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Major Harvey. S.D. Please arrange for the
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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

FILE : E-7111/28/2.5

22 June 1945.

SUBJECT : Public Safety Division's Final Monthly Report - June 1945.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C. - C.H.P.
Regional Commissioner, H.Q., A.M.C., Toscana Region.

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Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza continue to give efficient service, with one notable exception however that did not win any laurels for them at Florence.

An Italian who had been in a Concentration Camp in Germany, returned to Prato (Florence Province). On walking into the Questura Office he saw an Agent there, whom the Italian alleged, was responsible for his arrest and deportation to Germany.

A hostile crowd gathered outside the Office threatening to lynch the Agent if they could get hold of him. A call for assistance was sent to the Questura and he forthwith sent a Squad of Questurini (25) all armed to the teeth with Machine Guns, Steam-guns etc to remove the Agent to the Prison.

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Despite the attendance of this small army, the Agent was roughly handled by the crowd before the Questorini got him into the Prison. This occurrence took place on the 19th June, 1945, the day following the hand-over of the Provinces to the Italians, and is, in my opinion, symbolic of what will happen in the future.

The Questorini excused their action by stating that the crowd was too large and too hostile for them to prevent the unfortunate Agent being ill treated.

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All working very efficiently. Nothing particularly startling to comment upon. The MUNICIPAL GUARDS at Florence are doing an excellent job of work with traffic and have been advised to contact Florence Command re traffic problems in the future, connected with Military Traffic.

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(i) At Florence one case of murder occurred when persons who were stealing a motor car, were surprised by the owner. They shot him and decamped. No arrest has so far been made.

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(1) Concealed firearms are still being brought to light and in Florence City, as a result of information received, the A/R.P.S.O. and the A/P.P.S.O. Florence searched the Patriots Centre at Florence on 13th June, 1945. One Sten Gun, one Pistol, a number of hand grenades and several bayonets were found. The raid was carried out by Questura Agents and as a result four men were arrested for the arms offence and also with being concerned with stealing the sum of 180,000. Lire from the Funds of the Centre.

(11) At Livorno four persons have been arrested for Firearms Offences and are being dealt with.

It is very apparent that a large number of firearms have not been handed in, as practically no pistols or small arms have been deposited by alleged Partigiani or any other persons.

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This is another problem that will face the Italian Police Agencies and it is going to be a serious one.

4. COMBAT OF ALLIED TROOPS:

Remains very satisfactory with one or two isolated incidents. One case occurred in Pisa Province where the 92nd U. S. Negro Division, at Pontedera on 15th June, became involved in a dispute with Italian civilians.

Approximately 40 civilians were mixed up in the affair which resulted in the serious wounding of three civilians and two coloured soldiers. The crowd were quiescent by the CC.RR., and Military Police are taking steps to confine the Negroes to the Camp area to prevent a repetition.

5. GENERAL DISSENT:

Good work is still being done in this sphere. In Florence Province Questura Vice Squads have arrested 126 prostitutes since last report and in Livorno 57 arrests have been made by Questura Agents. Both in Florence and Livorno the Provost Marshalls have expressed their satisfaction at the good work being done in this direction by the Italian Police Agencies.

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8. OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE: - Nil.

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2. STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS: - Nil.

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Quite good although most people appear to be apprehensive as to what will happen now that A.M.G. is leaving the area. They place little or no reliance in Italian Officials and this is quite understandable.

Everyone appears fairly satisfied with the composition of the new Italian Government but are still very scared of the Communist boggy.

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5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

Nothing of great interest to comment on. In Florence a meeting was held in the Uffizi Galleries by the Secretary of the Confederazione di Camera del Lavoro respecting the request for increased wages etc by the workers.

A considerable number of workers attended. There were no processions, no flags and no demonstrations and the meeting ended quite happily.

6. APPREHENSION OF GENERAL SECURITY SITUATION:

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7. CIVIL INTERESTS:

Nothing to add to the Monthly Report of May.

III LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

1. and 2. No change.

3. CONTROL OF SIMILIAN MOVEMENT:

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General efficiency is excellent.

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PISTOIA

General efficiency only fair. This is only a small brigade that has no workshop resources and is very dependent on Florence.

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PISA

General efficiency is fair. One of the Officers who had been sent to Florence for training has now resumed duty in Pisa.

State of equipment fair but could be very much improved if necessary tyres could be made available.

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3. NUMBER OF PRISONERS AWAITING TRIAL, ETC:

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4. SUMMARY:

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2. (b) Number of Counterfeit Notes of each Denomination:

1,000 lire notes	5
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2. Number of persons arrested for forgery offences: Nil.

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VIII. GENERAL1. LIST OF PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL:

<u>HEADQUARTERS:</u>	Major W. A. MOODY	(B) A/P.P.S.O.
	Capt. J. B. FORSTER	(B) Fire & Prison Officer
<u>FIORINUS PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. D. R. ROBERSON	(B) A/P.P.S.O.
<u>LIVORNO PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. S. BEATTY	(A) P.P.S.O.
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Public Safety in Toscana Region has been a severe problem with its internal troubles with P.P.S.Os and the Italians being hampered always by the fact that fighting was going on in the parts of the Region against German troops most of the time, making administration and reorganization of the various Italian Police Agencies a trying but unique problem.

In concluding this Report may I respectfully suggest that the Director Public Safety Sub-Commission send a small letter of appreciation to the P.P.S.Os. who are leaving the Region for other assignments as recompense for the excellent work they have done, for which, so far, the only reward they have had for their labour has been a few more grey hairs.

W. A. MOORE

Major, G.L.

A/Regional Public Safety Officer.

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(c) The position with regard to uniforms, transport and mail-
 ings remains about the same - supplies arriving very slowly. Commu-
 nications have improved somewhat with the opening up of civilian
 telephone facilities from Florence to other Provinces in the Region.

(d) QUESTURA:

Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza continue to give efficient
 service in Florence, following information received at this office,
 Agents arrested four partigiani for demanding money with menaces.
 A regrettable motorty was obtained for the Questura in Florence by
 the publication in the local press of a report that a reporter visiting
 the offices of the Questura has been violently assaulted. The matter
 was investigated and it was ascertained that there was a germ of truth
 in the matter and that a reporter had indeed been literally kicked out
 of the office (English police officers will no doubt feel inclined to
 sympathize with the Agenti.) The Agent responsible has been disciplined
 and transferred.

(e) OTHER POLICE AGENCIES:

CLAUDIO DI PINOZZA and CONDO PORTINARI continue to work
 quietly and efficiently. The MARCHE MINISTRALI of Livorno have
 earned a word of praise from the P.P.S.O. who states that they are
 doing a very useful job on traffic control which they are gradually
 taking over from the Military Police. The same is true of Florence
 City where traffic control is very well operated under bad conditions
 by the MUNICIPAL GUARD.

2. CRIME:

(a) The situation with regard to crime generally remains satis-
 factory. A very disquieting feature however has been the attacks
 made by mobs on ex-fascists, resulting in some cases in the death of
 the person assaulted. This has not been on the same scale as in
 northern regions but has been of sufficient proportions to warrant
 mention. The outbreaks coincided with the period of V.E.-day and
 were no doubt prompted by excitement due to the ending of the war
 and the feeling of need of some means to express emotion in a tangible
 way. Italian Police were ordered to do all in their power to stop
 these excesses and such they seem now to have ceased. Following are
 details of some of the more serious incidents:-

(i) At Anghiari (Arezzo) twenty persons in a mob beat up
 thirteen alleged fascists - seven persons were later arrested
 and enquiries as to the identity of the others continue.

(ii) At San Sepolcro (Arezzo) on the 7th May four fascists
 were beaten-up.

(iii) On the third of May at Carrara (Apennine) three persons,
 unknown, went to the house of an alleged fascist LORENZINI
 Adams and ordered him to follow them to partigian headquarters.
 On the 7th instant his body was found in the River, he had a
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GUARDIA DI FINANZA and CORPO FORESTIERE continue to work quietly and efficiently. The GUARDIA MUNICIPALI of Livorno have earned a word of praise from the P.P.S.D., who states that they are doing a very useful job on traffic control which they are gradually taking over from the Military Police. The same is true of Florence city where traffic control is very well operated under bad conditions by the MUNICIPAL GUARD.

2. CRIME:

(a) The situation with regard to crime generally remains satisfactory. A very disquieting feature however has been the attack made by some on ex-fascists, resulting in some cases in the death of the person assaulted. This has not been on the same scale as in northern regions but has been of sufficient proportions to warrant mention. The outbreaks coincided with the period of V.E.-Day and were no doubt prompted by excitement due to the ending of the war and the feeling of need of some means to express emotion in a tangible way. Italian Police were ordered to do all in their power to stop these excesses and such they seem now to have ceased. Following are details of some of the more serious incidents:-

(i) At Anghiari (Arezzo) twenty persons in a mob beat up thirteen alleged fascists - seven persons were later arrested and enquiries as to the identity of the others continue.

(ii) At San Sepolcro (Arezzo) on the 7th May four fascists were beaten-up.

(iii) On the third of May at Carrara (Apuania) three persons, unknown, went to the house of an alleged fascist LOMBARINI Albano and ordered him to follow them to partigian headquarters. On the 7th instant his body was found in the river. He had apparently died from a fractured skull caused by being 0522

(iv) At Florence on the 9th May a reputed ex-fascist GIANNI Pietro who had returned from the north was beaten-up by a mob and later died from cerebral haemorrhage.

(v) At Massa Maritima - Grosseto, on the 14th May (after the Province had been turned over to the Italian Government) three thousand people assembled outside the CC.RR. Caserma, demanding that an ex-fascist BERNARDI Giulio, who was said to have been responsible for 'combing-out' anti-fascists and also murder, and who had returned from the north, be handed over to them for summary 'justice'. The Sindaco, the Communists of the Partigiani and a representative of the Communist party addressed the crowd and tried to dissuade them from their purpose but in spite of this the crowd broke into the Caserma by force, carried away BERNARDI to the public square and kicked him to death.

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(vi) In Livorno Province an alleged fascist was found mortally wounded by gun shot. Before he died he was able to give information to the Questore and his murderers are being sought.

(vii) At Vecchiano, Pisa, on 21st May about five-hundred people broke open the door of the CC.RR. Caserma. About twenty persons entered and beat-up two alleged fascists who had been detained after coming from the north. The fascists were later removed to Pisa Jail for their own safety.

(viii) At Ponte a Egola, Pisa, communist elements forcibly entered the house of an ex-Squadrista and after generally destroying the interior of the house removed furniture to the town square and destroyed it.

OTHER CRIMES OF A SERIOUS NATURE:

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In the lately occupied portions of Apulia, Lucania and Pistoia Provinces, the possession of firearms by partigiani has been a considerable problem. A token surrender of firearms has been made by the partigiani but it is still evident that large quantities of firearms have not been surrendered particularly in Lucania province. Energetic action is being taken by the Provincial Commissioner and the Public Safety Officers to deal with this matter.

There are still considerable quantities of concealed arms in the Region which is again evidenced by the fact that following the shooting of the Maresciallo of CC.RR. at Molina del Piano, the Carabinieri reinforcements succeeded in taking possession of ten automatic weapons.

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Two arrests for firearm offences have been made in Pistoia Province and ten in Livorno, and two in Lucca.

4. CONDUCT OF ALLIED TROOPS:

The conduct of Allied troops is generally reported on as excellent. No reports of serious crimes by troops have been received this month in the Region.

There has been one serious incident reported. On the evening of 24th May a negro soldier travelling south from Pisa and driving a truck and trailer. He was apparently driving at excessive speed and at a curve the vehicle temporarily left the road killing two Italians and seriously injuring three others. The driver failed to stop but the number of the truck was obtained and enquiries are in hand to trace the driver.

5. VENEREAL DISEASE:

This problem continues to receive Police attention in areas where there are concentrations of troops. In Livorno a special vice-squad consisting of three P.S. Agents working in conjunction with Military Police is giving a good account of itself. Seventy-one prostitutes have been arrested during the month. The position in the Region generally may be regarded as very satisfactory. Florence reports a slight decrease of V.D. cases.

6. RELATIONS WITH MILITARY POLICE AND SECURITY SERVICES: - Excellent.

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(a) Italian Courts - The position shows a slight improvement in some areas but still slow judged by Allied standards.

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8. OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE:

The arrival of the Quastore posted to the Province of Arezzo is still awaited. It is urgent that he takes over his duties as soon as possible.

II SECURITY

1. SABOTAGE: - Nil.

2. STRIKES AND LOCK-OUTS:

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4. STATE OF PUBLIC MORALE:

Following the finish of the war in Europe general morale is at a very high level. Trieste occupies the minds of the population very much and the Communist party has lost much support owing to the policy it has adopted in this matter. There is still much lament about high prices but these are falling very gradually and the position generally is healthier. Hopes run high in Florence that the Fifth Army will soon return to provide cigarettes again for the Florentines, and amazing prognostications are heard as to the number of soldiers who are about to return to the rest camps to be built in Florence.

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

Victory parades and meetings were held, with or without permission, in most centres of the Region following on the surrender of the German armies. No attempt was made to interfere with these meetings and nothing of a serious nature occurred.

The arrest of DEBBI at Milano produced a burst of popular wrath in Florence against the Allies and posters were posted calling for a protest meeting in the Piazza Santo Spirito. The earliest arrivals at the meeting however commenced to speculate as to the reasons for the presence of two vans loads of 'red-caps', and being unable to satisfy themselves as to why they were present, decided that possibly they had come to the wrong Piazza or at the wrong time. The demonstration failed to materialise.

6. APPREHENSION OF GENERAL SECURITY SITUATION:

It is rather difficult to assess the security situation on any sound basis. As far as Allied security is concerned there is no ground for apprehension. The Italian political situation however is still very touchy and Italian Officials and intelligent non-officials are very frank in expressing the hope that the Allies will remain as long as possible. Some would be quite happy if Great Britain or America would annex Italy. Florence and the major portion of this Region has now become sufficiently normal, that it is very unlikely that there will be any major disturbances in the Region unless a strong wind from the north fans a flame southwards. At the same time it must be remembered that the Italian Police Agencies are scattered very thinly and in the face of determined revolutionary forces would be hard put to it to hold their own. I consider that the ~~first~~ months following the withdrawal of the Allies from Italy will be the testing time for the Police.

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III. LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

1. and 2. - No change.

3. CONTROL OF CIVILIAN MOVEMENT:

The removal of restrictions on civilian movement has been received with a sigh of relief; and grateful P.F.S.Os are singing To Beams in chorus.

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IV FILE1. FIRE SERVICE:LIVORNO:General efficiency is good.State of equipment is good with exception of tyres.PISA:General efficiency is fair. One of the Officers who had been sent to Florence for training has now resumed duty in Pisa.State of equipment fair but could be very much improved if necessary tyres could be made available.LIVORNO:General efficiency is good but resources are on the small side.State of equipment satisfactory but very short of tyres.FLORENCE:General efficiency is excellent.State of equipment those machines that have tyres are in excellent condition.PISTOIA:General efficiency only fair. This is only a small brigade that has no workshop resources and is very dependent on Florence.State of equipment only fair.AREZZO:General efficiency considering how short a time, this Province has been liberated, the progress shown is excellent. The Commandante is a young and very forceful man with initiative.State of equipment very good, a large proportion of its appliances having been safely hidden from the Germans.GENERAL:

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FIRES:

No fires of any special interest have been reported.

V. CIVIL DEFENCE

1. and 2. All Civil Defence services disbanded.

3. MINE CLEARANCE:

The work of Liaison with Italian Mine Clearance Squads and the endeavour to assist Provincial Commissioners in heavily mined areas keeps this office fully occupied. (continued)

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As has already been suggested to Civil Affairs Section there is sufficient work in this direction alone to keep one Allied Officer fully employed. During the month 12,680 mines have been lifted or disposed of in the Region and 4,425 unexploded projectiles of all sorts destroyed.

