ammiraglio
ELLERY W. STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata
R O M A

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Headquarters Allied Commission
Office of Political Adviser (A)

June 21, 1945

To: Director of Public Relations

Subject: Attached Correspondence

With reference to the attached correspondence concerning the desire of a group of citizens of Venezia Giulia to publish a newspaper in Venice exclusively devoted to their regional interests, I agree with the opinion of the Director of Public Relations Branch that it is questionable whether the appearance of such a paper is advisable. Could not its publication be stopped in view of the paper shortage and also because the proposed publication represents a limited number of people?

Robert H. McBride
Political Adviser (A)

Enclosure:

1. Correspondence

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Mr. McGuire

ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Attached Letter FILE No. PRB/20

TO : Political Advisors - British and American 20 June 1945

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Director, PRB

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The President of the Council of Ministers
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Rome, 18 June 45

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Yours very truly,

s. I. Boncmi

Admiral Ellery W.Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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Ref: FTC/20.

30 June 45.

My dear Mr. Prime Minister,

On June 28 the Yugoslavian Liaison Mission asked urgently (Prot. 930) regarding the desire of the Honorable de Gasperi to publish in Venice a newspaper dedicated to the interests of Venezia Giulia.

In the opinion of the Allied Commission, it is not desirable to have a newspaper printed in Venice which would be devoted to polemics on such a delicate subject. We do not feel, therefore, that we can support this request.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USN,
Chief Commissioner.

Professor Ferruccio Parri,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
R o m e.

Copies for info. to:- Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
Political Advisors - British & American
Brig. D.H.Dunlop
Col. H.W. Hanfort
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REMARKS: .....

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REMARKS:

Note Brig Anderson's Comments attached

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PRO:

Seen this before Brig. Anderson. Forman had

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B.V.P

I Think this should be referred to Branch Establishment & Head of Mil Pers Div & Depot to Depot to comment. We cannot approve this unless we are satisfied that he is thoroughly suitable in all respects

BRIG.
PIA
S/O
Sec'y 22/6

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Where would the 20% of unemployed children of today find the average wage to attend school tomorrow. Instead they would be part of the [illegible] who would [illegible] to the [illegible] to pay [illegible] to [illegible] to be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

R/2136 19 June 1945

SUBJECT: Newspaper "La Provincia", Como.

TO : Public Relations Branch, Hq Allied Commission.

1. I am attaching a copy of a letter from the Provincial Commissioner, Como Province. I am also attaching a copy of a letter from the Prefect of Como.

Maurice F. Neufeld
MAURICE F. NEUFELD
Captain, QMC
Executive Officer

INCL:
2 Ltrs.

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COMO PROVINCE

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

LOMBARDIA REGION

APO 394

Como 8 June 1945

Subject: Newspaper "La Provincia".

To : Regional Commissioner
Lombardia Region
A P O 394

Attention Executive Officer

In reply to your inquiry 6 June 1945, concerning a local newspaper known as "LA PROVINCIA", you are advised that inquiry fails to reveal the presence of such a paper in Como. After other sources had said that no such paper existed, a request for information on the paper was sent to the Prefect Buggente, and he also reports that no such publication exists in Como. Copy of letter from Prefect is enclosed for your information.

J.J. Arnold
Lt. Col. FS 3018

Encl.

Letter from Prefect.

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REGIA PREFETTURA DI COMO

Li 7 giugno 1945 -

Prot. N. 5337 Div.

Allegati N. Risp. a N.

OGGETTO:

AL SIG. COMMISSARIO PROVINCIALE
Ten. Col. Joan S. ARNOLD
C O M O

In risposta alla di Lei lettera in data 6 giugno c.a., comunico:

1) - Nussun quotidiano od altro giornale anche non quotidiano avente il titolo "LA PROVINCIA" o qualche cosa di simile viene pubblicato in Como.

2) - In Como vengono pubblicati due quotidiani il primo dal titolo "IL POPOLO COMASCO" e che e l'organo del comitato di Liberazione e conseguentemente e l'espressione di tutti i partiti politici; il secondo dal titolo "L'ORDINE" e che e l'organo della Diocesi di Como e Sondrio.

IL PREFETTO REGGENTE
(Avv. Virginio Bertinelli)

/s/Avv. Virginio Bertinelli

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HEAD QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.M.G.O.T.
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

PR/IO

13 giugno 1945

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OGGETTO : Articolo "Corriere fix de sè".

A : Redazione de "Il Globo", via San Basilio 15.

In riferimento alla vostra richiesta di ieri notiamo che nell'articolo di fondo di "Il Globo" del 12 giugno, vengono riportati dei dati circa i cosiddetti "Alleati".

Tale affermazione attuale è come segue : sono arrivati a Roma circa 1600 camions e, dopo essere stati organizzati in formazioni militari, vengono, come di già abbiamo annunciato al trasporto di rifornimenti per la popolazione civile, sotto la direzione della Commissione Alleata. Di questo unico arrivo da un momento all'altro di altri camions di una portata di 5.000 tonnellate; con il ministero dei trasporti è stato accordato che essi verranno a impiegati direttamente dal governo italiano che li consegnerà alle ferrovie dello Stato. In questo modo la Commissione Alleata per i trasporti si sarà sollevato il Governo Italiano avrebbe ricevuti in consegna dei camions, già usati e usati per circa sei mesi in uno.

Inoltre la Commissione Alleata per i trasporti ha notato che i 600 camions inviati in Italia dal F. .I. sono stati consegnati al Governo Italiano e che altri 1300 camions, non ci pervenuti ma di cui detto più sopra (e di cui riferiscono sulle pagine dei quali Alleati) verranno ora e inviati al Governo Italiano e di i successivi al contrario trasporto.

THOMAS C. BENDIT
Major AUS
Public Relations Branch

Copia a : Transportation Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

TGB/DO

20/PRB

15 June 45

SUBJECT : Article on "Il Globo".

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

Reference your 154/2/TN 1, dated 14 June 45.

1. Enclosed is a draft of a letter we propose forwarding to "Il Globo". Would you please say if it meets with your approval ?

2. We also enclose for your information the article in "Il Globo" which referred to this matter.

Thomas G. Bergin
THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

You will observe that the article itself makes only a passing reference to the matter; perhaps it is hardly worth correcting. However we have included all the facts you mention in our note. Would you like to have it made into a press release for all papers since the material is new and may interest all ?

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Have no objection with additions noted

D.T.N. S/C

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Translation

20/PRB 15 June 45

SUBJECT : Article "Occorre far da sè".

TO : "Il Globo", via San Basilio 45.

The Transport Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission has pointed us out that in the leader appeared in "Il Globo" of June 13 are given some facts concerning the Trucks supplied to Italy from the Allies, which are inaccurate.

The real situation at present is as follows :- About 1600 trucks arrived in Rome and after being placed in Italian military formations they have been assigned solely to the transport of civilian supplies, under the guidance of the Allied Commission. ~~2000~~ Additional trucks are currently arriving and it has been agreed with the Ministry of Transport that they will be turned over directly to the Italian Government for operation by the Italian State Railway. At present the Transport Sub-Commission are pressing the Italian Government to accept delivery of these trucks already assembled and ready for use.

(sgd)

THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

19 5,000 ton total

It should be further pointed out that all of the trucks operated by I.M.T in Sicily have been turned over to the Italian government and 1300 additional trucks not included in any of the above figures (which have been supplied by the Allies) are now being turned over to the Italian government for operation in truck pools.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

TGB/DO

20/PRB

15 giugno 1945

OGGETTO : Articolo "Occorre far da sè".

A : Redazione del "Globo", via San Basilio 45.

La Sottocommissione per i Trasporti ci fa notare che nell'articolo di fondo del "Globo" del 13 giugno vengono riportati dei dati circa i camions forniti all'Italia dagli Alleati, che non sono esatti.

La vera situazione attuale è come segue : sono arrivati a Roma circa 1600 camions e, dopo essere stati organizzati in formazioni militari italiane, sono stati adibiti unicamente al trasporto di rifornimenti per la popolazione civile, sotto la direzione della Commissione Alleata. In questi giorni si attende l'arrivo di altri ~~2000~~ camions, ed è stato accordato con il Ministero dei Trasporti che essi verranno consegnati direttamente al Governo italiano che li assegnerà alle Ferrovie dello Stato. In questo momento la Sottocommissione per i trasporti sta sollecitando il Governo italiano perchè accetti la consegna dei camions già montati e pronti per essere messi in uso.

THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

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Occorre far da sè

di Gaspare Messina

Sei mesi fa, nel formulare il piano di primo aiuto, l'Italia ha chiesto agli Alleati la fornitura di quarantamila autocarri, giudicati indispensabili per fronteggiare le sue più immediate esigenze. Duemila unità di tal genere sono giunte nei mesi successivi a Roma ma, all'ultimo momento, sono state assegnate a reparti militari Alleati.

Si parla da parecchio tempo della cessione di una parte del materiale automobilistico in dotazione al corpo di spedizione che ha operato in Italia.

A Washington ed a Londra diplomatici e tecnici del nostro paese cercano tuttora di ottenere quei mezzi senza i quali non potremo sfamarci, nè riprendere il lavoro.

Queste esperienze dovrebbero ammonirci a non nutrire soverchie illusioni, a non sperare troppo che le nostre richieste trovino pronto ascolto presso i governi delle Nazioni Unite, la cui attenzione potrà fermarsi sui nostri problemi quando quelli propri e di altre diecine di Nazioni saranno stati felicemente risolti.

Fra i paesi belligeranti che hanno lottato contro la Germania, l'Italia è tra quelli che hanno subito maggiori perdite di automezzi e di materiali rotabili ferroviari.

Con enti affrettatamente creati, si è cercato inutilmente di porre rimedio al grave dissesto dei trasporti interni. Tariffe di imperio sono state imposte agli esercenti gli autotrasporti, ma non si è pensato che, per farle osservare, occorreva assicurare ad essi, alle stesse condizioni, assistenza tecnica, parti di ricambio e pneumatici.

Oggi aspettiamo ancora gli aiuti, ma è chiaro che questi potranno assumere consistenza di rilievo soltanto fra due o tre anni, periodo entro il quale sarebbe possibile riorganizzare la nostra industria automobilistica ed avviarla verso il ritmo normale di lavoro, provvedendo da noi ai nostri bisogni.

Quali programmi sono stati fatti al riguardo?

Ufficialmente nessuno, perchè, si dice, manca il carbone, senza il quale non si possono per ora fabbricare il ferro, l'acciaio, l'alluminio e la gomma.

Se non si può costruire, si può però predisporre un programma che guidi in avvenire l'attività delle nostre fabbriche secondo criteri di pubblico interesse e che permetta di rimettere subito in efficienza i numerosi autocarri che sono stati abbandonati dal nemico o sono fermi per avarie non gravi.

Alcuni paesi europei stanno già rinsanguando il proprio patrimonio automobilistico mettendo innanzitutto in ordine i mezzi recuperati.

Per fare ed attuare un tale programma non occorre carbone: occorre buonsenso. Parecchi mesi fa, senza combustibili, si sarebbero potute recuperare ed aggiustare parecchie centinaia di autocarri abbandonati lungo le strade.

Oggi centinaia di officine meccaniche e le stesse fabbriche di automobili sono a corto di lavoro. Piuttosto che costruire ancora qualche autocarro al giorno a prezzi esorbitanti, con le poche materie prime ancora disponibili potrebbero prodursi ricambi, con i quali vi sarebbe la possibilità di riparare numerosi autoveicoli e dare lavoro agli operai attualmente disoccupati.

Perdere tempo significa perdere la possibilità di fare un lavoro utile. Nell'Italia centro-meridionale, migliaia di automezzi e di carri ferroviari sono stati ridotti ad un ammasso di ferraglie, non più ricostituibili nelle originarie strutture perchè le autorità competenti hanno troppo a lungo riflettuto sul da farsi.

Mentre si attende il carbone, si può pensare a quel che si deve fare subito ed ai programmi che si dovranno svolgere in avvenire. Le attrezzature delle fabbriche sono in gran parte efficienti e permettono di predisporre piani su basi reali. Vi sono anche progetti recenti ancora inediti che, con qualche perfezionamento, suggerito anche dagli orientamenti altrui, potranno servire per le nuove costruzioni.

Intanto ricordiamoci che aggiustare, finchè non si potrà costruire, vuol dire guadagnare tempo e contribuire secondo le possibilità del momento a risolvere i problemi più urgenti che oggi si presentano nel campo degli autotrasporti.

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FROM RICOSTRUZIONE

Admiral Stone is quoted by GIORNALE DEL MATTINO as having asked Parri to form the govt, pointing out that otherwise the Luogotenente might have to choose a man outside the CLN. This proves that the Allies think the political situation is in the hands of the CLN. Admiral Stone is considering Parri as the man entrusted with the formation of a ministry and this before his having been called by the Luogotenente. RICOSTRUZIONE does not believe that the Luogotenente would choose a man outside the CLN if Parri should fail. But the failure of Parri would certainly indicate serious dissension within the CLN and would therefor be dangerous. The parties must therefore face their responsibility. Agreement on a common program is not enough. The parties must also agree about the statesen most adequate for the various posts in order to guarantee carrying out the program.

REMARKS

1. Ricostruzione is Labor Democrat, traditionally associated with Bonomi. It is the only paper to editorialize on the account given in Giornale del Mattino.

2. The interpretation is strange and I do not think very healthy for us as it implies we have taken a stand on the parliamentary procedure.

3. I have reported this to Mr Brown.

JGB
16 June 1810 hrs

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ALTI E BASSI DELLA CRISI MINISTERIALE

L'assegnazione dei dicasteri rende difficile il compito di Parri

Socialisti e Comunisti condizionano la loro partecipazione al Governo / L'incontro di Parri con l'ammiraglio Stone / Le opinioni dei leaders dei sei partiti / Si arriverà oggi alla conclusione?

Noi che viviamo le giornate di questa crisi prolissa, dalla mattina alla sera, tra le Direzioni dei Partiti, il Viminale, Montecitorio e Palazzo Guglielmi, possiamo garantire che mai giornata è stata più intensa di quella di ieri. Ferruccio Parri segnerà questa tra le sue tante giornate campali e non certamente tra le più soddisfacenti, poichè ieri sera, dopo avere incontrato ad uno, ad uno, i Segretari dei 6 partiti, poi ore e ore, dopo avere incontrato l'Ammiraglio Stone, dopo avere approfondito insomma l'esame della situazione, deve essersi pienamente reso conto di quante difficoltà sia costellata questa crisi, quante e quali resistenze si oppongano alla sua soluzione e della volontà che alcuni hanno di prendere con una fava molti piccioni, il che aggrovialia ancor più la crisi.

In ogni modo cerchiamo di fare il punto della situazione.

La richiesta di Parri che tutti i leaders prendano parte al suo Governo, possiamo dire sia stata accettata, ma per quanto ogni giorno si smussi un angolo, gli angoli non finiscono mai. Infatti tutte le difficoltà sono ora accentrate nella distribuzione dei portafogli e in ispecie nell'assegnazione di quello degli Interni che è la macchina motrice più delicata della vita del Paese.

I socialisti d'intesa con i comunisti reclamano tenacemente questo portafoglio. Dato che non si è accettata la nostra candidatura, dato che Parri non può essere davvero considerato un uomo di sinistra, essendo soltanto un uomo di centro-sinistra, noi dobbiamo garantirci — dicono i social-comunisti — da ogni offensiva reazionaria e compensare le mosse della rinuncia al potere, con l'assegnazione di questo portafoglio che ci permette di dirigere la politica in favore della classe lavoratrice, di prendere tutti quei provvedimenti necessari perchè si possa giungere velocemente alla Costituente, di portare a termine con celerità e serietà l'epurazione.

Al contrario i liberali e i democristiani oppongono che l'assegnazione degli Interni ai socialisti è un rimettere nelle loro mani tutta la vita politica italiana che piegherebbe certamente a sinistra. Se non è stata accettata la candidatura Nenni, non può essere accettato, per le stesse ragioni, che essi abbiano il portafoglio degli Interni, che è una lama a doppio taglio.

Parri si trova ora a dover conciliare queste opposte posizioni, che non è facile, e soltanto da questa conciliazione dipenderà il successo o meno di queste sue giornate.

Ieri, ad un certo punto, sembrava che la soluzione potesse essere costituita dal caricare sulle spalle del Presidente anche il Dicastero degli Interni, ma alla riunione pomeridiana dei social-comunisti è stata nuovamente affermata la necessità che ad essi venga affidato tale Dicastero e posta anzi come condizione della loro partecipazione al Governo.

La giornata politica di ieri si è chiusa con l'incontro di Parri con il Segretario del partito liberale avv. Cattani, presente anche il Ministro Bruno. Nel corso di tale incontro, iniziato alle ore 22, veniva ulteriormente esaminato l'andamento della crisi, in rapporto anche ai colloqui che Parri aveva avuto con i rappresentanti degli altri partiti politici.

Le riunioni di oggi dovranno recare luce su questa questione, anche perchè l'amm. Stone, nell'incontro avuto con Parri, lo ha sollecitato nella formazione del Governo, facendogli intendere che, in caso contrario, il Luogotenente si troverebbe nella necessità di designare, a tale scopo, un uomo estraneo al C. L. N.

— Come lo considera tutta l'opinione pubblica — anche prima che il Luogotenente lo abbi, chiamato. L'incarico del C. L. N. vale, insomma, di più della ratifica che il Luogotenente vorrà poi darvi. Perciò non convincemmo affatto nel pensare che se la combinazione Parri venisse, il Luogotenente potrebbe scegliere fuori del C.L.N.; sia perchè il Comitato avrebbe sempre modo di accordarsi eventualmente su altro nome, sia perchè, fin che i sei partiti restano associati nel Comitato nessun uomo politico potrebbe costituire un ministero vitale senza il consenso e l'appoggio dei partiti che rappresentano l'opinione pubblica e le due grandi masse, la massa proletaria e la massa dei ceti medi.

Ma il fallimento del tentativo Parri significherebbe un travaglio nell'interno del Comitato che sarebbe molto pericoloso, perchè ne metterebbe in serio pericolo la compattezza e forse la continuazione.

E' quindi necessario che tutti i partiti i quali hanno coscienza che il Comitato è la sola e la vera garanzia della difesa di

Ci rendiamo perfettamente conto che l'accordo — già raggiunto — sul programma comune non basta: bisogna anche accordarsi sugli uomini più adatti ai singoli posti per garantire lo svolgimento senza attriti funesti, del programma concordato. E perciò comprendiamo la preoccupazione che la assegnazione a un dato esponente di parte di un determinato dicastero, possa rendere più facile o più difficile il raggiungimento dei fini concreti ai quali si tende, all'infuori di ogni questione di persona o della inammissibile esclusione aprioristica di un qualsiasi partito da un qualsivoglia posto di comando.

Ma anche su questo terreno non è affatto impossibile raggiungere l'equilibrio stabile, che è necessario. E' questione di buona volontà, dal momento

SOLUZIONE PROSSIMA O LONTANA?

E' impressione generale che nella giornata di ieri lo svolgimento della crisi non abbia avvicinato la soluzione che tutti dicono di desiderare.

I giornali del mattino riferiscono che l'ammiraglio Stone nell'incontro avuto con Parri, lo avrebbe sollecitato ad affrontare

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... L'incontro di Parri con l'ammiraglio Stone / Le opinioni dei leaders dei sei partiti / Si arriverà oggi alla conclusione?

Noi che viviamo le giornate di questa crisi prolissa, dalla mattina alla sera, tra le Direzioni dei Partiti, il Viminale, Montecitorio e Palazzo Giustiniani, possiamo garantire che mai giornata è stata più intensa di quella di ieri. Ferruccio Parri segnerà questa tra le sue tante giornate campali e non certamente tra le più soddisfacenti, poichè ieri sera, dopo avere incontrato ad uno, ad uno, i Segretari dei 6 partiti, per ore e ore, dopo avere incontrato l'Ammiraglio Stone, dopo avere approfondito insomma l'esame della situazione, dove esserai pienamente reso conto di quante difficoltà sia costellata questa crisi, quante e quali resistenze si oppongano alla sua soluzione e della volontà che alcuni hanno di prendere con una fava molti piccioni, il che aggrovaglia ancor più la crisi.

In ogni modo cerchiamo di fare il punto della situazione.

La richiesta di Parri che tutti i leaders prendano parte al suo Governo, possiamo dire sia stata accettata, ma per quanto ogni giorno si smussi un angolo, gli angoli non finiscono mai. Infatti tutte le difficoltà sono ora accentrate nella distribuzione dei portafogli e in ispecie nell'assegnazione di quello degli Interni che è la macchina motrice più delicata della vita del Paese.

I socialisti d'intesa con i comunisti reclamano tenacemente questo portafoglio. Dato che non si è accettata la nostra candidatura, dato che Parri non può essere davvero considerato un uomo di sinistra, cedendo soltanto un uomo di centro-sinistra, noi dobbiamo garantire — dicono i social-comunisti — da ogni offensiva reazionaria e compensare le stasse della rinuncia al potere, con l'assegnazione di questo portafoglio che ci permette di dirigere la politica in favore della classe lavoratrice, di prendere tutti quei provvedimenti necessari perchè si possa giungere velocemente alla Costituente, di portare a termine con celerità e serietà l'epurazione.

Al contrario i liberali e i democristiani oppongono che l'assegnazione degli Interni ai socialisti è un cimentare nelle loro mani tutta la vita politica italiana che piegherebbe certamente a sinistra. Se non è stata accettata la candidatura Nenni, non può essere accettato, per le stesse ragioni, che essi abbiano il portafoglio degli Interni, che è una lama a doppio taglio.

Parri si trova ora a dover conciliare queste opposte posizioni, che non è facile, e soltanto da questa conciliazione dipenderà il successo o meno di questa sua giornata.

Ieri, ad un certo punto, sembrava che la soluzione potesse essere costituita dal caricare sulle spalle del Presidente anche il Dicastero degli Interni, ma alla riunione pomeridiana dei social-comunisti è stata nuovamente affermata la necessità che ad essi venga affidato tale Dicastero e posta anzi come condizione della loro partecipazione al Governo.

La giornata politica di ieri si è chiusa con l'incontro di Parri con il Segretario del partito liberale avv. Cattani, presente anche il Ministro Bosco. Nel corso di tale incontro, iniziato alle ore 22, veniva ulteriormente esaminato l'andamento della crisi, in rapporto anche ai colloqui che Parri aveva avuto con i rappresentanti degli altri partiti politici.

Le riunioni di oggi dovranno recare luce su questa questione, anche perchè l'amm. Stone, nell'incontro avuto con Parri lo ha sollecitato nella formazione del Governo, facendogli intendere che, in caso contrario, il Luogotenente si troverebbe nella necessità di designare, a tale scopo, un uomo estraneo al C. L. N.

SOLUZIONE PROSSIMA O LONTANA?

E' impressione generale che nella giornata di ieri lo svolgimento della crisi non abbia avvicinato la soluzione che tutti dicono di desiderare.

I giornali del mattino riferiscono che l'ammiraglio Stone nell'incontro avuto con Parri, lo avrebbe sollecitato ad affrontare la formazione del governo, facendogli presente che in caso contrario il Luogotenente potrebbe trovarsi nella necessità di designare un uomo estraneo al C. L. N.

La posizione è interessante, perchè dimostra che, anche nel pensiero degli Alleati, la situazione politica è nelle mani del C. L. N., almeno fino a che il Comitato vive e rimane unito.

Le consultazioni del Luogotenente hanno un carattere puramente accademico, di parata, di apparente rispetto a forme tradizionali superate e cadute. L'ammiraglio Stone, infatti, considera già Parri come l'uomo incaricato di formare il ministero — come lo considera tutta l'opinione pubblica — anche prima che il Luogotenente lo abbi, chiamato. L'incarico del C. L. N. vale, insomma, di più della ratifica che il Luogotenente vorrà poi darvi. Perciò non convincemmo affatto nel pensare che se la combinazione Parri vanisse, il Luogotenente potrebbe scegliere fuori del C.L.N.; sia perchè il Comitato avrebbe sempre modo di accordarsi eventualmente su altro nome, sia perchè, fin che i sei partiti restano associati nel Comitato nessun uomo politico potrebbe costituire un ministero vitale senza il consenso e l'appoggio dei partiti che rappresentano l'opinione pubblica e le due grandi masse, la massa proletaria e la massa dei ceti medi.

