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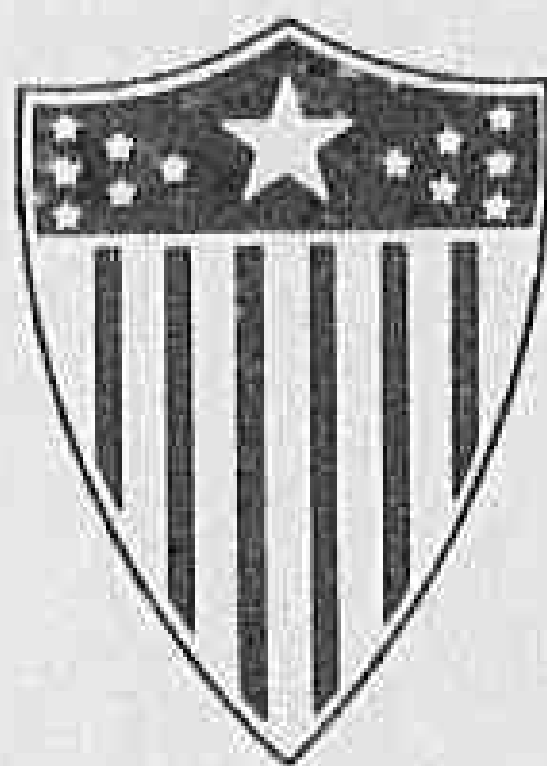
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AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ArmyCONFIDENTIAL.

1st December 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Public Safety.

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TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.

1. I enclose herewith, in duplicate, the report of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. Fifth Army, for the month of November, 1944.

2. The following appendices are attached :-

- "A" Forged Currency, 13C
 "B" Disposition of Public Safety Officers, 13C
 "C" Prisons, 13C

For the Commanding General:

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R.V.D. Janzan
 R.V.D. JANZAN,
 Lt. Col., Cav.,
 Acting Chief of Staff,
 A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. Army

CONFIDENTIAL.

1st December 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for November, 1944.

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TO : S.C.A.O., A.M.G. Fifth Army.

1. Progress during the month under review has been practically static. This has been especially so on the western side. Slow progress has been made in the west central sector while on the eastern side some movement forward has been effected and the Province of Forli has been cleared.

2. Location.

Florence, Scuole Femminile Rossini, Via Giuseppe Giallino.

3. Territory.

No change with the exception of the added territory taken over by P.B.S. area on the western portion of the zone surrounding the Livorno port and north of the check line at Cecina.

4. Police.(a) CC.RR.

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Two hundred (200) CC.RR., less 26 sick and on leave, have been loaned to the Eighth Army. These comprise the teams held in reserve for the Provinces of Reggio, Parma and Piacenza. They are subject to recall on 24 hours notice.

Fifty (50) of Bologna Province are operating from Marradi, ready to enter Fienza on occupation and to proceed thereafter to Imola on the east side of the Province they are destined for. The remainder of the Bologna team are disposed thus 150 at Scuole Centrale and 100 at Bivigliano.

In the Scuole Centrale in addition there are the teams for Modena and those for Lombardie and Piemonte Regions.

The Liguria Team at Viareggio have loaned men to 92 Div. Task Force numbering 1 Officer and 172 men while another 50 are being employed in Lucca.

There was an outbreak of scabies in the Scuole Centrale involving about 70 men which received prompt treatment.

Clothing for the Liguria team is an urgent necessity and it is hoped with the supplies intimated as arriving will help supply their wants, especially the men on check line duties.

Heavy demands are being made for the services of CC.RR. for security controls which fortunately have all been met. This could only have been done by drawing on the reserves created in Army Area for the forward regions.

The excellent work done by CC.RR. is reflected by the large number of agents detected prior to, and during, the month.

Guardia di Finanza.

Fully occupied on revenue duties and tax evasion.

Agente Sicurezza and Metropolitani.

With the area being generally static the territory is gradually settling down and no complaints are indicated. Several changes have been made during the month to put men into posts where they are most suited.

(b) Crimes and Offences.

Florence Province. One serious case where a gasoline pipe was cut and a youth of 17 years sentenced to two years imprisonment, his age limited the sentence that would have been given. Other twelve persons found with gasoline in their homes are waiting trial: A special warning to all police agencies has been issued requiring special vigilance in the guarding of and reporting on fractures of the supply pipe. The apprehension of a person for theft of hides disclosed a stolen painting, supposedly valuable. A man was convicted of theft of telephone wire, thought for improvising a lead-in from an electric light circuit. Fortunately this is an isolated case. So far three persons have been apprehended for the clandestine publishing of an anarchist journal. There was one case of altering and tendering five 100 lire A.M. notes, making the new denomination 1000 lire. Five in a gang apprehended for attempted bribery and illegal cloth transactions in Prato, where other nine persons have been caught attempting to overcome the "freezing" order. At Empoli at 1900 hours on 19th November, four masked men entered a house, one armed with an automatic rifle and three with pistols, and shot a man and seriously injured his wife. The allegation is that he was shot for his fascist activities. Groups of three or four men have also been reported prowling after dark and holding people up for money. CC.RR. and Agenti are actively prosecuting these crimes and Florence Legion have detailed a special investigating officer to help.

Pistoia Province. A case is in process of investigation and three persons so far apprehended for the theft of AMG flour. An Italian military driver is involved. An alleged case of armed hold-up by civilians in the southern part of the province is being investigated.

Lucca Province. One case of uttering two 50 lire notes which had been altered to 500 lire.

(c) Conduct of Troops.