Unfortunately mine clearance still takes its toll of casualties which number during the month 6 killed and 9 injured.

VI PRISONS

1. Prisons functioning in Toscan Region remaining under A.M.G. Control after 12 May 1945.

Penitentiaries:

Portofino - Isle of Elba
Volterra - Pisa Province

Judiciary Prisons:

Livorno
Pisa
Pistoia
Lucca
Murate Prison - Florence City
S. Teresa Prison - Florence City
S. Verdiana Prison (women) - Florence City
Massa

Maritime:

Montelupo Fiorentino - Florence Province

Penal Colony:

Island of Pianosa

Boys Reformatory:

Pisa
Prato and Empoli - Florence Province
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Pisabino - Livorno Province
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Maintenance:

(most important)

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2. GENERAL CONDITIONS:

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(b) Sanitation: All Prisons ask for soap and disinfectants and a small supply of the latter has been obtained and given to the Italian Officials for necessary distribution.

(c) Food: All Prisons are receiving the correct rations, the one or two complaints by prisoners have all proved groundless on investigation.

(d) Prison Labour: All Prisons that have shops and the necessary materials are using them.

(e) Records: Records all appear to be in order.

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3. NUMBER OF PRISONERS as at 28 May 1945 (A.M.G. Controlled Prisons only) -

Convicted	approximately	1,380
Awaiting trial A.M.G.	do	87
Awaiting trial Italian Courts	do	1,040
Political	do	106
Italian Military	do	343

4. SUMMARY:

26 of the 63 Prisoners that escaped from the S. Terrem Prison Florence on the 1 May 1945, have been retaken and the search goes on for the others.

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	Capt. J. B. FORSTER (B) Fire & Prisons Officer.
<u>APUANIA PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. D. E. BRADY (B) P.P.S.O.
<u>FLORENCE PROVINCE:</u>	Major W. A. MOODY (B) P.P.S.O.
	Capt. D. R. KIRKSON (B) P.S.O.
<u>LIVORNO PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. S. BLATT (A) P.P.S.O.
<u>LUCCA PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. E. HARTLEY (A) P.P.S.O.

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Capt. G. L. PARKER (A) P.P.S.O.

Major	A. C. SUMMERS	(3)	P.P.S.O.
Capt.	B. FINDING	(3)	P.S.O.

4. SYNOPSIS OF GENERAL PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION:

The general situation in this Region is satisfactory. In APUANIA and parts of LUCCA and PISTOIA Provinces, recently liberated, there was a lively partisan situation but it has been handled firmly and sensibly and the position is quickly becoming normal. CC.FF. have their growing pains to contend with in these parts but will improve with time. Orino, (apart from rather ugly mob attacks, on Fascists returning from the north, which in some cases have caused death) tends to diminish. One serious disturbance resulting in the death of three persons occurred in Florence Province - eleven persons have been arrested in connection with this case. An American soldier was killed and another seriously injured in Pisa Province by hand grenades thrown by an auxiliary Agent di Pubblica Sicurezza. An armed man who entered the prison of Santa Teresa at Florence to promote a prison break was killed by a F. S. Officer in the course of his duty. Italian Police Agencies in the Region continue to show slow but steady improvement. The general security situation remains very satisfactory.

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HEADQUARTERS
TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

FILE : R-VIII/PS/2.5

3 May 1945.

SUBJECT : Public Safety Division's Monthly Report for April 1945.

TO : Regional Commissioner, H.Q., A.M.G., Toscana Region.
Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C. - C.M.F.

The whole of TOSCANA REGION has come under Regional Control during the month, although those parts of the Region which are in Fifth Army Area are under the supervision of S.C.A.O. Fifth Army.

Headquarters of the Region is still located at Montecatini Terme, Province of Pistoia.

I CIVIL POLICE

1. (a) Strength:

TO	DATE	BY	AGENCY	OFFICERS	Q.Rs.	REMARKS
DIRECTOR	11/5	12/5	Carabinieri Reali	77	3470	
DEPUTY DIR.	11/5	12/5	Agenti di P. S.	49	1758	
EXEC. OFFICER	11/5	12/5	Guardie di Finanza	32	1121	
POLICE	11/5	12/5	Guardie Municipali	10	759	
INC. & REG.	11/5	12/5	Corpo Forestale	16	536	
PRISONS						
ADMIN.						
SECURITY						
CHIEF						

(b) 120 CC.RR. have been recovered from extraneous duties during the month of April, and it is hoped to make further progress in this matter.

(c) During this month considerable withdrawals of CC.RR. have taken place for duty in northern Regions with a consequent lessening of effectives for duty. When further withdrawals, which are planned, take place, numbers of CC.RR. in the Region will be considerably below the 'established strength'. Attention has already been drawn to this in separate report.

Dealt with.
Strength will
NOT be reduced
below establishment

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(d) The percentage of men absent from duty on sick leave remains about the same. Legion Commanders are taking up this matter with local hospitals, but the difficulty is not with local hospitals but with hospitals in distant parts of Italy, to which men (visiting their families, on their six monthly leaves) report sick, obtaining extended periods of sick leave from doctors who, not being interested in keeping these men on duty, possibly are more liberal with sick leave than they should be.

(e) Morale remains fairly good and is improving.

(f) Clothing and boots continue to arrive very slowly. Those Carabinieri who were recalled for duty with Northern Regions had to be fully equipped and this could only be done at the expense of those left behind. Consequently a larger proportion of those left in the Legions will be looking shabby and not be fully equipped.

Florence Legion reports that 127 men are not completely in uniform and 576 pistols are required.

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Livorno Legion, by reason of changes, now has 86 men not completely in uniform and requires 1,225 pistols to fully re-arm all personnel.

(g) The transport situation becomes worse by reason of wear and tear and lack of replacements. Communications have however improved slightly.

(h) Good arrests continue to be made by Carabinieri, e.g. -

On the 23rd April an Enemy Agent was arrested by CC.RR. of Montespaloti, Florence within a few hours of his descent by parachute. He was in possession of a wireless transmitter and a large sum of money.

On the 1st April, near Montebello No. 51 (Florence City) an American soldier was found shot dead. The murderer was arrested some days later as a result of excellent work by a Maresciallo of CC.RR..

On the 18th, a Vice Brigadiere and a Carabinieri arrested in the neighbourhood of the mouth of the River Serchio, Pisa, three members of the Italian Republican Army who had been landed by motor boat from La Spezia. They were in possession of a large sum of money and explosives and materials for sabotage Allied Communications.

On the 19th April, after long enquiries a CC.RR. Lieut. arrested two persons at Pisa for possession of a sizeable quantity of arms and ammunition.

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(i) Good work continues to be carried out on road blocks but owing to withdrawals of CC.RR. from districts many road blocks have had to be discontinued.

(j) QUESTURE:

Agents di Pubblica Sicurezza still continue useful work, under conditions which are still far from normal. A characteristic good feature of the Agenti generally is that they can be left to work on their own, while the CC.RR. through their Army training tend to wait for orders. (Which accounts for the reason why the CC.RR. let things happen under their noses, without attempting to interfere - nobody has given them an order - once the order is given they obey it.)

There is still a good deal of hostility to all Police Forces in this Region but though the CC.RR. are steadily living this down the Agenti remain the butt of popular ill-will.

A good arrest by Agenti deserves mention. Three persons were arrested in a house in Florence. They were found to be in possession of six large cases of pottery and articles of considerable value which were later established to be the property of the sister of Mussolini stolen from the Villa Mussolini in Premicure, Forli, in October 1944.

(k) OTHER POLICE AGENCIES:

Working quietly and effectively on their particular duties.

2. CRIME:

(a) The situation with regard to crime during the month has been very satisfactory. There have been few serious crimes reported and there have been good arrests by Police Agencies. The usual petty cases of possession of Allied goods, unlawful travel offences, etc, maintain but with the forward movement of the Army and Army Control Line these should commence to diminish.

(b) Serious Crimes and Incidents:

1. On 22nd ultimo a shop at Montecatini Terme (Pistoia) was entered and goods to the value of 578,000 lire stolen. On 8th instant this shop was again entered but this time five civilians were arrested by CC.RR. whilst engaged in commission of the offence; all were refugees from Livorno.

2. In Florence Province four murders have occurred during the month - arrests made in three cases.

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3. Five pair of oxen have been stolen in Florence Province during the month - believed to be the responsibility of a joint gang of Allied soldiers and civilians - enquiries proceeding in collaboration with Provost Marshal.

4. On 9th April a man and a woman were found shot dead by the road-side at Peretola-Montecatini, Florence Province. Enquiries established this to be a case of murder and suicide by the dead man.

5. In Lucca Province double murder and a robbery by coloured American soldiers (see behaviour of troops).

6. In Grosseto Province, one attempted murder and one robbery have occurred during the month. The authors of these crimes are unknown - enquiries continue.

7. In Livorno Province, one case of robbery by a number of armed men. Lire 150,000 and jewellery was stolen - one person arrested - property not yet recovered - enquiries proceeding.

8. On 25th instant an explosion was caused by persons unknown in the doorway of a general food merchant at Viareggio. The damage was in the region of 150,000 lire. The outrage is thought to have been committed because the owner of the premises, a representative of a motor agency, and said to have been a member of the Fascist party since 1926, is said to have made large profits during the Fascist Regime. Enquiries are continuing as to the authors of the crime and also into the political past of the person attacked.

3. POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BY CIVILIANS:

Serious police attention is being given to this problem. Eight persons have been arrested for firearms offences in Florence during the month, twenty-six in Livorno and a small number in Grosseto, in addition to the two in Pisa previously mentioned as arrested by Carabinieri.

Seizure of small collections of firearms continue to be made and the persons responsible dealt with.

4. CONDUCT OF ALLIED TROOPS:

(a) Conduct of troops remains good and the gradual forward movement of the armies leads to an improvement of this general situation.

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(b) Serious cases and incidents.

1. On the 13th April, in Montemagno di Camaiore (Lucca), two coloured soldiers coming from the direction of Lucca and going towards Massa entered a house and consumed alcoholic drinks. They were already in a stage of drunkenness. They stole about 4,000 lire from persons in the house and left in a motor vehicle firing shots from an automatic weapon as they left.

2. On the 20th a coloured American soldier entered a house in Balbano di Lucca, went to the bedroom of a man and his wife aged 76 and 67 respectively and ordered them to go downstairs to the kitchen where he shot them both dead with a revolver. He then returned to the first floor with the evident intention of raping a younger woman who was in the home, but hearing the firing she had meanwhile escaped from a window and hid in an adjoining wood. The murderer then left and drove away in an Allied truck which he had left in the neighbourhood. This is one of those cases in which it is extremely unlikely that the murderer will be traced but enquiries are continuing by Military Police.

3. In Livorno Province an attempted rape and stabbing incident are reported as having been committed by coloured American troops and a few cases of violence by coloured troops are also reported from Pistoia Province.

4. On the 22nd instant three armed soldiers who were in a jeep stopped a car of a civilian at Massa Marittima, Grosseto and stole the owner's wallet and also his car. The perpetrators have not been traced.

5. VENEREAL DISEASE:

This problem is also being given police attention and every effort is being made to deal with prostitution. As the armies move forward the prostitutes are going with them. This is particularly noticeable in the Montecatini area which is at present nearly empty of troops. These women are not provided with passes and it is impossible to resist the conclusion that many of them are actually taken forward on army lorries. This is a matter which calls for stricter supervising of Military vehicles when units pull out.

6. RELATIONS WITH (a) MILITARY POLICE (b) SECURITY SERVICE:

Excellent. Italian Police are being encouraged to direct contact with M.P. and Security formations with a view to continuity of procedure in the event of parts of the Region being handed back to the Italian Government.

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7. FUNCTIONING OF COURTS:

(a) Italian - slight improvement in some areas. Sentences are said to be more severe and in keeping with gravity of offences. Many prisoners are being released on Provisional liberty pending trial and this is easing the situation somewhat. Generally the Courts continue to function very slowly.

(b) A.M.G. Courts - functioning well but with the withdrawal of Legal Officers and C.A.Os. from the Region the speed at which cases are dealt with, will, of necessity, now be somewhat slowed up.

8. OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE:

On the 1st of May at 1430 hours a serious prison break occurred at Santa Teresa Prison in Florence when sixty-three prisoners escaped. Only preliminary reports are yet to hand and from these it appears that one prisoner attacked a guard and took his keys. He was then able to open other cells and prisoners were able to escape to the Main Hall where they seriously injured another guard overpowered him and obtained his keys to the main doors. The matter has been investigated by Major MOODY P.P.S.O. Florence who states that the position at the Prison is now restored and Questura Agents are on duty in the prison in addition to the prison guards. Some prisoners have been recaptured. A full report will be forwarded as soon as available.

II SECURITY1. SABOTAGE:

No serious cases have been reported. The prompt arrests mentioned by Carabinieri in Florence Province and at Pisa, mentioned on page (2) no doubt prevented serious incidents of sabotage.

One arrest for interference with Military telephone cable in Florence Province. Investigated by P.S.S. and charges pending.

2. STRIKES AND LOCK-OUTS:

There have been no serious cases. Sixteen persons were involved in a threatened strike at a P.B.S. Ordinance Depot at Livorno but the matter was adjusted. One small strike of about 60 persons engaged in Carpentry trade reported from Siena - cause wage rates. The employers have agreed to meet demands providing workers first resume work. The position is static and the dispute is not likely to spread.

3. CIVIL DISTURBANCES:

There have been no serious civil disturbances in the Region.

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Particularly in the south of the Region towards the end of last month and at the beginning of this there were demonstrations concerning alleged slowness of the work of equitation. A regrettable feature is the fact that the CC.RR. allowed themselves to be bullied into making arrests of alleged fascists who were already the subject of enquiry by Epuration Committees. Serious incidents, with the exception of one case of murder of an alleged fascist in Siena Province, (which has been the subject of a separate report) were avoided. The position is now quiet and the cases of the arrests made is being investigated and the necessary action taken by Provincial Officers.

4. STATE OF PUBLIC MORALE:

The war news, the liberation of Italy and the death of Mussolini and his entourage have been received with universal rejoicing and have raised the state of public morale considerably. At the same time there is still much concern with the scarcity of food stuffs and the continued existence of the black market in food and high prices. The politically minded are looking forward to the resumption of political activity but there is much apprehension in the minds of many who are concerned with the hope that the Allied Military Government will not disappear too quickly from this part of Italy.

Unemployment in certain districts is the cause of a deal of uneasiness, notably at Pescia, Pistoia Province, where about 1,000 men previously working for the Allies on roadworks etc have been dismissed, having finished the work for which their services were required, and at Lucca where a large number of workers are working only part-time while a still larger number are wholly unemployed.

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

May Day passed off without serious incidents within this Region. Public meetings were allowed at discretion of Provincial Commissioners in various Provinces and no incidents were reported. Heavy rain was no doubt a contributing factor to damping the spirits and enthusiasm of the participants.

There have been 'Joy Day' celebrations by students and others in connection with the war news but these have been of trivial character and no importance.

6. GENERAL SECURITY SITUATION:

The withdrawal of so many Public Safety Officers from the Region accompanied at the same time by the withdrawal of Carabinieri to an extent which will leave the CC.RR. below their promised established strengths is perhaps unavoidable but at the same time is to be regretted. There is in this Region a very strong Communist element who, while at the present time apparently reasonable, no doubt influenced the action taken by the mobs against ex-fascists mentioned above. Police are now very weak in number throughout the whole Region. Apart from this aspect the situation is at the present moment calm.

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7. CIVIL INTERNES:

- (a) Three arrests reported by F.S.S. during the month. No arrests by A.M.G.
- (b) Three detained temporarily in civilian prisons.

III. LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

1 and 2. The validity of existing licences has been extended until the 31st of May owing to non-arrival of circulation car passes for the current quarter.

3. CONTROL OF CIVILIAN MOVEMENT:

A considerable problem has had to be dealt with in regard to issue of civilian movement passes with reduced personnel to handle it. The recent change in the Army Control Line however should make things easier in this respect and allow of the issuance of passes by authorised Quorum and C.G.R.R. Officers. It has been necessary largely to curtail numbers of personnel employed in road-blocks owing to withdrawal of C.G.R.R. and there is much movement of refugees who no doubt are returning to their homes without being authorised. Steps will be taken to endeavour to curb unauthorised movement in the Army Zone.

IV. FIRE

1. HOQA Fire Brigade: General Efficiency is satisfactory but little more progress can be expected unless tyres and tubes are released. The repairs to the damaged machines are all progressing well. State of Equipment with the exception of tyres, is good.

2. PIHA Fire Brigade: General Efficiency has shown an improvement during the month but the unsuitability of the present Fire Station, is a condition that is difficult to overcome. State of Equipment is generally old and in a poor state of repair due to no adequate workshop facilities.

3. LIVORIO Fire Brigade: General Efficiency is good but resources are not great. State of Equipment - tyres remain the problem.

4. GROSSETO Fire Brigade: General Efficiency is fair but the loss of parts of the Caserma to the American Army Air Corps has done much to reduce the previous efficiency.

5. SIENA Fire Brigade: General Efficiency unsatisfactory in all parts of the Province except the Capital. No transport is available at any of the Sub-Stations which are dependent on pushing their pump to a fire, by hand, while the main Station is badly in need of tyres.

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6. AREZZO Fire Brigade: General Efficiency is unsatisfactory and the extreme need of tyres makes unsurmountable difficulties. The Caserma is most unsuitable but the local authorities do not appear to be able to find suitable premises to replace those rendered useless by bombing. State of Equipment - bad and there is little improvement possible unless tyres can be replaced.

7. FIORINCE, PISTOLA and APUANIA Fire Brigades: There are no reliable up-to-date reports to work on and a further full report will be rendered as soon as possible.

8. FIRE GENERAL: Suitable premises to replace those requisitioned or damaged by bombing and lack of tyres still remain such a problem that the Service in the Region can as a whole, only be considered fair.

9. FIRE: Only one fire of importance has been reported and that was in Army Area, Province of Pistoia. The estimated loss being approximately 200 thousand lire worth of timber woodland.

V CIVIL DEFENCE

1. No change.
2. It would appear that the necessity for A.R.P. has now passed and immediate steps are contemplated to dissolve all U.N.P.A. organisations which are functioning for air raid protection.
3. Mine Clearance: As mentioned in my last monthly report a considerable problem of mine clearance exists in this Region where the work has been handled under three separate schemes. Endeavour is now being made to bring the whole of the Region within the scheme which is being handled by the Italian Ministry of War and it is hoped that considerable improvement will then result. Mine clearance, which was not originally a public safety baby, seems to have landed in our already well-filled lap, for want of other suitable foster-parents. We will endeavour to rear the fledgling.

VI PRISONS

1. No change.
2. GENERAL CONDITIONS - PRISONS:
 - (a) Administration: In general, good. Prison directors have been relieved who were not competent and replaced. Headquarters have been reshuffled for the good of the service. The outstanding directors of the Region are, Dr. MAZZARISI - Director of Prisons for the City of Florence, Dr. PALUMBA - Director of Pisa Judiciary Prison, Dr. GUILLI - the new Director of Portofino Penitentiary, Dr. BASILE - temporary Director of Volterra Penitentiary, and Comandante DE FRANCO - temporary Director of Livorno Judiciary. These men have done excellent jobs.

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(b) Sanitation: Fair to good. The prisons of the Region are kept as clean as possible with the present facilities. Some prisons lack sufficient water and all prisons lack sufficient soap and disinfectants. Several prisons could use DDT powder but all efforts to secure any have failed. However, there have been no epidemics of any kind in any prison. Even scabies, a prevalent disease in crowded prisons, has not bothered us to any extent. No other communicable disease have been reported.

(c) Food: Good. There have been no complaints from either the guards or the prisoners. All prisons are receiving their proper rations.

(d) Prison Labour: All prisons that have shops are using them. Shoe shops and tailor shops will be put into operation to make shoes and uniforms for the guards as soon as requested material has been obtained. Prison labour at Volterra has practically rebuilt the prison.

(e) Records - are in order.

3. Number of prisoners - as of 23 April 1945.

Convicted	2100 approximately
Awaiting trial A.M.C.	350 "
" " Italian	1400 "
Fascists	450 "
Italian Military	150 "

4. Summary: The Penitentiary at Portofino, under the able direction of Dr. GILLI, is now ready to accept prisoners and the first 50 of a proposed 350 prisoners have already been sent. 150 prisoners from the mainland, serving long sentences, have been sent to Pianosa. The repairs to Volterra Penitentiary have been nearly completed and the prison is in better shape now than it was before the war. All other prisons, now functioning, are in a complete state of repair.

A large recruitment program is now in effect in the Region to secure new guards. These new men must meet all the requirements that have existed previously, for enrolment into service. When this recruitment has been completed it is hoped that all guards recalled from pension, may once more be released. The average guard recall from pension, has done a very poor job. Efforts are being made to secure material to make shoes and uniforms for these new men and the older men already in service.

If the transfer of 500 penitentiary type prisoners, from Volterra, San Gimignano, Lucca, and Pisa, is completed, much needed space will be available at these institutions. 200 have already been moved but it is problematical if transportation can be given to move the other 300. No prison is really badly overcrowded. Many are filled to the point where a transfer would help the situation but lack of proper transport has hampered this considerably.

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The presence of 50 military prisoners (Italian) in Florence, where we have room only for 620 prisoners, does not help the situation. The Italian Courts are as usual, far behind schedule. The trials of Fascists are not being expedited with the result that the sudden arresting of this large group, and the retaining of them in the local prisons so that they may be tried, has created a problem that we can do little with. If these people were tried promptly, they could be shipped immediately to an island prison.

The advance of the Allied Armies northward will ease the number of criminal offences and if the Military authorities relinquish a part of the Murate prison (Florence City) to us, the prison situation in Toscana will remain in fairly good shape. From now on there will be no Allied Officer for the Prisons of Toscana. Dr. MAZZARISI, Director of the prisons in the city of Florence, will do this work, which will be under the general supervision of Capt. FORSTER.

VII FORGED A.M.G. CURRENCY

1. (a) Number of cases handled - 166.

Arezzo	6
Florence	65
Lucca	5
Pistoia	2
Sienna	88

(b) Number of counterfeit notes of each denomination.

1,000 lire notes	129
500 " "	30
100 " "	7

(c) Number of raised notes - Nil.

2. Number of convictions obtained - Nil.

At Belfina, Florence Province four persons are awaiting trial for possession of twenty-two 1,000 lire notes.

Three persons are in custody at Siena for possessing forged currency and enquiries in connection therewith are still proceeding by Questore in Catania.

VIII GENERAL

1. List of Public Safety Personnel:

HEADQUARTERS: Major F. G. GREEN (B) R.P.S.O.
Capt. J. B. FORSTER (B) Fire & Prison Officer.

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<u>AREZZO PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. D. E. BRADBURY	(B) P.P.S.O.
<u>PISTOIA PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. J. MADILL	(B) P.P.S.O. (X)
	Capt. B. FIELDING	(B) P.S.O.
<u>PISA PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. G. L. FARMER	(A) P.P.S.O.
<u>LUCCA PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. R. S. HARTLEY	(A) P.P.S.O.
<u>LIVORNO PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. S. BEATTY	(B) P.P.S.O. (X)
<u>FLORENCE PROVINCE:</u>	Major W. A. MOODY	(B) P.P.S.O.
	Capt. D. H. ROBERTSON	(B) P.S.O.
<u>AREZZO PROVINCE:</u>	Capt. A. P. SHAW	(B) P.P.S.O. (X)
<u>SIENA and GROSSETO PROVINCE:</u>	Major A. G. SAUNDERS	(B) P.P.S.O.

(= (X) Earmarked for Austria =)

All Officers shown as attached on last monthly report have now been recalled to their various Regions.

2. SYNOPSIS OF GENERAL PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION:

The drastic reduction in the number of Carabinieri in the Region, by reason of large contingents withdrawn for Northern Regions is causing to Public Safety Officers some degree of anxiety. The situation with regard to crime is very satisfactory; very few serious crimes have been reported during the past month. The political situation is calm. There was during the early part of the month a certain amount of unrest in the southern part of the Region, said to have been fomented by Communists, which manifested itself in demonstrations against so-called Ex-Fascists. This situation is now normal again.

Morale is high due to the war news, but a certain amount of anxiety is expressed as to the immediate course of events in Italy, and to Italy's future. A matter of immediate concern is continuing high prices of foodstuffs and scarcity of commodities.

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F. C. GREEN

Major - G. L.,

Regional Public Safety Officer.

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TRANSNATIONAL ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

AC/14011/PS

Tel: 476800

12 April 1945

SUBJECT : Circulation of Motor Vehicles.

TO : Commerce Sub-Commission
(Attn: Major A.S. Brewster).

1. Appended herewith for information is an extract from the *March* monthly report submitted by the Regional Public Safety Officer, Toscana Region.

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JOHN T. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.C.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission

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Copy to: Petisco AMTR, S.M.D.

III LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

1. Registration of civilian motor vehicles - No change.
2. Problems in connection with registration, etc. - Existing circulation permits are valid only until 30th April and it is hoped that new supplies will be received in good time so that the usual time lay may be of shorter duration.
3. Road blocks are being maintained and much good work is being done in this respect. For instance in Grosseto Province alone 2287 motor vehicles, 74 motor cycles, 17776 other vehicles, 3779 cycles and 12564 pedestrians were stopped, searched or interrogated during the month of March. This is indicative of what is happening in this respect throughout the Region.

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EMERGENCY
TOSCANI REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

FILE : E-VIII/73/2.5 2 April 1945.

SUBJECT : Public Safety Division's Monthly Report for March 1945.

TO : Regional Commissioner, H.Q., A.M.S., TOSCANA REGION.
Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C., - C.M.F. ✓

The area under Toscana Region Administration has not increased during the month of March. Florence, Pistoia and Lucca Provinces still remain with the jurisdiction of 5th Army.

P.P.S.O. Region VIII is however responsible for C.C.R., Prisons and Civil Defence in 5th Army Area, whilst other Public Safety matters are dealt with in conjunction with C.P.S. 5th Army - Lt. Col. RUX.

I CIVIL POLICE

1. (a) Strength.

A G E N C Y	OFFICERS	C.R.	REMARKS
Carabinieri Reali	102	5,064	
Agenti di P. S.	86	1,720	
Guardie di Finanza	25	1,007	
Guardie Municipali	7	460	
Corpo Forestale	35	336	

(b) No more C.C.R. have been recovered from extraneous cities during the month of March.

A very close review of the position is now in process in all provinces in view of the pending withdrawal of overstrength C.C.R. from this region in the not too distant future.

(c) Lt. Col. DI MURRO Quintillo from Southern Italy has not yet arrived to take up his post of Vice Commandante at Firenze.

(d) There has been a considerable decrease during the month in the percentage of men absent from duty owing to sickness, in hospital or on leave. This is no doubt due largely to the improved weather. The figure 12.1% for the region.

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H.P.S.O. Region VIII is however responsible for CO.M. Prisons and Civil Defence in 5th Army Area, whilst other Public Safety matters are dealt with in conjunction with C.P.S. 5th Army - Lt. Col. B.M.

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1. (e) Strength.

: A.S.M.C.I.	: OFFICERS :	: O.S. :	: REMAINS :
: Carabinieri Reali :	: 102 :	: 5,064 :	:
: Agenti di P. S. :	: 86 :	: 1,720 :	:
: Guardia di Piacenza :	: 25 :	: 1,007 :	:
: Guardia Municipali :	: 7 :	: 460 :	:
: Corpo Forestale :	: 35 :	: 336 :	:

(b) No more CO.M. have been recovered from extraneous duties during the month of March.

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(e) Morale continues steadily to improve and efficiency increased.

(f) Several more good arrests have again been made by CO.M. for serious crimes, such as hold ups and robberies, etc. The results are satisfactory.

(g) The clothing for CO.M. continues to arrive very slowly and when the overcoats come off much head wear will be visible.

In Florence Legion the report is that 252 are still not completely in uniform, and that 984 pistols are required.

In Livorno Legion, 1,215 pistols are still required to re-arm the Corps.

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(h) Screening is proceeding but is still incomplete.

(i) Everything is being done to boost the morale of CC.RR. which improves steadily as they regain their self respect and exercise their powers. The good arrests effected indicate a very definite increase in efficiency.

(j) The same old problems continue in regard to transport and communications.

(k) It is regretted that some assignment of military vehicles cannot be made to each Group Command to enable CC.RR. to respond promptly in case of emergency.

(l) A recent visit to Elba by Lt. GUARINI who was able to make a check of the Civil Police agencies, etc., reveals the following:-

STRENGTH OF PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES ON ISLAND OF ELBA

CARABINIERI - S/Ten. GIUSEPPE GIUSEPPE - in charge.

At Portoferraio - 1 N/Mag. GUERIN DINO - in charge
2 Vice Brigadiere
15 Carabinieri

At Rio Marina - 1 Vice Brigadiere
4 Carabinieri

At Portofino - 1 Vice Brigadiere
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5 Carabinieri

At Pianosa - 1 N/Mag.
3 Carabinieri

At Porto (Posto Fisso) - 1 Appuntato
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Transportation - One topolino (not running).
One touring car with good tyres.
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AGENCY OF P. S. AT PORTOFERRAIO

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presently in case of emergency.

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STRENGTH OF PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES ON ISLAND OF ELBA

CARABINIERI - S/ten. GIUSTI Giuseppe - in charge.

At Portoferraio - 1 M/MAST GUERRA Dino - in charge
2 Vice Brigadiere
15 Carabinieri

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10 Agenti di Pubblica Sicurezza
There is one Agente di P. S. in each of the other Communes of Elba (7).

VIGILIA URBANA

MAST Ferruccio - Comandante
15 Agenti

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STAZIONE DI PORTO FERRAIO

- S/ten. CRISTO Guido - in charge.

At Portoferraio

- M/Secc. MESSINA - in charge

1 M/Maggiore
2 M/Caro
1 Brigadiere
1 Vice Brigadiere
1 Appuntato
1 Guardia Scelta
8 Guardia

At Cove di Rio Marina

1 M/Caro
2 Guardia

At Rio Marina

1 Brigadiere
2 Vice Brigadiere
2 Appuntati
3 Guardia

At Portoferraio

1 Brigadiere
1 Vice Brigadiere
6 Guardia

VIGILIA DEL FUOCO

- Maresciallo VANDI Giuseppe - in charge.

1 Brigadiere
1 Vice Brigadiere
2 Vigili Scelti
15 Vigili

Equipment: 1 Truck-jumper, fair condition, differential to be repaired.

1 Motor-pump trailer in good condition, one tyre bad.

1 Hand-pump in good condition.

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(o) Other Agencies:

FINANZIARIA continue to perform good work as also the GRUPPO FISCAL in their particular sphere.

2. CRIME:

(a) Generally the crime situation seems to show a slight improvement. Serious crimes have certainly diminished. Petty crimes and offenses remain about the same and will continue so to do whilst there is a scarcity of food, accompanied by high prices, together with a possibility of unlawful access to Allied supplies.

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The vast majority of cases appearing before Allied Courts are concerned with larceny or unlawful possession of small items of military food supplies and wearing apparel. The remainder of the cases are largely composed of offences against curfew and civilian movement regulations.