Ma il fallimento del tentativo Parri significherebbe un travaglio nell'interno del Comitato che sarebbe molto pericoloso, perchè ne metterebbe in serio pericolo la compattezza e forse la continuazione.

E' quindi necessario che tutti i partiti i quali hanno coscienza che il Comitato è la sola e la vera garanzia della difesa di uno sviluppo democratico delle nostre istituzioni, e la sola base di un ordinato e pacifico svolgimento dell'opera di ricostruzione, sappiano rinunciare a ogni pretesa eccessiva, e magari sappiano sacrificare qualche legittima aspettazione, per la concordia nel fine supremo di giovare alla Patria.

Lo sblocco del Comitato, una soluzione che dividesse i sei partiti, metterebbe in pericolo la stessa Costituente.

Il richiamo alla responsabilità dei partiti, della cui sincerità nei propositi e della cui lealtà non è lecito dubitare, non può apparire a questo momento fuor di luogo.

Ci rendiamo perfettamente conto che l'accordo — già raggiunto — sul programma comune non basta: bisogna anche accordarsi sugli uomini più adatti ai singoli posti per garantire lo svolgimento senza attriti funesti, del programma concordato. E perciò comprendiamo la preoccupazione che la assegnazione a un dato esponente di parte di un determinato dicastero, possa rendere più facile o più difficile il raggiungimento dei fini concreti ai quali si tende, all'infuori di ogni questione di persona o della inammissibile esclusione aprioristica di un qualsiasi partito da un qualsivoglia posto di comando.

Ma anche su questo terreno non è affatto impossibile raggiungere l'equilibrio stabile, che è necessario. E' questione di buona volontà, dal momento che tutti devono essere pronti a sacrificare gli interessi di partito agli interessi del Paese. Senza questa dedizione il Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale non avrebbe ragione di essere.

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Translation

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

20/PRB 16 June 45

SUBJECT : Cost of living bonus for Italian civilian employees.

TO : "Il Lavoro", via IV Novembre, 149.

We received only today a request from the Allied Forces Local Resources Section to rectify the announcement, published in "Il Lavoro" of May 6, concerning the increase of the cost of living bonus for Italian civilian employees of the Allied forces. We forward the request for you information although much time has elapsed since the date of publication of the above mentioned announcement.

The Local Resources Section points out that the increase of the cost of living bonus was published by RAAC only on May 11, and therefore, although the agreement was reached on May 5, it could not be considered effective until ratified by RAAC.

Moreover the text of the announcement was such as to make one believe that the increase of the cost of living bonus was appliable to the whole of Italy and not solely to Rome province.

The Local Resources Section asks your office, whenever an announcement on similar matter has to be published, to be so kind as to get previously in touch with the qualified offices.

(for the Director)

JOHN P. LYACAGOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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16 giugno 1945

OGGETTO : Indennità di contingenza ai dipendenti degli Alleati.

A : Redazione di "Il Lavoro", via IV Novembre 149.

Solo oggi ci è pervenuta dal "Allied Forces Local Resources Section" (Sezione Risorse Locali delle Forze Armate Alleate) una richiesta di far rettificare l'annuncio apparso su "Il Lavoro" del 6 maggio u.s. circa l'indennità di contingenza ai dipendenti degli Alleati. Poichè ormai è trascorso troppo tempo dalla data di pubblicazione di detto annuncio, trasmettiamo la richiesta a solo titolo di informazione.

La Local Resources Section fa notare che l'aumento della indennità di contingenza per i dipendenti degli Alleati fu reso pubblico dal RAAC (Comando Alleato dell'Area di Roma) solo l'11 maggio e che quindi, sebbene l'accordo fosse stato preso il 5 maggio, esso non poteva essere considerato effettivo finchè non fosse stato ratificato dal RAAC.

Inoltre il testo di detto annuncio era tale da poter far pensare che l'aumento dell'indennità di contingenza si riferisse a tutta l'Italia e non unicamente alla provincia di Roma, come invece è.

Per l'avvenire la Local Resources Section prega codesta Redazione di aver la cortesia, ogni qual volta abbia a pubblicare annunci di questo genere, di mettersi prima in contatto con gli Uffici competenti.

(per il Direttore)

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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Copia : Allied Forces Local Resources Section, AFHQ.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

J.L/DO

20/PRB

16 June 45

SUBJECT : Press Publications.

TO : Allied Forces Local Resources Section, AFHQ.

A :

Reference your LRS/214D/257, dated 12 June 45.

Attached please find a copy and translation of a letter sent by this office to "Il Lavoro"

(for the Director)

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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ALLIED FORCE LOCAL RESOURCES SECTION
A.F.H.Q.

LRS/2140/257.

SUBJECT: Press Publications.

TO : H.Q.
A.C. Public Relations Branch.

Postal Address:
A.F.L.R.S.
Rome Area Allied Command,
C. M. F.

Telephone: ROME 60545.

12 June 45.

1. Enclosed herewith is a copy of IL LAVORO dated 6 May 45, together with a translation of the paragraph (outlined in blue) which forms the subject of this letter.

2. The publication of the increased cost of living bonus for Italian civilian employees of the Allied Forces employed within the boundaries of Rome Province was made by HQ PAAC on 11 May. Copy of publication is attached for easy reference.

3. Although the Rome Area Sub Committee of the Labour & Wages Control Committee AFLRS Italian Board met and recommended the above mentioned increases in cost of living bonus of 5 June, the increases could not have been considered effective until ratified by the Commander Rome Area Allied Command.

4. The newspaper publication referred to could cause much discontent and misunderstanding inasmuch as it might well be interpreted as being applicable to the whole of Italy, and not only within the boundaries of Rome Province.

5. Again, this newspaper report anticipated the instructions of Commander Rome Area Allied Command, and proceeded to give intimation regarding increases of cost of living bonus to employing services before official notification was received by them.

6. It is requested therefore that you make whatever representations are necessary to the Italian authorities to

(a) Rectify the mis-statement appearing in the IL LAVORO of 6 May,

(b) To ensure that before newspaper reports affecting such matters are published the originator of the statement is quite clear of the facts.

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THOMAS R. GIBSON, Col., AUS,
Chief of Section (US),
A.F.L.R.S.

W. B. S. SIBELON, Colonel,
Chief of Section (Br),
A.F.L.R.S.

Copy to: H.Q. 3 District (Your 529/4 Q dated 8 Jun 45, refers.)

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TRANSLATION OF EXTRACT FROM
IL LAVORO DATED 6 MAY 45.

As was announced yesterday, the agreement for a payment of a Contingency Indemnity to workers employed by the Allied Forces has been signed by the Allied Military Commission, Representatives of the Camera del Lavoro, and of the Steel Workers Syndicate. The Indemnity to be paid with effect from 1 May 45 is as follows :-

100 lire per day to Men.

40 lire per day to Juveniles under 18 years of age.

The wages paid to female labour will be fixed by comparison with those paid to female workers employed by Italian firms. This is the first concession obtained and it will appease the excited spirits of the last few days.

On the other hand, negotiations are still going on in order to obtain further improvements on behalf of such good workers."

Indennità di contingenza
ai dipendenti dagli Alleati

Come avevamo annunciato ieri, è stato finalmente concluso l'accordo per l'indennità di contingenza ai lavoratori dipendenti dal Comando alleato.

L'accordo che è stato firmato dalla Commissione militare alleata e dai rappresentanti della Camera del Lavoro e del Sindacato metallurgici ha decorrenza dal 1. maggio 1945 e prevede l'indennità nella seguente misura: uomini L. 100 al giorno; ragazzi di età inferiore ai 18 anni L. 40 al giorno; per le donne è stata concessa l'equiparazione alle paghe che vengono percepite da quelle che dipendono dalle imprese private.

E' questa una prima concessione che si è ottenuta e che servirà a calmare gli animi che si erano troppo esasperati in questi ultimi giorni.

Le trattative d'altra parte continuano per ottenere ulteriori miglioramenti a favore di questi benemeriti lavoratori.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US ARMY.

CIVILIAN LABOUR INFORMATION BULLETIN
NUMBER 2
(applicable to all Allied Forces)

23 May 1945.

OFFICIAL.

COST OF LIVING BONUS FOR ITALIAN CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE ALLIED FORCES EMPLOYED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF ROME PROVINCE AND COMPRISING THE MONTHLY WAGE GROUP, (EXCEPT HOTEL, MESS AND CLUB GRADES).

1. Reference this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin Number 7 dated 29th March, 1945, para. 2 and Appendices thereto.

2. Appendix "A" 2, (Monthly Wage Group ONLY), is superseded by Appendix "A" 2 below with effect from 1 May, 1945.

APPENDIX "A"

COST OF LIVING BONUS FOR ITALIAN CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE ALLIED FORCES EMPLOYED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF ROME PROVINCE, (MONTHLY WAGE GROUP ONLY).

2. Monthly Wage Group. (Including Chief Foremen - Artisan, Skilled and unskilled grades).

(a) Adult Group.

Basic Wage lire per month	Maximum permissible bonus. lire per month Male	Female
Up to and including 3000 lire	4550 lire	2600 lire
From 3001 to 3100 lire	4520 lire	2570 lire
From 3101 to 3200 lire	4470 lire	2520 lire
From 3201 to 3300 lire	4420 lire	2470 lire
From 3301 to 3400 lire	4370 lire	2420 lire
From 3401 to 3500 lire	4320 lire	2370 lire
From 3501 to 5000 lire	4290 lire	2340 lire
From 5001 to 5100 lire	4220 lire	2270 lire
From 5101 to 5200 lire	4170 lire	2220 lire
From 5201 to 5300 lire	4120 lire	2170 lire
From 5301 to 5400 lire	4070 lire	2120 lire
From 5401 to 10000 lire	4030 lire	2080 lire
10001 lire and above	2730 lire	1755 lire

(b) Juveniles may still only be paid a cost of living bonus up to 754 lire per month.

Note. Abatement at the rate of 104 lire per month will be made from the maximum permissible bonus under (a) and (b) when full rations, i.e. all meals are provided to the employee by the employing service.

By Command of Brigadier-General BROWN.

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15 June 1945

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Allied Commission

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US Embassy
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G-2 AFHQ
British Resident Minister
US Political Advisor
SGS AFHQ
USIS

SUBJECT: Italian Press

1. I enclose two copies of the list of papers which have been approved by the Regional APBs in North Italy and confirmed by the Central APB at its meeting on IIth June 1945.

2. The following papers which had been approved by the Regional Boards were deleted by the Central board as it was felt that sufficient justification had not been put forward by their sponsors:

LA SFERZA - Milan
GLI INSORTI - Milan
IL SECOLO NUOVO - Turin

3. While the papers have been approved, it should be pointed out that the circulation allotted to each paper and indicated in the present list is provisional only. These circulations were fixed in the days following the liberation of the Northern regions and a subsequent review of the paper situation has shown that it will be impossible to maintain circulations at the present level. The whole matter is now under review and the circulations allotted to the individual papers will be revised in accordance with the supplies of newsprint available.

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4. I also attach a copy of the report presented to the meeting of APB by the Chief Press Officer and approved by the meeting.

5. It should be pointed out that the PWB papers will cease publication as such when PWB ceases activities in Northern Italy about the middle of July, but that under the Press Plan it is open to their present sponsors to apply for their licensing as independent information newspapers. No decisions have yet been reached.

for EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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LIST OF AUTHORIZED NEWSPAPERS IN NORTH ITALY

9 JUNE 1945

TUSCANY: Florence:

NAME	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Corriere del Mattino	P.W.B.	Daily	100.000
Nazione del Popolo	CLN	"	70.000
La Patria	Italian Army	"	?
Film Rivista		Weekly	2.000
Radio Rivista		"	10.000
La Cronaca dei 7G di Firenze		"	10.000
L'Arno		"	8.000
La Domenica Illustrata		"	10.000
Informatore Economico		"	5.000
Vita Nova		"	6.000
Giovani		"	7.000
La Settimana dei Ragazzi		"	10.000
Il Mondo		bi-monthly	10.000
Boll. Collegio Ing.		"	?
Panorama (Rassegna)		Monthly	8.000
Ponte		"	5.000 (book size)

Leghorn:

Il Tirreno	Independent	Daily	30.000

Siena:

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Siena:			
Rinascita	?	"	9.000
La Provincia di Siena	?	bi-weekly	6.000
Lucca:			
La Gazzetta del Serchio	?	Daily	10.000

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TUSCANY:(Continue) Arezzo:

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Informatore	Information	bi-weekly	10.000
Pisa:			
Corriere dell'Arno	?	"	11.000
Pistoia:			
La Voce del Popolo	CLN	Weekly	?

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EMILIA: Bologna:

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Corriere dell'Emilia	P.W.B	Daily	150.000
La Rinascita	CLN	"	50.000
La Squilla	Communist	Weekly	10.000
La Lotta	Communist	"	10.000
La Sorgente	Dem. Christ.	"	10.000
La Riscossa	Republican	"	10.000
G-L	Action P.	"	10.000
La Voce Liberale	Liberal	"	10.000
Nuova Critica Sociale	Independent,	Monthly	500
Bologna in Cifre	Municipal	"	200
Modena:			
L'Unità Democr.	CLN	Daily	30.000
Piacenza:			
Piacenza Nuova	CLN	"	?
Parma:			
Gazzetta di Parma	CLN	"	30.000
Reggio:			
Reggio Democratica	CLN	"	30.000
Ferrara:			
Democrazia Ferrarese,	CLN	"	30.000

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Corriere Ligure	P.W.	Daily	120.000
L'Unità	Communist	"	35.000
Il Secolo Liberale	Liberal	"	35.000
Il Lavoro Nuovo	Socialist	"	35.000
L'Italia Libera	Action P.	"	35.000
Corriere	Christ. Dem.	"	35.000
Il Tribuno del Popolo	Republican	"	35.000
Il Nuovo Cittadino	Catholic	"	12.000
Il Partigiano	Lig. Part.	Weekly	20.000
Omnia	Educational	"	5.000
Riviera	Illustrated	"	5.000
Le Scolare	School Chil.	"	10.000
Noi Donne	Gruppi di difesa d.donne	"	15.000
Voci dei Giovani	-	"	15.000
In Linea	Dem.women	"	3.000
L'Età Nuova	Youth	"	3.000
Il Girarrosto	Humorous	"	10.000
Cronaca dei Dibattimenti	Small Commercial and Legal sheet	"	1.500
Protesto e Dissesti	Technical Univ.Phisics (A.M.G. (auth.)	"	6.000
La Voce della Riviera	Liberal		

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Corriere Ligure	P.R.B	Daily	I20.000
L'Unità	Communist	"	35.000
Il Secolo Liberale	Liberal	"	35.000
Il Lavoro Nuovo	Socialist	"	35.000
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Il Partigiano	Lig. Part.	Weekly	20.000
Omnia	Educational	"	5.000
Riviera	Illustrated	"	5.000
Lo Scolare	School Chil.	"	I0.000
Noi Donne	Gruppi di difesa d. donne	"	I5.000
Voci dei Giovani	-	"	I5.000
In Linea	Dem. women	"	3.000
L'Età Nuova	Youth	"	3.000
Il Girarrosto	Humorous	"	I0.000
Cronaca dei Dibattimenti	Small Commercial and Legal sheet	"	I.500
Protesto e Dissesti	Technical Univ. Phisics (A.N.G. (auth.)	"	6.000
La Voce della Riviera	Liberal		3.000

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LIGURIA: Genoa: (Continue)

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Listino Giornal. di Borsa	Gen.Public.	5 days a week	250
Voce d.Intellettuali,	Cultural (Publ.as Clandestine sheet)	Fortnightly	I.000
Fogli Annunzi Leg. della Prefettura	Official	Weekly	350
Chiavari:			
La Voce del Popolo	Democratic	"	2.000
La Spezia:			
Notiziario	...I.G. Luther.	Daily	8.000

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LIST OF AUTHORIZED NEWSPAPERS IN NORTH ITALY

9 JUNE 1945

PIEDMONTE: Turin:

NAME	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Corriere del Piemonte	P.W.B.	Daily	150.000
La Stampa (to be published as soon as commissarios appointed)	Independent,	"	125.000
La Gazzetta del Popolo	"	"	125.000
Il Popolo Nuovo	Dem. Christ.	"	100.000
Giustizia e Libertà	Action P.	"	100.000
Avanti	Socialist	"	100.000
L'Unità	Communist	"	100.000
L'Opinione	Liberal	"	100.000
~~Gazzetta del Popolo~~ ~~Independent~~ ~~100.000~~ ~~"Corriere del Piemonte" will have been withdrawn).~~ ~~equal time only after the controlled~~			
Fucile e Lenza	Sports	Forthnightly	3.000
Libertà	Cultural	Weekly	2.000
Publicità Economica	Publicity	bi-weekly	5.000
Il Popolo	Monarchic	Weekly	20.000
Corriere dei Ragazzi,	Children	"	20.000
L'Illustrazione	Variety	"	20.000
Parole Incrociate	Cross-words	"	20.000
Giornale Acc. Medicina	Medical	bi-yearly	400
La Settimana Torinese	Sports	Weekly	2.000
Attività Ippica	"	Monthly	2.800
Fiamma Giovanile	Cultural	Fortnightly	2.000
L'Antifone			

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PIEMONTE: Turin:

SITES	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Corriere del Piemonte	P.W.B.	Daily	150.000
La Stampa	Independent,	"	125.000
(to be published as soon as commissarios appointed)			
La Gazzetta del Popolo	"	"	125.000
Il Popolo Nuovo	Dem.Christ.	"	100.000
Giustizia e Libertà	Action P.	"	100.000
Avanti	Socialist	"	100.000
L'Unità	Communist	"	100.000
L'Opinione	Liberal	"	100.000
~~Secolo XIX~~ (published only after the P/W controlled "Corriere del Piemonte" will have been withdrawn)	~~Independent~~		~~100.000~~
Fucile e Lenza	Sports	Forthnightly	3.000
Libertà	Cultural	Weekly	2.000
Publicità Economica	Publicity	bi-weekly	5.000
Il Popolo	Monarchic	Weekly	20.000
Corriere dei Ragazzi,	Children	"	20.000
L'Illustrazione	Variety	"	20.000
Parole Incrociate	Cross-words	"	20.000
Giornale Acc. Medicina	Medical	bi-yearly	400
La Settimana Torinese	Sports	Weekly	2.000
Attività Ippica	"	Monthly	2.800
Fiamma Giovanile	Cultural	Fortnightly	2.000
L'Antifona	Humourist	Weekly	10.000
Il Giocatore del Lotto	Gambling	Monthly	700
Nuvola	Literary	Weekly	3.000

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PIEMONTE: Turin: (Continue)

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Piemonte Industriale	Industrial	Weekly	4.000
I Quattro Venti	Cultural	"	20.000
Gazzetta Letteraria	Literary	"	10.000
Moda Torino	Fashion	bi-yearly	25.000
Evoluzione della Moda	"	"	5.000
La Voce della Giustizia	Law	Weekly	5.000
Giurisprudenza Ital.	"	Monthly	5.000
Lex	"	Quarterly	11.000
Minerva	Variety	Monthly	2.200

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9 JUNE I945

LOMBARDY: Milan

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Giornale Lombardo	P.W.B.	Daily	3000000
L'Unità	Communist	"	250.000
Avanti	Socialist	"	250.000
Il Popolo	Christ.Dem.	"	250.000
L'Italia Libera	Action.P.	"	200.000
La Libertà	Liberal	"	200.000
Corriere d'Informazioni,	Independent	"	I50.000
Il Popolo Sovrano	Republican	"	75.000
La Patria	Ital.Army	"	I5.000
Il Sole	Financial	bi-weekly	20.000
L'Azione del Popolo	?	Weekly	75.000
La Gazzetta dello Sport,	Sports	"	50.000
La Settimana dell'Italia,	Cardinal	"	I60.000
Giorn.dei Piccoli	Children	"	200.000
La Domenica	Cardinal	"	50.000
La Domenica degli Italiani		"	200.000
Presence	French	"	20.000
Il Galantuomo	Humorous	"	50.000
Il Progresso	Dem.del Lavoro,	bi-weekly	20?000
~~La Sferza~~	~~Independent~~	~~Weekly~~	~~20.000~~
~~Gli Insorti~~	"	"	~~20.000~~

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LOMBARDY: Milan

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Giornale Lombardo	P.W.B.	Daily	3000000
L'Unità	Communist	"	250.000
Avanti	Socialist	"	250.000
Il Popolo	Christ.Dem.	"	250.000
L'Italia Libera	Action.P.	"	200.000
La Libertà	Liberal	"	200.000
Corriere d'Informazioni	Independent	"	150.000
Il Popolo Sovrano	Republican	"	75.000
La Patria	Ital.Army	"	15.000
Il Sole	Financial	bi-weekly	20.000
L'Azione del Popolo	?	Weekly	75.000
La Gazzetta dello Sport	Sports	"	50.000
La Settimana dell'Italia	Cardinal	"	160.000
Giorn.dei Piccoli	Children	"	200.000
La Domenica	Cardinal	"	50.000
La Domenica degli Italiani		"	200.000
Presence	French	"	20.000
Il Galantuomo	Humorous	"	50.000
Il Progresso	Dem.del Lavoro	bi-weekly	20?000
~~La Sferza~~	~~Independent~~	~~Weekly~~	~~20.000~~
~~Gli Inserti~~	"	"	~~20.000~~
Lo Stato Moderno	Cult.Critical	"	10.000
Rivista dell'Amm'ne Prov'le di Milano	Civil Serv.Organ	Monthly	500

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LOMBARDY: Milan (Continue)

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Boll.di Inform. Seriche	Silk Trade	Weekly	400
L'Informatore Commerc.	Industr.Inf.	"	I0.000
Notiziario per i Propr.di Case	Prop.owners	Monthly	2.000
Boll.d.estrezioni	Banking	Fortnightly	I6.500
Efficienza e Prosperità	Business Meth.	Monthly	2.000
Il Ragguaglio Librario,	Books	"	I0.000
Boll.Consorziale	News for Business houses	"	6.000
Gazzetta Tributaria	Taxes	"	2.000
Boll.d'Informazioni Tributario	"	"	2.500
Orario Milan.	Railway Guide	"	20.000
Boll.dell'UTI	Organ of Ital. Techni..Union	"	30.000
Il Commercio di Milano	Comm.& Econ.inf.,	Fortnightly	20.000
Rassegna d'Espasione Commerciale	Comm.Expansion,	bi-Monthly	I.000
Finanza e Amministr.	Business organ., & Administr.	Monthly	6.000
"A"	National reconstr., Architecture etc.	Fortnightly	30.000
Domus	"	Monthly	I0.000
I Problemi di Ricostruzione	Town Planning	"	I.000
Il Carbone	Coal utilizat.	"	8.000
Il Legno	Wood	"	800
Il Fonditore	Iron & Steel	"	I.000
Il Cemento	Construction	"	350
Radio Industria	Radio technical	"	I.000
L'Energia Elettrica	Electicity	bi-monthly	2.500

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Propr.di Case	Prop. owners	Monthly	2.000
Boll.d.estrezioni	Banking	Fortnightly	I6.500
Efficienza e Prosperità	Business Meth.	Monthly	2.000
Il Ragguaglio Librario,	Books	"	I0.000
Boll.Consorziale	News for Business houses	"	6.000
Gazzetta Tributaria	Taxes	"	2.000
Boll.d'Informazioni Tributario	"	"	2.500
Orario Milan.	Railway Guide	"	20.000
Boll.dell'UTI	Organ of Ital. Techni..Union	"	30.000
Il Commercio di Milano	Comm.& Econ.inf.,	Fortnightly	20.000
Rassegna d'Espasione Commerciale	Comm. Expansion,	bi-Monthly	I.000
Finanza e Amministr.	Business organ., & Administr.	Monthly	6.000
"A"	National reconstr., Architecture etc.	Fortnightly	30.000
Domus	"	Monthly	I0.000
I Problemi di Ricostruzione	Town Planning	"	I.000
Il Carbone	Coal utilizat.	"	E.000
Il Legno	Wood	"	800
Il Fonditore	Iron & Steel	"	I.000
Il Cemento	Construction	"	350
Radio Industria	Radio technical	"	I.000
L'Energia Elettrica	Electicity	bi-monthly	2.500
L'Elettrotechnica	"	I6-yearly	6.000
L'Ingegnere	Engineering	Monthly	I.300
Il Monitore technico	Electrical prod."		I.000

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LOMBARDY: Milan: (Continue)