Two cases of rape allegedly by US coloured troops in Lucca and another in Viareggio have been reported to the Provost Marshal for investigation.

In addition there have been a number of complaints of theft in 92 Div. area.

Beyond the foregoing the conduct of troops is satisfactory.

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(d) Relations with Military Police.

Very good. This is especially so in the Rest Centres in Montecatini and Pistoia, where there are large numbers of troops, smooth working and co-operation is effected.

(e) Refugees.

These are being received in very large numbers due to the compulsory evacuation of the forward areas to provide accommodation for troops. CC.RR. are invaluable in this work, not only in shepherding the refugees but in finding alternative homes.

(f) Special Problems.

The provision of hand electric torches as a necessary part of CC.RR. equipment when manning check posts at night is matter that should be given serious consideration by CC.RR. Command.

5. (a) Public Morale.

Is at present greatly influenced by the provision of food. Where the ration is not implemented the morale is decidedly low.

(b) Attitude of Public towards (1) AMG and (2) Italian Government.

- (1) Generally satisfactory.
- (2) In the light of the political upheaval no opinion can be given: After the reconstruction of the Government it should be possible to pick up information especially as to how the barometer may swing - either "left" or "right".

(c) Political Activity.

There is a more even tenor at present. The outcome of events in Rome will no doubt have a bearing on the matter. The fact that political meetings are prohibited in Army Area should have a steadying effect in this territory.

(d) Riot or Civil Disturbance.

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On 10th November a number of approximately 150 assembled outside the Prefettura in Florence carrying slogans "Milk for children" "Away with the Fascist Prefect" "Long live the Allies" "We want epuration". A deputation was seen by the Provincial Commissioner and whereas the demonstration purported to be one requesting more food it veered round to be an anti-prefect in its aspect. The demonstration had a definite political trend and was dispersed without incident.

On 22nd November at Reggello about 60 women called at the Sindaco requesting soap, sugar, and oil after which they dispersed quietly.

(e) Industrial Agitation.

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At a US Ordnance Dump at the Galileo in Florence a small strike of short duration took place. Communist elements made an effort to get the workers to come under their control which proved abortive. Reports have been received of a second attempt being made without success. The Army Labour Officer has successfully dealt with the affair.

(f) Strikes.

See (e).

(g) Sabotage.

The incident referred to in para. 4 (b) was a border line case and as it could not be proved to be of enemy or fascist prompting the case was treated as a crime.

(h) Control of Movement.

Strict control has been maintained within Army Area. As a result a large number of detections have taken place of expired, bogus or altered passes. One important point is the large number of enemy agents that have been caught in the area in which the CC.RR. have played an important part in their cooperation with security agents and MPs.

As from 25th November, 1944, persons will be allowed to circulate beyond 10 kilometers without a pass in that portion of Florence Province south of the River Arno but such movement is limited to the province. This request was acceded to by AAI Security Branch to permit the procurement of food.

A special nocturnal check for one week was maintained in Army Area by security agents the results of which have not yet been made known.

Fifth Army have issued an order prohibiting the carriage of civilians in army vehicles unless under certain specified cases such as employees which must be certified by an officer not below field grade.

One observation that might be made is that in some cases Sub-Commissions are not aware of the topography of the country as applications are received here for Eighth Army, in some cases for places on the Adriatic.

(i) Internees.

Steady flow.

(j) Curfew.

Satisfactory.

6. Prisons.

(a) Satisfactory. A survey was made in Florence to check on any delays.

(b) Administration: No complaints.

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- (c) Sanitation: Satisfactory.
- (d) Discipline: Good.
- (e) Buildings: Good.
- (f) Political Prisoners from Fascist Regime: No record as all prisoners not on charges are those held for security by security police.
- (g) Prisoners awaiting trial: No delays reported.

7. Fire and Civil Defence.

(a) At Montecatini the Army Fire Service have taken over the Vigili Fuoco Caserma. In this town there are large numbers of troops in rest. Objection was made to the Fire Officer (Army) and a report was received that they considered the civil service not sufficient for the fire risk and commented on the defect of some of the appliances.

It was pointed out that every effort was being made to get the defects remedied but that the loss of their station did not help matters. It was also pointed out that in addition to the civil service a portion of the Army service was necessary; the matter is still under review but meantime the Army fire service is in control.

(b) Civil Defence Organisation and Equipment.

Satisfactory especially in Florence.

(c) Disposal of unexploded bombs and mines.

Some good progress can be recorded this month.

In addition to the satisfactory work in the Florence team, six companies have sent teams for training in mine clearance and are getting down to work after training.

The Pisa team is operating with success and training continues.

Lucca team should soon produce results.

In Pistoia training has commenced.

After months of striving something really concrete has been established which will go a long way if the same keenness is maintained to eradicate the handicap that prevented the development of mine infested areas.

General.

A man was shot for espionage on 25th November 1944.

Reference is made to the considerable flooding in the basin of the River Arno on 2 November: It is recorded as the highest water level of 100 years and considerable damage was done notably in the Pisa area where a tented hospital was inundated.

In Florence, a Report Centre was established and all essential services mobilised in the event of a critical development. Fortunately the peak of the rise subsided before any inundation of the city took place.

Walter Doherty

W. DOHERTY,
Lt.Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety.

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Appendix "A".Forging and altering Allied Military Currency.

Lucca Province: One case of two altered 50 lire notes to the value of 500 lire. This was the subject of a special report to your Sub-Commission.

Florence Province (Florence City): One case of five 100 lire notes altered to 1000 lire.