(b) Cases of Various Crimes and Incidents:

(1) On 22 February at S. Marcello (Pistoia), three Italian soldiers stole goods to value of 500,000 lire. Men arrested, property recovered. (Report received too late to include in last month's Monthly Report.)

(2) In Livorno Province, several Italian civilians led by an American Negro Soldier, who had committed a robbery, were arrested by O.G.M.R. and property worth more than a million lire was recovered.

Also in this Province, Agenti di P.S. recovered cloth to the value of one million lire and arrested the thief.

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(4) At SORI, Prov. of Arezzo, eight persons were arrested by Agenti di P.S. and O.G.M.R. and charged with the murder of three persons.

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1000 rounds of ammunition
52 hand grenades (new condition)
14 magazines for sub-machine guns

6. CONDUCT OF ALLIED TROOPS:

Generally, the conduct of Allied troops may be described as excellent. In rest areas such as Florence and Montecatini, there is obviously too much drunkenness on the part of some, but this is understandable and by itself excusable amongst troops on leave from the line.

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There has been little complaint of serious crime by troops although the behaviour of some negro soldiers still gives cause for complaint. The situation appears to have improved however even in this direction and the reinforcing of M.P.s. in the west coast area has had a good effect. Causes of serious crime alleged to have been committed by troops are as follows:-

- (1) On 4th of March at Pistoia, two Allied soldiers stole a cycle, a quantity of cloth and also a handbag. One soldier was arrested.
- (2) On 12th March, four Allied soldiers committed two armed robberies at CASINI and BOYERONE - no arrests to date.
- (3) On 13th March at Montecatini Terme (Pistoia), a civilian was shot dead by a negro soldier - arrested by M.P.s.
- (4) Man and wife shot at Livorno whilst endeavouring to protect daughter from being abducted by negro soldier.
- (5) Two British soldiers entered a Cafe' at Livorno and demanded money.
- (6) Two British soldiers entered a house at Livorno, looting valuables.
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It can never be too strongly reiterated that failing the establishment of properly supervised brothels (which, as a policy, has been negatived so often that one realises it is no good recommending it), the only effective way of lowering the V.D. rate is the prompt, compulsory hospitalization until cured, of all women found to be infected.

6. EMULATIONS WITH:

(a) Military Police	} Excellent.
(b) Security Service	

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7. REPRESENTATIVE OF COURTESY:

(a) Italian - stated to be improving, but still dreadfully slow. The prisoners are becoming cluttered up with untried prisoners awaiting trial in Italian Courts. There has recently been a wholesale arresting of alleged fascists and these all go to swell the prison population. I am addressing a circular to all Police Agencies reminding them of the necessity of using their power of arrest "a priori libero", and also the process of deportation in cases where the immediate detention of offenders is not of absolute necessity.

(b) A.M.C. Courts - are proceeding regularly and satisfactorily in all provinces.

8. OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE:

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2. SPRINGS AND LOCK-OUTS:

There have been no incidents of any magnitude.

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There have been other minor disturbances in the Region but nothing of a serious nature.

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4. STATE OF PUBLIC MORALE:

With the latest war news the state of public morale can be said to be improving. In the larger towns however and particularly in Porto where unemployment is ripe, morale is low, due to lack of adequate food, etc. At Porto the P.S.O. reports, "The streets are crowded with unemployed hungry men who are becoming more arrogant day by day. The presence of troops in the neighbourhood is the only thing keeping these people in check." This may be somewhat overstated, but indicates a black spot as far as morale is concerned.

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

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There have been a number of public meetings held by permission throughout the Region and all have passed off without incidents.

6. APPRECIATION OF GENERAL SECURITY SITUATION:

Security services are functioning well and the general situation at present is satisfactory. What the situation will be if and when the Region is turned over to the Italian Government is another matter. The withdrawal of a large number of Italian Police from this Region for duties in northern Regions will to my mind leave a very dangerous public safety situation behind. As this withdrawal will occur simultaneously with the withdrawal of Allied Public Safety Officers to other Regions, the situation will be even worse.

7. CIVIL INTERESTS:

- (a) General position - No change.
- (b) Number of internees in civilian prisons - Nil.

III LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

1. Registration of civilian motor vehicles - No change.
2. Problems in connection with registration, etc. - Existing circulation permits are valid only until 30th April and it is hoped that new supplies will be received in good time so that the usual time lag may be of shorter duration.
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IV. FIRE

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- (b) Now progress is being made with equipment - tyres remain a real problem.
2. Serious fires - No serious fires have been reported during the month.

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V CIVIL DEFENSE

1. Control - No changes in control have taken place during the month.
2. Efficiency - Certain changes have been put into operation during the month as under:-

Fire - A Rescue Squad is now maintained on duty nightly, reporting and operating from the Fire Station. Electricity is expected to be available for the siren system in the next few days.

Fire - Much progress has been made by the establishment of Rescue Squads, dependent on the Fire Service, which are constantly on duty. Additional uniforms and transport has been put at their disposal, together with a small amount of equipment. Both are required and it is hoped to secure supplies through Fire Brigade Authorities, Rome.

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(d) Food - Good. All prison guards and prisoners are receiving the rations as set up by A.C. and the Italian Government. There is some difficulty in securing fresh vegetables, but this cannot be helped. Most prison directors have expressed their personal satisfaction with the rations and in one case the rations were so well handled that very was given to the meals to the satisfaction of the inmates.

(e) Records - are all in order. No record of arrests without reports. Where records are missing on escaped and re-captured prisoners, all attempts are made to secure a duplicate.

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3. Approximate number of prisoners:-

- (a) Convicted prisoners - 1,305.
 (b) Prisoners awaiting trial - 1,995.

These figures represent the returns as of 19 March 1945. Less than 10% of the prisoners awaiting trial are for A.M.C. Courts. The total number of prisoners represents an increase of nearly 600 over last month.

4. Summary:

During the month a start was made in transferring the prisons of Capua and Perugia to Portofino and Pinerolo. This was necessary as Perugia cannot be used for security reasons and Capua is so thoroughly mined that it is extremely dangerous to approach the island. The Penitentiary at Portofino is in unimpaired but lacks any equipment or staff, and the staffs and equipment of these two islands are being transferred there. A new director was appointed for both Pinerolo and Portofino.

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The largest prison in Tuscany, 'The Murat', of Florence City, is occupied by the British Army as a Holding Centre. The civilian section can accommodate about 300 prisoners. The British section about 900. Whole cell sections on the British side are vacant and efforts are being made to have several sections turned back for civilian use. It is hoped that this will be done soon.

Repairs to damaged prisons have been estimated and authorized, but the lack of transportation and material have made the work progress very slowly.

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The largest prison in Tuscany, 'The Murate', of Florence City, is occupied by the British Army as a Holding Centre. The civilian section can accommodate about 500 prisoners. The British section about 900. Whole cell sections on the British side are vacant and efforts are being made to have several sections turned back for civilian use. It is hoped that this will be done soon.

Repairs to damaged prisons have been estimated and authorized, but, due to the lack of transportation and material have made the work progress very slowly.

VII. PRISON A.M.C. CURRENTLY

1. (a) Number of cases handled - 109.

Crossetto	26
Genoa	41
Imperia	32
Livorno	4
Pistoia	6

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(b) Number of counterfeit notes of each denomination:-

1,000 lire notes	74
500 " "	15
100 " "	15

(c) Number of raised notes:-

100 lire notes raised to 500	2
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2. Number of convictions obtained:- Nil.VII. GENERAL1. List of Public Safety Personnel:-

See appendix "A".

2. Synopsis of General Public Safety Situation

The general public safety situation may be described as satisfactory. Serious crime, during the month has decreased, petty crimes remain about the same. The conduct of troops is on the whole very good and complaints of serious offenses by individual soldiers have decreased. Conduct of coloured troops is still not all to be desired. Italian Polices maintain steadily improvement in clothing is arriving very slowly. Prisons are overfull and Italian legal process has not commenced to cope with this problem. Fire Defence and Civil Defence organisations also improve slowly.

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R. Green Major

P. O. QUINCY
Major - C. I.
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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APPENDIX "A"

PUBLIC SAFETY CONTINGENT IN TOSCANIA REGION

NAME	GRADE	UNIT	REG.
<u>TERMINI IMAZES:</u>			
Major	T. G. GREEN	(S) P.P.S.O.	
Major	G. E. JACKSON	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain	J. D. FOSBERG	(B) Fire & C.D.	
Captain	A. W. MACDONALD	(A) " (now in Florence)	
Lieut.	J. J. GIBNEY	(A) Prisons	
<u>GENOVA PROVINCE:</u>			
Major	J. F. HUGHES	(A) P.S.O.	
Captain	B. WINDING	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Lieut.	J. E. ROUGH	(S) P.S.O. (now at Livorno temp)	
<u>SIENA PROVINCE:</u>			
Major	A. G. KENNEDY	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain	R. P. CROSBY	(B) P.S.O.	
Lieut.	H. LAURENCE	(A) P.S.O.	
<u>AREZZO PROVINCE:</u>			
Major	G. WATKINS	(A) P.S.O.	
Captain	A. P. SMYTH	(A) P.P.S.O.	
Captain	P. SEATON	(B) P.S.O.	
<u>FLORENCE PROVINCE:</u>			
Major	H. S. HARRIS	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Major	V. A. MOORE	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	D. N. ROBERTSON	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	H. H. DOWN	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	G. E. LEE	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	T. MANN	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	M. STOTT	(A) P.S.O.	
Captain	T. SHERRILL	(B) P.S.O.	
<u>LIVORNO PROVINCE:</u>			
Major	T. G. MCGHEE	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain	S. HEATLY	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	P. A. BOWMAN	(A) P.S.O.	
Lieut.	G. H. CHASE	(H) P.S.O.	
<u>PISA PROVINCE:</u>			
Captain	G. L. RUSSELL	(A) P.P.S.O.	
Lieut.	W. J. O'NEILL	(A) P.S.O.	

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CROSSING PROVINCE:

Major J. T. HUGHES (A) P.S.O. Lombardia Reg.
 Captain B. F. FIELDING (B) P.P.S.O. X
 Lieut. J. M. TONCH (B) P.S.O. (new at Livorno temp) Liguria Reg.

SILVA PROVINCE:

Major A. G. SUTHERS (B) P.P.S.O. X
 Captain E. F. OWENS (B) P.S.O.
 Lieut. H. LAURENCE (A) P.S.O. Lombardia Reg.
 Venezia Reg.

AREZZO PROVINCE:

Major G. WATTS (A) P.S.O.
 Captain A. F. SEAN (A) P.P.S.O. X
 Captain P. SEANE (B) P.S.O. X Piemonte Reg.

FLORENCE PROVINCE:

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 Major W. A. MOODY (B) P.S.O.
 Captain D. R. HENDERSON (B) P.S.O.
 Captain M. H. DODDY (B) P.S.O.
 Captain G. E. LEE (B) P.S.O.
 Captain T. W. BENT (B) P.S.O.
 Captain M. G. OTT (A) P.S.O.
 Captain F. GARNER (B) P.S.O. 15 Corps, 5 Army
 Venezia Reg.
 Venezia Reg.
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 Piemonte Reg.
 Emilia
 15 Corps, 5 Army

LIVORNO PROVINCE:

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 Captain S. HEATY (B) P.S.O.
 Captain F. A. BOWEN (A) P.S.O.
 Lieut. G. M. CLEGG (A) P.S.O. Emilia Reg.
 Piemonte Reg.
 Lombardia

PISA PROVINCE:

Captain G. L. ENGER (A) P.P.S.O. X
 Lieut. W. J. O'NEILL (A) P.S.O. Liguria Reg.

LUGO PROVINCE:

Captain R. S. HARTLEY (A) P.P.S.O. X
 Captain G. S. WEST (B) P.S.O. Venezia Reg.

PISTOIA PROVINCE:

Captain J. MADILL (B) P.P.S.O. X
 Captain G. W. BROWN (B) P.S.O.
 Captain G. Y. W. WASH (B) P.S.O. Venezia Reg.
 Emilia

AREZZO PROVINCE:

Captain D. Z. BRADLEY (B) P.P.S.O. X

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VARIABLES

1. Major P. G. GIBBS (B) appointed R.P.S.O. vice Lt. Col. A. W. WILKINSON transferred to Venetia Region.
2. Major O. G. JACKSON (B) temporarily assigned to Regional Headquarters Public Safety Division.
3. Major W. A. MANN (B) transferred to Florence Province.
4. Lieut. G. M. ORSICO (A) permanently assigned to Livorno Province.
5. Captain H. FINDING (B) re-assigned from Arezzo to Grosseto Province.
6. Captain W. SCATONE (B) temporarily assigned to Arezzo.
7. Major W. A. LEXY (B) of Lombardia Region, relieved from attachment of Toscana Region.
8. Captain J. MAUILL (B) temporarily assigned to Pistoia Province.
9. Captain G. B. WISSE (B) of Venetia Region, loaned for temporary duty as P.S.O. at Lucca.
10. Captain E. P. CONKE (B) temporarily assigned to Siena Province, from Lombardia Region.

TO	6/20/74		
DIRECTOR	6/20/74		
SUBJECT: [illegible]	[illegible]		
EXPC. OFF.	14/4		
PROBUD	12/4		
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/260.1

2 April 1945

SUBJECT : Col. RAVENNA Giacomo CC.RR.

TO : Generale Brunetto Brunetti,
Comandante Generale dell'Arma dei CC.RR.
Roma

1. A report on the antecedents of the
officer referred to above would be greatly appreciated.

2. It is understood that he at present
commands the Legion at Florence.

for *W. L. Best*
JOHN W. CHAPMAN,
Colonel J.A.G.D.,
Director Public Safety,
Sub Commission.

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*Reply from CCRR
forwarded to Public Safety.*
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

Ref. : ID/260.I

17 March 1945

SUBJECT : Col. RAVENNA.

TO : Director Public Safety.

1. Para I (h) of Public Safety Report of Toscana Region refers to a Col. Ravenna who has not yet been screened.

2. If this man is identical with the Col. Ravenna who commanded the CC.RR. Legion of Sardinia until November 1944, it is suggested that a careful screening is necessary.

3. Conflicting reports about his loyalty have been received from CC.RR. officers, but nothing tangible has come to light.

4. It is known that while in Sardinia he gave orders that A.C. officers movements were to be reported to him.

5. I have personally spoken to him about his retention as Adjutant of a Captain Simonetti, squadrista and sciarpa littorio, and have twice reported the matter while I was in Sardinia. Ravenna's only reply was that Simonetti was very young at the time.

6. Although Ravenna appears always willing to cooperate one is left with the feeling that all is not well.

7. He always appeared to be in fear of the Italian army authorities.

C. Hayes
C. HAYES, Jr.
Major,
Security Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 489081-365

14 March 1945

AC/14011/8/PS

SUBJECT : Transport for CC.RR.
TO : R.P.S.O. Toscana Region

Reference your monthly report for February 1945.

1. It is agreed that the CC.RR. are woefully in need of transport and that if each Provincial Group could be allotted two jeeps or weapons carriers both morale and efficiency would be improved.
2. As you are no doubt aware jeeps and weapons carriers are also needed by all branches of AMG/AC., but they are at present unprocurable. You may be assured that every effort is being made to obtain transport for all police agencies.
3. As the question of CC.RR. transport was merely mentioned in your January monthly report and was not dealt with in a separate communication no reply was considered necessary (vide AC/14027/PS date 17 Jan 1945 paragraph 4).

JOHN W. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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The area under TOSCAN REGION administration has not been added to during the month of February.

I CIVIL POLICE

1. (a) Strength.

AGENCY	OFFICERS	O.S.	REMARKS
Carabinieri Reali	102	4,992	
Agenti di P. S.	57	1,720	
Guardie di Finanza	25	1,007	
Guardie Municipali	7	460	
Corpo Forestale	36	336	

(a) 5 more CC.RR. have been recovered from extraneous duties during the month of February.