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
La Chimica e L'Industria	Chem. Industry,	bi-monthly	3.000
Il Monitore dell'Ind."	Industrial	Fortnightly	I.000
Le Leggi	Law	Monthly	I.600
Rivista di Terapia Pratica	Medical	bi-monthly	20.000
Boll.dell'Istituto Sieroterapetico Milanese	"	Monthly	2.000
Terapia	"	"	I0.000
La Medician del Lavoro,	Prof. deseases	"	450
L'Avvenire Sanitario	Professional	"	I.000
Il Sangue	For doctorss, nurses: Blood transfusions.	bi-monthly	I.I00
Clinica Veterinaria	Vet.	Monthly	2.000
Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Sociali	Social Science,	Forthnightly	700
Scientia	Scientific	Quarterly	I.200
"Jus"	Science	3, yearly	700
Aegyptus	Egyptology	Quarterly	400
Rivista degli Amici dell'Università Cattolica d.S.Cuore	University	Monthly	95.000
La Cultura Moderna	Cultural	"	250
Studi Filosofici	"	Quarterly	I.200
Rivista di Filosofia Neoscolastica	"	Forthnightly	700
Unione Mondiale Colezion.	"	bi-monthly	II000
La Donna	Fashion	"	I5.000
Vesta	"	Quarterly	I5.000
"Eva"	Women	Monthly	50.000

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Le Leggi	Law.		
Rivista di Terapia Pratica	Medical	bi-monthly	28.000
Boll.dell'Istituto Sieroterapetico Milanese	"	Monthly	2.000
Terapia	"	"	I0.000
La Medicina del Lavoro,	Prof.deseases	"	450
L'Avvenire Sanitario	Professional	"	I.008
Il Sangue	For doctorss, nurses: Blood transfusions.	bi-monthly	I.I00
Clinica Veterinaria	Vet.	Monthly	2.000
Rivista Internazionale di Scienze Sociali	Social Science,	Forthnightly	700
Scientia	Scientific	Quarterly	I.200
"Jus"	Science	3, yearly	700
Aegyptus	Egyptology	Quarterly	400
Rivista degli Amici dell'Università Cattolica d.S.Cuore	University	Monthly	95.000
La Cultura Moderna	Cultural	"	250
Studi Filosofici	"	Quarterly	I.200
Rivista di Filosofia Neoscolastica	"	Forthnightly	700
Unione Mondiale Colezion.	"	bi-monthly	II000
La Donna	Fashion	"	I5.000
Vesta	"	Quarterly	I5.000
"Eva"	Women	Monthly	50.000
Per voi Signora	"	"	2.000
Fili	Embroidery	"	I0.000
I Giardini	Gardening	"	I.500

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LOMBARDY: (Continue) Cremona:

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
La Fronte Democratico	CLN	Daily	35.000
Vita Cattolica	Arcivescovo,	Weekly	I5.000
Pavia			
La Prov. Pavese	CLN	tri-weekly	40.000
Il Ticino	Arcivescovo,	Weekly	I5.000
Mantova:			
Mantova Libera	CLN	Daily	30.000
Brescia:			
Il Giorn. di Brescia	CLN	"	35.000
Bergamo:			
Il Giorn. del Popolo	CLN	"	25.000
L'Eco di Bergamo	Arcivescovo,	Weekly	20.000
Como:			
Il Popolo Comasco	CLN	Daily	I5.000
Ordine della Domenica,	Arcivescovo,	Weekly	I5.000
Lecco:			
Il Giorn. di Lecco	CLN	triéweekly	I0.000
Varese:			
Corriere Prealpino	CLN	Daily	I5.000

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VENICE REGION: Venice:

TITLE	TYPE	PERIODIC	CIRCULATION
Corriere Veneto	PWB	Daily	80.000
Giornale delle Venezie	CLN	"	30.000
Popolo del Veneto	Dem.Christ.	Weekly	20.000
Giustizia e Libertà	Action P.	"	20.000
Veneto Liberale	Liberal	"	20.000
Voce del Popolo	Communist	"	20.000
Avanti	Socialist	"	20.000
Boll.Diocesano	Religious	Monthly	500
Picc.Fiamma	"	"	
Provisionally Authorized:			3.200
Socrate	Humorist	Weekly	15.000
Il Vaglio	Soc.Econ.Recon.	"	5.000
Cine Gazzetta	Film	"	20.000
Occhio sul Mondo	Intern. News	?	1.000
Giorni	Cultural	Fortnightly	10.000
Piccola Galleria	Art	Monthly	2.500
Marco Polo	News Comment	"	5.000
Italo Amer. Tourist Guide	Commerc.Tourist,	tri-monthly	2.000

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Padova:

Corriere Padovano	PWB	Daily	40.000
Vita Libera	CLN	"	10.000

Verona:

La Voce dell'Adige	PWB	"	40.000

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Title	Type	Periodicity	Circulation
Corriere Veneto	PWB	Daily	80.000
Giornale delle Venezie	CLN	"	30.000
Popolo del Veneto	Dem.Christ.	Weekly	20.000
Giustizia e Libertà	Action P.	"	20.000
Veneto Liberale	Liberal	"	20.000
Voce del Popolo	Communist	"	20.000
Avanti	Socialist	"	20.000
Boll.Diocesano	Religious	Monthly	500
Picc.ole Fiamma	"	"	
Provisionally Authorized:			3.200
Socrate	Humorist	Weekly	I5.000
Il Vaglio	Soc.Econ.Recon.	"	5.000
Cine Gazzetta	Film	"	20.000
Occhio sul Mondo	Intern. News	?	I.000
Giorni	Cultural	Fortnightly	I0.000
Piccola Galleria	Art	Monthly	2.500
Marco Polo	News Comment	"	5.000
Italo Amer. Tourist Guide	Commerc.Tourist,	tri-monthly	2.000

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Padova:

Corriere Padovano	PWB	Daily	40.000
Vita Libera	CLN	"	I0.000

Verona:

La Voce dell'Adige	PWB	"	40.000
Verona Libera	CLN	"	20.000

Treviso:

Ricostruire	CLN	Weekly	3.000

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OFFICE OF THE ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
ROME

II June 1945

Report on the application of para 7 Press Plan for Northern Italy.

Pre-Fascist papers.

Milan: Corriere della Sera.

Under para 7 of the Press plan, Corriere della Sera should have been revived under its old title on the appointment of a Commissario and the completion of epuration of the staff.

Some weeks before the liberation of Milan, Sig.Pizzolati (known as Longhi) the president of the CLNAI, visited Florence and Rome and expressed the opinion that if Corriere della Sera were revived, it should either change its name completely or be authorized as the official organ of the CLNAI.

On May Ist, the day after the liberation of Milan; the Press Officer, Lombardy, informed all parties of the CLNAI that in accordance with the Press plan it was proposed to revive Corriere della Sera in the near future. All parties except the Socialists registered "no objection". The Socialists were more preoccupied with the pre-Fascist liberal tendency of the paper than with the Fascist activities, and objected strongly to revival .

The parties asked time for discussion as they wished to present a united CLNAI front and agreed to present a memorandum to the Press Officer within two days. After a week the memorandum had not arrived and the secretary of the CLNAI stated that Colonel Poletti (later to be Regional Commissioner, Lombardy) had instructed them to defer discussions until his appointment. The Chief Press Officer:(then Lt. Colonel Munro) interviewed CLNAI representatives and accepted a proposal of I4 days deferment until heads of parties returned North from Rome pointing out that in the meantime instructions might be received for the Press plan to be applied immediately.

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This in fact happened. G 5 IV Corps, Director PR, A.C., and PWB Milan agreed that the longer the delay the more difficult it would be to launch the newspaper, and the CLNAI were informed that the Corriere was to be licensed without further delay.

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CLN (Milan city) communicated to the local press a statement to the effect that the CLNAI strongly disapproved of, and would not enclose the Allied authorization of the Corriere della Sera, but the CLNAI, at our request, cancelled the communique, denying knowledge of and responsibility for it. There were rumours of a possible strike amongst workers in the Corriere plant should the Corriere be published without CLNAI concurrence

On May 20th the meeting between G 5 IV Corps Director PR., AC, Chief Press Officer Milan and Milan Press Officer PWB, with President and members of the CLNAI the CLNAI objected to authorization on the grounds that

1) There was no immediate need for the paper;

2) That the title was so compromised by Fascism as to be unacceptable;

3) That the question of the Corriere della Sera should be not considered as an individual question but as part of a discussion later to include the Turin Stampa and Gazzetta del Popolo and the Genoa Secolo XIX.

The director PR.AC stated that the Corriere della Sera must be authorized immediately but that the title might be changed provided that the word Corriere was included in the masthead.

Several names were discussed and finally the suggestion of DPR.AC "Corriere d'Informazione" was agreed on by the CLNAI and the paper was licensed with this name and began publication on May 22nd.

A few days later organised groups of youths, stated to be of the Fronte della Gioventu, took approximately 10000 copies from newsstands and burned them in the streets of Milan. There were several arrests. There have been no further incidents and the newspaper is selling all copies.

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Turin: La Stampa and Gazzetta del Popolo.

There was local party opposition to the proposal to revive these newspapers, but feeling was not reckoned by Piemonte AMG and PWB to be high enough to warrent anxiety. Both newspapers were licensed by Regional APB on May 31st. The confirmation of appointments of commissarios is being awaited before publication. Local AMG and PWB do not anticipate incidents of any consequence when the papers appear with the next week or so.

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Genoa: Secolo XIX

There is universal opposition to this newspaper on the groundsthat:

I) It had no pre-Fascist independent tradition but was servile to any government in power;

2) That it is not wanted by and not acceptable to the general public;

Local AMG and PWB advise strongly against its revival; expressing the opinion that insistence on its publication would cause much trouble:

AMG and PWB suggest that instead of reviving Secolo XIX the P/B daily should be licensed as an independent newspaper to be owned by a public company with a board of directors elected by the shareholders.

Bologna: Resto del Carlino

Local Press reports indicate a strong feeling against revival of this paper, but it is felt that the principal objection to its authorization, the newsprint situation; will be overcome when newsprint stocks allow reasonable circulation to party papers, and that it will be possible to launch Resto del Carlino without excessive opposition

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SECRET & CONFIDENTIAL

15th June 1945.

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

Copy : To Mr. Stuart Brown, Director Public Relations, AC, Rome. and Major Sinclair Noble, Executive Secretary, APB.

From : Major David Cousland, OC PWB Unit No. 14.

Subject : Corriere del Mattino.

As was anticipated, the Sindaco are not taking the closing down of the Corriere del Mattino quietly.

Yesterday and to-day have apparently been days of meetings, and this evening a group of three of the members, headed by Avv. Devoto, is leaving for Rome, there to plead with the Government that they be allowed to carry on the Corriere del Mattino with its present title and with the Sindaco as its administrative authority.

Naturally there has been some considerable excitement about this at the paper's headquarters itself, and both Fassigli and Fossi are afraid of falling between two stools.

I think you will agree that it is of the utmost importance that there be a united Italian and Allied front on this matter and accordingly that Mr. Stuart Brown should be made cognisant of this new turn of events.

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I telephoned through to Rowena Vining "warning" her of the deputation's arrival and asked her to tell Mr. Stuart Brown also.

In the meantime we are carrying on as arranged with you.

David C. Cousland, Maj.

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

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Translation

20/PRB 15 June 45

SUBJECT : Article "Occorre far da sè".

TO : "Il Globo", via San Basilio 45.

The Transport Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission has pointed us out that in the leader appeared in "Il Globo" of June 13 are given some facts concerning the Trucks supplied to Italy from the Allies, which are inaccurate.

The real situation at present is as follows :- About 1600 trucks arrived in Rome and after being placed in Italian military formations they have been assigned solely to the transport of civilian supplies, under the guidance of the Allied Commission. 2000 additional trucks are currently arriving and it has been agreed with the Ministry of Transport that they will be turned over directly to the Italian Government for operation by the Italian State Railway. At present the Transport Sub-Commission are pressing the Italian Government to accept delivery of the trucks already assembled and ready for use.

(sgd)

THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

TGB/DO

15 June 45

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SUBJECT : Article on "Il Globo".

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

Reference your 154/?/TN 1, dated 14 June 45.

1. Enclosed is a draft of a letter we propose forwarding to "Il Globo". Would you please say if it meets with your approval ?

2. We also enclose for your information the article in "Il Globo" which referred to this matter.

THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

TOB/DO

20/ RB

15 giugno 1945

OGGETTO : Articolo "Occorre far da sè".

A : Redattore del "Globo", via Sud Ba 11io 45.

La Sottocommissione per i Trasporti ci fa notare che nell'articolo di fondo del "Globo" del 13 giugno vengono riportati dei dati circa i carichi fornili all'Italia dagli Alleati, che non sono esatti.

La vera situazione attuale è come segue : sono arrivati a Bari circa 1600 camions e, dopo essere stati organizzati in formazioni militari italiane, sono stati adibiti unicamente al trasporto di rifornimenti per la popolazione civile, sotto la direzione della Commissione Alleata. In questi giorni si attende l'arrivo di altri 2000camions ed è stato accordato con il Ministero dei Trasporti che essi verranno consegnati direttamente al Governo Italiano che li assegnerà alle Ferrovie dello Stato. In questo momento la Sottocommissione per i trasporti sta sollecitando il Governo Italiano perchè accetti la consegna dei camions già pronti e pronti per essere messi in uso.

THOMAS C. BERCIN
Major AUS
D.D.P.R.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Tel: 220

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14 June 1945

SUBJECT: Daily Digest of Rome Press

TO : Public Relations Branch,
HQ, Allied Commission

1. We note the statement of GLOBO, June 13th, '45, on the bottom of Page 5, which is entirely inaccurate. Approximately 1600 trucks arrived in Rome and were placed into Italian military formations for the sole purpose of transport of civilian supplies under the guidance of Allied Commission. 2,000 additional trucks are currently arriving in Rome, and it has been agreed with the Ministry of Transport that these trucks are to be turned over direct to the Italian Government for operation by Italian State Railways. At the present time we are pressing the Italian Government to accept delivery of the trucks which are already assembled and ready for them to put in operation.

MERRITT H. TAYLOR,
Director.

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OFFICE OF THE
ALLIED PUBLICATIONS BOARD
52 Via Veneto, Rome
Telephone 48171 extension 173

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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 AMG 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 annexure to G.A.C.(I) (45) 20, after discussion with representatives of the AMG Regional Commissioners in North Italy and of CMI and MCI.

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 Italy and by APB. Though, from the point of view of AMG, the desirability of such control was fully appreciated, APB considers that any attempt to impose 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 reimposition 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.

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AFE was therefore of the opinion that all reference to the control of Italian transmitters situated outside the area under AFHQ should be deleted from the scheme and recommended that no control, other than military censorship, should be exercised over these radio stations.

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

4. AFE 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 P. KIRWAN

Chairman,
Allied Publications Board.

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New York Office
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E. PAUL YASELLI
American Lawyer

Residence:
6 Via Levanio
Tel. 867.126
Office:
45 A. Via A. Depretis
Tel. 41.912

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Rome, Italy, May 15th 1945.

To Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Allied Command,
Via Veneto,
Rome.

From,
E. Paul Yaselli, as Attorney for the Società Tipografica Editrice Italiana.

Subject - Claim for the purchase of a Linotype machine.

Dear Sir;

As attorney for the above firm, permit me to submit to you, for your consideration a claim by the said firm for the sum of liras 1,200.00. for a Linotype Machine taken from the said firm, by the P.W.B. on Nov. 28th. 1944. Up to date same has not been settled.

The undersigned presented a bill, for the above sum, to Mr. Robinson, of the P.W.B. in Feb. 1945. Mr. Robinson referred me to Mr. Paget, for his approval. Mr. Paget offered to pay liras 400.000.00. This sum the owner would not accept it, because to get such a machine today in Italy, one must pay about liras 2,000.000.

I took up the matter of the refusal on the part of my client with the R.A.A.C. and they referred me to the claims and Hirings Department, at Via delle Botteghe Oscure 46. This Dept. referred me to the U.S. Claims service, at Piazza dei Lombardi, Rome. This office said they had no jurisdiction in the matter and suggested I take the matter up with you personally.

Enclosed herewith is a photostat copy of the receipt left when the machine was taken; it was never requisitioned. The above firm has a large printing plant, employing over 100. persons and need such a machine very badly. If a satisfactory settlement in cash cannot be made, my client would be satisfied to get the machine back.

Trusting that this matter will receive your kind attention, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd) E. Paul Yaselli

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH GSB/PO

20/PRB 8 giugno 1945

Caro Avvocato Libonati,

Ho ricevuto la Sua cortese lettera, N° Prot.857 in data 5 corrente,

Purtroppo i posti di cui disponiamo sull'aereo per Milano sono limitatissimi, pertanto possiamo concederli solo in casi di estrema urgenza e solo a quei giornalisti che sono accreditati presso l'AC con la ben nota tessera verde.

La prego perciò di comunicare al Sig. Vecchietti che sono dolente ma non possiamo fare nulla per lui.

Con i miei più cordiali saluti, mi creda Suo

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

S.E. F. Libonati
Sottosegretario per la Stampa
Via Veneto 56

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Roma, 5.6.1945

PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Caro Mr. Stewart Brown,

il Sig. Alberto VECCHIETTI, redattore dell'"AVANTI!" dovrebbe recarsi d'urgenza a Milano per ragioni di lavoro.

Mi rivolgo alla Sua cortesia perchè voglia di favorirlo ottenendo per lui un passaggio su di un aereo militare che si rechi colà.

Con molti ringraziamenti

Vecchietti

P.S. - Per eventuali dirette comunicazioni Le unisco l'indirizzo e il numero telefonico dell'interessato.
Corso Vitt.Em.le,294 - Roma - Telef.50807

Mr. Stewart Brown
Director
Public Relation Branch
Head Quartiers Allied Commission
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.C.O 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH JPL/DO

2 giugno 1945

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OGGETTO : Dott. Silvano Gattenchi.

A : S.E. F. Libonati, Sottosegretario per la Stampa,
Via Veneto 56.

Le inviamo qui accluso, per Sua informazione ed eventuale evasione, copia e traduzione di una lettera mandateci dal Governo Militare Alleato della Toscana.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

Copia al : Local Government Sub-Commission

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APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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20/PRB

2 June 45

SUBJECT : Dr. Silvano Gatteschi.

TO : Local Government Sub-Commission.

Attached please find copy and translation of a letter from AMG Toscana Region forwarded to your office for such action as you deem fitting.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

Copy to : S.E. P. Libonati, Undersecretary for Press,
Via Veneto 56

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HEADQUARTERS
TUSCANY REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Ref. RVIII/GS/123 25 May 45

SUBJECT : Dr. SILVANO GAMERONI
TO : H.Q. A.C.

1. The following text of letter AR/HQ/123, dated 15 May 45, from P.C. Arezzo is forwarded please for favour of transmittal to the appropriate Ministry if such a procedure is permissible:

"The above named has been acting as the censor of the local press for some 8 months. He is also a first Secretary in the Prefectural Administration. Throughout he has performed this difficult and somewhat thankless task with care and industry. Though only given the broad principles of the desired censorship, his efforts have resulted in a cooperative press which has been marked by a moderation which compares favourably with several other newspapers on the boundaries of the province.

It is considered that the good work of this civil servant over and above his normal duty should be brought to the attention of the Minister of the Italian Government."

For the Regional Commissioner :

(sgd)
G.J. ODUENTZ
1st Lieut. F.A.
Adjutant.

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Riservato

Ref. [illegible]

Oggetto: [illegible]

1. Il seguente testo di una lettera, n° [illegible] in data 10 corrente, ricevuta da [illegible], viene trasmesso per la pronta [illegible] al destinatario in [illegible].

[illegible] dello stesso tenore. [illegible] contenuto della lettera. [illegible] non [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

File Ref: RV111/68/A/123 Date: 25 May 45.

SUBJECT: Dr. SILVANO GATTESCHI.

TO : H.Q., A.C.

1. The following text of letter AR/HQ/123, dated 15 May 45, from P.C., AREZZO is forwarded please for favour of transmittal to the appropriate Ministry if such a procedure is permissible:

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It is considered that the good work of this civil servant over and above his normal duty should be brought to the attention of the Minister of the Italian Government."

For the Regional Commissioner:

B.J. OPULENTE,
1st Lieut.F.A.
Adjutant.

GM/VM.

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AGENZIA NAZIONALE STAMPA ASSOCIATA

" A. N. S. A. "

SERVIZIO ITALIANO

Foglio n. 4

ANSA 23 - Il problema degli alloggi a Milano

MILANO, 25 maggio (ANSA) - In un appello rivolto alla popolazione, il sindaco di Milano, Antonio Greppi, ha esortato chiunque abbia locali disponibili a metterli a disposizione dei cittadini sprovvisti di abitazione. Molto difficile, infatti è a Milano il problema degli alloggi, specie in considerazione dell'affluire in città di moltitudini di combattenti, di internati, di esuli e di sfollati.

" E' un dovere elementare per tutti - ha soggiunto il sindaco Greppi - andare incontro ai fratelli sprovvisti di alloggio. E' vergognoso che poche persone continuino ad occupare spaziosi appartamenti, con sale e salotti del tutto inutili, mentre intere famiglie non riescono a trovare il più modesto ricovero".

L'appello conclude ricordando che sarà esercitato il potere di requisizione con intransigente severità. (8,45)

ANSA 24 - In tema di disoccupazione

MILANO, 25 maggio (ANSA) - Il C.L.N.A.I., considerata l'urgenza di provvedimenti atti a lenire l'attuale incombente disoccupazione, ha deliberato la costituzione di un ufficio, costituito di rappresentanti degli industriali, della Camera del lavoro, dell'Istituto di previdenza sociale e del ministero della produzione industriale, col compito di riferire in merito alla situazione, alla commissione centrale economica. (8,45)

ANSA 30 - Altre provincie che passano all'amministrazione italiana

ROMA, 25 maggio (ANSA) - Si apprende che nella prima decade di giugno p.v. le provincie di Firenze, Lucca, Pistoia e Livorno saranno restituite all'amministrazione del governo italiano. (9,10)

Ore 9,35 - 25/5/45 - gv/

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APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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27 May, 1945.

SUBJECT : Newspaper Application from Apuania.

TO : Sec. of Allied Publication Board.

1. Reference is attached application.

2. PRO, AC hopes the necessary approval can be granted at an early date.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

File Ref: RV111/21/137 date: 25 May 45.

SUBJECT: Newspapers.

TO : Allied Publications Board, APO 394, US Army,
thru' HQ, AC, Public Relations Branch.

1. The attached copy of letter A/009, dated 23 May 45, from F.C., APUANIA, is forwarded for consideration please.

2. If the publication of the newspaper referred to is approved, may the necessary application forms please be forwarded.

for the Regional Commissioner:

/s/ R.J. OPULENTE,
1st Lieut.F.A.
Adjutant.

CM/Vm.

Copy to:- F.C., APUANIA
your A/009, dated 23 May 45, refers.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APUANIA PROVINCE

RLS/cd

23 May 1945

File : A/009

SUBJECT: Newspaper in Apuania Province

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army
(Thru: Channels)

1. The Province of Apuania does not, at present, have any newspaper published in this Province.

2. Vannelli Napoleone desires to publish a newspaper at Carrara, in Apuania Province, under the name of "LA RINASCITA" (The Revival) which will be published twice a week.

3. Vannelli Napoleone is a man of political integrity and well considered in the Province and is in position to publish the newspaper at once, needing only proper approval, and, in due time, allocation of newsprint.

4. The venture has the approval of the C.L.N. andthe Prefect of the Province.

5. The paper would not be sponsored by any political party but by the C/.P.L.N., for dissemination of news, publication of orders, decrees and releases of AMG and Provincial Officers of the civilian government.

6. We approve this most heartily and feel that the needs of the Province requires this newspaper.

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/s/ K.L. SMITH
/t/ K.L. SMITH
Major, AUS
Provincial Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394 HHS/epc
Communications Sub-Commission

G.253. .CS 26th May, 1945

SUBJECT: Civilian Press Agencies

TO : H.E. The Under-Secretary of State for PP.TT.

1. In view of the imminent return of additional provinces to Italian Government control, a meeting was held on May 23rd by the PRO of this HQrs. at which were present representatives of the private news agencies.

2. At this meeting it was stated that P.W.B. was anxious to shut down its services in Tuscany and it was agreed that subject to Tuscany having been returned to Italian Government control P.W.B. would cease its press services in that territory as of June 10th, 1945 continuing however concurrently with the private press agencies until June 12th, 1945. If territory has not been returned to Italian Government control by that date P.W.B. will continue its services until date of turn over.