In Lucca the notes were discovered to be forgeries when they were received in the bank; In Florence they were accepted as tender in a shop and afterwards discovered to be altered. In neither case was an arrest made.

Appendix "B".Disposition of Public Safety Officers

Lt.Col.	W. Doherty	B	Chief of Public Safety
Captain	J. Dunstan	B	C.A.P.O. Fifth Army
Captain	P.A. Edwards	B	C.A.P.O. II Corps
Captain	A.C. Mack	B	C.A.P.O. IV Corps
Captain	L.G. Whyman	B	C.A.P.O. 92 Task Force
Captain	R.C. Limbert	B	Refugee Officer, Florence
Captain	T. Greenhill	B	Florence Province, Black Market, (Attd from Emilia Region) Cloth
Captain	A. Hunter	B	C.A.P.O. IV Corps, attd vice Major Ronnie
Captain	R. Hunt	B	C.A.P.O. XIII Corps (from 8th Army)

Departures.

Major	W. Ronnie	B	Posted to A.C. Security.
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Appendix "C".Prisons

No change from previous month. Prison return will be responsibility of Toscana Region by arrangement with R.P.S.O.

No prisons have been taken over in Bologna Province in Fifth Army.

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AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. Army

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2nd November 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Public Safety. *203/2.*

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

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1. I enclose herewith, in duplicate, the report for the month of October, 1944, of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. Fifth Army.

2. Appendices "A" Forged Currency, *12C*
"B" Dispositions of Public Safety Officers, *12B*
"C" Prisons, *12C*

are attached.

For the Commanding General:

E. R. Mayne
E. R. MAYNE,
Colonel, UDF,
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. Army

CONFIDENTIAL.

1st November 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for October, 1944.

223/2.

TO : S.C.A.C., AMG Fifth Army.

1. During this month the Army progress has been slowed up by climatic conditions. A large tract of the Province of Bologna, a small portion of Ravenna and a section of Forli have been occupied and the policing has been done by mobile CC.RR. of Army coupled with any static or refugee CC.RR. found.

The new territory in the high mountainous Appenines is sparsely populated and public safety therein is easily handled.

2. Location.

As of last month - in the environs of Florence.

3. Territory.

From the Army Check Line in the south to a point 70 kilometres north of Florence on the east side thence across country to the Apuania southern border on the west.

4. (a) Police CC.RR.

In addition to the Mobile CC.RR. attached to Army, those of Region IX and the detachments for Piemonte and Lombardia are housed in the Scuole Centrale totalling 2,070. The 580 for Liguria are billeted in a school at Viareggio. A spearhead of 100 CC.RR. for Bologna and 50 for Imola are at Biviliano ready to go forward on occupation of those towns. Due to the large numbers of young men with little police experience, classes of instruction have been started under Public Safety and CC.RR. officers, concentrating on the provisions of A.M.G. proclamations with ancillary training in foot and squad drill.

Three German steam cookers were located in a west coast commune and are now installed at Viareggio which has gone far to ease the cooking problem for such a large number.

Arrangements have been made that while the men are in Florence a reserve of 200 will always be on call in the event of food demonstrations or other disturbances in that town.

A number of the men at Viareggio are utilised in turn on Corps check line duties and more will be used when the towns of Massa and Carrara are occupied.

Clothing and boots are now coming forward to Florence and are being distributed on a pro rata basis which is being supervised by Major Lacey, Lombardia Region and Capt. Liddle, of Piemonte. A supply has also been sent to Eighth Army.

CC.RR. medical officers are available at the Scuole Centrale to deal with any ailments that occur.

A conference of R.P.S.Os, Major Wilson, A.C., and General Mattei and his officers for the forward areas was held in Florence from which good results should accrue.

In the event of towns in Forli and Ravenna being occupied by Fifth Army, use will be made of Region III CC.RR. until such time as those in Eighth Army territory can take over.

In the forward areas CC.RR. are doing a very good job under the present trying conditions and the supply of clothing came none too soon, otherwise the effective strength would have deteriorated.

It has to be recorded that in the move of CC.RR. reinforcements, one was killed by falling off a train, while two who were out walking near their billets south of Livorno were blown up and killed by a mine.

Guardia di Finanza.

These continue to do good work guarding the revenue producing goods and on shore patrols on the western coast.

Agente Sicurezza and Metropolitani.

These forces are gradually being reorganised in the newly won territory.

(b) Crimes and Offences.

With one exception no serious crime has come under notice during the month. In Florence Province there was one instance where the hair of two women had been shorn but they would not come forward for fear of reprisals in some other form.

On 19th October, at Volterra (Pisa Province), an alleged fascist was

shot by an alleged patriot. The alleged assailant on hearing that an enquiry was taking place at the Caserma called there in a drunken condition, armed. There was some gun play resulting in the patriot himself being shot. The matter is being enquired into.

(c) Conduct of Troops.

In an otherwise clear calender, two murder cases have taken place.

On 26th September, at Lastra a Signa, a child of 9 years was stabbed to death. On 2nd October, a British soldier made overtures to another child and as he tallied with the description of the wanted man he was apprehended and the preliminary report discloses that he confessed to the crime.

On 10th October, at Vicchio di Mugello (Florence Province), an Indian soldier was arrested for the murder of an Italian girl. Jealousy is alleged to be the reason.

(d) Relations with Military Polics.

Satisfactory.

(e) Refugees.

A fairly steady flow is taking place due to the necessity for troops occupying what cover they can get in the mountain fractions. The Centre at Florence still continues to excite the attentions of interested parties on the good work done by the P.S.O. in charge.

(f) Special Problems.