(c) Lt. Col. DI MAMMIO Quintillo appointed from Southern Italy to Florence Legion as Vice Comandante has not yet arrived in this Region.

(d) There has been a very appreciable decrease in the rate of men sick, in hospital, etc, in the Florence Legion.

(e) Every effort is being made to sustain the morale of CC.RR. who must be considered the first agents of law enforcement assisted by the purely Civil Agencies of Agenti di P. S., etc.

Every encouragement is given, as an instance of this, this office felt constrained to issue a printed memorandum to each Senior Officer of CC.RR. and each Captain on 'The Object of Efficient Police' (copy and translation attached). They were well received by the Legion Commanders.

(f) Many further good arrests have been effected by CC.RR. in clearing-up recent hold-up cases and the situation has eased accordingly in relation to serious crimes.

(g) A little more clothing etc, continues to arrive, but all needs have not yet been met.

In Florence Legion the report is that there are still 440 CC.RR. without uniforms.

In Florence Legion 282 mesocketti are still required and 1,507 pistols.

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In Livorno Legion, CC.RR. are in need of 67 moschetti and 1,245 pistols.

(h) The process of discrimination of CC.RR. by the Rome Command H.Q. is far too slow. In Florence Legion alone final clearance is still to be given in the case of 2,216 men. The Brigade Commander, Col. RAYMOND, has not so far been screened. I suggest the strongest representation be made to CC.RR. Command in order to have this cleared-up and thus free the hands of local Commanders when it comes to considering transfers, etc, etc. The Rome Command are far too slow about the whole matter as I have mentioned in previous monthly reports.

(i) Co-operation is quite good and morale is improving. One does not expect the same standards as one does at home, but taking all into consideration, a fair job of work is being done.

(j) The same old problems of transport and communications continue of course and will no doubt do so for months to come.

(k) As to work being done, take Grosseto Province for example.

During the month of February, 1,203 motor vehicles, 1,401 other vehicles, 3,826 bicycles, 11,977 pedestrians were stopped and interrogated.

The following goods and animals were sequestered. 104 kgs salt, 9 kgs olive oil, 3,786 kgs potatoes, 153 kgs corn flour, 143 kgs chestnut flour, 20 slaughtered lambs, 1 pig, 60 rolls of wire amongst many other items being brought out of the province.

Similar happenings in each province occur/ and the work continues to improve.

(l) Last month I made reference to the possibility that some 'jeeps' or 'weapons carriers' might be made available to CC.RR. in order to provide them with a satisfactory means of answering emergency calls. This has so far received no comment from H.Q..

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2. QUESTURA OFFICIALS:

The new Inspectore of Questure, Giulio ROMAZZI, who was appointed to this Region, will have to be withdrawn. Why the Ministry of Interior blandly send individuals like this to take-up responsible supervising positions, is to me absolutely incomprehensible. The people of Grosseto in addition to those of Lucca and Pisa (as mentioned on my recent report on this man) are up in arms at his appointment.

The Ministry of Interior must have been cognisant of his association with BUFFARINI when they induced A.C.H.Q. to send him up here to me.

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I should like a few minutes with the Ministry's Official who sponsored the appointment, he would learn something more regarding the character of the Italian race.

The new Questore La Rosa at Fistola appears to settling down and taking the situation well in hand. Some weeding-out of inefficient personnel, is needed.

La Rosa arrived in Grosseto. The two new Commissari, now awaited for months, have still not

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They are working within the limits of their capacity.

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5. TOWNST GUARDS:

Co-operating satisfactorily. Morale and efficiency fair. A shortage of firearms in this Corps is alleged due to their removal by partigiani or Germans. Application for assistance has been received in this respect, but I claim C.C.R. must have first preference in regard to re-arming.

The forest Guards are now co-operating satisfactorily in Pisa Province where there has been difficulty in providing sufficient fuel to work the Saline plant near Volterra.

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A special report has already been submitted in respect to Capt. Giorgio MEMMI of Sienna in regard to his dismissal from the Corpo Forestale.

6. CRIME:

In a nutshell -- serious crime shows a decrease, whilst minor offences or proclamation offences show a decided increase.

The series of hold-up crimes in Florence, Arezzo, Sienna and Pistoia has abated to negligible figures. A recent out-break in Grosseto indicated a swinging in the tide.

In the Reconquista area (Grosseto), 4 armed and masked men who spoke perfect Italian held a man up and robbed him of L.195,000. The same men proceeded to a Pattoria and held-up the occupants to the tune of L.45,000 and then to another Pattoria where another L.52,900 was obtained.

On 10 February 1945, an armed gang went to the house of the cashier of the Gavorrano Mines (Grosseto) and afterwards to the office in search of cash. Their attempt failed however and after an exchange of shots with CC.RR. in the dark, the gang decamped.

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In Montecatini Terme (Pistoia), 2 American soldiers were arrested by CC.RR. for armed robbery in 2 instances. Both the soldiers were AWOL and a large sum of money was found in their possession which was to doubt the result of a series of hold-up jobs. Good work by CC.RR. in this case.

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Three men and one woman, all members of a gang of persons responsible for hold-ups at Barberino Val d'Elsa, have been arrested by CC.RR.

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In fact a very healthy state of affairs exists in Florence Province due to the effective action of Capt. ROMERSON and his special squads of CC.RR., most of the outstanding crimes of violence have been cleared-up. This is very encouraging and supports my opening remarks under this heading that serious crime has been definitely checked and is on the decrease.

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As regard to minor crimes these are on the increase as is indicated in the prison figures and the need to frequently transfer prisoners to other prisons in the Region.

Many good crime arrests have been effected by C.C.R.R. but they are too numerous to dwell on much in this report.

7. POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BY CIVILIANS:

This matter is being closely followed up for there is no question of doubt that many firearms have never been surrendered.

All police agencies are actively co-operating to this end and many cases have been revealed and prosecuted as a result of house searches, etc.

The sentences however are in some cases inadequate in regard to the deterrent affect of imprisonment.

8. CONDUCT OF ALLIED TROOPS:

Generally fairly good and an improvement is noted during the month. Allied coloured troops have distinguished themselves by violating 6 women in Lucas Province; 2 in Pisa Province - in one case an arrest was made - 1 case in Florence Province and 1 in Livorno.

Road accidents with military vehicles in Florence Legion resulted in 18 civilian deaths from 76 cases.

In Livorno Legion 18 deaths resulted from 21 cases.

9. GENERAL DISSENT:

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Questura Vice Squads are active as well as C.M.P. in combating the activities of these women.

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(a) Italian - functioning throughout the Region, but the speed of action requires no further comment.

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It was satisfactorily noted at a recent inspection at Volterra that the illicit manufacture of salt has practically ceased and that the Saline is now receiving all the fuel it needs.

In the words of the Saline Director, "I can declare that the rapid and efficacious intervention of yours has obtained excellent results stopping almost entirely the theft of salt water and smuggling of salt and that all the people by whom the work was done have completely disappeared from the place."

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It will be noted that as a result of the activity of Pranta KOMM, my Special Agent, who supervised the combined activities of the CC.FR., Forest Guards and Pinnace Guards, over 80 civilians are in process of being sentenced by the Italian Courts. Sentences up to 2 years are being inflicted.

The results are therefore highly satisfactory.

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Photos (where available) are retained at this H.Q..

2. STRIKES AND LOCK-OUTS:

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3. OTHER CIVIL DISTURBANCES:

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4. STATE OF PUBLIC MORALE:

Morale is not high. There is much doubt as to the ability of the nation to recover from the disaster of a self sought war. The dominating factor though is food adequacy.

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The granting of further independence to the Italian Government has made a favourable impression, but feelings are mixed about this as many people have doubt about the ability of the Government as it is, to carry on without A.M.G..

5. PUBLIC MEETINGS:

Nothing outstanding has taken place according to reports. No serious incidents.

6. APPRECIATION OF GENERAL SECURITY SITUATION:

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7. CIVIL INTERNEES:

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2. Problems in connection with registration, etc. - No problems.

3. Control of Civilian Movement:

Civilian Movement and its control is receiving special attention in this area. This is particularly necessary in view of the proximity of the line and Corps and Army boundaries.

The use of improper passes from Southern parts seems to have eased considerably.

M. P. and CC.M. are in active operation in various parts of the Region.

IV. FUEL

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No serious fires have occurred in February.

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V CIVIL DEFENCE

1. The efficiency and control of U.N.P.A. or Civil Defence varies accordingly to locality. In some places U.N.P.A. exists in a small way and in others the Fire Service operates. In certain cities like Livorno, Sienna and Florence, steps are being taken to re-organise a modified form of defence in conjunction with P.A.D. Officers to meet the V-2 threat.

There is still much work to be done.

The R.P.E.O. has taken over the medical side of Civil Defence.

Attention is being given to the shelters and siren problem.

Limited electricity and damaged sirens is a matter still to be overcome in some places.

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- Florence City
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(g) Main prisons not functioning.

Corgona (Island of Corgona - Livorno Prov.) Not functioning for security purposes - Allied outpost.
Portolongone (Island of Elba - Livorno Prov.) The penitentiary is not functioning.
S. Miniato (Pisa Province) - Badly destroyed.

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(2) Administration - In some prisons very good as evidenced by the good work of Dr. G. B. MATTARISI and Psg. OMERTI of Florence and Dr. BASILE of Volterra. Commandante DE FRAYDO has assumed command at Livorno after the departure of Dr. COGNA, and while awaiting his successor's arrival. His job has been well done. Director MACARONI of Portofino and Director MAZZEO, Psg. MATTEUCCI, and Acting Head Guard COMBALI of Pisa are all to be removed. On the whole the ability of the men administering is clearly shown by the way the institution is operating.

(b) Sanitation - Fairly good, but the absence of water in several places makes it a difficult proposition to keep the establishment clean. Soap has not been issued in all prisons as it should. Requests for Dett powder have been made by several institutions, but none is procurable at the moment. P.M.S. disinfected the prison at Livorno completely and did an excellent job. Efforts have been made to secure disinfectants from Livorno Province for several prisons.

(c) Food - Almost all prisons are receiving the diets for both prisoners and guards, as had been set up by the latest scales. The one complaint is Siem Province where the outlying prisons of Montepulciano and San-Simignano are not getting what they should. The Provincial Supply Officer of Siem has been asked to take some interest in this matter, but to date little has been done to alleviate the situation. Including the prison functionaries from the Guards ration has caused a good bit of discontent. These men are the officers of the institution and yet are not permitted the standard of living that is given to the men under them.

(4) Prison Labour. - Efforts are being made to open the shops in all of the prisons. San Gimignano and Volterra are keeping their deserving prisoners occupied. At Volterra, 50 prisoners under another prisoner, are doing all the work in repairing this badly battered institution. To date they have done good work and the only reason the prison hasn't been completely repaired by this time has been the lack of materials, shortage of transportation, and the inclement weather. Pietola is using practically all of it's convicted prisoners for agriculture duty. Short sentence prisoners in Livorno have been used for shoveling coal and gravel. P.B.S. has granted these prisoners an augmented diet that is very satisfactory. However, prisoners cannot be used in every town for outside work as many cities have a large unemployed population and these people must first be given the opportunity to make a living.

(c) Prison Records - Generally in good shape. Since our occupation they have been rigidly kept and there have been no complaints of illegal arrests, over detention, or lack of consideration of requests for clemency, probation, or pardon. Many of the old records have been destroyed while the area was being fought for; but these are slowly but surely being replaced in the cases concerning prisoners still in custody or of those that have escaped.

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4. Of the 28 Mandamentale prisons in the Region, several have been completely destroyed. The three most important are Prato, Piombino and a section of Portofino that is being used as such. The Mandamentale prison at Empoli was re-opened this month. The rest of the Mandamentale prisons are of small significance.

The population has been steadily growing in the prisons. To make this worse the Naval authorities refuse to permit us to use Gorgona as there has been military activity there of late. The Island of Capraia should be evacuated for it is very difficult to bring food into the Island. They have no electric and no lamps to use kerosene if it were sent there.

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The mine fields about Capraia are extensive and since the Island has no military importance they will not be cleared. It is thought that the prison population of 54 prisoners could be moved to Pianosa with the administration and the guards and equipment be transferred to Portolongone Penitentiary to start that prison operating. The equipment from Gorgona could also be sent to Portolongone with the staff. In this manner a prison could be re-opened that could accommodate 500 to 600 prisoners easily.

VII FORGED A.M.C. CURRENCY 5B

1. (Please note attached Appendix "A")

VIII GENERAL

1. List of Public Safety Personnel, showing changes. 5C

Please note attached Appendix "B".

2. Synopsis of General Public Safety Situation.

The situation can be described as well under control and relatively calm.

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Lieut. Colonel, G. I.,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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APPENDIX " A "FORGING AND UTTERING OF ALLIED MILITARY CURRENCY

(a) Number of cases handled: Total = 74

Grosseto	15
Pisa	1
Livorno	1
Lucca	15
Sienna	44
Arezzo	1

(b) Total number of notes of each denomination
"Counterfeited":

1000 Lire notes = 24 500 Lire notes = 11

100 Lire notes = 1

Total number of notes "Raised":

One (1) 50 Lire note altered to 500 Lire.

(c) Number of convictions obtained: NIL.

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PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IN TOSCANA REGION - APPENDIX "B"

HEADQUARTERS

Lt. Col. A. W. ROBINSON
 Captain J. B. FORSTER
 Captain A. W. MACDOUGALL
 Lieut. J. J. GUARINI

(B) R.P.S.O.
 (B) Fire & C.D.
 (A) " " (now in Florence)
 (A) Prisons

X

(now in Florence)

Asgn Attached from

Liguria Reg.
Venezia Reg.CROSSETO PROVINCE:

Major W. A. MOODY
 Lieut. G. N. CLEGG
 Lieut. J. E. TOWNE

(B) P.P.S.O.
 (A) P.S.O. { now at Livorno temp }
 (B) P.S.O. { " " " }

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Lombardia Reg.
Liguria Reg.SIENA PROVINCE:

Major A. G. SKIDERS
 Lieut. H. LAIDESMAN

(B) P.P.S.O.
 (A) P.S.O.

X

Venezia Reg.

AREZZO PROVINCE:

Captain B. FINDING
 Captain A. P. SHAW
 Captain C. MATHEIS

(B) P.P.S.O.
 (A) P.S.O.
 (A) P.S.O.

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Piemonte Reg.

FLORENCE PROVINCE:

Major H. S. HARRIS
 Captain D. R. ROBINSON
 Captain E. E. DOWDY
 Captain G. E. IRE
 Captain T. MARSH
 Captain M. SCOTT
 Captain T. GUNNELL
 Major W. A. LACEY
 Captain L. DILLIE

(B) P.P.S.O.
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 (B) P.S.O.
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 (B) P.S.O. (CC.RR. activities)
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Venezia Reg.

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LIVORNO PROVINCE:

Captain S. BEATTY
 Major T. G. MACKENZIE
 Captain F. A. DORAY

(B) P.S.O.
 (B) P.P.S.O. (sick in hosp)
 (A) P.S.O.

X

Emilia Reg.
Piemonte Reg.PISA PROVINCE:

Captain G. L. FAIRER
 Lieut. W. J. O'NEILL

(A) P.P.S.O.
 (A) P.S.O.

X

Liguria Reg.

LUCCA PROVINCE:

Captain R. S. HARTLEY

(A) P.P.S.O.

X

PISTOIA PROVINCE:

Captain G. W. BROWN

(B) P.P.S.O.

Venezia Reg.
Emilia Reg.