3. It was agreed that communications facilities among Rome, Florence, Pisa, Pistoia, Prato etc., would be available to provide adequate, even tho' limited, service to the private news agencies and that the news agencies would inform the Under-Secretary for Press, etc., of their estimated requirements. He in turn is to consult with you as to necessary arrangements.

4. It is of utmost importance that work be hastened on the Circolo route Rome-Florence, in order to provide additional telephone channels Rome-Florence.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to:
P.R.O., A.C. HQRS.

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25 agosto 1945

Caro Avvocato,

Dopo ho già avuto occasione di comunicarle a proposito di altre richieste, da parte di codesto Ente congregazione, di permessi per recarsi al Nord, non mi sembra opportuna l'autorizzazione richiestaci se non ad avvenuta in possesso della nuova carta di riconoscimento definitiva. Quindi nulla osta dal mio canto. Resta, di cui nella Sua lettera N° 1708, 712 in data 23 agosto U.S., nulla potremo fare finchè egli non sarà in possesso della suddetta carta.

Voglia gradire i miei più cordiali saluti

C. BERNARD Brown
Director
Public Relations Branch

S.E. P. Ilbonati
Sottosegretario per la Stampa
Via Veneto

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Roma, li 23 maggio 1945

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Caro Mr. Stewart Brown,

Le sarò grato se vorrà cortesemente interessarsi per il rilascio del permesso di recarsi al Nord al giornalista Dr. Bruno Fonzi, del giornale "FOLLA" .

In foglio a parte sono elencati gli elementi di identificazione del giornalista stesso.

Con vivi ringraziamenti e molti cordiali saluti

Parenti

Lt. C. Stewart Brown
Director
Public Relations Branch
Head Quarters Allied
Commission A.P.O. 394

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

GIORNALISTA DEL SETTIMANALE "FOLLA" CHE DEVE
RECARSI NELL'ITALIA SETTENTRIONALE PER SERVIZIO
DI CORRISPONDENZA

Dott. Dario ZONI di Giuseppe, abitante in Roma
Via del Babuino 50, titolare postale n. 572077
dell'ufficio postale di Torino

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PRO. file 20

Rome, 24 NOV. 1945

Ministero degli Affari Esteri

GABINETTO

Ufficio di Collegamento
con la C.A.

To: The office of the E.C.

The Presidency of the Council on Ministers warmly recommends the issuing of a permit to Lawyer Luigi Segretti, State Commissioner of the Rizzoli Firm, who must go to Milan, seat of the printing establishment and editorial activities of the firm, in order to resume the organisation and direction of same.

We would be very grateful for a kind consideration of this request.

Ciucci.

(Marchese Afan de Rivera)

Name: Luigi SEGRETTI
Address: Corso Vittorio Emanuele, 239
Identity card: 5855

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HQ. 15TH ARMY GROUP

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24 May 1945

Ref. ES/ 15:07

SUBJECT: Transmission of "Il Lavoro" to AMG and Army Territory

To: Brig. D. L. Anderson, Deputy V.P.
Economic Section, Hq. Allied Commission

1. I have only taken over as head of PWB 15th Army Group, and find a letter from you dated 27 April regarding the above subject unanswered.

2. Point 2 of your letter is well taken and I herewith recommend that facilities be granted for Confederazione Generale del Lavoro to send their newspaper to Florence and other cities in AMG and Army territory.

GEORGE W. EIMAN, PWO
PWB, 15TH ARMY GROUP HQ.

cc: Labor S/C, AC
Public Relations Br., AC

MAJOR COUSLAND, RETURN GE.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH GSB/DO

20/PRB 24 maggio 1945

Caro Avvocato,

Con riferimento alla Sua N° Prot. 710, in data 21 corr., Le comunico che non possiamo per ora rilasciare un permesso per il nord al Sig. Maneghini poichè, da quanto ci risulta, egli non è in possesso della tessera di accreditamento dall'AC. Se il Sig. Maneghini desidera ulteriori schiarimenti, potrà passare dal nostro ufficio dove saremo ben lieti di darglieli.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

S.E. F. Libonati
Sottosegretario per la Stampa
Via Veneto

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Roma, 21 maggio 1945

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Caro Mr.Brown,

aderendo alle premure rivoltemi dalla direzione dell'"Osservatore Romano", Le trasmetto i dati del giornalista Dott.Mario MENEGHINI di Agostino, abitante a Roma in via Alberico II n.35 - tessera della Città del Vaticano n.549, del 28-9-1943, il quale dovrebbe andare nell'Italia settemtrionale, in qualità di corrispondente del giornale stesso.

RingraziandoLa vivamente del Suo cortese interessamento, Le invio i miei migliori saluti

Mr.G.STEWART BROWN
Chief of
Public Relation Branch
A.C. A.P.O.394

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Col. Baker, Resp. S/K.

Italia Nuova

ORGANO DEL PARTITO
DEMOCRATICO ITALIANO

R O M A
Piazza Montecitorio 121-Tel. 683235

REDAZIONE

Roma, 22 maggio 1945

Magg.AUS John P.LEVACOS
Public Relations Officier
Headquarters Allied Commission
R O M A

In risposta alla lettera 20/PRB del 8 maggio 1945.

Le informazioni circa il traffico ferroviario con Milano ci sono state fornite dalla nostra fonte privata.

Ad ogni modo stamattina abbiamo già provveduto alla rettifica sulla scorta delle dichiarazioni della Sottocommissione Alleata competente.

IL CAPO REDATTORE
.. dott.Alberto Consiglio =

Alberto Consiglio

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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18 maggio 1945

OGGETTO : "Posti in piedi sui treni" (18 maggio 1945).

A : Direzione dell' "Italia Nuova", Piazza Montecitorio 121.

Preghiamo codesta Direzione di informarci da quali fonti essa ha ottenuto le informazioni pubblicate in "Italia Nuova" del 18 corr., circa la ripresa del traffico ferroviario fra Roma e Milano per la fine di giugno.

Poichè dette notizie non corrispondono esattamente a verità, vorremmo inoltre pregare codesta Direzione di assicurarsi sempre della esattezza delle informazioni ricevute, prima di pubblicarle.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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_T_R_A_N_S_L_A_T_I_O_N_ /lr

From the "ITALIA NUOVA"

At the end of June, the first train for Milan.

At the end of June, the first train of I. .S. will operate in conjunction between the North and the South. We are happy to forward you this information that has reached us through reliable sources. At the beginning, (abeginning that will last approximately (6) six months) passenger traffic for Milan and other provinces of North Italy will be operated with the same limitations that we have now in the south, very few seats are available, therefore reservations must be made on the same scale as used in Southern Italy. During the first months, traffic will be operated on one track only. All the internal switches from province to province in the North, are in good working conditions.

There is some serious damage, on the main line. The public can get an idea of this damage from the line of travel from Rome to Milan. The bridge across the Po is not being used. For this time being, the line being used is Rome-Milan, Rome-Civitavecchia, Grosseto, Leghorn, Empoli, Florence and direct Florence to Bologna, Verona and from Verona to Milano. All this is possible due to the bridge at Ostiglia being undamaged. If not for this bridge at Ostiglia being undamaged, much more time would be needed in travelling this route.

Other discouraging news. is that the whole route cannot be travelled by electricity and therefore coal will have to be used. The course of travel to Milan, Torino and other Northern cities is heavy with coal dust but not enough to bother with.

Hoping among other things, that overnight Hotels in these places will not already have been requisitioned.

Other rather discouraging news is the number of Railway wagons still in use in the North. There are not 15,000 as some newspapers have published. There are many more but always less than the 120,000 that we had before the war, but we will speak another time of technical news.

For the moment the pleasure of thinking is that Milan, Torino and Genoa are not far distant places, but as familiar and domestic places as one time.

At the end of June, the first train of I. .R. will operate in conjunction between the North and the South. We are happy to forward you this information that has reached us through reliable sources. At the beginning, (abeginning that will last approximately (6) six months) passenger traffic for Milan and other provinces of North Italy will be operated with the same limitations that we have now in the south. very few seats are available, therefore reservations must be made on the same scale as used in Southern Italy. During the first months, traffic will be operated on one track only. All the internal switches from province to province in the North, are in good working conditions.

There is some serious damage, on the main line. The public can get an idea of this damage from the line of travel from Rome to Milan. The bridge across the Po is not being used. For this time being, the line being used in Rome-Milan, Rome-Civitavecchia, Grosseto, Leghorn, Napoli, Florence and direct Florence to Bologna, Verona and from Verona to Milano. All this is possible due to the bridge at Ostiglia being undamaged. If not for this bridge at Ostiglia being undamaged, much more time would be needed in travelling this route.

Other discouraging news, is that the whole route cannot be travelled by electricity and therefore coal will have to be used. The course of travel to Milan, Torino and other Northern cities is heavy with coal dust but not enough to bother with.

Hoping among other things, that overnight Hotels in these places will not already have been requisitioned.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/mew

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18 May 1945

Dear Mr. Banti:

This is in reply to your letter of May 10th. I have investigated and find that the Allied Commission has not made any arrangements for the use of military telephone lines for the "Corriere del Mattino" and the "Nazione del Popolo" in Florence. If such arrangements have been made they may have been made either with the Italian Government or direct with P.W.B.

I frankly do not know how we can help you and my only suggestion would be for you to have your Rome correspondent approach the News Director of P.W.B., Mr. Griffin Bancroft, to see if there is not some way in which his office can facilitate the transmission of news to your paper in Livorno.

I hope however that very shortly normal civilian telephone service will be open to Ancona which will answer your problem.

Sincerely yours,

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Mr. A. G. Banti
The Director
"Il Tirreno"
Livorno

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IL TIRRENO

QUOTIDIANO INDIPENDENTE

LIVORNO

REDAZIONE

Livorno, the 10th May 1945
Viale V. Alfieri, 5 - Tel. 91

To Lt. C. Stewart Brown
Director
Public Relations Branch

R o m e .

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter from honorable undersecretary for the Pr about the telephone service between Dr. Della Rocca, correspondent in Rome "Il Tirreno" and a newspaper in Leghorn.

Let me please explain clearlier the position.

The civilian telephone services between Rome and the Tuscan, could be resumed probably quickly. Owing to this reason and considering the usefu need of newspapers under P.W.B.'s control in this zone, the honorable A.C. has given permission to transmit by telephone, by a military line, the news from Ro me directed to "Il Corriere del Mattino" (Florence) and "La Nazione del Popol (Florence). This phoning transmission is effectuating since more than a month every night, for 15 minutes and for each newspaper above. It is not necessary add that the news transmitted are under censorship in Rome, before leaving.

Now, I have requested exactly the same treatment for newspaper "Il Tir reno" born under care of P.W.B., and under its control.

I have requested namely, that likely permitted for the two Florence's newspapers, also for the Leghorn's newspaper, is given the permission to receiv by telephone, on a military line, the news from Rome and in this purpose I hav indicate the Allie telephone No. 625 Leghorn (P.W.B.) as the phone to which the news could be sent.

I dare beg you to kindly take again note of my request not only because I would wish the same treatment of others newspapers like mine, but because I think would be politically useful that in the present period and in a town of workmen like Leghorn, it is possible to receive every night from Rome, checked politically news.

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With my best regards

Yours faithfully

The Director

A. G. Banti

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18 maggio 1945

OGGETTO : Autorizzazione a recarsi in Italia settentrionale.

A : Sig. Marcello Berardi, Casa Stampa, Piazza S.Silvestro, 92

Con riferimento alla Sua in data 15 maggio mi pregio comunicarle che, data la cessazione delle ostilità, non rilasciamo più speciali permessi per corrispondenti di guerra.

Rilasciamo invece permessi ai corrispondenti che desiderano recarsi in Italia settentrionale, purchè essi siano in possesso della tessera verde di accreditamento dell'AC.

C. STEWART BRUCE
Director
Public Relations Branch

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Quotidiano Politico della Sardegna

SASSARI - Via Muroni, 8 p. II - Casella Postale N. 4 - Conto Corrente Postale n. 10-3924

REDAZIONE ROMANA - SALA STAMPA
ROMA PIAZZA S. SILVESTRO 22

Telef. uffici - 63725 - 63801

Roma I5 maggio I945

EGREGIO MISTER BROWN

Pro HQ AC

Oggetto: Autorizzazione a visitare gruppi di combattimento italiani nella zona delle armate.

Per incarico del mio giornale dovrei visitare i gruppi di combattimento italiani " Friuli ","Legnano " , "Cremona " nella zona delle Armate.

Chiedo pertanto l'autorizzazione e possibilmente qualche facilitazione per il viaggio.

Con ringraziamenti

IL CORRISPONDENTE

Marcello Berardi

Marcello Berardi 5930

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20/IRB

18 maggio 1945

In risposta alla loro richiesta in prot. 14475/12, in data 12 maggio, posso comunicare che al momento attuale il nostro ufficio è autorizzato a rilasciare permessi per recarsi nell'Italia settentrionale solo ai giornalisti in possesso della tessera di accreditamento dell'AC.

Non appena le attuali restrizioni saranno tolte, sarò ben lieto di poterVi agevolare.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

Sig. A. Selvicco
Segretario dell'Associazione Editori Giornali
Via San Nicola da Tolentino, 27

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of these three people only Parrini,
who is also sub-editor of "Avanti", has
an AC green card.

Mrs. Okulicz
Tell me hope all
instructions will be lifted DO
in a few days
GPB.

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12 MAY 45

It is earnestly requested that travel passes to Milan be granted to some representatives of this Association, namely to Mr. Primo BARBINI, Mr. Rodino CARBONI and Mr. Antonio SCELVICCO, delegated by the National Meeting held in Naples on April 29-30, to proceed to North Italy in order to contact the local paper mills for future newsprint supplies to newspapers.

The editors are hoping you will take into favourable consideration this request so that the newsprint problem, which you tackled so efficiently some time ago, may be solved as soon as possible.

(sgd)

(A.Scelvicco)

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ASSOCIAZIONE NAZIONALE EDITORI GIORNALI

n.14475/12

ROMA, li 12 Maggio 1945
Via San Nicola da Tolentino, 21
Telefono 484569

Sig.Col. BROWN
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
R O M A

Si rivolge viva preghiera alla S.V. affinchè voglia disporre per il rilascio di un permesso di viaggio per Milano ad una rappresentanza di questa Associazione Nazionale composta dei Sigg.ri Primo Parrini, Carboni Ing.Realino e dal Segretario Dr.Antonio Sciavicco, delegati dall'Assemblea Nazionale tenutasi in Napoli nei giorni 29 e 30 Aprile c.a., a recarsi nel nord-Italia per ivi prendere contatti ed intese con le cartiere locali per i futuri approvvigionanti della carta ai giornali.

Gli editori di giornali confidano in un benevolo e sollecito accoglimento della presente al fine di poter quanto prima risolvere l'annoso problema della carta per cui Lei a suo tempo ebbe ad adoperarsi efficacemente, conoscendone quindi tutti i difficili aspetti.

Ringraziando rimaniamo in attesa e la salutiamo cordialmente.

IL SEGRETARIO
(A.Sciavicco)

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HQ. 15TH ARMY GROUP

PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH
P.W.B. UNIT No. 14 - A.P.O. 512

17 May 1945

Dear Stewart:

Our Major Piscop knows about the linotype mentioned in your letter of May 16, 1945, I am sure, and I am asking him to deal with it.

My address has changed and it is about to change again. If you care to reach me, address me care of PWB, Unit 16. APO 512, U.S. Army. I am no longer head of PWB Liberated Italy. The title now is PWO, 15th Army Group Hq.

Best regards.

Sincerely.

(Sgd)
GEORGE W. EDMAN, PWO
PWB 15th ARMY GROUP HQ.

Mr. G. Stewart Brown,
Director, PRB
Allied Commission Hq.

cc: Major Piscop

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16 May 1945

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I am trying to find out where claims of this type are adjudicated but in the meantime I would appreciate your comments on the claim in order to better determine how it should be handled.

I would appreciate it if you could do this at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Mr. George Edman
Head (LIBERATED ITALY) Hq.
P.W.B.
62 Via Veneto
Rome

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Rome, Italy May 15th. 1945.

To Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Allied Command,
Via Veneto,
Rome.

From,
E. Paul Yaselli, as attorney for the Società Tipografica Tuitrice Italiana.

Subject - Claim for the purchase of a Linotype machine.

Dear Sir;

As attorney for the above firm, permit me to submit to you, for your consideration a claim by the said firm for the sum of lires 1,200,00 for a Linotype Machine taken from the said firm, by the P.W.B. on Nov. 28th. 1944. Up to date same has not been settled.

The undersigned presented a bill, for the above sum, to Mr. Robinson, of the P.W.B. in Feb. 1945. Mr. Robinson referred me to Mr. Paget, for his approval. Mr. Paget offered to pay lires 400.000.00. This sum the owner would not accept it, because to get such a machine today in Italy, one must pay about lires 2,000.000.

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Enclosed herewith is a photostat copy of the receipt

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Trusting that this matter will receive your kind attention, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd)
E. PAUL YASELLI

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TO: Chief Commissioner
(Through Executive Commissioner)

The attached letter is submitted for your approval and signature.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PRB

12 May 45

Rec'd 14th May.

14th May.

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P. R. BRANCH

Letter signed as requested & returned herewith for dispatch. Copies withdrawn for CC & EC files

17. May 45.

W. Stearns
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16. May 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

We have made inquiries into the questions raised in your letter of May 8th number 287.

For some time P.W.B. has been endeavoring to dorequisition the printing plant at Via Quattro Novembre 149 and to rent a certain amount of the equipment. So far their efforts have not been successful because they consider the rental price demanded by U.E.S.I.S.A. to be entirely excessive. If the matter of rental fees could be settled, P.W.B. would immediately dorequisition the plant in question.

As for the four linotypes which the Germans placed in the Messaggero printing plant, we are informed that the Army newspaper, Stars & Stripes, is using two of them and the other two are being used by the Messaggero printing concern to publish several newspapers. Stars & Stripes would be willing to dorequisition three of the machines, keeping only one to publish the newspaper for the troops as long as they are in Italy. If three linotypes were dorequisitioned it would be a matter for the Italian Government to determine whether they should remain in their present location for the use of newspapers currently being printed there or returned to the U.E.S.I.S.A. printing office. This is not a question which the Allied Commission can determine.

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

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
APO 394

R/0263

10 May 1945

Mr. Stewart Brown
Director, Public Relations
Headquarters, Allied Commission

Dear Stewart,

I have a telegram concerning the transfer of Leo Tolnay. The matter has been discussed with the appropriate authorities here in Milan, and there isn't a chance of "Tempo" being given the right to publish in Milan.

Arrangements for the continued publication of the Giornale Lombardo have been made and there is no chance of the "Tempo" people taking over the Giornale under that name or any other name.

Will you be good enough to advise Mrs. Tormey. Many thanks.

Charles Poletti

CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

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P. R. B. 2a

Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers

Cabinet
No. 2207

Rome, 8 May 1945

Dear Ambrose,

In reference with your answer of April 10th, to [illegible] subject of my previous letter of the 7th, I want to [illegible] that the denazification requested concerns the Lanerossi printing-office, in via [illegible], in which the latter publication by Lanerossi.

[illegible], during the said occupation, the Germans obliged the above mentioned firm to lend it [illegible] to the Lanerossi printing-office. The present management of the Lanerossi refused to give back [illegible] although, under the pretence that the Allied Authorities are using them.

As the reopening of the Lanerossi plant by [illegible] and the [illegible] of the 4 linotypes by the Lanerossi on account of the Allies is causing great difficulties to the management of some newspapers for the printing of their dailies, would you very kindly consider the possibility of granting the denazification of the said plant and the restitution of the 4 linotypes now by the Lanerossi management.

I should be most grateful if you would give me some information on this subject.

Yours truly,

A. T. Bonomi

[illegible] 15 June 1945 received by [illegible] Intelligence Service

Brigadier Harry A. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
[illegible]

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EC List - 10 May 45

ACTION: P.R.B. (2)
INFO: Chief Comm
Exec Comm

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Cap.

Il Presidente
del Consiglio dei Ministri

Roma, li - 8 MAG. 1944

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Caro Ammiraglio,

in relazione alla Sua risposta in data IO aprile u.s., Le comunico, a maggior chiarimento di quanto rappresenta oggetto della mia precedente lettera del 5 stesso mese, che la derequisizione richiesta riguarda proprio lo stabilimento tipografico U.E.S.I.S.A., sito in via IV Novembre I49, nel quale fino al settembre I943 veniva stampato l'antico giornale "Il Lavoro" e che fu successivamente requisito dal P.W.B.-

Inoltre durante l'occupazione nazista, i tedeschi costrinsero il predetto stabilimento a dare in prestito alla tipografia del Messaggero n°4 linotype.-L'Amministrazione attuale del Messaggero si è rifiutata di restituire queste 4 linotype, col pretesto che le autorità Alleate le utilizzano per proprio conto.-

Pertanto, poichè la requisizione dello stabilimento U.E.S.I.S.A. da parte del P.W.B. e la detenzione delle 4 linotype da parte del Messaggero, per conto degli Alleati, cagiona gravi dif-

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Al Sig. Ammiraglio Ellery W. Stone
Capo della Commissione Alleata

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ficoltà alle direzioni di alcuni giornali per la stampa dei loro quotidiani, La pregherei di voler esaminare benevolmente la possibilità di concedere la derequisizione del cennato stabilimento e la restituzione delle 4 linotype detenute dall'Amministrazione del Messaggero.-

Le sarò grato se vorrà favorirmi notizie in proposito.-

Cordiali saluti.-

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16 May 1945

Dear Avv. Libonati:

The other day I gave you a list of the Italian correspondents for whom we arranged air transport to Milan. As I told you we took them in the order their applications were received. The list I gave you was not quite complete or correct and I am attaching herewith a revised list.

For your information, at the last moment we arranged for a correspondent of "Unita" to go with the party but unfortunately he failed to show up in time to catch the plane.

Sincerely yours,

C. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Avv. F. Libonati
Under-Secretary for Press,
Theatre and Tourism
56 Via Veneto
Roma

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ITALIAN CORRESPONDENTS GONE TO MILAN BY WD AIR TRANSPORT ON WEDNSADY 16, 1945.

Gabriele BALDINI	S.I. News Agency
Domenico BARTOLI	Risorgimento Liberale
Alberto CENETTO	A.N.S.A.
Enzo LEVI	Ricostruzione
Giorgio PORLAJ	Orbis
Bruno PINCHERLE	Italia Libera
Francesco FLORA	Risorgimento (Naples)
Giorgio SANSA	Libera Stampa
Carlo VACCARO	Globo
Leonida REPACI	L'Epoca
Lee TOLMAY BAHRST	Tempo
Rina PINCHERLE SIMONETTI	Indipendente
Aldo LUXARDO	(Photographer)
Armando	New York Times
Yehia CHERIF	Alef BA
Hjalmar DE LAVAL	Veckojournalen

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G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Mr. George Edman
Head (LIBERATED ITALY) HQ.
P.W.B.
62 Via Veneto
Rome

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Rome, Italy May 15th. 1945.

To Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Allied Command,
Via Veneto,
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From,
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Trusting that this matter will receive your kind attention, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd) E.Paul Vasselli

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20/PRB. 16 May 1945.

SUBJECT : Article in "Libera Stampa", 11 May.

TO : Col. Sieff, Chief, Movements Div., Transportation S/C

1. In answer to your query of 12 May (396/189/TN3) on source of information for article indicated above we have called LIBERA STAMPA who cite United Nations News Service as their source.

2. Perhaps a general press release on the subject would be advisable when accurate figures are obtainable.

THOMAS G. BERGIN
Major, AUS,
Deputy Director
Public Relations Branch

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH PRB/DO

20/PEB 15 maggio 45

Caro Avvocato,

Con riferimento alla Sua due note, N° Prot. 561 e 565 in data 15 maggio, Le comunico quanto segue :

1. La redazione di "Italia Nuova" si è già messa in contatto col nostro ufficio e si sta provvedendo a farvene giungere noi redattori al Nord.

2. Circa la richiesta del "Lavoro" e dell' "Avanti!" In luogo di comunicare alla direzione di detti quotidiani di mettersi in contatto col nostro ufficio, Le accludo presente che i giornalisti, per ottenere il permesso di recarsi al Nord, dovranno essere in possesso della tessera verde di accreditamento dell'AC.