Partisane and their treatment is still a matter of import. Several parties that have come in from the hills in groups have so far been disarmed satisfactorily this month. There is still a doubt as to whether all arms have been uncovered in the areas round the Arno which is borne out by the occasional prosecution in AMG Courts for failure to surrender arms.

5. (a) Public Morale.

This is chiefly affected by food supply which has been very small in the forward areas until the past few days, when the ration has been increased and has given a better tenor to things.

(b) Attitude of Public towards (1) AMG (2) Italian Government.

(1) Generally satisfactory.

(2) The Red element apparently hold sway in any expression of opinion with other C.L.N. elements a moderate second.

(c) Political Activity.

Florence is the centre where activity is pronounced and the outcome cannot be forecast. The atmosphere at one time was electric but there is a slightly better tone at present which will require watching.

Leftist printed propaganda still continues to circulate and it is reliably thought that it emanates from the Eternal City.

(d) Riot or Civil Disturbance.

On 16th October, there was a small demonstration on account of food shortage. With the increased ration things have modified and further episodes are not at present expected.

At Florence on 6th October, there was a similar demonstration by females chiefly. Improved rations were demanded and as at Pistoia this matter has been righted. In the eventuality of further incidents developing reserve CC.RR. are on call coupled with Military Police to cope with any demonstrations.

(e) Industrial Agitation.

One small incident was reported of a strike at an Army Ordnance Dump which was dealt with by the AMG Labour Officer.

(f) see (e)

(g) Sabotage.

One case of agents being caught near Castiglione revealed on their admission that they had received instructions to get to Foggia to execute their orders there.

(h) Control of Movement. *Copy taken from 13/11*

Florence seems to be the mecca of thousands, not only Italians but members of the Vatican and various Military Missions. Several cases have occurred where people who should know better have applied to Regions for permits instead of to Army. Other cases revealed that passes had been actually given without any enquiry. A satisfactory arrangement has been come to with Liaison Section, A.C., to deal with all Vatican pass applications. The Yugo-Slav Mission was the subject of enquiry necessitating one party having their authorisation seized and the party is in process of being returned to Bari for disciplining.

It is felt that more pruning of applications should be done, especially by Lazio Region, before forwarding to Army who should not be given the task of dealing with documents in Italian, which on the face of it, are of the nature of minor domestic matters. These cannot be entertained with the present state of roads and the necessity for essential military transport.

A sharp reminder to all concerned as to the observance of that clearly defined Executive Memorandum No. 77 is warranted.

Warning notices on 10 kilo travel have had to be issued in Army area.

(1) Internees.

An increase in numbers is recorded. A further tightening-up is probable in the very near future.

(f) Curfew.

No great difficulty.

6. Prisons.

(a) Satisfactory position.

(b) Administration.

No trouble experienced during month.

(c) Sanitation.

No complaint.

(d) Discipline.

Good order.

(e) Buildings.

Good. Repairs effected at Pistoia.

(f) Food.

Supplies meagre in initial stages and now satisfactory.

(g) Political Prisoners from Fascist Regime.

With the static conditions the situation is that persons found in custody are those locked up by patriots and C.L.N. and are subject to the security branches in determining their status.

(h) Prisoners awaiting trial.

No delays reported.

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7. Fire and Civil Defence.

(a) With several good finds of plant a satisfactory condition exists having regard to the fire risk.

A transfer of vehicles from Pistoia to Florence - all within the Region of Toscana - made for a better distribution as Florence was short of its previous standard.

(b) Civil Defence Organisation and Equipment.

Florence City team continues good. At Pistoia and Lucca there are skeleton forces but it is not expected any great demand will be made on their services.

The main effort is to get shelters cleared and cleansed which is being carried out.

(c) Disposal of unexploded bombs and mines.

The Florence unit continues active with casualties still occurring. The training of civilians still goes on at Pisa and Lucca but there is no record of their actually functioning as difficulty is experienced in getting detection gear for this hazardous form of employment.

General.

The slow advance coupled with extremely bad weather has made conditions most unpleasant in the field especially to those engaged on check posts and by P.S.Os in their movement overland. Everyone has given of his best and all deserve praise for their work.

Walter Doherty

W. DOHERTY,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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Appendix "A"Forging and altering of Allied Military Currency.

No cases.

In view of the information of cases of this type in Eighth Army area, special circulars have been circulated to all CC.RR. in this area warning banks and stores to be on the alert, especially in the case of 500 lire notes.

Appendix "B"Disposition of P.S.Os in Fifth Army.

Lt.Col. W. Doherty	B	Chief of Public Safety.
Major J.C. Ronnie	B	S.C.A.O. Special Combat Unit.
Capt. J. Dunstan	B	C.A.P.O. Fifth Army.
Capt. P.A. Edwards	B	C.A.P.O. II Corps.
Capt. A.G. Meck	B	C.A.P.O. IV Corps.
Capt. L.G. Whyman	B	C.A.P.O. IV Corps, West Sector.
Capt. R.C. Limbert	B	Refugee Officer, Florence.
Capt. Greenhill	B	C.A.P.O. XIII Corps. Att'd from Reg IX.

Appendix "C"Prisons.

No change during the month. In the towns occupied organisation has been improved; the strength of guards has been made up by returning officials. Accommodation is ample and generally a satisfactory state of affairs exists.

The Murato Prison in Florence was taken over by the Army (British) as a Court Martial Holding Centre, with a portion being reserved for Security Branch prisoners.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 164 U.S. Army

1st October 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Public Safety.

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TO : -Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

1. In enclose herewith, in duplicate, the report for the month of September of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. Fifth Army.