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<u>CHOSSETO PROVINCE:</u>		(B) P.P.S.O. (now at Livorno tank)	X	Lombardia Reg.
Major	W. A. MOODY	(A) P.S.O. "		Liguria Reg.
Lieut.	C. M. CLEGG	(B) P.S.O. "		
Lieut.	J. E. TOUGH			
<u>SIENA PROVINCE:</u>			X	Venezia Reg.
Major	A. G. SAUNDERS	(B) P.P.S.O.		
Lieut.	H. LAUDERMAN	(A) P.S.O.		
<u>AREZZO PROVINCE:</u>			X	Piemonte Reg.
Captain	B. FREEDMAN	(B) P.P.S.O.		
Captain	A. F. SHAW	(A) P.S.O.		
Captain	G. MATHIS	(A) P.S.O.		
<u>FLORENCE PROVINCE:</u>				Venezia Reg.
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Captain	G. H. LEE	(B) P.S.O.		Piemonte
Captain	T. MARSH	(B) P.S.O.		Emilia
Captain	M. SCOTT	(A) P.S.O.		13 Corps, 5 Army
Captain	T. CHURCHILL	(B) P.S.O.		Lombardia Reg.
Captain	T. LACEY	(B) P.S.O. (CC.RR. activities)		
Major	W. A. LIDDE	(B) P.S.O.		
Captain				
<u>LIVORNO PROVINCE:</u>			X	Emilia Reg.
Captain	S. BEATTY	(B) P.S.O. (sick in hosp)		Piemonte Reg.
Major	T. G. MACKENZIE	(B) P.P.S.O.		
Captain	F. A. BORAI	(A) P.S.O.		
<u>PISA PROVINCE:</u>			X	Liguria Reg.
Captain	G. L. PARKER	(A) P.P.S.O.		
Lieut.	W. J. O'NEILL	(A) P.S.O.		
<u>LUCCA PROVINCE:</u>			X	
Captain	R. S. HARTLEY	(A) P.P.S.O.		
<u>PISTOIA PROVINCE:</u>				Venezia Reg.
Captain	G. W. BROWN	(B) P.P.S.O.		Emilia
Captain	C. V. W. MAIN	(B) P.S.O.		
<u>APUANIA PROVINCE:</u>			X	
Captain	D. E. BRADENRY	(B) P.P.S.O.		

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VARIATIONS:

1. Major G. H. MASON (B) Fire & C.D. Officer re-assigned to Abruzzi-Marche Region.
2. Major D.F.W. STEPHENS (B) P.S.O., assigned to Florence Prov., now in hospital, returning to U.K.
3. Captain B. FREEDMAN (B) from hospital to duty.

A WORD TO THE CARABINIERI PENALI

- 'OBJECTS OF POLICE' -

1. "The primary object of an efficient police is the prevention of crime and the arrest and detention of offenders when crime is committed.

To these ends all efforts of police must be directed.

The absence of crime and preservation of life and public tranquillity will alone prove whether these efforts have been successful and whether the objects for which police were appointed have been obtained."

2. The above words written in 1829 on the formation of the first British Police, are as true and applicable today as they were over a 100 years ago. They are as applicable to Italy as to Great Britain and are commended to the Carabinieri in order to confirm that the agents of law and order in most civilized countries have a similar basis and similar outlook.

3. Police Officers in the Democratic countries are servants of the state and carry out the laws of the state, what ever party Government may be in power at the time.

Governments change, but the law as written in the statute book, remains the same.

4. Governments can become unpopular and they go. Police also can become unpopular in carrying out the law of the land, but it is the law, and consequently must be carried out as it is intended for the good of the people.

5. The Carabinieri have passed, and are in fact still passing through a very difficult period on account of the effects of the war and the unsettled political situation.

6. The Carabinieri have a long and honoured history, a history to be proud of and it is necessary that Carabinieri retain a firm grip of their traditions and hold their morale and their heads high. Sweeping neither to the left nor to the right. Acting without fear or favour in the performance of their duties. It is also necessary they remain untarnished, that they keep cool heads and act promptly in emergencies. A police officer who loses his head or his patience is lost.

7. Carabinieri have a great responsibility resting on their shoulders at the present time. They are a large regular serving force, known to all the world and their conduct is closely watched.

8. Carabinieri have been accused of one thing ~~or~~ another by the various parties whereas in fact they have only been endeavouring to carry out the law of the land, and as such are servants of their country, the same as Police in the democratic countries. Carabinieri have stood the test and survived.

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Many Carabinieri have done much gallant and honourable service for their country, and they can, if they continue on the path of honour and tradition, do much to uplift the morale of the people and help their country back to a settled, calm way of life.

9. Carabinieri it is for you to decide how much you can contribute to this very heavy task which confronts your country, a country famous in many ways and a country which must eventually take its place amongst the Great Nations.

Carabinieri Reali look-up.

Ant. Carabini

A. W. HOWLSON

Lieut. Colonel G. L.,
Regional Public Safety Officer
Toscana Region

UNA PAROLA AI CARABINIERI REALI

GLI OBIETTIVI DELLA POLIZIA

1. Il primo scopo di un efficace servizio di polizia deve essere la prevenzione del delitto e l'arresto e detenzione dei colpevoli quando il delitto è stato commesso.

A questo fine devono essere diretti tutti gli sforzi della Polizia. L'assenza del delitto e la preservazione della vita e della tranquillità pubblica, dimostreranno da soli se questi sforzi sono efficaci e se l'obiettivo per il quale la polizia è stata creata è stato o no raggiunto ».

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
TOSCANA REGION

FILE : R-VIII/13/2.5
4 February 1945.

SUBJECT : Public Safety Division's Monthly Report for January 1945.

TO : Regional Commissioner, H.Q., A.M.G., Toscana Region.
Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C., - C.M.P..

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Blankets	1,570	
Under-shirts	3,500	
Belts	400	

More is required, especially boots and overcoats, in order to re-equip these men. In Pistoia Province alone there are 90 CC.RR. still in plain clothes and of course others elsewhere.

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Deficiency in transport and lack of adequate communications is seriously hampering efficiency. The few civilian vehicles in possession of C.O.R.R. are generally in poor condition or ineffective due to lack of tyres and spare parts. If each Provincial Group could be allotted 2 Jeeps or Weapons Carriers both morale and efficiency would be improved. I request therefore that serious consideration be given to this suggestion.

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No supplies of clothing or boots have as far reached the Finance Guards in this Region.

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4. MUNICIPAL GUARDS:

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The situation in Creseto Province is remarkably good and no serious cases are reported during the month. Elsewhere conditions are not unsatisfactory. Sierra has its periodical outbreaks as on 27 Jan 45, at 5 P.M., a medical professor was approached by two men at his garage - one in Allied uniform and one in plain clothes - who induced him to take them on a journey in his car. A short distance out of Sierra the doctor was shot in the neck twice, robbed and his body, dumped in the scrub near the road where it was discovered at 10 a.m. on 28 Jan 45. The car and men vanished and have not so far been traced. Description of men and vehicle have been circulated to all police forces, including C.M.F., and Quetzala in Hon. This was a particular cold blooded murder and without motive except plain robbery.

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Most of these cases occur during the hours of darkness and mostly early evening so certain identification is almost impossible.

Lack of adequate means of communication and transport for Civil Police makes late the reporting of the facts to the Military authority, by which time, all trace of the assailants is lost.

There have been arrests where intervention has been prompt, but these cases are few and far between.

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II. SECURITY

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There are sabotage risks, for on 28 Dec 44, an enemy parachutist landed not far from the Electricity Generating plant at Iardella (Pisa). A parachute and explosive was found and a search of the countryside made by CC.RR. which resulted in the eventual capture of this German. Arrangements are in hand to provide an Italian Military Guard for this isolated place.

At the airport at Grosseto security measures have been tightened up as, during the last two months 5 inexplicable crashes have occurred with fatal results and it was thought possible the aircraft had been interfered with. There is no proof or confirmation of the suspicion.

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It is worthy of note though, that after the steadfast reluctance of expatriates and young Communists to join the Italian Army, that in Florence Province alone about 8,000 Communists have suddenly decided to join the Army, whilst the contribution of other parties adherents number less than 1,000.

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This may be a very significant fact, whether it is intended to impress the Patriots still fighting in northern Italy or is the means being found to secure a strong Communist bloc in the Italian Army remains to be seen.

7. CIVIL INTERESTS:

(a) General position is satisfactory. The undermentioned members of the 'SILVANO FEDI' gang have been interned for the duration of the war by A.M.C. Pistola with concurrence of A.M.C. 5th Army on Security Grounds.

CARPOZZI Enzo	11960.11
SPACCHINI Marino	29167
CARPOZZI Guido	17865
CARPOZZI Aladino	-
BERNARDINI Arturo	-
PIAGGIO Stanislao	-
PROSINI Attilio	7206380

(b) Number in civilian prisons in Stem grat at disposition of S.I.M. - 3.

III. LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

1. Registration being dealt with by R.A.C.I. and C.I.P. as laid down; preliminary, screening of all applications by Allied Officers or Italian Officials specially appointed for the purpose. The object being to keep down the issue of permits to the bare minimum and prevent waste of patrol and tyres.
2. Problems, etc. - None.
3. The system of road blocks established, some of them worked in conjunction with C.M.P., afford a good check on vehicular movement and many good stops have been effected by this means.

IV. FIRE

1. (a) Efficiency. The location of three Allied Fire Officers in Region VIII, has contributed much towards regaining the necessary efficiency. The efficiency of the teams is fair to good according to Italian standards. Lack of telephone communications is however not conducive to rapid turn-outs, but the fire risk is low generally.

(b) State of equipment: A number of vehicles abandoned by the Germans have been recovered and made effective appliances once again. If more tyres and fittings were available many more vehicles could be put in service again. In spite of all the difficulties much good work is being done in the work shops and good headway is being maintained in the two most important cities in the Region, namely Florence and Livorno.

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On 10 Jan 45, 0730 hours, in S. Pietro a Vico di Lucca (Lucca), a fire broke-out in a paper workshop which destroyed the building and caused an estimated loss of lire 2,500,000. The shop was occupied by a company of scotch soldiers and the fire was caused as a result of some of these soldiers who started a fire in a brasier. No one reported injured.

V CIVIL DEFENSE

1. The system of control varies somewhat according to the presence of important military formations. At Lucca for instance there is a Provincial Director of A.R.F. who works under the P.M. IV Corps.

At Florence, Livorno, Pistoia and Arezzo local committees work in conjunction with Military or Naval P.A.D. schemes.

In Pisa the scheme is being re-organized by a committee under the Prefect.

In Siena the Fire Commandante is the official head of A.R.F. In C Grosseto there is a Provincial Committee and is directed by the Fire Commandante.

Much of the original U.M.P.A. equipment have disappeared. In some cases we have reduced on ever-large personnel ourselves.

In Florence and Livorno arrangements are in hand to prepare for 'Secret Weapons'.

The shelter situation is fair.

2. State of efficiency can be described as very moderate.

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1. Prisons that are functioning:

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AREZZO	" " " " " Arezzo
SIENA	" " " " " Siena
	Casa Penale, San Gimignano
	Judiciary Prison at Montepulciano
PISA	Judiciary Prison, City of Pisa
	Reformatory " " "
	Penitentiary at Volterra
LIVORNO	Judiciary Prison, City of Livorno
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	" " " " " Pisanina
	" " " " " Corsica (24 6465)
	prisoners the beginning of February
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LUCCA	Judiciary Prison MURATE, Florence City
PISTOIA	" " S. VESULIA, for
FLORENCE	women, Florence City
	Casa Penale, Santa Teresa, Florence City
	Judiciary Manicomio, Montelupo Fiorentino

The only two Mandamentale prisons of any size is the one at Prato (Florence Prov.) and the one at Plombino (Livorno Prov.). Other Mandamentale prisons are small and insignificant and in some cases have no prisoners.

2. General Conditions:

- (a) Administration: Good to poor. Some institutions are very well run, i.e. S. Vordiano; others have directors that lack enterprise or initiative, i.e. Livorno Judiciary; this particular director has been sent on his way. To date no directors have been actually suspected of any misfeasances but it is believed that a watch will have to be kept on some in the future.
- (b) Sanitation: Generally good. The recently allotted ration of soap has a good deal to do with this. Efforts are being made to secure disinfectants to ensure cleanliness as much as possible. During all the inspection trips that have been ever made by the prison officer there has never been an occasion where a director has had to be reprimanded on the cleanliness of his establishment.
- (c) Food: Prisoners' rations are fairly stable and there has been little difficulty with them. There have been occasions where food has arrived late or some items have been missing but on the whole the ration scale is being well adhered to. Actions for guards have offered more of a problem. Many items on the scale are at times unavailable and this has caused some dissatisfaction. It is believed however, that provincial supply officers are doing the best they can with food stuffs available, for this office is constantly reminding them of the special rations of men and organizations under our authority.
- (d) Prison Labour: Only three prisons, San Cigognino, Volterra and Livorno Judiciary, have sent prisoners to work on the outside. Local unemployment has forbidden this practice in other cities. Institutional maintenance is done for the most part, by inmates. In several of the prisons there are shops that do work for the outside, i.e. shoe shop at Volterra; carpenter shop at Lucca; but for the most part the shops do not function for several reasons:-
- (i) Lack of raw materials.
 - (ii) Lack of skilled labour.
 - (iii) Preponderance of short sentences that make it impractical to train men at a trade.
 - (iv) Lack of current to operate machinery.
- (e) Prison Records: For the most part intact. Prisons like the Murate and Volterra have had a good many of their records destroyed. Attempts are being made to replace those necessary. Records are being well kept since our entry into the various areas.

3. Number of prisoners as of 22 January 1945 (approximately)

(a) Convicted		1,824	6464
(b) Awaiting trial:-			
(i) Italian Courts		622	
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These figures represent the prisoners in penal institutions listed. Paralementals not listed offer from 200 to 250 more prisoners, convicted, and awaiting trial by both courts.

4. Summary: Repairs have been estimated for all major prisons in Toscana and work has already started on some of the prisons. It is intended to send overflow prisoners from Livorno to the Island Prison of Gorgona. This will start this coming month. Over a hundred prisoners have been transferred from the prisons of Florence to San Gimignano during the month.

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The occupation of the major portion of Murto prison by the British Army makes weekly transfers necessary. This month should see San Chindigano reach its capacity. Further shuffling of prison guards have been made to help understaffed institutions. With the arrival of the promised guards to Grosseto and Livorno, this condition will be satisfactory for awhile. If the Penitentiary at Portofenore, Isle of Elba, is to be reorganized, entire new staff will have to be furnished. Prison blankets have been shuffled about to aid the prisons that have had their blankets taken. For the moment this will work out alright but with an increasing prison population in the Region there is a need for more blankets and prison clothing. Guards clothing has become a problem. Two of the prisons had a supply of leather and this leather was converted to shoes for the Staff of five prisons. Other prisons were not as well off and there is a constant demand for shoes. On the whole the prison situation in TOSCA remains healthy. No serious problems are anticipated for the time being.

VII. MONEY A.M.S. CURRENT

1. 23 Lire 1,000 notes and 4 Lire 500 notes have been stopped in the banks of Grosseto. No arrests.

One case of uttering a Lire 1,000 note in Livorno. 1 arrest. Another case of two men in Livorno possessing 100 Lire 1,000 notes, two arrests.

Eleven Lire 1,000 and 3 Lire 500 notes found their way into the Casa di Disarmo at Inoch. No arrests.

29 Lire 1,000 notes and 12 Lire 500 notes have been found in circulation in Siena. No arrests.

Three further arrests have been made in Rome in connection with the heavy case uncovered by Major GAUMIER in December.

Notes landed in being submitted to A.C.N.Q. under separate report.

2. List of Public Safety Personnel - showing changes:

See "Appendix A" attached.

3. Synopsis of General Public Safety Situation:

Can be described as satisfactorily calm and well in hand.