Voglia gradire i miei più cordiali saluti

C. CURTIS BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

S.E. V. Tiboni
Sottosegretario per la Stampa
Via Veneto

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Roma, li 15 maggio 1945

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Caro Mr. Stewart Brown,

La Direzione dei quotidiani "Avanti" e "Lavoro" hanno interessato questo Sottosegretariato per ottenere il permesso dal Comando Alleato di inviare nell'Italia del Nord due redattori in qualità di corrispondenti dei giornali stessi.

Le trasmetto pertanto in allegato i dati dei giornalisti in questione pregandola di voler dare alla richiesta favorevole corso.

Nell'attesa di una Sua cortesecomunicazione Le invio molti ringraziamenti con i miei migliori saluti.

(Avv. P. Bibonati)

Mr. G. Stewart Brown
Director
Public Relation Branch
Head Quarters Allied
Commission A.P.O. 394

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Dr. Vezio MURIALDI - passaporto 740141/2952 rilasciato dalla Questura di Genova il 10 luglio 1939

Dr. Leo Solari - fu Cesare - Porto d'armi n. 270535 rilasciato dalla Questura di Roma.

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IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Roma, li 15 maggio 1945

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Caro Mr. Brown,

La Direzione del quotidiano "Italia Nuova" ci é rivolta a questo Sottosegretariato per ottenere l'autorizzazione dal Comando Alleato di inviare nell'Italia del Nord, quattro redattori incaricati di servizi di corrispondenza per il giornale stesso.

La prego Mr. Brown di voler rivolgere il Suo cortese interessamento a tale richiesta e le allego i dati dei giornalisti in questione.

Nel ringraziarLa vivamente Le invio i miei più cordiali saluti

(Avv.F.Libonati)

Mr.G.Stewart Brown
Director
Public Relation Branch
Head Quartiers Allied
Commission A.P.O. 394

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Elenco dei radiotaxi corrispondenti:

1°- Dr. Fernando ALESSIO- per Venezia
tessera postale n.595206 - Roma-

2°- Dr. Mario PETTORELLO- Per Torino
carta identità n.11.744.567- Roma -

3°- Dr.Roberto TALLI- Per Milano-
carta identità n.7446 - Rieti -

4°- Dr. Domingo Jannon- per Milano -
carta identità 3922265- Milano

tutti domiciliati in P.za Montecitorio 121- Roma

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20/PRB

May 1945

My dear General:

The attached story appeared in yesterday's "Avanti" and has caused us considerable embarrassment. We have checked here and there is no record of passes being issued to the three persons mentioned in the story.

I would appreciate it if you could let me know whether there is a possibility that your office may have issued passes for any of the persons mentioned.

Sincerely yours.

ELLIOTT R. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Brig. Gen. Edgar E. Hume
Senior Civil Affairs Officer
5th Army

Encl. Copy of clipping from "Avanti" - May 4.

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Copies to: Chief Commissioner Files (1)
Executive Commissioner (2)
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ARISTOCRACY AND SANITARY BOUNDARY
(from the Avanti!, May 4)

The Fascist woman who belonged to the group of friends of Ciano's court, Marchesa Claudia Patrizi, wife of the ex-secretary of the Fascio of London - Bernardo Patrizi - is one of the very few Italian civilians who has obtained authorisation to cross the "sanitary Boundary". She is already in Milan.

Another well known fascist woman, Nini Pallavicini dei Medici del Vascello, daughter of the Marchese Cinecmo - ex undersecretary with Mussolini at the Presidency of the Council and not yet epurated - and of the "ispettrice" of the feminine Fasci, has obtained authorization to cross the sanitary boundary. She embarked for Genoa.

Another well known fascist personality, Conte Teo Rossi di Montelera, has put on the glorious "grigio-verde" (military uniform) so as to go north. The last uniform he had worn was that of officer of the fascist Militia. He is now in Turin.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

NWM/mjm

Ref: G-5/18/3A

4 May 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Press.

TO: Col Stanley Grogan,
Public Relations Officer,
Headquarters 15th Army Group.

1. Hostilities having ceased throughout Italy, it is suggested that, as a gesture of good will likely to have far-reaching effects, special steps be taken immediately to restore free circulation to approved Italian press and radio correspondents throughout their country. It is further suggested that, in order to give practical effect to this principle, an organization be set up forthwith under 15th Army Group auspices to provide such correspondents with communications, transport, rations and accommodation which will enable them for the first time in 23 years, to gather and disseminate news freely.

2. This proposal has been discussed with, and approved in principle by Advanced AFHQ Public Relations, the Allied Commission and the American and British Embassies in Rome.

3. If G-2 agrees, will you obtain the approval of the Commanding General as well as his agreement to order that such facilities as may be possible be placed at the disposal of the Public Relations Branch, Allied Commission, to give effect to the plan.

4. AFHQ Public Relations and Censorship will retain such control as they desire.

Nelson W. Monfort

NELSON W. MONFORT
Colonel, G.S.C.
A. C. of S., G-5

Copy to:- Mr G. Stewart Brown,
Director,
Public Relations Branch,
Hq Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

G.S.B/mew

20/PRB

4 May 1945

Dear Sig. Vaccaro:

In reply to your letter of May 3 I am afraid you misunderstood my letter of April 28 to you in reply to your letter of April 26.

The Allied Commission is not yet in a position to issue passes for anyone to go north because this authority has not been given to the Commission by the Allied military authorities in the military areas. We have specifically asked the Allied military authorities to authorize us to issue passes for Italian newspaper correspondents to go to the northern cities but this permission has not yet been received.

As soon as permission is received we will be in a position to issue the passes requested by Italian newspapers and agencies.

Sincerely yours,

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Sig. Carlo Vaccaro
Editor-in-Chief
Il Globo
45 Via San Basilio
Roma

cc: Mrs. Cuilia

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Il Globo

INFORMATORE ECONOMICO PER LA RICOSTRUZIONE
Via San Basilio, 45 - ROMA - Telef. 43189

Roma, li May 3, 1945

Mr. G. STEWART BROWN
Public Relations Branch,
Headquarters Allied Commission.

Dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind letter of April 28th, in which you say that "for the time being it will be completely impractical to permit civilian travel into areas where the Army is operating".

Things changed very much in the last few days fortunately. After the German surrender and the practical end of all military operations in our country, it appears to me that no obstacle could be raised now to my going to Milan for the organization of an economic and financial news service from there to my newspaper in Rome.

The collection of reliable, first-hand news about the economic situation in Northern Italy is so vital to us, that we have in mind to set up an office in Milan. For this reason I should like to apply for a permit to go to Milan for the Assistant Editor of "Il Globo", Dr. Giorgio Sansa, who is one of our economic experts. Dr. Sansa should be known to you having worked for the PWB from September 1944 to the end of March 1945. He was in the Features Dept. of the PWB, Via del Moretto, of which Capt. Anderson, now Press Attaché at the American Embassy, was the chief.

Northern Italy, as you know, is the backbone of all Italian economic life. Therefore, it should not surprise you that our newspaper, whose aim is to supply the public with the information which will be the basis of our economic reconstruction, wants to send two persons to Milan. We will depend from now on, on our ability to give the news that only matter: news from the economic North. I can assure you in the most formal manner, that our work there will be done in close association with the economic branch of the Regional Allied Commission.

Looking forward to a favourable answer from you at your earliest convenience, I am, Sir,

Yours sincerely,

Carlo Vaccaro
Editor-in-Chief.

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Director,
Public Relations Branch

Sig. Carlo Vaccaro
Editor-in-Chief
Il Globo
45 Via San Basilio
Roma

cc: Mrs. Oxilia

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ORGANIZZAZIONE BOLLETTINI INFORMAZIONI STAMPA

ROMA - VIA NAZIONALE, 230

TEL. N. 41.327 - 42.290

Roma 3 maggio 1945

AL P.R.O.

Della Commissione Alleata

R O M A

Questa Agenzia, allo scopo di impiantare i suoi servizi di corri= spondenza con il nord dell'Italia, dovrà inviare alcuni elementi della sede centrale che, presi gli opportuni contatti sul luogo, possano procedere all'organizzazione dei servizi stessi.

Pertanto, si prega vivamente codesta on. Commissione Alleata P.R.O. di volere cortesemente interporre i suoi buoni uffici perchè venga rilasciato il permesso di recarsi la nord ai se= guenti nominativi:

Dr Pietro Sessa
Dr. Gino Roverano
Dr Rossi Luigi
Rag. Giorgio Forlei
Ing. Valdinoce Alberto
Dr Pedicini Manfredo
Sig. Neri Leonardi Simone
Conte Calleani d'Agliano Alberto
Barone Ferri Guido

I seguenti rappresentanti dell'Agenzia "Orbis" dovranno raggiun= gere le località di Bologna, Milano, Venezia, Torino, Genova, Trento Verona, Trieste.

Si ringrazia sentitamente per il cortese interessamento, si porgo= no con l'occasione i più distinti saluti.

IL DIRETTORE

G. Roverano

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H.Q. PUBLIC RELATIONS
C.M.F.

2/PR3/86.

28th April 1945

Subject : News from AMG and Army territories for Italian Agencies.

TO : Director,
Public Relations Branch,
Allied Commission.

Reference your 20/PRB dated 14 Apr 45.

1. Attached is copy of memo from G3I(B) HQs 15th Army Group in reply to the proposals put forward in your a/m Memo.

2. We are requesting 15th Army Group to advise us when the Rear Army boundary will move forward off FLORENCE.

For PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

(sgd)
G.A.L. HELDER
Lieut.Colonel

Copy to: Capt. R.B. Wimbush, Staff Capt., P.R. 15th Army Group. (who is requested to advise as mentioned in para 2 above).

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COPY:

H.Q.
15th ARMY GROUP.,

1456/G31/(b).

Subject: Reps of Italian News Agencies in Army Areas. 22 Apr 45.

TO: Public Relations Officer.

Ref attached correspondence.

1. We have given very careful consideration to the proposals put forward by PRO, AC and PRO, AFHQ on the above subject.

2. Though the arguments in favour of allowing civil representatives of Italian News Agencies to operate further forward than hitherto are appreciated, it is considered undesirable from the security point of view that they should be permitted to work in the Army areas, particularly at the present time.

3. It must be borne in mind that the basis function of all news-agency reporters is to gather information, and that they are experienced in picking up and assessing information of all kinds. It is therefore felt that there is a distinct security risk involved and that we should NOT be justified in agreeing to the introduction of such persons into the combat zone.

4. It is likely that the Army rear boundary will shortly move forward of FLORENCE and there will then be no objection to civil news agencies sending their representatives to the city.

(signed) W.D.GIBSON. Lieut-Colonel
for Brigadier,
AC of S, G-2.

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Mrs. O:

Mr. B said to keep these letters on file so that when the time comes when they'll be allowed to go north we can send them off in the order that they applied. Thenks

mw.

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CSB/mcw

20/PRB

28 April 1945

Dear Sig. Vaccaro:

I am very sympathetic to the request made in your letter of April 26 but I am afraid that it is too early for us to ask permission of the Army for a correspondent of "Il Globo" to go to Milan.

As you can well understand any permission to enter Army areas must be submitted to the Army Commanders for approval and they have indicated to us that for the time being it will be completely impractical to permit civilian travel into areas where the Army is operating.

I hope the situation will change within a short time, and that we will be in a position to recommend that "Il Globo" be permitted to send a correspondent to Milan. We are fully aware of the advantages of having a correspondent of "Il Globo" in Milan but unfortunately present conditions do not permit favorable action on your request.

Sincerely yours,

C. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Sig. Carlo Vaccaro
Editor of "Il Globo"
via San Basilio 45
Roma

cc: Mr. A. G. Antolini, Act. V.P. Econ Sec
Mrs. Oxilia, PRB
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Il Globo

INFORMATORE ECONOMICO PER LA RICOSTRUZIONE
Via San Basilio, 45 - ROMA - Telef. 43189

Roma, li April, 26, 1945

Mr. Stuart Brown

Director Public Relation Office. A.C.

Dear Sir,

The financial newspaper IL GLOBO, to carry on its work of independent informer on economic matters in full collaboration with the Allies, has the urgent need of organizing a direct news service of its own from North Italy, as soon as those regions will be liberated.

We deem that the gathering of correct, first-hand news and data is absolutely necessary, as incorrect, hear-say news, whose confirmation will be difficult, will be certainly leak from the North to Central Italy.

As IL GLOBO only aims at supplying its reader with economic and financial facts, without political colouring, and as North Italy is the centre of Italian economic and industrial life, the importance for us to be adequately informed appears evident.

This information service would be carried out in strict collaboration and frank understanding with the Allied Authorities and if possible this collaboration could be made even closer.

I beg you to consider that I am ready to undertake this work of gathering informations personally, in my capacity of Editor in chief of IL GLOBO.

I would like you to take into account my particular knowledge of the economic and financial situation in North Italy which I acquired for having directed for many years one of the most important bureau of economic research of the North, a post I had to relinquish in September 1943 not to cooperate with the

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Nazis.

I beg you to consider my request with the kindest attention and to enable me to go to Milan as soon as possible.

I remain at the disposal of the A.C. and will be very grateful for a kind answer.

Yours sincerely,
(Carlo Vaccaro)

Carlo Vaccaro

Editor of "Il Globo"

via San Basilio 45 - Roma

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

1. The majority of the morning papers carry a statement from Col. Poletti to the effect that he has renounced his position as Regional Commissioner for Lombardia although he will go to Milan where, as he is quoted in Il Secolo "I will be only an observer or rather an advisor"

2. Apparently this statement was made to some of the Italian newspaper men after his audience with the Pope.

G. STEWART BROWN
4-28-45

Truth from political

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Original i ming letter sent to Mrs. Ox a for her files.

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20/PRB

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2/PRS/86.

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For PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

G.A.L. Heller

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Lieut-Colonel

Copy to: Capt. R.B.Wimbush, Staff Capt., P.R. 15th Army Group.
(who is requested to advise as mentioned in para 2 above).

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H.Q.
15th ARMY GROUP.,

I.S3/CSI(b).

22 Apr 45.

Subject: Ops of Italian News Agencies in Army Areas.

TO: Public Relations Officer.

Ref attached correspondence.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

20/PRB

17 April 1945

Dear Sirs:

Admiral Stone has asked me to reply to your petition of April 4, your number 11152/12, concerning night transport for Italian typographers.

This matter has been carefully considered by the Land Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission and it is their opinion that this service cannot be continued after April 30. In their view the provision of transport for civilian employees is not in any way a military responsibility.

I am extremely sorry that we shall not be able to assist you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

G. [illegible] BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Associazione Editori Giornali
Via San Nicola da Tolentino, 21
Roma

copy to: Land Forces S/C
Executive Commissioner's Files (2) (returning original)
PRB Files (2)

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Subject : Night Transport for Italian Typographers - CIVILIAN.

LAND FORCES SUB COM A.C.
(M.M.I.A.) ROME
Q/5
16 Apr 45

TO : PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH (3)

Copy to : Ministry of War (for attention Col FERRONE)

Reference your 20/PRB of 7 Apr.

This matter has been carefully considered and it is regretted that permission can not be granted for the continuance of this service.

The provision of necessary transport for employees of the newspapers is not in any way a military responsibility.

The employment of military vehicles and expenditure of petrol from Allied sources on this service can not be permitted to continue, nor has this Sub Commission any authority to approve such an undertaking.

The War Ministry are required to withdraw the five lorries at present engaged in this work immediately other arrangements can be made, and in any event, not later than the 30th April, and to report to this H.Q. as soon as this has been done.

R.A.Curties.

R.A.CURTIES, Lt.Col.
for Major General,
M. M. I. A.

Copies to: ST
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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

16 April 1945

M E M O R A N D U M

Subject: Accrediting Italian Reporters

To: Mr. G. Stewart Brown
Director, Public Relations Branch
Headquarters Allied Commission

1. Reference is made to your memorandum of 14 April 1945 to Col. P. R. Astley.

2. PWB is heartily in favor of the accrediting of Italian reporters to cover Italian events in north Italy.

3. Special reference is made, however, to the long standing request that a PWB reporter be accredited for this work, since PWB is the only source of news for press and radio in north Italy and since PWB's directives order PWB to give north Italy all possible news regarding liberated Italy and especially regarding the Italian Army.

Griffing Bancroft
Chief, News Division

Col. P. R. Astley
cc; R. Barnes
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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

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Ref : PRB/R63/1

16 April 1945

SUBJECT : News from AMG and Army Territories for Italian Agencies

TO : Mr. G. Stewart Brown
Public Relations Director
Allied Commission

1. Reference is to my copy of your letter 20/PRB dated 14 April 1945, addressed to Col. P. R. Astley.

2. I am in favour of the arrangement you suggest, and so is Col. Stanley Grogan, PRO 15th Army Group. I discussed it with him this afternoon.

T. L. BULLOCK
Major
DDPR (Field)

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GCB/mew

14 April 45

SUBJECT: News from AAC and Army Territories for Italian Agencies

TO : Col. F. H. Astley
Public Relations Officer
Public Relations Advanced, AFHQ

1. The four Italian news agencies (ANSA, OMNIA, ?? and SERVIZIO ITALIANO DI INFORMAZIONI) have requested PRO, AC for help in obtaining more news for their agencies about Italian events in AAC and Army controlled territories of the north.

2. Specifically they would like permission to appoint correspondents in Florence to file news to their agencies. Naturally such dispatches would be subject to censorship. They would be civilian correspondents and not war correspondents.

3. Does PRO AFHQ have any objections to this proposal provided the correspondents in question are screened by PRB AC in advance?

4. We are favorably disposed to this arrangement and hope it can be effected.

5. Your approval or suggestions would be appreciated. Copies are being sent to PRB, 15th Army Group, Deputy Chief, PRB, Liberated Italy, and our Deputy in the field from whom comment also would be welcome.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Copy to: Mr. J. H. Linfie, PRB, 15th Army Group
Mr. G. Honeroft, Deputy Chief, PRB, Liberated Italy
Major. T. A. Bullock, PRB Field Staff

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United Press Associations

VIA DELLA MERCEDE 54 - ROMA - TELEF.: 66-569 - 66-428

TELEGRAMMI: UNIPRESS - ROMA

Mr. Stewart Brown
Public Relations Office
Allied Commission
R o m e

Rome, April 12, 1945.

Dear Stewart,

Would you be good enough to ~~show~~ GIVE the attached memorandum to Admiral Stone?

It was passed on to me by the owners of Il Giornale del Mattino and I feel that the Admiral and yourself will be ~~very~~ most interested in the contents.

I cannot state whether all the facts are correct although previous information from the same source has proved reliable.

Yours very sincerely,

J. Walter Collins
Acting Manager for Italy.

One enclosure.

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In an order of the day voted on March 30th, 1945, the printers of the Messaggero editorial concern have energetically urged the appointment of a committee of vigilance, arbitrarily planned by the Commission for the press, when the latter approved the publication of Il Giornale del Mattino. The workers have also urged, in the same order of the day, the admittance to such a committee of one of their representatives and have asserted that they will not recognize a committee which does not include a worker designated by them viz the communist Rinaldini.

During the debate on the order of the day it was stated clearly that the above mentioned committee will exercise a functions of political control. "We are party men" - it was said - "and as such we want the paper in which we work to becomes the channel and supporter of our ideas".

It appears therefore clear that the request of the workers, request which was made possible by the plan of the commission for the press, is a maneuvre inspired by party organs in order to legitimate the direct intervention of the workers in the political tendency of the paper, disregarding property, direction, and editing. This will establish a dangerous precedent representing an attempt against the fundamental principle of the freedom of press.

It is therefore necessary to avoid the appointment of a committee which will be made through a government decree in conformity with the desire expressed by the commission for the press. It is pointed out, in this connection, that the government has already in the Messaggero editorial house, an organ of control in the person of the commissar Giacone.

The maneuvre of the communist elements operating among the workers of the Messaggero is aiming, as was said above, at the establishment of a right whereof it is easy to foresee the consequences on the whole italian press. If it will be the workers are to be allowed to exert a political control on the papers, through their representatives, the battle for freedom and emocracy in Italy can be considered lost. Through such a control all the italian press will virtually be in the hands of the extremists and it is easy to foresee the dangerous consequences that this fact will have on the public opinion and on the life of the country. In addition, it will be very easy to enemy interests to infiltrate themselves into editorial offices for through internal commissions.

Anglo-american allies, promoters and defenders of a true freedom, cannot but concern themselves on a regarding question which may have such large and serious repercussions.

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GSB/mew

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12 April 45

SUBJECT: Allied Warning to Fascist Spies

TO : Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2 (Attention: Maj. Mair)

1. Enclosed is the only clipping we could find on the Allied warning to Fascist spies. It should be pointed out however that we only receive Rome papers and it may have appeared in provincial papers.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Encl. (1)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

GSB/new

20/PRB 12 April 45

SUBJECT : Prof. Alberto Giovannini

TO : Co. A.C. Bowman, Regional Commissioner
Emilia Region

Lt Col I.S. Munro
Chief Press Officer, P.W.B.
15th Army Group

1. Attached is a carbon of a letter which I received yesterday from Sig. Libonati concerning Prof. Alberto Giovannini and his son Piero.

2. I understand Prof. Giovannini plans to go north as soon as possible to see both of you regarding the future of the "Resto del Carlino".

3. Prof. Giovannini is not personally known to me but at the request of Sig.Libonati I am sending you this note in advance of his possible arrival and request to see you.

(sgd) G. S. BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

Encl. (1)

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PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

PER LA STAMPA, SPETTACOLO E TURISMO

Roma, 11.4.1945

Sig. STEWART BROWN
Public Relations Branch
Allied Commission

R o m a

Le sarò molto grato se Ella vorrà segnalare al Colonnello Bowman e al Colonnello Munro l'On.le Prof. Alberto GIOVANNINI e il figlio Piero per ottenere il permesso di raggiungere Bologna immediatamente dopo la sua liberazione.

Come Ella sa L'On. GIOVANNINI potrà spiegare opera utilissima in quella città in favore della causa comune. Egli dovette lasciare Bologna l'8 settembre perchè reo di avere diretto il "Resto del Carlino" nel periodo dal 25 Luglio all'8 settembre 1943; per tale fatto anzi fu sottoposto a procedimento penale da parte della repubblica fascista e condannato a 30 anni di reclusione. L'8 settembre, naturalmente, il Prof. GIOVANNINI fu costretto ad abbandonare Bologna e a rifugiarsi altrove per sfuggire alle persecuzioni fasciste ed è rimasto ferito in un combattimento fra tedeschi e patrioti.

Distinti saluti.

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11 April 1945

SUBJECT : Senator Alfredo Frassati

TO : Col. R.P. Marshall
Regional Commissioner

1. Senator Alfredo Frassati was owner of the "Stampa of Turin until 1927 when Mussolini forced him to sell it to Agnelli with the threat that if he did not the newspaper would have to cease publication.

2. Before the Fascists took control of the "Stampa" the editor was Luigi Salvatorelli.

3. After Agnelli gained control of the paper the following Fascist newspapermen were successfully editors of the paper :

Augusto Turat
Curzio Malaparte
Signoretti
Burzio
Fauti
Concetto Pettinato

4. Sig. Frassati's home telephone number is 681832 and his office number is 481251.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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Proprietario della Stampa è stato Alfredo Frassati
fino al 927, quando Mussolini impose ad Agnelli
di acquistare il giornale, dietro minaccia di
non lasciarlo uscire più.

Direttori della "Stampa" furono:
Salvatorelli Luigi (ora Presidente Federazione Stampa),
all'epoca in cui il Frassati era Ambasciatore a
Berlino.
Avvenuto il passaggio al Fascismo, Andrea Torre,
classica figura di bandierola politica.
Augusto Turati ~~(Segretario del P.N.F.)~~
Curzio Malaparte
Signoretti
Burzio ~~(democratico) dopo il 25.7~~
Fanti ~~(amministratore) scomparso all'8.9.43~~
Concetto Pettinato ~~fino a recentissimamente~~.

Prof. Avv. Alfredo Frassati
abitazione: 68.18.32
ufficio : 481.251 (Società Gas).

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TO: Chief Commissioner
(Through Deputy Executive Commissioner)

1. Attached letter is submitted for your approval and signature.

G. STEWART BROWN
Director, PRB

7 April 45

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To: P.R.B.:

Ref: above. Letter to P.M. is returned, duly signed by CC, for dispatch.

11 April 45.

V MAJOR.

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10 April 1945

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

We have looked into the matter mentioned in your letter of 3 April concerning the printing presses of the former "Il Lavoro".