2. Appenlices "A" Forged Currency,
"B" Dispositions of Public Safety Officers,
"C" Prisons

are attached.

For the Commanding General:

E.B. Mayne
E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, UDF,
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

Public Safety Sub-Commission
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AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. Army

CONFIDENTIAL.

30th September 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for September, 1944.

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TO : S.C.A.O., A.M.G. Fifth Army.

1. During the month under review the Army has made various moves which included the occupation of Lucca, Pisa, Pistoia, Prato and Viareggio as well as the breaching of the Gothic line.

2. Location.

At Fifth Army C.P. in the environs of Florence.

3. Territory.

This extends from the west coast to a line 40 kilometres east of Florence.

4. (a) Police - CC.RR.

The supply of CC.RR. has been uppermost in the mind, both as to the policing of forward areas when they are occupied and also the need to have them forward in time in the event of a quick withdrawal by the enemy. The effort of Public Safety Sub-Commission to meet these demands is much appreciated and the flow of CC.RR. has commenced in satisfying numbers which it is hoped will be maintained.

The two contingents of 300 and 600 have been met at Livorno, billeted and taken to points for future dispersal. Region IX have now received their quota for the initial phase and the 100 which were at Perugia have been transported to the assembly point for the special force going into Bologna. They will be followed by 200 as the second wave.

The 580 destined for Liguria have been distributed up the line of communication - 200 at Pisa, 300 at Lucca and 80 at Viareggio.

A.C.C. transport from Livorno to Florence, Pisa and Lucca was not used as it would have meant a serious reduction in the transport of urgently wanted food supplies. Calls on Fifth Army for transport were fortunately met and the moves were all completed successfully. Regions were unable to assist with interior moves due to lack of transport of their own and here again Fifth Army had to fill the bill. It must continue to be a matter for concern when the Army moves beyond range to carry out further movement as

stockpiles of food must suffer if A.C.C. vehicles are called upon having regard to the expected 1220 CC.RR. arriving from Bari.

A conference of R.P.S.Os was held here on the 25th September, and much good results accrued therefrom. A tentative supply channel of CC.RR. has been fixed up which will be from the Scuole Centrale, Florence, thence via Bologna and the towns situated on the Via Emilia. Caserma will be reconnoitred in the various towns so that provincial teams will move stage by stage up the line to the point where they are to be dropped off. This will call for each P.S.O. cooperating in a general policy of policing the north of the country. The matter was discussed of supplying a city like Turin in the event of its occupation from another sector and the possibility of air transport in that connection is one that is far from remote.

So far Fifth Army has acted as receptionist for CC.RR. at Livorno with the cooperation of the P.P.S.O. there and as this must change with a forward move it was arranged that an officer be stationed there representative of Piemonte and Lombardia to receive and billet further arrivals of CC.RR.

The Apuania team is ready to be dropped off on the occupation of the towns of Massa and Carrara and it is hoped to reinforce them for a period with some of the Liguria CC.RR.

The teams for Modena, Reggio, Parma and Piacenza are working in Florence and ready at short notice to go to their new locations.

CC.RR. officers for the new regions are coming forward promptly and no complaint can be lodged on this score.

Considerable progress has been made in the reorganisation of CC.RR. in the provinces and Region VIII calls for special mention in getting down to a good job, not losing sight of the work that has been done by the P.S.Os in Florence who had a heavy task in what could be termed a "difficult" city in view of its many interests, mediaeval and otherwise.

Lucca and Pisa still continue to receive a long range shell or two and Pistoia received much more attention in this respect which restricted the entry of the full CC.RR. team for a time.

One CC.RR. was seriously injured during the month and two are missing believed killed. All of which were caused by mines and booby traps.

CC.RR. are fully occupied on town duties, road blocks and check points and movement without pass which resulted in several apprehensions and the detection and detention of suspected enemy agents.

Guardia Finanza. Much useful work has been done by this force such as the guarding of revenue producing factories, e.g. tobacco, matches and salt works located in the advance. They are also extensively used on coastal patrols

where they collect persons arriving by boat from occupied territory and at least one agent was caught.

Agente Sicurezza and Metropolitani. These vary considerably in the various districts. While some are good and well dressed, others are of poor quality and an effort is made to stir up some enthusiasm in their work.

(b) Crimes and Offences.

No serious cases are reported in Army territory with the exception of Florence. One or two murders are alleged to have been committed in that city and blame is laid at the door of the Partegiani. Investigations are proceeding to clarify the matter. One or two cases of female hair cutting have taken place. A Sindaco is an accused person in one instance and a CC.RR. in the other.

Other cases involve offences against proclamation such as carrying firearms, travel and curfew.

(c) Conduct of Troops.

Very good. A French Colonial soldier who escaped from captivity and on coming through the lines was given shelter in a house and by way of thanks raped the daughter. He has been apprehended and awaits disposal.

(d) Relations with Military Police.

Complete harmony.

(e) Refugees.

This problem still arises in certain phases of the advance. CC.RR. are most helpful in shepherding the people to the accommodation provided. In this connection Captain Limbert has been commended for his work in Florence where his centre is a model of good organisation - one of many he has been responsible for.

(f) Special Problems.

The partisans are still a body that require constant attention in separating the sheep from the goats. They can be classes as genuine and otherwise, political and non-political. The surrender of arms is a matter that requires tactful but firm handling. It is nevertheless the opinion that all arms are not surrendered with possibly sinister motives in the future.

5. (a) Public Morale.

Continues satisfactory.