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UNITED STATES OFFICERS IN FOREIGN REGIONS - Appendix "A"

<u>HEADQUARTERS</u>		<u>ASST. STAFF CORP.</u>	
Lt. Col.	A. H. RICHMOND	(B) E.P.S.O.	X
Major	G. E. MASON	(B) Fire & C.D. (now at Stone)	X
Captain	J. B. FORTNER	(B) Fire A.C.D.	X
Captain	A. H. MCDONALD	(A) Fire A.C.D. (now at Florence)	
Lieut.	J. J. MARTIN	(A) Division	
<u>CHIEF OF POLICE:</u>			
Major	H. A. MOORE	(B) E.P.S.O.	X
Lieut.	G. E. STONE	(A) T.S.O. (now at Lioma temporarily)	
Lieut.	J. B. TURNER	(B) P.S.O.	
<u>SINCE PROMOTION:</u>			
Major	A. C. SHERMAN	(B) P.P.S.O.	X
<u>ASSISTANT CHIEF:</u>			
Captain	B. FURBER	(B) E.P.S.P. (in line)	X
Captain	A. P. NEW	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	O. MARTIN	(A) P.S.O.	
<u>THIRD REGIMENT:</u>			
Major	H. A. MARTIN	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain	D. A. MONTGOMERY	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	H. A. DAVIS	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	G. A. JAMES	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	T. MURPHY	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	H. STONE	(B) P.S.O.	
Captain	P. CHAMBERLAIN	(B) P.S.O.	
<u>FOURTH REGIMENT:</u>			
Captain	S. SMITH	(B) P.S.O.	X
Major	T. A. MONTGOMERY	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain	P. A. BROWN	(A) P.S.O.	
<u>FIFTH REGIMENT:</u>			
Captain	G. L. MASON	(A) P.P.S.O.	X
Lieut.	H. J. O'BRIEN	(A) P.S.O.	
<u>SIXTH REGIMENT:</u>			
Captain	H. B. MARTIN	(A) P.P.S.O.	X
<u>SEVENTH REGIMENT:</u>			
Captain	G. W. BROWN	(A) P.P.S.O.	

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CHICAGO PROVINCE:

Major H. A. MOORE {B} P.P.S.O. {new at home temporarily} Lombard Reg.
 Lieut. G. H. CHOC {A} P.P.S.O. " " "
 Lieut. J. E. TOWNE {C} P.P.S.O. " " "

SANTA FE PROVINCE:

Major A. G. SCHLES {B} P.P.S.O. X

ALBUQUERQUE PROVINCE:

Captain A. P. FIELDING {B} P.P.S.O. (in home) X
 Captain A. P. FIELDING {C} P.P.S.O.
 Captain G. W. FIELDING {A} P.P.S.O.

EL PASO PROVINCE:

Major D. S. HARRIS {B} P.P.S.O. May Supplement X
 Captain D. S. HARRIS {C} P.P.S.O.
 Captain D. S. HARRIS {A} P.P.S.O.
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LIVORN PROVINCE:

Captain S. DE VITO {B} P.P.S.O. X
 Major T. O. MCKENZIE {C} P.P.S.O.
 Captain P. A. ROSE {A} P.P.S.O.

PIMA PROVINCE:

Captain C. L. PARKER {A} P.P.S.O. X
 Lieut. W. J. O'BRIEN {B} P.P.S.O.

YUMA PROVINCE:

Captain S. S. WILSON {A} P.P.S.O. X

PICTORIA PROVINCE:

Captain G. E. WILSON {B} P.P.S.O. 0462
 Captain V. K. W. WILSON {C} P.P.S.O. Yuma Reg.

YUMA PROVINCE:

Captain D. E. WILSON {B} P.P.S.O. X

VARIATIONS: (a) Major H. G. WILSON (b) re-assigned to Regt. T.
 (c) Capt. R. A. WILSON (d) returned to U.S. on compassionate grounds.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
TOSCANA REGION

FILE : R-VIII/PS/2.5

17 January 1945.

SUBJECT : Public Safety Division's Monthly Report
for December 1944.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Headquarters, A.C. - C.M.F.
(Att. of Capt. B. Powell)

1. Reference your AC/14011/8/PS of 14 January 1945.
2. The errors mentioned in para 1 and 2 of a/m letter are both typing errors and have now been corrected. Capt. C. A. Warren is not a P.S.O..
3. Thank you.

Lt. G. G. Guarini
A. W. ROWLERSON
Lieut. Colonel, G. L.,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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TO	INITIALS	DATE
COL. CHADMAN		
COL. YOUNG		
LT. COL. WILCOX		
MAJ. LUCIFER		
MAJ. WILSON		
MSG. HANSEN		
MAJ. BAIL		
CAPT. P.		

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HEADQUARTER: ALLIED COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission
APO 394

Tel : 478800

14 Jan. 1945.

C/14011/8/PS

SUBJECT : Monthly Report.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Toscana Region
(attention P.S.O.).

1. With reference to your monthly report for December, 1944, Capt. G.W. Brown is shown as "assigned" to your Region. It should be noted that this officer is assigned to Venezia Region, and is only "temporarily" assigned to you, vide S/O 316, dated 13 December 1944.
2. With reference to Capt. G.A. Warren, will you please state the authority for his assignment as P.S.O., Toscana Region.
3. With reference to Para. 3, the transfers of the Commissarii are in hand and are being hastened.

The new Questore for Pistoia, V. Questore LA ROSA Micheli, is due to leave here on Friday the 19th instant.

SP.

JOHN A. CHAPMAN
Colonel, J.A.G.D.
Director Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
TOSCANA REGION

5 January 1945.

NAME	INIT	DATE
COL. CHAPMAN.	W.C.	11/17/44
COL. YOUNG	W.C.	11/17/44
LT. COL. WILCOX	W.C.	11/17/44
MAJ. LUCKMAN	W.C.	11/17/44
MAJ. WILSON	W.C.	11/17/44
MAJ. HANBURY	W.C.	11/17/44
MAJ. BALLANCE	W.C.	11/17/44
CAPT. POWEL	W.C.	11/17/44
Capt. D. J. J.	W.C.	11/17/44

Safety Division's Monthly Report for December 1944.

Commissioner, U.C., A.M.C., Toscana Region.

Safety Sub-Commission, H.C., A.C., C.M.F. ✓

Region has taken over still more territory to be admin-
20 December 1944, the Island of Elba was added to the prov-
Siena, Arezzo, Livorno and Pisa.

2. Public Safety Division has also by agreement with 5th Army A.M.C.
now become responsible for all G.C.N.R. and all Prisons in Toscana.

The position with regard to CARABINIERI therefore is as follows:-

a. Brought from Rome or other Centres.

	Florence Legion	Leghorn Legion	Region
Sick, Wasp, etc.	780	440	1,220
	- 221	- 22	- 243
	499	408	897

Those who were found on duty or reported for duty since
occupation of territory.

	Florence Legion	Leghorn Legion	Region
Sent home as unsuitable	3,646	2,057	5,703
Sick, Wasp, etc.	- 1,156	- 46	- 1,202
	- 722	- 425	- 1,147
	1,751	1,586	3,337

The total strength of G.C.N.R. in this Region at the
moment is therefore:-

	Florence Legion	Leghorn Legion	Region
Less sick, etc.	3,270	2,041	5,311
	- 1,050	- 457	- 1,507
	2,240	1,584	3,824

The percentage of G.C.N.R. not available for duty through being
sick, in hospital or on leave is now:- FLORENCE 51.49%, LEGHORN 22.7% and
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CAPT POWEL
Cust. Duties
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ince of Livorno, Siena, Arezzo, Livorno and Pisa.

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a. Brought from Rome or other Centres.

	<u>Florence Legion</u>	<u>Leghorn Legion</u>	<u>Region</u>
Sick, Hosp, etc.	780	440	1,220
	- 231	- 52	- 283
	459	408	897

b. Those who were found on duty or reported for duty since
occupation of territory.

	<u>Florence Legion</u>	<u>Leghorn Legion</u>	<u>Region</u>
Sent home as unsuitable	3,646	2,057	5,073
Sick, Hosp, etc.	- 1,156	- 46	- 1,202
	- 759	- 425	- 1,184
	1,751	1,586	3,337

c. The total strength of CC.RR. in this Region at the
moment is therefore:-

	<u>Florence Legion</u>	<u>Leghorn Legion</u>	<u>Region</u>
Less sick, etc.	3,270	2,011	5,281
	- 1,050	- 457	- 1,507
	2,240	1,554	3,794

The percentage of CC.RR. not available for duty through being
sick, in hospital or on leave is now:- FLORENCE 31.45%, LEGHORN 23.7% and
REGION 28.1%.

A slight decrease in sickness, etc. for the Florence Legion as
against a further increase in the Leghorn Legion will be noted. This heavy
toll on CC.RR. manpower can be rightly attributed in many cases to where
adequate clothing and boots are still withheld in spite of the promises of
supplies from Bari and Naples. Special measures are called for to meet this QOMC.
very urgent need.

Screening is still reported as being too slow and cumbersome in
Lucca and Pistoia Provinces.

CC.RR. continue to co-operate and morale is improving.

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Transport and Communications - poor.

In Siena, Florence and Pistoia Provinces there have been cases of banditry (see under crime) and much good work has been done by CC.RR. patrols in curtailing the activities of these wily Tuscan - many of them are ex-partigiani.

Arrests have been effected by CC.RR. and the situation is much improved.

Two Allied soldiers after robbing 4 civilians of a large amount of cash were detained by CC.RR. and handed over to C.M.F. at Massa Marittima in Grosseto.

Another case occurred in Lucca Province at a road block at Borgo Mazzano where two CC.RR. brought in two enemy Agents which subsequently had C.I.C. to three more who were arrested.

In Livorno Province also, two CC.RR. prevented the rape of a woman, and handed over two Allied soldiers to C.M.F..

The ration situation is improving and no more difficulty is being experienced at the moment in obtaining rations.

Colonel Mario QUERIA, the Legion Commander of Firenze has, ^{Col. Falbo.} understand, received his transfer orders for Sardinia. I have so far received no information as to who his successor is to be. ^{North East.}

3. AGENZIA di PUBBLICA SICUREZZA: - - 1,918.

Agenti continue to function normally and co-operation is satisfactory.

The transfers from Livorno of ^{- 45 -} ~~BIANCOSCHI~~ Enrico, of Comm. 10 PIANO Giuseppe from Pionbino and V/Comm. AGZ. 10 PIANO Aurelia from Cecina are still annited. ^{44/a}

In Pistoia, the Questura in general is described as being unsatisfactory and has, I understand, been made the subject of a report by A.M.O. 5th Army.

The two new Commissarii intended to replace the two old gangsters DATTILO and VIGNOLI in Grosseto have not yet arrived. It is requested this be expedited as this has been outstanding for more than two months.

4. GUARDIA di FINANZA: - - 1,239.

Continues to co-operate well, but are hampered some what by lack of transport.

Some of the 'Riscuo Tributario' section are assisting U.P.S.E.A. officials in checking 'Trantoi' and the illicit movement of olive oil throughout the Region.

5. GUARDIA PONTONALE: - - 335.

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3. AGENTI DI PUNIZIONE SICHOMIA: - - 1,818.

Agenti continue to function normally and co-operation is satisfactory.

⁴² The transfers from Livorno of BLANDINO ENRICO, of Comm. 10 PIANO Giuseppe from Pionbino and V/Comm. AGG. 10 PIANO Aurelio from Cecina are still awaited. ^{14/12}

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4. GUARDIA DI PUNIZIONE: - - 1,239.

Continue to co-operate well, but are hampered some what by Lack of transport.

Some of the 'Moleo Tributario' section are assisting U.P.S.M.A. officials in checking 'Frantoi' and the illicit movement of olive oil throughout the Region.

5. GUARDIA FORESTALE: - - 333.

Functioning normally and co-operating well. Shortage of clothing and boots is not helpful, particularly now that the cold and wet seasons have arrived. ⁶⁴⁵⁸

6. GUARDIA MUNICIPALE: - - 243.

No change. Efforts are being made to re-arm the Arezzo Municipal Guard, which should make a further contribution to the maintenance of law and order.

7. CRIME:

The situation varies from time to time, but cannot be called serious. In fact having regard to the general conditions prevailing, I am surprised it is not very much worse.

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Outbreaks of banditry have been recently occurring, particularly in Florence, Pistoia and Siena Provinces. As is usual with criminals they are not prone to advising police of their intentions. They are quick to take advantage of the confused situation and the knowledge that the police agencies are working under most difficult conditions, with no communications and little transport, is all in their favour. However, they have their little run and we catch up with most of them eventually. In Florence, the South West part of the Province in particular was affected, the outbreak of banditry and hold ups began to give some concern. CC.RR. reserves were brought in and whole areas were blocked and all movements checked. This went on day and night for several weeks and as a result of this very effective and lively interest in criminal matters, the CC.RR. have interrogated 1,000s of persons, detained many persons for further interrogation and made several good arrests. This action has effectively stopped, at any rate for the time being, any further cases in this area. Those bandits operated in groups of 4 to 15, armed with bombs, automatic weapons, as well as pistols. They were mostly masked and operated during the hours of darkness. They held up persons on the roads as well as entering houses and threatening the occupiers with sudden death unless they disgorged all their hidden jewels and cash. Food, they did not seem very interested in, as one might reasonably expect.

This sudden growth of criminality coincides with the breaking up of patriot groups and their return through the lines after active service. Cases have also occurred of Italian criminals dressing in Allied uniforms.

In Pistoia, another gang has been at work who are known to be members of an Anarchist Partisan group called 'SILVANO FEDI' and who have also been concerned in many cases of armed robberies.

Early in December, some evidence was obtained as to the location of a quantity of firearms, and subsequently a member of this gang, one PARRIARIO, was arrested and put in prison.

On the 18th of December, at 11 a.m., a gang of his comrades, armed with tommy guns and pistols raided the Gaol, held up the CC.RR. and Prison Guards on duty, released the prisoner, and made good their escape.

The armed robberies continued, but in the meantime evidence was being accumulated and energetic action contemplated. At daybreak on 26 December, CC.RR. and Military Police under Capt. PERRETT and BRUNO of A.M.G. Police, pounced and arrested 9 members of this gang of crooks and lodged them in a Gaol at Florence.

Some have already been denounced by the victims and others were known to have been concerned in crimes of violence. There was some apprehension felt as to what the arrest of these ex-partisans might produce in the public mind thus special precautions were taken.

The only re-action so far has been a great feeling of relief on the part of the citizens of Pistoia that these thugs have been put out of circulation for a while at any rate. Here again the wave of banditry has ceased for the present.

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In one case three farmers were attacked, two were killed and one wounded. The culprits were suspected of being ex-partisans. Following up the enquiry CC.RR. arrested 4 men in possession of arms, one of whom was actually found in possession of a facepiece of a respirator which had served as a mask.

This is very useful contribution by the CC.RR. in the maintenance of law and order, and it is to be remembered, that these crooks are usually much better armed than the CC.RR. who themselves are well aware of that fact.

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To sum up the crime situation, that although minor crimes and infractions of proclamations are on the increase - this is felt most in the prison populations, where there are now many short sentences being served - serious crime has decreased and with that we should be satisfied.

8. PATRIOTS:

Herewith latest details of the Patriot representatives employed in the respective Provinces:-

LIVORNO.

No representatives.

PISA.

Captain CHIESA,
Lieut. COZZI.

PISTOIA.

Major Gellio IMBIS,
Dr. Alfredo CAIO.

GROSSETO.

Captain Antonio DI CIOCCO,
S/Ten. Amerigo VELI.

SIENA.

Captain Dante BIGNI,
Dr. Silvano CANTANI.

LUCCA.

Major Alberto GRACIANI,
Signore Silvestro SILVESTRI.

FLORENCE.