From our investigation it is not clear where these presses are located. According to our information "Il Lavoro" until September 1943 published on presses located at 149 via Quattro Settembre. These presses have been under requisition by P.W.B. but recently P.W.B. opened negotiations with the Commissario and the interested parties to derequisition the premises and rent, under contract, certain flat bed presses which the United States Information Service wishes to use. The rotary presses, we are informed, are not used.

I assume Your Excellency is informed of the efforts of P.W.B. to derequisition this property and if these are the presses to which you refer in your letter I believe the matter will be regulated shortly. If these are not the presses to which your letter refers, we would appreciate additional information.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

Ellery W. Stone
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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

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Translation

The President of the Council of Ministers
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Rome, 5 April 1945

Dear Admiral,

the management of some newspapers let me know that they have difficulties in publishing their dailies, for they have only few printing presses at their disposal and they are insufficient for the requirements of the newspapers.

They pointed out to me that this difficulty might be overcome if they could dispose of the printing press of the former 'Il Lavoro'.

As this printing press is still requisitioned by the Allied Authorities, the management of the said papers asked for my intervention with you to obtain its derequisition.

All you kindly see whether this derequisition might be possible. I should be most grateful if you will keep me informed on the subject.

Yours very truly,

S. I. Bonomi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
R o m e

C.C.

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20/PRB

7 April 1945

SUBJECT : Night Transport for Italian Typographers

TO : Director, Land Forces Sub-Commission

1. Reference the attached.

2. The Italian liaison with the Ministry of War informs me that this service for typographers was to have ceased on April 1 but was continued on a temporary basis following protest from the newspaper editors.

3. The matter is being handled by Col. Ferrone of the Italian Ministry of War, who told the Italian liaison at AC that the Ministry of War would be glad to continue the service if the Land Forces Sub-Commission had no objections.

4. The Public Relations Branch hopes that the Land Forces Sub-Commission will view this request in a favorable light and will so inform the Italian Ministry of War. We would appreciate knowing what action you intend to take.

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

Chief Commissioner

Copy to Executive Commissioner's Files
PRB Files

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Association of Newspaper Editors
No. 1141/12

Rome, 4 April 1945

To Admiral Stone
Allied Commission
Rome

Night transport for typographers

I take the liberty of drawing your kind attention on the following facts:

The Italian Government informed us in Dec. or n. 6pt of January 45th that it could no longer leave at our disposal for the night service to transport newspaper typographers the five military vehicles which had been allotted for this service.

The War Department added that this service could only be carried on if the Allied Military Authorities gave their authorization.

As the causes for which this service was established still exist, and as aggressions and murders, as you certainly know, go on happening practically every night, the typographers and newspapermen being most of the time the victims, the undersigned representatives of the newspaper firms and of the newspaper workers beg you kindly to intervene with the War Department of the Italian Government, so that the vehicles may be left at their disposal.

We shall be most grateful for your kind interest thanks to which the newspaper workers will not have to interrupt their night work for their own personal safety. This would greatly prejudice the papers which come out in the morning and which would have to suspend their publication, which could not take place at some other time for the fact that printing offices couldn't print all the dailies at the same time.

Federazione Lavoratori della Stampa
The Secretary
U. C. Givobene
Italo Pivani
Guarino Carlinger

Associazione Nazionale
Editori Giornali
The Secretary
S. A. Belluzzo

C.C.

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6 April 1945

Dear Prof. Dominici:

In reply to your letter of April 4 I regret to say that the Allied Commission cannot be of much help to you.

I suggest that the only way you can obtain authority to reprint from foreign magazines is to write to them directly for permission. They in turn will inform you what conditions must be fulfilled.

In territory administered by AMG before a newspaper or magazine can appear permission must be obtained from the Allied Publications Board. Application for such permission should be through the local AMG official.

With best wishes for your enterprize, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. STEWART BROWN
Director,
Public Relations Branch

Prof. Sante David Dominici
Viale della Vittoria 15
Ancona, Italy

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Prof. Sante David Dominici
Viale della Vittoria 15
Ancona.

4 April 1945

To:- Allied Commission, H.Q.

P.W.B. - Branch.

R o m e

I am writing to you in the hope that you may assist me in the following matter.

I thought German at the University of Bologna from 1934 - 1938 and was arrested there in 1940, sent to prison and concentration camp not only for being a German-born Jew but also for my democratic and pro-allied opinions and because I b longed to a circle of young Italian lawyers and other intellectuals who had the same opinion as myself.

Captain Pratt, Education Division of Emilia Region, wishes me to go with him to Bologna as soon as it falls and I shall do that. At the same time I am likely to return to my former University job.

In addition to AMG and University activities I should like to do some useful publicity work, and one of my intentions wpuld be to publish a review similar to "L'Eco" and "Il Mese" but in an slightly different form. I intended to ask authority from "Readers Digest" and "Worlds Digest" for reprinting (as in Italian) those condensed articles of theirs which can be of interest to Italian readers. I should also like to get authority from French and possibly Russian editors of the same kind of "Digests" and eventually from other allied papers and reviews.

Can you assist me in obtaining such authority? And would you be kind enough to let me know all conditions which must be fulfilled for printing and publishing?- Which English, American, French and also Russian reviews and papers can be contacted and applied to with the above mentioned purpose?

I wish to add that I know already the bestknown editor of Bologna (Zabichelli) for having been a collaborator of his.

Thanking you in anticipation for a favourable reply, I am

yours truly

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S. Santedavid Dominici.

(formerly Siegfried David).

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6 April 1945

Dear Mr. Zanetti,

Many thanks for sending me a full collection of L'OPINIONE, which we have placed in our library, and a copy of your excellent book "Il Nemico". They are greatly appreciated.

At your suggestion I am seeing Senator Frassati on Monday.

Kindest regards

G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

Mr. Armando Zanetti
Director of the "Opinione"
Via dell'Umiltà 48

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S. A. Editrice Internazionale
L'OPINIONE
SETTIMANALE POLITICO
Diretto da ARMANDO ZANETTI

Roma, li April 2nd, 1945
Piazza Navona, 249 - Tel. 3[illegible]
Via dell'Umiltà 42, Tel. 6[illegible]

Dear Dr. Brown,

1) Here is the full collection of L'OPINIONE, which I recommend to your kind attention.

2) Senatore Alberto Pirelli, the former Editor and proprietor of La Stampa, the great liberal newspaper in Torino until November 1926, would be glad to have an exchange of views with you. You can call at his, N. 42 Via Po, daily as now the Managing Director of the Rome Branch of the Società Italiana per il Gas. He told me he can come and see you any day, except Thursday.

3) Please, accept a copy of my book "Il Nemico" I hope you'll have a bit of time to look at it.

With my best compliments,

Zanetti

3 pm
1200 et
or anytime
after 1030

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20/PRB 2 Aprile 1945

Spett. Direttore del _____

Mercoledì 4 corr. il Colonnello Charles Poletti, cessando dalla carica di Commissario Regionale per il Lazio e l'Umbria, terrà una conferenza stampa nel suo ufficio -- via Lucullo 4, piano 2°, stanza N° 201 - alla quale sono invitati i rappresentanti della stampa romana. Contemporaneamente verrà distribuita ai giornalisti copia della conversazione che il Colonnello Poletti terrà alla radio la stessa sera alle ore 20.

Questa comunicazione serve da invito.

G. Stewart Brown
G. STEWART BROWN,
Director,
Public Relations Branch.

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In occasione della sua cessazione dalla carica di Commissario Regionale per il Lazio e l'Umbria, il Colonnello Charles Poletti, pronunzierà alcune parole di saluto a Radio Roma mercoledì prossimo, 4 corr. alle ore 20.

PASSED FOR PUBLICATION BY FIELD PRESS CENSOR

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1 ALLIED [redacted] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Attached memorandum

FILE No. 20/PRB

TO : Chief Commissioner
(Through Deputy Executive Commissioner)

2 April 1945

The attached letter is routed to you for your information.

G. STEWART BROWN
D.PRB

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GSB/mew

Ref: 20/PRB

2 April 45

Dear Walter:

The attached letter from Mr. Bancroft, Chief, News Division, PWB, is self-explanatory and it is passed to you for your information.

Cordially yours,

G. STEWART BROWN
Director
Public Relations Branch

Mr. Walter Collins
United Press
c/o PRO AFHQ
Roma

Encl. (1)

note: Same letter sent to: Cecil Sprigge, Reuters
Michael Chinigo, INS
Richard Massock, AP
Chief Commissioner (thru DEC) for info.

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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

31 March 1945

Mr. G. Stewart Brown,
Director,
Public Relations Branch
Headquarters Allied Commission
AFO 394
U.S. Army.

Dear Stewart :

I understand that you have had queries regarding the servicing of local newspapers by PWB.

In order to keep the records straight I would appreciate it, if you feel it advisable, that you inform the news agencies of the following facts :

1. In accordance with military directives PWB ceased supplying any news to Italian newspapers and news agencies as well as to Allied newspapers and news agencies in Rome on January 15 last. The service papers, however, were given a five day extension since they had not made arrangements to procure their world news from other sources. On January 20, our files were withheld from them also. The only exception to this was news from Allied sources in Italy, since the Italian press was not equipped to cover this itself.

2. Service papers and radio stations protested and were told that this suspension was a result of strict military orders and could not be violated.

3. These papers and stations appealed directly to the Chief of Staff, who in turn ordered PWB to make its full service available to Stars and Stripes, Union Jack, Maple Leaf (until it suspended publication here), ANS and BBC.

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In view of these military orders, copies of which are in my possession, PWB has no choice but to make its files available to these outlets.

Sincerely,

(Sgd)

Griffing Bancroft
Chief, News Division.

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30 March 1945

To: The Regional Commissioner,
Headquarters, A.M.G.
Toscana Region.
Subject: Newspaper at Leghorn.

Reference your RVIII/81/109 of 23 March 45:

I should be glad if you could express an opinion as to the desirability of another daily being published in Leghorn, together with, if possible, a note on Doctor Nardi. To enable us to check in our files it would help if you could ascertain if he was born at Marineo, near Palermo, in Sicily.

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Lt.Col. I.S. MUNRO
Chief Press Officer, Italy

COPY TO: HQ,AC, Public Relations Branch.

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Major Burgin PWB
Lt. Colonel Lacaze
Lt. Robbins GR
WAC Ordia AGO
Miss Evans AGO

AG 000.76/141 GAP-O

27 March 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Army Newspaper

TO: Commanding Generals:
15th Army Group, APO 777
Fifth Army, APO 464 (For Dr Inc for "AG")
Base Area Allied Command, APO 794
Headquarters, Eighth Army (Rear)
General Officers Commanding:
Number 1 District
Number 2 District
Number 3 District

1. Approval has been given for the publication of an official ITALIAN Army newspaper named "LA PATRIA". This is published on six days of the week and there is also a Sunday edition named "ITALIA".

2. These papers are distributed through ITALIAN Army channels to all soldiers of the ITALIAN Army on a scale of approximately one to seven.

3. Publication is supervised by MMIA.

4. Enquiries from Allied sources should be addressed to MMIA, and those from ITALIAN sources to the ITALIAN Ministry of War.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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10 marzo 1945

Oggetto : Industria delle Arance in Tripoli

A : Redazione di "Il Globo", Via S.Basilio 45

Invio Loro, qui accluso, copia di un promemoria pervenutoci dalla Sotto-Commissione per l'Industria, con alcune informazioni e rettifiche che potranno interessare questa redazione.

JOHN P. LEAGUES
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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INDUSTRY SUB COMMISSION

Tele : 774031
Ref : Ind/TD/151.925

RBB/eo
March 7, 1945

SUBJECT : Press release reference Rubber Industry.

TO : Public Relations. V

1. Reference United Press release dated February 27, 1945, Washington, as published in the Italian newspaper "IL GLOBO" February 28, 1945, for circulation in Rome.

2. Certain statistics contained therein are in error and should be denied in official publications. The source of their information is not known. The erroneous data published must have come about by misinterpretation of official reports or statements or by hearsay.

3. The existing tire and tube production situation is as follows:

a) There are only three factories in entire Italy that produce pneumatic vehicle tires. Only one (1) of these is in liberated Italy. The latter is owned by Pirelli S.P.A. and is located in Tivoli near Rome.

b) The Tivoli plant was designed to produce 600 tires per day but after subsequent Allied bombings and German confiscation of machinery, that plant could be reconstructed for production of only 200 tires per day maximum.

c) The Tivoli plant also produced certain general and technical rubber articles. The building, machinery and molds will be ready for use probably in May.

d) Tire production is now held up by the lack of two machines known as extruders. ~~These machines were requisitioned by the British R.E.M.E. who refuse release.~~ One other extruder still in the possession of Pirelli is being repaired so that production may begin on a reduced scale.

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e) Materials were hidden by the Pirelli people in anticipation of liberation. This is ready for use but is not a complete stock for production. Materials to supplement stocks on hand have been requisitioned from the United States and are due to arrive this month.

f) With the above it is therefore not possible to declare an opening date of tire production. ~~Had the two extruders requisitioned by R.A.M.G. been released a few tires could have been produced in January from the material stocks on hand.~~

3. A factory for recluiming scrap rubber has been reconstructed and is now in operation. This factory does not produce any finished article but only processes selvage rubber for reuse in the general and technical article production in Tivoli. This factory is also owned by Pirelli S.P.A.

4. Several plants for the repairing and retreading of tires and tubes have been reactivated.

a) The two largest in liberated Italy are disposed as follows:

Owner	Location	Capacity	
Pirelli S.P.A.	Via Assisi 41 Rome	240/day	Requisitioned and operated by REME
S.A.F.	FLOrence	250/day	Reserved for U.S. Army Ordnance

b) Retreading plants controlled by A.C. are as follows:

Owner	Location	Capacity
Zaccari Paolo	Vicolo del Mandrione 55. Rome	210/day
Greco Augusto	Via G.Lanza 18C Rome	75/day
Santantoni Virg.	Via Principe di Piemonte 210B. Rome	45/day
Valmori Giuseppe	Via S.Zenobi 96R Florence	45/day
Setti Giocondo	Borgo Ognissanti 27 Florence	100/day
Perrier Giovanni	Via Piave 6.Cagliari (Sardinia)	25/day
Gregori & Lagalla	S.Benedetto (Ascoli Piceno)	100/day

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c) Plants in the above under A.C. supervision will begin

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operation upon arrival of repair material requisitioned.

5. Supervision is by U.S. military personnel as follows:

2 officers
3 enlisted men

6. Civilian employees of A.C. controlled plants are as follows:

Pirelli, Tivoli (Rome)	250/day
Firelli, Torrespaccata (Rome)	50/day
Firelli, Via Assisi Rome	70/day
S.A.P., Florence	80/day
Zaccari Paolo, Rome	45/day
Greco Augusto, Rome	16/day
Santantoni Virgilio, Rome	10/day
Valmori Giuseppe, Florence	10/day
Setti Ciocondo, Florence	20/day
Perrier Giovanni, Cagliari (Sardinia)	6/day
Gregori & Lagalla, S.Benedetto (Ascoli Piceno)	20/day
Total	577/day

7. For further information in reference to rubber industry in Italy, you are referred to Captain Richard B. Bullock, Tire Division, Industry Sub-Commission.

for W. S. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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S/PRB 10 marzo 1945

OGGETTO : Corso-premi ai dipendenti delle Forze Alleate.

A : Redazione dell' "Unità", Via IV Novembre, 149

Le scrivo per darle atto del lavoro, tenuto a battesimo dalla pubblicazione da Lei fatta circa l'istituzione di un corso-premio che verrà ricevuto ai lavoratori alle dipendenze delle Forze Alleate, precisando per chiarezza che l'iniziativa non ha, nella sua misura di oggi, alcuna intenzione di sostituirsi agli impegni di quelle Autorità e di quegli Enti che hanno già provveduto.

Questo ufficio è lieto del nostro comune atto di cui, ovviamente, la notizia è stata data, faccio notare che la parola "salario", da Lei tradotta "nella stessa misura", va invece letta nel senso di "alla stessa aliquota".

Con cordialità.

JOHN P. LEMACKS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

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Il caro pane ai dipendenti dagli alleati

In considerazione dell'aumentato costo del pane e della posta deliberato dal Governo italiano l'indennità caro-vita dei lavoratori alle dipendenze delle Forze Armate Alleate sarà immediatamente aumentata nell'stessa misura accordata agli impiegati dello Stato e ai dipendenti delle industrie private.

Major Leacocos

Public Relations

Unless my understanding of Italian is faulty, this is a serious mis-translation of communique which we took care to put in precise terms.

The A.F. terms is NOT in the same measure as the State terms.

Have you any views, please?

W. H. Braine 9/3

W.H. BRAINE, 5C

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10 March 1945

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Subject: Article for publication in Italian press.

To: Lt Col R.W. Whineray, Provincial Commissioner, Modena Province, Emilia Region.

1. We are in receipt of your RLX/MO/E/10 of 26 February, enclosing article written by Pfc. Dalla.

2. This branch has no objection to the article appearing in the Italian press, provided that no indication is given that the writer is a member of the Allied forces, nor must the writer's name appear at the end of the article. We have deleted certain parts of the article with this end in view.

3. The article can now be given to the writer for disposal through the channel suggested.

For the Director.

(Sgd)

JOHN P. LEACACOS,
Major, AUS,
Public Relations Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
Province of Modena, Emilia Region
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO. 394

REFERENCE: RIX/MO/E/10

28 February 1945

SUBJECT : Publication in Italian Press

TO : Public Relations Officer, HQ.A.C. (through R.C.Emilia Region)

1. The enclosed article, except for the first half page, was written by Pfc. Dalma, assigned to this Province, about 4 years ago.

2. If permission is granted, the a/m would like to have this article published in a non-political weekly or monthly Italian publication, such as "Cosmopolita" or "Politica Estera" of Rome. He believes publication would be accepted by one of these through the medium of his brother in Rome.

3. Would you please advise us whether such permission can be granted and, if so, what further action should be taken by us.

R. W. Whineray

R.W. WHINERAY
Lt. Col.
Provincial Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

PO/PRB 4 marzo 1945

OGGETTO : Carta da stampa

A : Redazione del "Globo".

Inviamo, qui accluse, alcune precisazioni fatte dal Direttore della Sottocommissione per l'Industria circa l'articolo da Loro pubblicato il 23 febbraio sull'industria carbonifera in Italia.

Qualora desiderino ulteriori schiarimenti, il Direttore della detta Sottocommissione sarà lieto di darli.

JOHN P. LEACACOS
Major AUS
Public Relations Officer

1 Allegato.

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APO 394
Industry Sub-Commission

Tel. 348

Ref. AC/5609/IND

3-3-1945

SUBJECT: Newsprint - "Globo" article.

TO : Public Relation S/C
Attn. Mr.Stuart Brown.

1. At the request of Gen. MacKinley we are attaching herewith our comments on the article that appeared in February 23rd. issue of "Globo" (Economic).

2. We shall be very glad to expand our views in this connection, should you so desire.

W.S. VAUGHAN
Director
Industry S/C

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28 February 1945

M E M O

1. The facts reported in the "Globo" are not exact.

2. The 2 mills in Rome produce approximately 360 tons of newsprint (and not 4.000 as stated).

3. The expression: "a very delicate part which cannot be remade in liberated Italy" applies probably to the screen cloth.

4. Although the program of screens supply should not be underestimated it must be borne in mind that the main problem of the paper industry in liberated Italy is the acute shortage of the following items : cellulose, coal and electric power.

5. In prewar conditions electric power was available in sufficient quantities. However both cellulose and coal were import items. At present both materials are in acute shortage and problems of the paper industry are complicated by the serious electric power situation.

6. The reactivation of the paper industry even on a 50% prewar production rate requires not only supply of few "very delicate parts" of equipment but above all involves imports of approximately 8.000 tons cellulose and 20.000 tons coal. In addition the required power must be allocated.

7. The control of the paper industry was transferred to the Italian Government on 10 November 1944. At the same date a request was made to the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour to submit to this Sub-Commission an estimate for the requirements of the paper industry in liberated Italy for the year 1945 with regard both as to equipment and raw materials. This was not done until some time in February.

8. Summarizing the main problems with regard to the reactivation of the paper industry in liberated Italy are: acute shortage of shipping space, required for imports of raw materials, as well as the difficult situation of the electric power.

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Il Collezionista

rivista trimestrale
dell'Associazione Collezionisti Italiani

fondatore e direttore: Cav. Rag. MARIO ROMANO
Giffoni Valle Piana (Salerno)
ITALIA

Pub Relations

Giffoni Valle Piana (Salerno),
25 febbraio 1945.

all'On.Commissione Nazionale per la Stampa — ROMA
all'On.Presidenza Consiglio dei Ministri — ROMA
all'On.Sottosegretariato per la Stampa — ROMA
all'On. Commissione Militare Alleata — ROMA

La rivista trimestrale IL COLLEZIONISTA,fondata nel gennaio 1941,apolitica,è l'organo ufficiale dell'Associazione Collezionisti Italiani.

La rivista fu regolarmente pubblicata fino a giugno 1943 (N.ri I a X) e ne fu sospesa la pubblicazione a causa dei noti eventi bellici.

Nonostante varie sollecitazioni per poter ottenere la continuazione della pubblicazione della rivista, la Commissione Nazionale per la stampa,in seduta 26 ottobre 1944,respingeva la richiesta per il seguente motivo:

"carenza di carta"

A mia nuova insistenza ,raccomandata 19 dicembre 1944,non ho avuto alcun riscontro.

E' necessario far presente che:

1°-la rivista interessa diverse centinaia di collezionisti italiani senza tener conto dei filatelici,in numero vermente imponente,che fanno parte delle Forze Militari Alleate dislocate in Italia;

2°-la rivista è l'organo ufficiale di un'associazione,l'UNICA associazione filatelica italiana,ora,in attività;

3°-per la stampa di detta rivista,in formato ridotto,occorrono 30 (trenta)Kg. di carta per ogni trimestre.

4°-è stata autorizzata la pubblicazione della rivista ITALIA FILATELICA via Depretis,104,ROMA,diretta e fondata da Raybaudi Massilia,autodefinitasi organo ufficiale della Federazione Italiana Commercianti in francobolli.

E' EVIDENTE

che fra l'Associazione Collezionisti Italiani e la Federazione Italiana Commercianti in francobolli,la preferenza ASSOLUTA spetta alla prima che non persegue scopi prettamente commerciali;che fra una rivista che s'interessa esclusivamente di filatelia e di cambi di francobolli ed una rivista che fà la reclame al commercio del direttore,la preferenza ASSOLUTA spetta alla prima.

PER RAGIONI DI EVIDENTE GIUSTIZIA

si rende,NECESSARIO ED URGENTE,eliminare l'ingiustizia ed autorizzare la continuazione della pubblicazione de IL COLLEZIONISTA che,ripeto,è l'unica rivista italiana che s'interessa di filatelia ed è l'unico organo dell'unica associazione collezionistica italiana.

Sono convinto che le Autorità in indirizzo renderanno giustizia non solo a me ma ai filatelici italiani.-

Con ringraziamenti ed ossequi.-

IL DIRETTORE

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Il Globo

QUOTIDIANO POLITICO-ECONOMICO DEL MATTINO
Via San Basilio, 45 - ROMA - Telef. 43189

DIREZIONE

File 20

Roma, li February 20, 1945.

Il Globo, Roman economic daily, has lodged a protest with the Italian Government against the decision taken by the Italian Publications Board, February 19, 1945, to suspend this paper together with Il Momento, Tribuna del Popolo, Epoca, Secolo XX, and Libera Stampa.

This decision, in principle as well as in the way in which it has been reached, is a violation of the Freedom of the Press policy pursued by the United Nations and solemnly affirmed in many occasions.

I take the liberty of calling the attention of the Allied Commission on the following facts:

A) The newspapers just suspended are general information, non Party organs. They have been licenced very late, in January 1945, for that explicit purpose, to serve the public with news and not Party propaganda.

B) These papers have carried on a struggle for seven months in order to appear at all. The opposition they found was that the existing Party organs were afraid of losing circulation in the necessarily free competition.

C) The Italian Publications Board represented Party interests.

D) In it were included editors of existing papers. 285

E) The Publications Board took advantage of the first oppotunity to suspend general information papers, with the avowed purpose of suppressing them at a later date. The oppotunity was given by the shortage of newsprint. This however dramatized with the interruption of publication of the Neapolitan newspapers has been highly exaggerated. Facts and figures show that a more equitable solution could be adopted.