(b) Attitude of Public towards (1) AMG (2) Italian Government.

(1) Satisfactory.

(2) The only apparent signs are that C.I.N. and the "Red" element are active in their manifestations indicating their leanings when local elections come their way.

(c) Political Activity.

Again "Red" elements hold the stage but not so far in an alarming way. The illicit posting of notices in Florence Province by Communist led, after enquiry, to the unearthing of the printing press of a paper supposed to have operated from the same source during German occupation. Further printing was prohibited and the notices torn down or defaced. The proprietor of the press has not so far been located and it is felt that he has gone to earth.

(d) Riot or Civil Disturbance.

There has come to notice on at least two occasions what might develop into a post war problem in Italy. Local committees in fractions are sending "invitations" to moneyed people to attend a meeting of sorts and they are to come prepared to pay an undetermined sum to the party funds - a polite form of banditry. There is an underlying unexpressed threat that if money is not forthcoming, evil will befall the resister. The difficulty is that informants will not come forward at an enquiry by AMG being afraid of reprisals. Another disturbing matter is that contradini are being urged not to pay to landlords the 50% share for the use of lands, maintaining that since Allied occupation the old order of things has changed and that they are entitled to retain all profits.

(e) Industrial Agitation.

None.

(f) Strikes.

None.

(g) Sabotage.

None.

(h) Control of Movement.

This has been most effective. Road checks have been and are maintained at strategical points and C.I.C. have maintained mobile patrols to see if attempts were being made by overland routes to avoid detection. The results are good and the security branch have expressed their satisfaction at the cooperation maintained. The pass system is working well and the Executive Memorandum No. 77 issued on 31st August, 1944, has done much to clarify what is required to regulate travel.

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(i) Internees.

Still a respectable number of persons are being sent back by C.I.C. as persons dangerous if at liberty and others for collaboration with the enemy.

(j) Curfew.

Satisfactory.

6. Prisons.

(a) The situation in regard to prisons is much better than in Region III and part of Region IV. Damaged prisons have been repaired and with the availability of the Island Prisons off Livorno ample accommodation should be available.

(b) Administration.

No difficulty has been experienced so far. The screening of officials may cause some minor adjustments.

(c) Sanitation.

Satisfactory.

(d) Discipline.

Favourable so far as ascertained.

(e) Buildings.

Good. The Prison Officer of Region VIII had matters well in hand.

(f) Food.

In view of the change in ration scales to civilians, this is a matter that requires regional comment.

(g) Political Prisoners from Fascist Regime.

Several prisoners are found whose cases will require review by the region following up. There is the usual crop of fascists found who have been locked up by the partisans for collaboration with the enemy.

(h) Prisoners awaiting trial.

No delays reported.

7. Fire and Civil Defence.

(a) The situations has already been reported on. With the enemy

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abstracting equipment in most cases the fire prevention branch requires review and overhaul. The service is doing good work where the pumps are available in pumping or carrying water to institutions until repairs are effected to the aqueducts.

(b) Civil Defence Organisation, UNPA efficiency and Equipment.

The Florence team still continues to do good service. Other towns can be considered as non-existent.

(c) Disposal of unexploded bombs and mines.

Here again the Florence team must be mentioned.

Pisa, the worst mined town so far has now got the services of two Italian Army Officers who are training civilians to do demining in the town. This is a step in the right direction and should be developed more extensively as casualties are numerous in this area.

General:

A month of progress in more ways than one though it is realised that much remains to be done in the regions ahead. The P.S.Os continue to do good work under conditions which are not always congenial.

Walter Doherty

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Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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Appendix "A"

Forging and Altering of Allied Military Currency - No cases.

Appendix "B"

Disposition of P.S.Os in Fifth Army.

Lt.Col. W. Doherty	B	Chief of Public Safety
Capt. J. Dunstan	B	CAPO, Hq Fifth Army
Capt. J.O. Ronnie	B	CAPO, IV Corps
Capt. P.A. Edwards	B	CAPO, II Corps
Capt. A.G. Mack	B	CAPO, IV Corps (Western Sector)
Capt. L.C. Whyman	B	CAPO, Viareggio
Capt. R.C. Limbert	B	Refugee and Prosecutor Florence
Capt. Greenhill	B	CAPO, XIII Corps (attd from Reg. IX)

Appendix "C"

Prisons.

As reported on during month.

HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. Army

1st September 1944.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Public Safety.

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TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q. A.C.C. ✓

1. I enclose herewith, in duplicate, the report for the month of August, 1944, of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. Fifth Army.

2. Appendices "A" Forged Currency, "B" Disposition of Public Safety Officers, "C" Prisons.

are attached.

For the Commanding General:

VP has seen, thank you
H.L. 26 Sep.

E.B. MAYNE,
Colonel, UDF,
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

Copy to: R.C., Region 8, A.C.C. (Attn: R.P.S.O.)

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
A.P.O. 464 U.S. ARMY

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31st August 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report for August, 1944.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C.C.

1. During the month under review, the Army has been fairly static. There has been opportunity for cooperation with the Regional teams, in preparation for the occupation and subsequent handling over of territory in the future.

As of 21st August 1944, the line of the Fifth Army was extended beyond and including the City of Florence. XIII Corps were taken over.

2. Location.

At Fifth Army C.P. immediately east of Tavernelle on Highway 2.

3. Territory.

The front now covers about two thirds of the A.A.I. front, and the development of Livorno by P.B.S. has called for special police arrangements, being made, coupled with the operation of an intricate "Zona Nero" from which the public had to be kept excluded.

4. (a) Police.