No representatives.

AREZZO.

No representatives yet employed.

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Lieut. Clito TORRINI.

Major TEBIOSI, recently in service at Florence has now joined Region VIII H.Q. where it is hoped his services can be put to good use.

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In Florence and Pistoia, the same thing is also well on the way to completion and a special policy is in vogue for bands that arrive from the fighting line.

Lucca Province is not yet entirely liberated but the same process is being undergone. The patriot officer of Lucca is keeping in close touch with the bands operating around Barga and is assisting them with funds provided by the Government and with clothing, etc. furnished by C.S.S. This work is actually more a matter for officers attached to Allied Military Units, but as some of these officers are not present, the work of the Lucca Officer is proving useful.

9. CONDUCT OF ALLIED TROOPS:

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Major Celio DE MAS.
Dr. Alfredo G. LO.

ORZINUOVI.

Captain Antonio DI COCCO.
S/Ten. Amerigo MET.

SIENA.

Captain Dante RAZZI.
Mr. Silvano CAPTANI.

LIVORNO.

Major Alberto GRATTINI.
Signore Silvestro SILVESTRI.

FIORINSE.

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There has been a very considerable improvement in the behaviour of the troops and the many cases of rape and robbery which were occurring previously, have now been reduced. This is highly satisfactory and reflects much on the special preventive steps taken. It is hoped that this better standard of behaviour will not deteriorate.

10. RELATIONS WITH MILITARY POLICE: - - - Excellent.

11. SPECIAL PROBLEMS:

None except the transport of CO.RR. clothing and equipment from Bari and Naples to Livorno and Florence.

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12. FUNCTIONING OF (a) A.M.C. COURTS (b) ITALIAN COURTS:

Satisfactory, except the Italian Courts are still very slow in disposing of cases.

13. STAFF CHANGES: - (see Appendix "A"). 1B

a. Major F. O. GREEN (R), assigned to Emilia Region and temporarily attached to Lucca, transferred to Rome.

b. Lieut. F. B. ARNET (A), assigned to Lucca, now relieved and returned to U.S.A. on static assignment.

c. Capt. B. FIMIDIA (R), still in hospital.

14. FORGED CURRENCY: - (see Appendix "B"). 1C

Eight cases of Forged Allied Currency at Grosseto and one in Livorno. Handled in by persons unknown to Bank of Italy.

A good arrest occurred as a result of action taken at Siena by Major SAUNDERS. A description was obtained of a man who had handed to a shopkeeper 25 - L 1,000 bad notes. The description and details of his 'modus operandi' were circulated to all shopkeepers in Siena. The trap succeeded, and Municipal Guards arrested a certain CRIVELLI from Rome. In his possession was found L 470,000 in notes, of which L 350,000 were found to be false L 1,000 notes. On 22 December 1944, Major Saunders conveyed the prisoner to Rome and with local assistance searched a number of premises. A further L 400,000 in false L 1,000 notes was found and also L 750,000 in good money. The plates and other implements of forgery were found and also 4 of the forgery gang arrested. It is estimated that over L 7,000,000 in false notes had been produced by this means. It was a good piece of work and much credit is due to the Quentore and Municipal Guard in Siena.

15. REGENERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES:

Proceeding satisfactorily in all provinces.

16. PRISONS:a. FIORINCE:

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b. SIENA:

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b. SIENA:

Montepulciano, Siena Judiciary, and S. Gimignano all functioning normally. After a transfer from Siena to S. Gimignano the population took a further decrease there and the whole situation in the Province is healthy. At present all transfers are being made to S. Gimignano but the capacity will soon be reached there.

c. GROSSETO:

Prison overcrowded, but because of the small number convicted and the shortages of sentences, transfers are impracticable. One transfer was effected during the month.

2. PISA:

Repairs have stopped at Volterra because of the lack of materials. To resume these repairs the Regional Transportation Officer has consented to send a truck there, when possible, for two day periods. The re-establishment of this penitentiary is important for the area that it affords will soon be needed. The reformatory and Judiciary Prison at Pisa are functioning normally.

3. LIVORNO:

The Judiciary prison there continues to be the most difficult in the Region. It is understood that a new Director is on his way there. During the month several prisoners were transferred from there and others, serving light sentences, were employed by the province. This worked out excellently. They were fed, but not paid. There was no security problem, in fact three prisoners that finished their sentences requested to stay on. No reports from the inland prisons came in during the month although they have been asked for several times.

4. LUCCA: Situation normal. Prison operating well.5. PISTOIA:

Situation normal, prison operating well. There is a shortage of prison goods there, but at the moment it is not too serious.

6. AREZZO:

There is a shortage of materials here and all efforts are being made to alleviate the situation. Blankets have been sent there and other goods will be sent when located.

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In several prisons there is a shortage of clothes, beds, blankets and mens gear. All efforts are being made to shuffle what the prisons in the Region have so that no one prison is too badly off. Sometimes, lack of transportation hampers this.

In several of the prisons there are tubercular prisoners that should be sent to Pianosa Island. The gathering and transporting of these prisoners there make this impossible at the moment. It has been requested that the most seriously ill be released to the nearest civilian sanatorium for treatment.

In several cases guards, who were permitted to visit their homes in the South of Italy, have not returned to duty. In one case this office was informed that one guard presented himself to the Ministry of Grace and Justice and was transferred to where he wanted to go. This will have to stop for these men are needed at their present post of duty.

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In all, the prisons in the Region are still in good condition. No immediate insurmountable problems are anticipated.

17. FIRE SERVICE:

Progress continues in the re-habilitation of the Fire Service, many vehicles are still out of action through lack of tyres and spare parts though. The countryside is still being scoured for abandoned appliances and much good work has been done in an endeavour to get as many vehicles going as is possible. Lack of tyres is the main problem though.

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Get-backs we got of course, as when last week the most modern appliance in the region was in collision with an American truck and was so badly damaged that it is likely to be out of commission for months.

Two very useful wagons have been recovered from Civil Agencies, who had found them abandoned, repaired and returned them. They are now back in the service for which they were intended.

No really serious fires have occurred during the month. Some heavy fires occurred in Lucania Province for some unaccountable reason except one where the farmer is known to have upset a lighted kerosene lamp. Subversive activity is not suspected however.

Another fire occurred in the barracks of the Consorzio Agrario, cause unknown. About L. 1,000,000 worth of damage was caused and the fire, which took five hours to extinguish, was helped much by bursting petrol cans.

18. DEFENSE:

The System is being or has been revised in most towns of importance, sufficient to meet the much reduced risk of air raids.

The mine and bomb removal squads of U.R.P.A. in Florence, numbering 32, have done good work and Florence City is expected to be cleared by the end of the present month.

Siena Province is also commencing its own squads in order to cope with the many mined areas. Italian Military Squads are also at work in their respective zones, but there is much to be done as considerable areas of food producing earth are still unworkable owing to the presence of enemy mines.

In Pistoia Province similar activity is in vogue by unemployed A.R.P. workers.

19. DISORDER AND SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY: - Nothing reported.

20. STRIKES: - No serious strikes reported.

21. LABOUR:

Conditions remain more or less the same as previously reported.

22. PUBLIC MORALE:

Public Morale is dependent largely upon the cost of living. For the 'have nots' life is difficult, for the 'haves' who can afford to buy and who have access to food supplies in their country estates and where fuel is obtainable, life appears to be fairly good.

The war news of late seems to have caused some little anxiety in the public mind, but this recedes in face of that which touches everyone, i.e. food and warmth.

There have been no really serious food demonstrations since that did occur some months ago and easily dispersed.

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23. CO-OPERATION WITH G.I.O./F.S.S.: - - Good.

24. IMPROVEMENTS: - - None reported in Region Area.

25. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES:

Views and opinions on the political situation vary. Amongst the masses and less intelligent, there is much organised 'left wing' activity. This is of course influenced by prevailing economical conditions and the difficulty the Italian Government is experiencing in forming a strong single purpose line of action.

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The Communist Party seems to be the best organized and makes the most propaganda, followed closely by the Christian Democrats.

56 political parties is far too numerous for the political experience of the Italian people to support. They are all far more concerned about party, than the welfare of a war-scarred country.

There have been some demonstrations which are clearly of an anti-monarchical or anti-governmental origin.

For instance at Pisa on the 3rd ult, about 70 persons, mostly Communists demonstrated outside the CC.RR. Caserma demanding the release of a local Communist detained for possessing firearms. An attempt to force the Caserma gate was discouraged by the CC.RR. opening fire over the heads of the crowd. A bomb was thrown at the Caserma gate. Result, 2 persons injured and 4 of the organizers who were Communists arrested.

On the same day, 2 bombs were thrown at the window of the CC.RR. Commander's office at Rosignano Marittimo, Livorno. 30 casualties.

In Grosseto Province, influence is being brought to bear on the provincial and commune employees to join the Communist party or be unemployed.

In Pistoia Province, members of the 'GILIAO PDI' gang (referred to under Crime - para 7) have been naming Questura Officials, the staff of the Caserma di Bismarco, the officials in charge of the Auto-Transporti and also the CC.RR.. Most of the leading lights of this gang are now under lock and key and conditions are back to normal again.

In various places there have been instances of writing of Communist slogans, etc., on walls, but nothing that can be construed as seriously anti-Allied is indicated.

Generally speaking the political situation is not one to cause anxiety in the present moment, but continues to be carefully watched.

26. PROSTITUTES AND BROTHELS:

Situation well under control. The round up of prostitutes suspected of being foul creatures and many are detained for treatment.

No serious problem here except that the clandestine prostitution of women resulting from economical conditions.

The V.D. rate is not alarming as it is surprisingly low.

27. RESERVES FROM ITALIAN ARMY: - No problem.

28. ARMED WAR CRIMES:

An organized check up is being made in each Comune in the Region and a report will be submitted within a few days.

29. ARRESTS - INFORMATION OF PROSECUTING POWER: None reported in Reg. Area.

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In Pistoia Province, members of the 'SILVANO FERRI' gang (referred to under Crime - para 7) have been harassing Questura Officials, the staff of the Casca di Marziano, the officials in charge of the Auto-Transporti and also the CC.M.. Most of the leading lights of this gang are now under lock and key and conditions are back to normal again.

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- No problem.

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29. ARRESTS - INFORMATION OF PROVINCIAL POWER:

None reported in Reg. Area.

30. GENERAL SITUATION IN PUBLIC SAFETY:

In spite of all the difficulties then so many of the amenities of life are beyond the reach of the masses, the situation is under control and no serious disorder is anticipated at present. The situation can therefore be considered generally as calm.

AWP/dr

A. W. ROWLANDSON

Lieut. Colonel, G. L.,
Regional Public Safety Officer.

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS IN TOSCAN REGION - Al. indic "A"

	AREA	Atoll from
<u>HEADQUARTERS:</u>		
Lt. Col. A. W. ROWLANDSON	(B) R.P.S.O.	X
Major G. H. KASCH	(B) Fire & C.D. (now at Siena)	X
Captain J. B. FORSTER	(B) Fire & C.D.	X
Captain A. E. MACDONALD	(A) Fire & C.D. (now at Florence)	
Lieut. J. J. GUARINI	(A) Prisons	Liguria Reg. Venetia Reg.
<u>CROSSENO PROVINCE:</u>		
Major W. A. MOODY	(B) P.P.S.O.	X
Lieut. G. M. GUNN	(A) P.S.O.	
Lieut. J. H. TONG	(B) P.S.O. (now at Livorno temporary)	Lombardia Reg. Liguria Reg.
<u>SIENA PROVINCE:</u>		
Major A. C. RANDALL	(A) P.P.S.O.	X
<u>AREZZO PROVINCE:</u>		
Captain B. VINDING	(B) P.P.S.O. (now in Hosp.)	
Captain A. P. SHAW	(A) P.S.O.	Lombardia Reg. Piemonte Reg.
Captain O. KATHIS	(A) P.S.O.	
<u>FLORENCE PROVINCE:</u>		
Major H. S. GUILD	(B) P.S.O. X	X
Major R. S. HARRIS	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain D. R. ROBERTSON	(B) P.S.O.	Venesia Reg.
Captain H. H. DOWDY	(B) P.S.O.	" "
Captain G. E. LEE	(B) P.S.O.	" "
Captain T. MARCH	(B) P.S.O.	Piemonte Reg.
Captain M. SCOTT	(A) P.S.O.	Emilia Reg.
Captain T. GREEN III	(B) P.S.O.	13 Corps, 2 Army.
<u>LIVORNO PROVINCE:</u>		
Captain S. BEATTY	(B) P.S.O.	X
Major T. G. MCKENZIE	(B) P.P.S.O.	
Captain T. A. BOKAK	(A) P.S.O.	Emilia Reg. Piemonte Reg.
<u>PISA PROVINCE:</u>		
Captain G. L. TARDER	(A) P.P.S.O.	X
Lieut. H. J. O'NEILL	(A) P.S.O.	
<u>MEGA PROVINCE:</u>		
Captain A. S. LAWLEY	(A) P.P.S.O.	X
<u>PISTOIA PROVINCE:</u>		

Major	H. A. LEADY	(P)	P. F. S.O.		
Lieut.	G. M. CLINE	(A)	S.O.		
Lieut.	J. E. TROTH	(R)	S.O.	(now at Livorno temporary)	Vignola Reg.

TECHNICAL SPECS

major
A. O. Samaras (II) P. P. S. O.

EXHIBIT OF QUALITY

Captain	B.	PTMPLDMS	(B)	P.P.S.O.	(now in Hosp.)	<i>Richard</i>
Captain	A.	P. STAG	(A)	P.S.O.		
Captain	O.	MAUTHS	(A)	P.S.O.		

FLORIDA POWER:

Rank	Name	Grade	Regiment
Major	H. S. COULD	P. S. O.	13
Major	H. S. FARNIS	P. S. O.	13
Captain	D. S. ROBINSON	P. S. O.	13
Captain	H. H. DORRY	P. S. O.	13
Captain	G. E. LEE	P. S. O.	13
Captain	T. MARSH	P. S. O.	13
Captain	M. SCOTT	P. S. O.	13
Captain	T. TURNHILL	P. S. O.	13

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Captain	S. DEATY	(B)	P.S.O.
Major	T. G. MCKENZIE	(C)	P.P.S.O.
Captain	P. A. BORE	(A)	P.S.O.

SECRET

Captain	G. A. VARNER	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 4 \\ 1 \end{array} \right\}$	P. H. S. O.
Lieut.	W. J. O'NEILL	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 4 \\ 1 \end{array} \right\}$	P. H. S. O.

Local Providers:

Captain R. S. HENRY ✓ (A) D.P. 3.0.

PIGNOTA PROVINCES:

Captain	E. I. VERMONT	3	P. D. S. O.
Captain	E. Z. W. MINN	4	P. S. O.
Captain	G. W. PHOEN	5	P. S. O.

TRAVEL PROVISIONS:

Captain	D. E. BRADLEY	(B)	P. P. S. O.
Captain	O. A. WATKIN	(A)	P. P. S. O.
Captain	A. K. JEWELLSON	(B)	P. P. S. O.

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FORGED A.M.S. CURRENCY - Appendix "B"

Mins (9).

- (a) Number of cases of forgery (uttering) reported: Mins (9).
 (b) Number of forgers taken into custody: Nil.
 (c) Number of convictions: Nil.
 (d) Serial number of forged notes:

From Grosseto:-

A 16143745 A	1,000 Lire note.
A 16143742 A	" "
A 85835805 A	" "
A 02941367 A	" "
A 2547760 A	" "
A 19367384 A	" "
A 96745147 A	" "
A 02415679 A	500 "

1,000 Lire note.

from Livorno:- A 04511064 A

- (e) Additional useful information: Nil.

Above mentioned notes are being forwarded to Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C., for onward transmission to Finance Sub-Commission.

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