F) Allied policy in this matter was never clear.

The [redacted]paper allotment given to the general information paper was so small (5000 copies daily to Il Globo) as not to weigh at all on the total granted all other newspapers.

Party Papers (such as the Christian Democrat Popolo, the Socialist Avanti, and the Communist Unita')have waged a press campaign against the general information papers ever since they were licenced.

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Roma, li

Il Globo considers the arbitrary decision of the Italian Publications board intolerable in a Democracy, a direct threat to the life of independent organs who have no representation in the Italian Publications Board, and which, like Il Globo, represent a real and much needed service to the public.

Il Globo is determined to carry the fight on to a more equitable solution of the crisis.

Very respectfully yours,

Luigi Barzini Jr

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"Questa è la voce dell'Italia!"

Con il 1. Marzo la Radio finora parzialmente controllata dagli Alleati passerebbe totalmente sotto la gestione delle Radio Audizioni Italia (R.A.I.).

Prima della liberazione di Roma, agli Alleati il problema della radio italiana aveva presentato soltanto difficoltà di carattere tecnico ed organizzativo: si trattava di installare trasmittenti locali di piccolo potenziale, di creare quasi dal nulla nuovi corpi di tecnici, di scrittori, di annunciatori. Non si incontravano insomma interessi preesistenti di una certa consistenza e non si dovevano affron-



tare quasi mai grossi problemi di epurazione o di controllo politico. Le stazioni di Palermo, di Bari, di Napoli, che per lunghi mesi furono per tutta l'Italia oppressa, la voce dell'Italia libera, costituirono un modello di questa improvvisazione radiofonica, democratica, entusiasta, di buon livello qualitativo, di ottima efficacia propagandistica.

A Napoli specialmente gli americani fecero assai bene. Giovani israeliti nati e vissuti in Italia, diventati poi dopo la lotta agli ebrei cittadini d'America, intellettuali e studenti fuggiti oltre le linee, giovanissimi o vecchi giornalisti del sud che il fascismo non aveva inquinato corsero attorno al microfono, dov'era l'unico sfogo della loro essenza di uomini liberi. Sorsero delle stazioni alla buona, che davano però risultati sorprendenti, secondo le stesse informazioni alleate. Gli impianti erano da campo, gli studi vecchi e male attrezzati, le voci improvvisate. Ma la "Voce dell'Italia" aveva un timbro onestamente commosso.

Le complicazioni sono cominciate a Roma. Qui gli Alleati si sono imbattuti in un vasto organismo deciso a difendere le sue posizioni e di fronte a cui si sarebbe dovuto affrontare un'opera di epurazione integrale, compito forse non ad essi spettante e che comunque non hanno ritenuto opportuno compiere. I casi di fascisti o addirittura di collaborazionisti che lavorano ancora nella ex Eiar sono numerosi, pur riconoscendo che molte forze nuove sono entrate nella radio italiana sia attraverso il controllo americano del P.W.B. che attraverso l'attività svolta dalle varie commissioni interne.

Il Commissario che presiede oggi all'attività della radio italiana è un uomo i cui precedenti politici e amministrativi sono di ottimo auspicio per una nostra fattiva ripresa radiofonica. Ma anche il Commissario ha probabilmente le mani legate ad interessi di cui è facile rilevare la natura. I prossimi mesi ci diranno, comunque, se l'opera del regime commissariale ha espletato o meno il suo compito che consiste — a nostro avviso — principalmente nella bonifica completa dell'ambiente interno e nell'affermazione della libertà piena ed incondizionata dell'Ente.

Quando gli Alleati il 1. Marzo lasciarono la radio italiana, avevano già preparato un piano di riorganizzazione che prevedeva la costituzione di una rete nazionale e di una rete regionale. Ma la rete nazionale non è ancora sorta, e la rete regionale è ridotta a poche stazioni. Ciò è dovuto a molte ragioni, ma principalmente alla mancanza di mezzi finanziari. Il governo non ha ancora provveduto a stanziare i fondi necessari per la ripresa radiofonica, e la pubblicità, che è la sola fonte di entrata, è ridotta a ben poca cosa.

Ma la ripresa radiofonica è un problema che deve essere risolto al più presto, perchè la radio è un mezzo di educazione politica e morale di primissimo ordine, e non può essere lasciata in balia di se stessa. Non è pensabile che la radio italiana debba rimanere ancora per molto tempo in questo stato di cose, perchè ogni giorno che passa è un giorno perduto per la causa della democrazia.

Ma quando la radio italiana sarà ripresa, quando sarà ripristinata la concorrenza radiofonica, quando i gruppi industriali o le società private potranno fiorire liberamente attraverso un processo di selezione, quando avremo più stazioni radiofoniche, quando avremo molte radio e non una sola radio, quando avremo la concorrenza e la possibilità di scelta, quando avremo la libertà di critica, quando avremo la libertà di commento, quando avremo la libertà di informazione, quando avremo la libertà di opinione, quando avremo la libertà di stampa, quando avremo la libertà di riunione, quando avremo la libertà di associazione, quando avremo la libertà di religione, quando avremo la libertà di coscienza, quando avremo la libertà di pensiero, quando avremo la libertà di parola, quando avremo la libertà di scrittura, quando avremo la libertà di lettura, quando avremo la libertà di ascolto, quando avremo la libertà di visione, quando avremo la libertà di movimento, quando avremo la libertà di residenza, quando avremo la libertà di lavoro, quando avremo la libertà di studio, quando avremo la libertà di ricerca, quando avremo la libertà di sperimentazione, quando avremo la libertà di innovazione, quando avremo la libertà di creazione, quando avremo la libertà di produzione, quando avremo la libertà di distribuzione, quando avremo la libertà di consumo, quando avremo la libertà di risparmio, quando avremo la libertà di investimento, quando avremo la libertà di proprietà, quando avremo la libertà di successione, quando avremo la libertà di testamento, quando avremo la libertà di donazione, quando avremo la libertà di eredità, quando avremo la libertà di legato, quando avremo la libertà di fondazione, quando avremo la libertà di associazione, quando avremo la libertà di cooperazione, quando avremo la libertà di mutualità, quando avremo la libertà di solidarietà, quando avremo la libertà di fratellanza, quando avremo la libertà di amicizia, quando avremo la libertà di amore, quando avremo la libertà di matrimonio, quando avremo la libertà di divorzio, quando avremo la libertà di separazione, quando avremo la libertà di convivenza, quando avremo la libertà di famiglia, quando avremo la libertà di genitorialità, quando avremo la libertà di figliolanza, quando avremo la libertà di fratellanza, quando avremo la libertà di sorellanza, quando avremo la libertà di parentela, quando avremo la libertà di affinità, quando avremo la libertà di consanguineità, quando avremo la libertà di adozione, quando avremo la libertà di affidamento, quando avremo la libertà di tutela, quando avremo la libertà di curatela, quando avremo la libertà di amministrazione, quando avremo la libertà di rappresentanza, quando avremo la libertà di mandato, quando avremo la libertà di procura, quando avremo la libertà di delega, quando avremo la libertà di sostituzione, quando avremo la libertà di surrogazione, quando avremo la libertà di subentro, quando avremo la libertà di successione, quando avremo la libertà di testamento, quando avremo la libertà di donazione, quando avremo la libertà di eredità, quando avremo la libertà di legato, quando avremo la libertà di fondazione, quando avremo la libertà di associazione, quando avremo la libertà di cooperazione, quando avremo la libertà di mutualità, quando avremo la libertà di solidarietà, quando avremo la libertà di fratellanza, quando avremo la libertà di amicizia, quando avremo la libertà di amore, quando avremo la libertà di matrimonio, quando avremo la libertà di divorzio, quando avremo la libertà di separazione, quando avremo la libertà di convivenza, quando avremo la libertà di famiglia, quando avremo la libertà di genitorialità, quando avremo la libertà di figliolanza, quando avremo la libertà di fratellanza, quando avremo la libertà di sorellanza, quando avremo la libertà di parentela, quando avremo la libertà di affinità, quando avremo la libertà di consanguineità, quando avremo la libertà di adozione, quando avremo la libertà di affidamento, quando avremo la libertà di tutela, quando avremo la libertà di curatela, quando avremo la libertà di amministrazione, quando avremo la libertà di rappresentanza, quando avremo la libertà di mandato, quando avremo la libertà di procura, quando avremo la libertà di delega, quando avremo la libertà di sostituzione, quando avremo la libertà di surrogazione, quando avremo la libertà di subentro,

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Quando gli Alleati il 1. Marzo lasceranno il controllo sulle nostre stazioni, è da prevedere infatti che il caos che fino adesso aveva covato, dilagherà dappertutto. I partiti, la stampa, il governo e presumibilmente alcuni grossi capitalisti che avranno molti quattrini e poco possibilità di produrre, penseranno con piacere di potersi accaparrare un posticino sulle antenne. Il che certo rientrerebbe nei limiti di una vita libera. In futuro vorremmo infatti che ci fosse in Italia della concorrenza radiofonica e i gruppi industriali o le società private potessero fiorire liberamente attraverso un processo di selezione. Ma oggi che abbiamo una sola radio senza concorrenza e possibilità commerciali e con un compito preciso e vastissimo di rieducazione politica e morale, chi darà al nostro microfono la garanzia di una libertà economica e ideale degna della grande funzione di civiltà che la radio assolve nei nostri tempi?

La situazione oggi è tale che da una parte il pubblico, dando una nuova prova di malcostume, si astiene dal pagare il suo contributo alle radioaudizioni e dall'altra le condizioni finanziarie dell'ente radiofonico sono divenute estremamente precarie. Questo in campo economico. In campo politico le cose vanno ancora peggio. Basti dire che i casi di collaborazionismo vengono puniti con un mese di sospensione dal lavoro e che la instabilità della situazione interna si complica attraverso la ridda propagandistica dei vari partiti.

Gli americani che fortunatamente hanno introdotto nella radio italiana alcuni ottimi elementi di indubbia onestà democratica, stanno per lasciare quel lavoro che per due anni circa hanno svolto con ottima competenza e con ammirevole passione. Il loro ricordo, tra quanti li conobbero e li seguirono, resterà come un modello di costume di vita liberale, di mentalità entusiasta e coraggiosa, e speriamo che il buon seme da essi lasciato fruttifichi una azione leale ed onesta di disintossicazione da parte dei dirigenti italiani per una ricostruzione integrale dei nostri servizi radiofonici rispondente alla nuova atmosfera di libertà e di democrazia. E che la «Voce d'Italia» non sia una espressione retorica, ma rappresenti effettivamente l'espressione libera e sana di tutto un popolo che vuole rinascere dalle rovine del suo recente passato.

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APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

20/PRB 14 Feb. 1945

SUBJECT : Article on "Il Popolo".

TO : Col. A.C. Seward, Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region, Hq AC.

Attached is an article printed in "Il Popolo" referring to conditions of Fascist population. It might interest you to read it, and let us know what truth there is in it.

THOMAS C. BERGIN
Major AUS
Deputy Director Public Relations

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

20 Feb

Tel : 478800

14 February, 1945.

AC/14601/20/PS

SUBJECT : Suspension of Newspaper "Il Partigiano".

TO : P.R.O.

Information has been received from Capt. Stanhope-Wright, Liaison officer, AFHQ, that publication of the Italian newspaper "Il Partigiano" has been suspended for one month on account of a scurrilous article on the S.I.M. and the Carabinieri.

May this office be given particulars of the article referred to, also details of any action taken, or further action contemplated, by you.

John W. Chapman

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

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20/PRB

9 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Press.

TO : Chief of Staff.

1. While fully agreeing with Grafftey that this is a deplorable and disquieting article, there are certain points to remember in dealing with it.

2. Colonel MacCormick has been printing this kind of article for years. Nobody can stop him. He is violently anti-British and there it is.

3. The "Rassegna della Stampa" is not published. It is the Italian Government's own press guide - as our digest is ours. I can't see the smallest foundation for telling the Italian Government that it shouldn't inform itself about these things. Should it pretend that the article was never written? Surely Grafftey is asking the impossible.

4. No newspaper or periodical has carried the article nor has there been any reference to it in the daily press. It has therefore nothing to do with the freedom of the press. The Italian Government is, if anything, to be congratulated and thanked for keeping it OUT of the Press!

5. I do not therefore favour any action with the Italian Press Bureau such as Grafftey suggests.

LIONEL FIELDEN 2877
Major,
Public Relations Director.

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FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
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8 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Press.

TO : Chief of Staff.

1. I have been somewhat shaken to read in the "Rassegna della Stampa" of 4 February, the reproduction of an article entitled "British inertia throws the principal weight of the war upon the United States". The article is by Arthur Sears Henning in the Chicago Daily Tribune of 28 December and surpasses anything that I have yet been privileged to read for dissemination to the Italian press.

2. Without disputing the right of an American paper to publish in its own country any damnation of the Allies of the United States that its readers may have the stomach to digest, it is galling to find that an article such as this, which in its disservice to the Allied war effort could scarcely have been bettered by Dr. Goebbels himself, should be selected for publication in a press summary sponsored by a Government which presumably owes its existence to our forbearance and co-operation.

3. The license allowed to the Italian press may be a source of wonder to many of us, but that it should be extended to advertise violent anti-British propaganda surpasses mere irritation and implies a fantastic lack of enforcement of the principles of inter-Allied co-operation. To those Italians who are interested in seeing a breach between the United States and Great Britain, the article provides a formidable weapon. Such reproductions can hardly further that goodwill for which we strive and attempt to cultivate.

4. I presume that the much-vaunted freedom of the press, so recently granted to the Italians, will prevent any official "demarche" being presented. If this is the case, I suggest that the Italian Press Bureau be asked what purpose it considered was served by the inclusion of this venomous article in the "Rassegna della Stampa". 2876

5. A translation of the article is attached.

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Colonel.

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Copy: F.R.O. ✓
Political Section.

Article in Chicago Daily Tribune of 28 December 1944 by Arthur Sears Henning, reproduced in the Italian "Rassegna della Stampa" of 4 February 1945.

British inertia is making the principal weight of the war fall on the United States

(Britain) does little in Europe and nothing in the Pacific

With the military and naval forces of Great Britain ostensively inactive, it falls to America to support the principal weight of the war against Germany in the West, and Japan in the Pacific. The minor participation of Great Britain in the war is the subject of mounting comments and forecasts of every kind in Washington. Recently, perhaps because of the new British manoeuvres to delimit their own sphere of post-war commercial interests, there has arisen the theory that England is doing her best to leave the fighting to her allies so as to save up the resources necessary for her to compete with the United States after the war.

4½ million men under arms

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Allied forces in Burma

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There are no British troops in the Pacific theatre of war, but only a small core of Australian air, sea and land forces. All the other forces which are carrying on the war in the Pacific are American. Although figures are not available there is reason to believe that the American land forces in the pacific alone exceed the number of British troops fighting in Europe.

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The British have substantial forces in the Near East and in Africa to protect British interests there.

Before the present German counter-offensive, British losses were 563,000 and American losses 529,000. What with the inactivity of the British Army, and the American First Army bearing the brunt of the attack, the American losses have enormously exceeded the British losses.

Defeat of 1940

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The same story at sea

At sea is the same story as on land. America has supplanted Great Britain as mistress of the seas. Recovering from Pearl Harbour, the biggest naval disaster in our history, America has prepared a navy greater than that of Britain and the other nations put together. It is the American Navy which has fought and won the most important naval battles since Pearl Harbour, especially those of the Coral Sea, Midway, and the two battles of the Philippine Sea, in which the Japanese Navy was put to flight and almost destroyed.

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To win these battles, the American Navy has accomplished prodigious tasks and has provided for the equipment of an army 6000 miles from American bases. Besides fighting the Japanese virtually by itself, the American Navy has given powerful help to the British Navy in operations in the Mediterranean and in the campaign against submarines in the Atlantic. The American Navy has taken part in only three battles in which it has found itself faced by comparable forces. The British cruisers Ajax and Achilles pursued the Graf Spee and overtook her; her captain scuttled his ship and committed suicide. A British fleet chased the battleship Bismarck for four days and finally sunk her after having lost the battleship Hood.

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The single attempt of the British Navy in the Far East was disastrous. The Prince of Wales and the Repulse were sunk by Japanese torpedo-airdrops. The Germans had never more than a small fraction of the naval strength possessed by the British, but the Germans forbad a great part of the British naval forces to remain in metropolitan waters. The warship Tirpitz and the cruisers Gneisenau and Scharnhorst were sources of continual anxiety for the British. For a whole year the British bombed these cruisers in Brest, from which they finally escaped under cover of fog. The British finished off the Tirpitz at last in a Norwegian fjord.

The most important British naval operations took place in the Mediterranean in order to cut Rommel's supply lines, to weaken the axis possession of the African coast, and to cover the invasion of Sicily and Italy. The battles of the Mediterranean that had lasted three years ended on 11 September 1943 with the surrender of the Italian fleet at Malta.

Setbacks in Africa

The British fleet in the East operated in the Indian ocean and nearby waters, but suffered various setbacks in encounters with the Japanese, and was therefore forced to establish bases in East Africa; for this purpose Madagascar was occupied. In September last, however, the British had recovered control of the sea in these regions and pushed the Japanese from the Straits of Malacca.

On 22 October last, the First Lord of the British Admiralty, A.V. Alexander, announced that a large fleet capable of warlike action on a sizeable scale against the Japanese was already enroute for the Pacific. By now the Japanese Navy has been nearly destroyed by the American Navy and nothing more can be said about the British fleet headed for the Pacific. One supposes that after the loss of Singapore, it will be based somewhere near Australia.

In the last few weeks, the British Admiral Fraser has been in Canada to confer with Admiral Nimitz, and from this one can deduce that plans are in preparation for participation of the British Navy in future operations against the Japanese.

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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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6th February, 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Press.

TO: Major Lionel Fielden,
Public Relations Director,
H.Q.
A C.

Reference your R20/PRB of 4 February 1945 - subject Italian Press ("Avanti's" charge against "Notiziario Lucchese")

Yes, I have seen the article and have initiated a local enquiry.

This will be duly reported to Allied Publications Board.

I. S. MUNRO, Lt. Col.
Chief Press Officer.

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Iran: The Progressist Labourer Party. ("Partito Operaio Progressista") located in Rossano (Cosenza)

Request for official recognition by the Committee of National Liberation of the above mentioned political party.

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PARTITO OPERAIO PROGRESSISTA

PARTITO DELL'UGUAGLIANZA

Sede Centrale - MARSALA - Via Curatolo

Prot. n. 15

Oggetto: richieste riconoscimento Partito

MARSALA, li 194

UFFICI: VIA G. ARCHIRAFI, 67

Spett.Commissione Inchiesta

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di essere riconosciuto e sua quota del 4 per mille sulle predette liste.

Cordiali saluti.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH LF/adm

20/PRB 5 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Simoncini - Observations on Article in "Unita"

TO : Colonel W.J.Maskrey, Deputy Director, Industry Sub-Commission.

1. Following are my reactions to this case:

2. Considering the number of critical articles which (under present conditions I think inevitably) appear, and the scant attention paid to them, this very out-of-date article would hardly seem worth contradicting. To contradict it would - if the facts are as stated here - draw attention again to the subject and raise fresh controversy.

3. Major Kilner's second paragraph is at variance with the declared Allied policy of free speech and opinion. Perhaps one may venture to suggest that British and American "rags" also print quite a lot of "senseless drivel". There is no political censorship in Italy.

4. Simoncini's record is a poor one. As far as this Branch is concerned it would debar him at once from holding a journalists' card. Major Kilner's remarks in para 5 seem to show that he is not incorruptible. The Allies have, on various occasions, stopped the epuration of Fascists who are said to be useful: in my opinion immense harm is done by this and the newspapers are often justified in protesting.

5. The 'Unita' is a Communist paper and the Chief Commissioner has given orders that no drastic action should be taken against it without his permission. Velio Spano, the Editor, is a man who knows clearly what he wants. He is, however, always ready to listen to reason, and to withdraw false statements. I think - though I can't vouch for it - that he would say without hesitation that he was out to promote social unrest in so far as social unrest contributed to the elimination of Fascists.

6. We have in this Branch a section which deals with interviews between the Italian press and officers of the AC. The best way of counteracting such articles as this is to arrange for one paper or another to publish a good interview - which of course is checked with the official concerned before publication. If Major Kilner thinks that an interview on tanning would be useful at this stage we can easily fix it up.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

R20/PRB

4 February 1945

SUBJECT : Italian Press

TO : Lt.Colonel Munro, Executive Secretary,
Allied Publications Board.

I suppose you have seen this article? It is rather damaging, I think. Do you know anything about the case? If not, perhaps, I should refer it to 5th Army : in that case will you kindly return the cutting. (From Avanti, February 3).

LIONEL FIELDEN,
Major,
Public Relations Director.

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Il Momento

GIORNALE DEL POPOLO

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Roma, li 3 febbraio 1945
VIA DEL TRITONE 62
TELEFONI: 61-151, 2, 3, 4.

AMMINISTRAZIONE

Signor
Magg. LIONEL FIELDEN
Direttore del P.W.B.
Allied Commission H.Q.
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Egregio Sig..Magg. Fielden,

poichè ci risulta che nei prossimi giorni verrà attuato uno speciale servizio di telecomunicazioni per la raccolta e distribuzione di informazioni stampa nell' Italia liberata, riteniamo opportuno di portare a Sua conoscenza che, non essendo "IL MOMENTO" associato all' A.N.S.A., è nostro desiderio accedere direttamente alla fonte delle notizie che, con l' autorizzazione e il consenso della Commissione Alleata, verranno accentrate a Roma.

La prego, pertanto, di volermi cortesemente indicare con la massima urgenza la procedura da seguire per poter fruire liberamente delle nuove fonti di informazione.

Gradisca distinti saluti

Realino Carboni
Amministratore Unico

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Lt. Col. J.L. Haydon

1. I refer to Major Colville's memorandum of January 29. regarding the republication of Sam Reed's article in La Voce Repubblicana.

2. Do you probably remember Sam Reed coming to see me and I checked the article with me. He had originally a good many inaccuracies, which he removed, and he also toned down the article somewhat at my suggestion. He was quite conscientious about it, but I suspect, as he always is, on second thoughts the enemy of the

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of Italy.

3. I don't think that the article is, by and large, incorrect, and what he says about the A.C is quite true. Nor do I see how Colville proposes to prevent the republication of such articles in the American press.

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PRESS AND RADIO CENSORSHIP BRANCH
(I.N.C. - A.F.H.Q.)
C/O PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE BRANCH, UNIT 12
APO 512

29 January 1945

To : Lt. Col. J.L. Hayden

Subject: La Voce Repubblicana

1. Attached is a translation of the leading article in La Voce Repubblicana of 28 Jan. 45.

2. Under the heading of "Another cry of alarm in America", this article purports to summarise an article by Gene Rea in The American Mercury.

3. Mr. Rea attributes the whole blame to the Allies for the tragic conditions he describes. The Allied Commission is injustly condemned, criticised and ridiculed.

4. It is assumed that all this was originally passed by Fd. Press Censorship. Is it, however, desirable that such unilateral criticism of Allied policy and practice by an Allied Correspondent be publicised in the Roman Press?

J.N. COLVILLE
Major, G.S.

Copy To: Mr. Edmen - P.W.B.
Major Fielden - PRO A.C

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TRANSLATION I

Another cry of alarm in America

Under the title "Italy menaced with revolution", a long and instructive article on the Italian situation, by the American journalist Gene Rea, is published in the important review "The American Mercury.

The Allies have won a military victory in Italy but "are losing if they have not already lost the peace" says the American writer who maintains that, after twelve months of occupation, the Italian people are in a revolutionary state of mind.

Naturally certain classes of the Italian population are completely satisfied. These are "the feudal landlords, mediaeval aristocrats, rich businessmen and industrialists". The "Allied liberation protects their fortunes". But the great majority of Italians, peasants and artisans, white-collar workers or not, openly express their discontent.

The American writer declares that, among the Allies, only England is pursuing a clean cut policy and the future will prove whether it is the most suitable and best chosen. It is a policy of supporting the monarchy. The American and Russian policies are less clear.

The Allied Commission which is not unaware of Italian dissentions, replies that its function in Italy is "to ensure the execution of the Armistice terms" - terms still enveloped in mystery although it is easy, watching the application of the Armistice, to imagine what it is all about.