A special report has been submitted during the month on the requirements in CC.RR. for the territory it is expected that this army will occupy, based on 1 per 5,000 of population.

This assessment is made as a guide to the Regional P.S.O. who has to take over. Difficulty is experienced in getting information as to who the future officers are to be. The possible fast movement of the army makes it essential that from now on this H.Q. be advised as to progress of the plans of the Sub-Commission in order that complete liaison be maintained and information secured beforehand as to the available supply of much wanted and ever essential CC.RR.

Arrangements made
through Regional
Commissioner

The Region VIII arrangements are satisfactory on the former Eighth Army front. The additional Corps front tacked on has meant some adjustment to comply with Fifth Army standards.

CC.RR. teams are ready with Corps to enter Lucca, Pistoia and Pisa and Apuania. In Florence teams are working in the town to provide for Prato and Empoli. If Bologna is tacked on an adjustment will require to be made to cater for it.

250 CC.RR. are being transported on arrival at Siena to Florence in preparation for Region IX. They are being allocated as follows:

Modena Province	100
Parma "	50
Reggio "	50
Piacenza "	50

These numbers are short by 120 from the figures assessed and it is hoped that the remainder will be forthcoming in time for the occupation of the respective provinces. When the time is ripe, they will be set to work with their various Corps and dropped off as their province is reached.

Some of the Region P.S.Os have been met and their duties explained while working with army. This process of assimilation has worked well and if early contact is made with succeeding regions a satisfactory working should result. The essential is that teams for the regions north be made known as early as possible.

CC.RR. Officers for the various provinces have been conveyed from Grosseto and placed with their CC.RR. under their command. They have been set to work in the provinces occupied so that refugee men might be screened and those accepted placed on the pay-roll, which has oft times been a bone of contention. Arrangements were made with the Finance Division that in any emergency cash advances could be made to CC.RR. until such time as money was available through regular channels. This machinery has worked well and keeps down complaints on this score.

The Officers for the new Florence Legion and for the replacement depot in Florence are in course of being set up and it is hoped that everything will be geared up to provide for the needs further north.

One CC.RR. was killed during the month, as per special report rendered; a civilian whom he was escorting, trod on a mine killing himself and fatally wounding the CC.RR.

*Gen Orlando spoke of this on 11/44. - 2 -
will have 2,500 E.R.R. and be
suitable as forward staging point.*

(b) Crimes and Offences.

Reports have been received of five murders in Florence alleged to have been committed by patriots and the victims were supposed Fascists. Investigations are proceeding. One case in IV Corps where an American soldier was murdered is awaiting disposal by General Court.

Other cases involve chiefly the illegal possession of firearms curfew offences and travel contraventions. There was a spate of cases of general disregard for curfew in Livorno but a drive on a large scale satisfactorily dealt with the matter.

(c) Conduct of Troops.

Some cases of rape by Indian Troops in the XIII Corps have been reported and difficulty has been experienced in obtaining identifications. Another case by U.S. coloured troops was more successful in that three offenders were apprehended.

One or two cases of looting have taken place chiefly in places where the town was uninhabited.

Otherwise the conduct has been good.

(d) Relations with Military Police.

All that could be desired.

(e) Refugees.

A zone in the tactical area was ordered to be cleared of all civilians in which A.M.G. and CC.RR. played a prominent part. As far as possible they have been housed in areas as near their old homes with a view to their early return when the situation permits. A certain number have had to be sent to the Refugee Camps which have been established in the Army Area.

A number had to be dealt with in Florence area due partly to civilians infiltrating from northern territory, coupled with the persons who had sought refuge in the town prior to its liberation. Public Safety Officers have been called in to assist in the smooth working of their housing and or evacuation.

(f) Special Problems.

As each area is reached a peculiar partisan situation arises. The situation in Florence was such that they were a formidable fighting force and still

are north of the river. South of the river they have been gradually disbanded and their arms disposed of by storing their weapons meantime at the partisan H.Q.s. Livorno in this respect is settling down nicely.

5. (a) Public Morale.

Satisfactory.

(b) Attitude of Public towards (1) A.M.G. (2) Italian Government.

(1) The efforts of specialist officers to rehabilitate industry, communal services and the provision of petroleum products for the milling of grain are appreciated.

(2) No hostile showings.

(c) Political Activity.

There is a definite communist trend in the newly won areas and is evinced by the amount of "red" worn by males chiefly in the nature of scarves, etc. It has been stated by "real" communists that some of their followers do not know the true significance of their Party's aims and that they will be supporters for a short-lived period. In general, the C.L.N., a combination of parties including the Communists, are active, embracing most of the people who matter.

(d) Riot or Civil Disturbance.

A small local demonstration in II Corps area was soon quelled. The desire was to control a commune in their own way, but A.M.G. had other ideas and all is quiet now.

(e) Industrial Agitation.

None.

(f) Strikes.

None.

(g) Sabotage.

None.

(h) Control of Movement.

Special road checks have been the means of bringing in some suspected agents, as also persons disregarding the 10 kilometre travel. The C.I.C. have

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been most industrious in this respect and have employed CC.RR. to the full. Special arrangements have been made to deal with Florence where a special pass system is in vogue.

(i) Internees.

A goodly number of persons are being returned through P.O.W. by C.I.C. They are chiefly persons who have collaborated with the enemy and are deemed to be a menace to security.

(i) Curfew.

Beyond the Livorno occurrence the infractions are not above normal.