Theoretically, the Italian Govt. has jurisdiction over some provinces. In practice the usual answer any Italian receives who wishes to do anything at all is:"have you a permit from the Allied Authorities?" To every request the Allied Commission replies, "nothing must be allowed to embarrass the military situation. We must, first and foremost, win the war".

A few examples: "the Italian Govt asked for 500 trucks for carrying food. A negative reply. The Italian Govt asked for some workshops to be reactivated only to be told that the same workshops had been requisitioned for war purposes. A minister asked for a little extra petrol that he might visit the southern provinces. He had to buy it in the black market". Trucks were refused for transporting refugees.

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In December the Allies were still studying the proposal submitted long ago by the Italian Govt. for raising salaries to meet the cost of living.

The Italian Govt. had a plan for mobilising 15 Divisions. This was disapproved.

The economic conditions of the Italian population are intolerable. According to the American author a person needs from 2500 to 3000 calories a day. The food Allied soldiers receive is equivalent to 4000 calories. The Italians, if they are lucky, have daily rations which amount to 1000 calories.

Italian girls working for the Allies earn about 60 lire a day - men from 80 to 150.

A family of 3 or 4 people cannot spend less than 350 lire a day on food. Where are they to find the money? Italy has no industries, she has no trade. Thousands of families have already sold everything they possess - gold, jewelry, objects of art, furniture, linen.

A pair of shoes costs 4000 lire - stockings 600 lire. Olive oil costs 570 lire a litre, etc. etc. The situation is most desperate for the children. Childrens' clothing does not exist. Milk is unobtainable.

At Naples 40% of the infants under a year old have died of undernourishment.

Conditions in the hospitals are pitiable. A few moments after a patient has died, another is placed in the same bed. There are no disinfectants. The sheets are not changed.

In Rome 200 thousand people line up for the soup kitchens. The Vatican distributes tens of thousands of plates of soup every day.

Venereal disease is reaching record figures in Naples and Palermo. The danger of typhus has become acute.

In liberated Italy about a million people are homeless. In the Abruzzo, only, there are about 100 thousand refugees. The refugees live, if such an existence can be called living, in wretched conditions. About 1000 refugees are in the premises of the Cine-Citta. Many of these have nothing but the clothes they wear. Many have no shoes. They eat once a day in empty rooms without beds or chairs.

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The only flourishing industries are prostitution and the black market. Rome was once proud of the virtue of its women. Today girls are ~~waiting~~ offering themselves for 1500 lire the night. Many of these girls are homeless and sometimes orphans. Some of them are widows. The majority are not "professionals". It is not a matter of vice but of hunger. Families would perish if help were not forthcoming.

Gene Sea concludes his article as follows:
"All liberated Italy, with the exception of a small group of aristocratic landlords, rich industrialists and political intriguers, is today suffering from hunger.

Only that little group can afford the luxury of good living. Some members of that little group dedicate themselves to charitable welfare work but the majority cling to the Allies in the hope of gaining favours.

Such is the picture of Italy today. Not a brilliant one to be sure. If one examines it without prejudice the symptoms of revolt are apparent. Not a revolution organised by Communists or anarchists, however many elements there may be composed of turncoats who are now ready to lead a revolt, but a popular revolution.

In these conditions, the people cannot continue. They are threatened with malaria, turberculosis, with typhus. They want to see the earth fruitful, tractors in the field and machines in the workshops.

To recognize their government is not enough. If the English and Americans do not understand that Italy is on the verge of revolution and do not hasten seriously to avoid it, we shall pass a sad and sanguinary winter in Italy".

We have summarised without comment.

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UFFICIO STAMPA
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

20/PRB 27 gennaio 1945

Caro Col. Maraldi,

Sarò ben lieto di dare al nuovo giornale delle Forze Armate italiane tutte le facilitazioni possibili e cioè tutte quelle che diamo alla stampa romana.

Innanzi tutto sarà necessario che alcuni dei redattori di "Patria" si mettano in contatto con questo ufficio (ex Palazzo delle Corporazioni, Stanza 26, piano III) per ottenere la tessera di accreditamento all'AC. Inoltre, in via eccezionale, potremo distribuire direttamente al giornale i nostri comunicati stampa che generalmente diamo solo alle agenzie di informazioni. Anche per questo è opportuno che un redattore venga a prendere accordi qui da noi.

Con i miei migliori saluti

LIONEL FIELDEN
Major
Public Relations Branch

T.Col. Ugo Maraldi
Ufficio Stampa
Ministero della Guerra
Via 4 Fontane, 15

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION
APO 394

R/6089 19 January, 1945

SUBJECT: POL for Italian Press.

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
(Attention PRO)

1. This letter confirms telephone message of this morning.

2. Lt. Aranoff, Transportation Division this HQ, is in contact with PWB in order to arrange all matters relating to POL for the Italian Press.

3. While it is hoped that it will be possible to agree some plan which puts the distribution entirely in the hands of the Italians Lt.Aranoff is responsible for it until that can be arranged.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A.D. Bonham-Carter

A.D.BONHAM-CARTER
Lt.Colonel
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH

20/PRB 18 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Press.

TO : Chief Commissioner
(Thru: Chief of Staff)

1. This seems to me a very peculiar document. I take it that "organization manipulated by this same subtle gentleman" means ANSA, but PWB might have thought of this earlier!

2. I don't particularly like Rossini, nor does the Italian press: but it scarcely seems to me that AC can take action on these personal grounds. I understand that Bonomi thinks highly of Rossini.

3. I do not think any reply is needed.

But he doesn't like ANSA. Perhaps he doesn't like Rossini.

Lionel Fielden

LIONEL FIELDEN
Major,
Public Relations Director.

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

16 January 1945

SECRET

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, USNR
Chief Commissioner
Hq. Allied Commission

Subject: Avv. ROSSINI

Dear Ellery:

I quote below a portion of Lt. Col. Munro's weekly report concerning Avv. Rossini:

"If readers of these weekly Press Office reports turn to those of mid-December, they will find that the hand-over of APB powers to an Italian Commission is accompanied by warnings that Sig. Rossini, Director General of Press and Information, did not inspire confidence that Allied democratic aims would be sustained according to PWB plans and directives. Such readers will also find it recorded that these warnings formed an official part of the APB hand-over proposals put up to AFHQ, - proposals which resulted in the issue of Order 50. The warnings, before being forwarded to AFHQ, were seen, discussed and endorsed by PWB, APB and AC, - which clearly indicated that Sig. Rossini was persona non grata as far as custodianship of a democratic press in Italy was concerned.

"Nonetheless, it is to an organization manipulated by this same subtle gentleman that PWB is preparing to hand over care of the news operation on January 15.

"My recommendation is that this should be examined as it involves the future liberty of the press."

I don't know what your opinion of Rossini is, but mine is not high. You might like to keep an eye on him.

Sincerely yours,

George W. Edman

GEORGE W. EDMAN
A.D.P.W.C. Italy

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Brigadier J. F. DUNLOP, OBE, MC, TD,
Regional Commissioner,
Headquarters, Southern Region,
Allied Commission,
C.M.F.

17 January 1945

Dear Fielden,

You forwarded to me some time ago an article which appeared in "RICOSTRUZIONE" dealing with conditions in the town of Foggia. I replied to it quickly in the light of my own knowledge, and wrote at the same time to Lt. Col. BRIGHT. I think you will be interested in seeing the attached copy of BRIGHT's reply.

I am doing what I can here to secure better rail communication between Foggia and Lucera and to help in other ways the admittedly difficult situation in Foggia.

Yours

Jean Lionel FIELDEN,
Public Relations Branch,
Headquarters, Allied Commission,
C.M.F.

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Lt. Colonel H.N.BRIGHT, MBE,
Zone Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
FOGGIA ZONE,
C. M. F.

REF:- FP/1106.

10th January, 1945.

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3. He is, moreover, an ambitious man and an aspiring Politician.

4. Most of his time, therefore, is spent either in the Law Courts or in writing or inspiring newspaper articles of the type mentioned. Nor does he confine himself to one paper, vide various articles in attached "RICOSTRUZIONE DAUNA", and other papers in the Province.

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(d) Paras 4 and 6 are exaggerated.
(e) There is a Telephone in the Sindaco's Office and house and has been one for the past month or so.
(f) There is a Police Force, though under strength like the rest of Southern ITALY, and it works reasonably well. There is also a largely augmented Guardia Municipale, an efficient Questore, Night Guards for Merchants, besides a strong Allied Police Force.
(g) The Sindaco is no thinner than when he took Office, in fact I think he has put on weight. His pallid colour was notice-

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able at his inauguration Meeting and is no worse now.

9. I do, however, feel that after 15 months occupation more consideration should be given to this bombed City by the Italian Government.

10. FOGGIA Province has received little or no consideration by the Italian Government for its great work in Grain producing during the last harvest.

11. No allotment of clothing has been made to either its agricultural labourers, its salt workers, its charcoal workers, its woodcutters and its street cleaners.

12. No railway facilities exist linking its important Towns with the capital and with connections to LUCERA, where both the Prefettura, Allied Commission, Appeal Court, Alimentation etc., Offices are located.

13. It's Bus Services, such as they are, are rapidly deteriorating for lack of spare parts and tyres.

14. As I have said in my report for last month, the Requisitioning in FOGGIA requires independent enquiry.

15. It is NOT that everything necessary should NOT be given to the Air Force; I, and I believe, the Sindaco and Commune, and certainly the Prefect, would agree to everything necessary being given.

16. I believe, however, that some of the accommodation is not being used to full capacity and in some cases is wasted.

17. I believe that Officers are or were living in flats sometimes with no other Officers.

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Yours ever,
/signed/
H.N.BRIGHT.

HNB/EGFM.

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TO:- Brigadier J. K. DUNLOP, OBE, MC, TD.,
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Headquarters, Southern Region,
Allied Commission,
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UFFICIO STAMPA
COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

20/PPB 11 gennaio 1945

OGGETTO : Guglielmo Giannini.

A. : S.E. Mauro Scoccimarro, Alto Commissario Aggiunto per l'Epurazione, PalazzoViminale.

Rispondo alla Sua No Prot. 40073, in data 9 gennaio. Mi sarei di che da diversi mesi sia la concessione che il ritiro di permessi di pubblicazione di quotidiani o periodici non sono più di competenza di questa Commissione ma bensì del Governo Italiano. Quindi io non posso far nulla riguardo al Signor Giannini.

Incidentalmente di passato, sarò ben lieto di discuterne con Lei. Potrà trovarmi in ufficio quotidiani giorno fra le 11 e le 12.

Con ossequio

LIONEL FIELDEN
Major
Public Relations Director

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Alto Commissariato
per le Sanzioni contro il Fascismo
ALTO COMMISSARIATO AGGIUNTO PER L'EPURAZIONE

Uff. Albi Professionali

Prot. N. 40073/12.3.1 Allegati 4

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Roma, 10 GEN 1945

Alla Commissione Alleata
Ufficio Stampa
ROMA

Risposta al f. N.
del

OGGETTO segnalazione a carico di Giannini Guglielmo

Porto a conoscenza di codesta Commissione il caso del giornalista Guglielmo Giannini che recentemente ha avuto il permesso di pubblicare e dirigere un nuovo settimanale umoristico: "L'uomo qualunque".

Il Giannini è l'esponente tipico di quella categoria di scrittori che, dotati di una certa abilità e scaltrezza e privi di carattere, furono pronti ad ogni servilismo ed adulazione pur di ottenere favori ed appoggi da parte degli alti gerarchi del fascismo.

Le lettere del sunnominato che allego in copia, come pure molti suoi articoli, tra i quali si distingue per faziosità "Il granello di pepe", pubblicato sul "Corriere di Napoli", che sono in grado di unire, fanno chiara luce sulla sua personalità e sulla sua levatura morale.

L'esame di questa documentazione pone codesta Commissione in condizione di poter valutare l'opportunità o meno di ritirare al Giannini il permesso di dirigere un giornale, la cui comparsa sotto la sua direzione, ha provocato, d'altra parte, sorpresa e commenti sfavorevoli nell'opinione pubblica.

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L'ALTO COMMISSARIO AGGIUNTO
PER L'EPURAZIONE

(Dr. Mauro Scoccimarro)

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(copia)

Guglielmo Giannini

Roma, 22 luglio 1940-XVIII

D u c e

mi permetto accluderVi un articolo politico scritto in forma cinematografica. Me lo ha pubblicato il "Corriere di Napoli".

Ai Vostri ordini, sempre

Guglielmo Giannini
Corso Vittorio Emanuele, 51
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Roma, 2 agosto 1940-XVIII

Caro Giannini

ho il piacere di comunicarVi che il Duce ha gradito l'omaggio del Vostro articolo "UN GRANELLO DI PEPE" inviatogli con la Vostra del 22 luglio.

Con i migliori saluti

F.to PAVOLINI

A Guglielmo GIANNINI

Corso Vitt.Emanuele,51 - R O M A

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Telefono 53093

GUGLIELMO GIANNINI
Corso Vitt.Emanuele,51
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Roma, 10 agosto 1940/XVIII

Eccellenza Alessandro PAVOLINI
Ministro della Cultura Popolare
R O M A

Eccellenza, ho ricevuto la cordiale Vostra in data 7 corrente, riguardante la situazione della mia compagnia, Vi ringrazio della nuova - ed ultima - sovvenzione di £. 10.000 che mi avete concessa. Ho già preso accordi con le organizzazioni del Teatro, perchè la somma sia interamente impiegata a liquidare le pendenze attori. Vi prometto formalmente che, per questo oggetto, non mi permetterò di disturbarVi più.

Vi ringrazio anche, e moltissimo, della gentile comunicazione che avete voluto farmi del gradimento del Duce per il mio articolo UN GRANELLO DI PEPE. Che fortuna per noi avere un ministro giovane, uscito dalle nostre file, capace di comprenderci e d'aiutarci. Penso che Voi - avendone il tempo - dovreste ogni tanto vederci, per darci delle direttive, dei consigli. Io credo che noi siamo all'alba di un nuovo Quattrocento, e che niente ci manchi, a cominciare dal Magnifico. Consideratemi come un soldato, pronto a tutto.

Di nuovo grazie e cordiali saluti.

Aff.mo
Guglielmo Giannini 2852.

P.S. - Mi permetto accludervi un ritaglio del "Giornale d'Italia" di stasera. V'interesserà senza dubbio, perchè nessuno più di Voi può sentire la necessità del Teatro Politico, oggi.

Guglielmo Giannini

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Un cameriere di sala

e un cameriere di cucina

Sala d'un grande ristorante, affollato all'inverosimile. Camerieri che vanno e vengono, servendo, direttore del ristorante che sorveglia il servizio. Dettagli vari.

a) Una bella signora che si rifiuta del pepe sulle ostriche;

b) un signore che mette del pepe sulle uova

ad un tavolo sono seduti dapprima e una donna. Il cameriere serve tre piatti di spaghetti. La signora comincia a mangiare, il 1 signore la imita dopo aver messo del formaggio sugli spaghetti, il 2 signore chiede del pepe al cameriere.

2 SIGNORE - Per favore, il pepe.

CAMERIERE - Subito, signore.

Il cameriere esce di scena. Il 2 signore aspetta pazientemente. Il 1 signore arrotola gli spaghetti intorno alla forchetta e fissando maliziosamente la signora che, ad un certo punto, assente, dice al 2 signore:

SIGNORA - E non hai finito?

2 SIGNORE - Il pepe, scusa!

SIGNORA - Non puoi mangiare senza pepe?

2 SIGNORE - Gli spaghetti mi piacciono con un po' di pepe

Il 1 signore sorride indulgentemente e dice:

1 SIGNORE - Si digeriscono meglio.

Il 2 signore si becca credendo di sentire dell'ironia nella voce del 1 signore. La signora si becca anche lei e alza le spalle. Il 2 signore esclama inviperito:

2 SIGNORE - Scusa, caro, io il pepe e le metto quanto voglio perchè gli spaghetti diventano più saporiti e più facilmente digeribili con un po' di pepe.

1 SIGNORE - (indulgente) lo so, lo so!

2 SIGNORA - solo per questo.

1 SIGNORE - Non ne dubito.

2 SIGNORE - Ti è perfettamente inutile che tu faccia dell'ironia!

1 SIGNORE - Nessuna ironia. So benissimo che la tua for parte dell'umanità non arrolata d'ogato crede fermamente alle virtù digestive del pepe... Bella scusa!

Il 2 signore e la signora cominciano ad indispettirsi. La signora dice:

SIGNORA - Scusate, mi pare che dillo non sia il solo a cui piace il pepe... se non sbaglio...

La sala. si vede la signora delle ostriche, il signore delle uova, altri avventori che mettono pepe sulle vivande. voce della signora (fuori campo continua da)... il suo esempio è seguito da moltissime persone!

I tre al tavolo. Il 1 signore risponde sorridendo e sollevando la forchetta:

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a) Una bella signora che fa piovere del pepe sulle ostriche;
b) un signore che mette del pepe sulle uova
c) un bambino che scuote dentro a una culla. Il cameriere serve tre piatti di spaghetti. La signora ordinata e tranquilla, il 1 signore la fissa dopo aver messo nei rispettivi spaghetti, il 2 signore chiede del pepe al cameriere.

2 SIGNORE - Per favore, il pepe.

CAMERIERE - Subito, signore.

Il cameriere esce di scatto. Il 2 signore aspetta pazientemente. Il 1 signore sorride arricciando gli occhietti intorno alla forchetta e fissando nell'indifferente la signora che, di tanto tanto, scuote la testa. Dice al 2 signore:

1 SIGNORE - Guardi questi spaghetti!

2 signore - Il pepe, scusi!

1 SIGNORE - Non può mangiare senza pepe!

2 SIGNORE - Gli spaghetti mi piacciono con un po' di pepe!

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2 SIGNORE - Scusi, caro, io il pepe lo metto sempre perchè gli spaghetti diventano più saporiti e più facilmente digeribili con un po' di pepe.

1 SIGNORE - (indulgente) Lo so, lo so!

2 SIGNORE - Solo per questo.

1 SIGNORE - Non mi debito.

2 SIGNORE - Di è certamente inutile che tu faccia dell'ironia!

1 SIGNORE - Nessuna ironia. Io benedico che la tua per parte dell'umanità non spreciata d'oggetto creda fermamente alle virtù digestive del pepe... Bella scusa!

Il 2 signore e la signora cominciano ad indispettirsi. La signora dice:

SIGNORA - Scusate, mi pare che uno non sia di solo a cui piace il pepe... Se non sbaglio...

Si sbaglia. Si vede la signora delle ostriche, il signore delle uova, altri avventori che mettono pepe sulle vivande. Voce della signora (quasi quasi continua da)... il suo esempio è seguito da moltissime persone!

I tre si girano. Il 1 signore risponde sorridendo e sollevando la forchetta:

1 SIGNORE - Purtroppo...Si fa un consumo sbalorditivo di pepe...Si pensi che ogni grano di pepe, raccolto su un finissimo piatto di spaghetti, su un candido tovagliolo, rappresenta un anello della catena che tiene legato il mondo!

Il 2 signore e la signora rimangono stupiti. Il primo signore continua:

1 SIGNORE - Il costo del pepe è quasi insignificante sulla pianta. Si potrebbe regalare. Ma quel grano certo insignificante comincia ad esse-

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Scrocchiolante (mentre il vento, fuori [illegible]...

Un borbottare. Vari ordini scorbutici dalle cassette di un carbon.

Voce del 1 signore fuori quadro, continuando)...è arrivato nei magazzini di deposito, che sono, salvo in una piccola zona dell'Anatolia, in mani inglesi.

Una sala di stoccaggio dove il pepe viene messo in scatole da cartoni e da colmi di colore.

1 signore (continuando fuori quadro)... il prezzo originario del pepe, già contaminato nella prima speculazione, viene raddoppiato altre dieci volte per essere messo in scatole in uno stabilimento inglese...

Una banchina di un porto, un carbon che arriva, di sera, e scarica la merce di una nave appena fatta.

1 signore (continuando fuori quadro)... trasportato su una banchina inglese, caricato, in un porto inglese, su una nave inglese...

La nave che viaggia in alto mare.

1 signore (continuando fuori quadro)... xxxx

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la voce di 1 signore

1 SIGNORE - (continuando fuori rumore) Pel sud, per Gibilterra deve passare !

Arrivato nel mediterraneo di ritorno da Suez, da Gibilterra e dai Dardanelli, respinto da Malta e da Cipro il papa costa più un centinaio di volte ciò che vale...

Il tavolo. Il 1 signore, la signora ecc. sono sbalorditi. Il 1 signore continua:

1 SIGNORE - Ad ogni volta che tu dai girare la manovella del macinino del pepe sui tuoi spaghetti, paghi una tassa ai padroni della bomba del pepe.

Il 2° signore è sbalordito. La signora anche.

2 SIGNORE - Che debbo fare allora? Mangiare gli spaghetti senza pepe?

Il 1 Signore scuote la testa sorridendo.

1 SIGNORE - Ma... perchè imporsi questo sacrificio? a che servirebbe poi? Quello che succede per il papa, accade per il cotone, per il petrolio, per quasi tutti i prodotti del mondo. Se tu risparmiassi un centinaio di grani di pepe all'anno, non risolveresti niente!

Il signore sbalordito chiede:

SIGNORE - E che cosa bisogna fare allora?

Il 1 signore mette di sorridere bonariamente, di assume un'espressione di serietà.

1 SIGNORE - Bisogna togliere le mani - questo pepe, togliergli il pepe, il cotone, il petrolio, togliergli tutte le ricchezze che egli vuole solo per sè e distribuirle a tutti con equità e giustizia. E, con le ricchezze fraudolentemente usurpate, bisogna scacciarlo dal punto dove egli esercita il suo brigantaggio, ed ingoia i suoi pedaggi e le sue taglie.

Per la rappresentazione:

- Navi che navigano
- Aeroplani che volano
- Carri armati che avanzano
- Navi che sparano
- Aeroplani che bombardano
- Una catena di forze che si oppone violentemente.

Rumori, suoni relativi ai quadri, con musica di fusione.

DISSOLVENZA IN CHIUSURA

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Return to Graffey 10/1/45.
We would like P.R. to keep out of this.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394.

13115/F. 8 January 1945

SUBJECT: Article by Herbert Mathews to "New York Times", 14th December, 1944.

TO : Acting Deputy Chief of Staff,
Economic Section.

1. With reference to my memorandum 13115/F of 13th December I write to inquire what action, if any, has been taken to correct the impressions of Mr. Mathews who, I understand, prefers to rely on external sources for his information on the Allied Commission.

2. Reference to the article was made in 'Risorgimento Liberale' of 7th January in an article discussing the recent allegations by Drew Pearson. Emphasis was laid on the resignation of Brigadier General O'Dwyer ("most favourably disposed to our country") as a result of Anglo/American disagreement.

3. Commdr. Lawler, recently returned from the United States, confirms that anti-British feeling is increasing. Such articles as that under discussion cannot help but add fuel to the flames.

4. If the view is held that the question is not of sufficient importance to admonish an American journalist, I presume that there can be no objection to the Senior British Officers of the Economic Section indicating to other interested parties the fallacies in the article and making true facts known.

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A P Macaboy Smith

Colonel,
Joint Director,
FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION.

Copies to: Chief of Staff.
Public Relations Officer. ✓
Colonel Evans.
Colonel Legg.
Colonel Crawshaw.

APGS/ht.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS BRANCH
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

PRB/820 October 21st, 1944

SUBJECT :"Il Messaggero"

TO : Acting Chief Commissioner,
(through Chief Of Staff)

I have made the most careful enquiry about the exact position of the "Messaggero" application, and I can assure you that its publication has not been stopped or even discouraged by APB or PWD. Rossini himself has said this and I know that the Italian Press Commission is now absolutely divided in its views as to whether "Il Messaggero" should be published or not and what its name should be : and has reached no decision. Colonel Munro tells me that he has always encouraged in principle the issue of "Il Messaggero" and still takes that view.

(S/L)

LIONEL FIELDEN,
Major,
Public Relations Director.

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ELENCO DEI GIORNALI CHE VENIVANO PUBBLICATI IN ROMA SINO AL 4 GIUGNO

IL MESSAGGERO. Da 65 anni. Prop. Perrone. Diret. (dal 25 Luglio all'8 Settembre.) SMIT. (dall'8 Sett. al 4 Giugno. B. SPAMPANATO.

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TRAVASO. Sett. Umoristico della Tribuna. Comitato redazione. (Apolloni).

L'AVVENIRE. 1938. Marconi Imolo/direttore. Prop. Soc. An. Cattolica.

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