6. Prisons.

(a) A good job has been done in the rehabilitation of prisons. Labour was organised to repair those at Piombino and Volterra and they will soon be back to normal. Livorno jail which was out of commission during German occupation has now been scraped out of debris and, with little repair, will be fit for habitation when sufficient water is turned on. If Pisa prison has been knocked about, Livorno will be able to ease the situation. Good team work was done here.

As the Island Prisons did not come under Fifth Army and will be a Region VIII concern when army moves on no official action was taken beyond assisting the Region Prison Officer to get conveyance to the Islands. It is understood that with some reorganisation the prisons there will be a useful contribution.

(b) Administration.

Satisfactory arrangements have been made on a tentative basis and Region should have no great difficulty in maintaining executive administration.

Instructions have been issued to C.A.Os to trace scattered prison officials with a view to their returning to former posts.

(c) Sanitation.

Satisfactory.

(d) Discipline.

No complaints.

(e) Buildings.

See (a).

(f) Food.

Civilian supplies given at the outset. To reach full standard later.

(g) Political Prisoners from Fascist Regime.

No reports of any. The usual situation is found in each town in that the partisans lock up persons against whom they have a grudge or of fascist leanings. The P.S.O. and C.I.C. conduct investigations as soon as is practicable and liberate those who are deemed harmless. In a few cases, persons are detained in protective custody as their lives would be imperilled should they be liberated promptly.

(h) Prisoners awaiting Trial.

No reports of delays.

7. (a) Fire and Civil Defence.

In the large towns the civil services are cooperating with the army services. The Florence equipment has suffered at the hands of the enemy and will require reorganisation.

(b) Civil Defence Organisation, UNPA Efficiency and Equipment.

Florence is the best organised town met with so far in this respect in that there was found 30 persons trained in mine-lifting and they are being used with Army P.A.D.

(c) Disposal of Unexploded Bombs and Mines.

No change from previously monthly reports except that the toil of dead mounts in the provinces when work commences in the fields.

General.

An Army officer has been put in charge of ammunition salvage and orders issued to all A.M.G. officers to assist. Authorisations were given to two Italian Officers who are working in conjunction, to enable them to salve Italian munitions. This is a good step.

The new Questore at Livorno unfortunately had as a P.P.S.O. one who knew of his dishonest antecedents when they met in a former province. The result is /Sent
another Questore is awaited. *ltdw*

The P.S.Os taking over the provinces occupied and those of the new regions met so far are of good calibre and are working well.

It is to be hoped that this state of affairs continues until the occupation of the whole country is complete.

Walter Doherty

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Lt.Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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Appendix "A".

Forging and Altering of Allied Military Currency. No cases.

Appendix "B".Disposition of P.S.Os in Fifth Army.

Lt.Col. W. Doherty	B	Chief of Public Safety.
Captain J. Dunstan	B	CAPO, H.Q., Fifth Army.
Captain J.O. Ronnie	B	CAPO, IV Corps.
Captain P.A. Edwards	B	CAPO, II Corps.
Captain A.G. Mack	B	CAPO, Livorno.
Captain L.G. Whyman	B	CAPO, Pisa.
Captain R.C. Limbert	B	Reserved for CAPO, Lucca. Presently employed in Refugee Centre, Florence.
Vacant		CAPO, XIII Corps.
Captain J.E. Long	A	CAO, II Corps.

Departure.

Major O.G. Supeene B Left with French Corps.

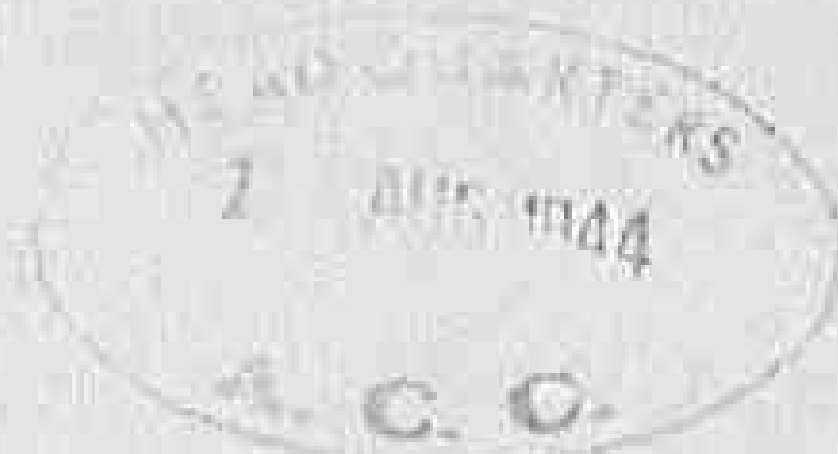
Appendix "C".Prisons.

These have been reported on during month.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY



1st August 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Return - Public Safety.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, H.Q., A.C.C.

1. I enclose herewith induplicate the report for the month of July 1944 of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. Fifth Army.

2. Appendices "A" Forged Currency,
"B" Disposition of Public Safety Officers, } 9B.
"C" Prisons.
are attached.

For the Commanding General:

E.B. Mayne

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Colonel, U.D.F.,
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

Copy to:

R.C. Region VIII for R.P.S.O.

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AME FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

1st August 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report for July 1944.

TO : H.Q., A.C.C., Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. This report covers the month of July 1944 which finds the Division still mobile in the fullest sense of the word. It covers the advance from the River CECINA to the River ARNO.

2. Location: This Headquarters is still located with Fifth Army Forward, the present position being on the west side of Highway 1, just South of CECINA.

3. Territory: The front covered has changed during the month by a readjustment due to the departure of the French Corps, the distance being about 40 miles. The Corps presently in the line are II and IV.

The principal towns occupied together with ports, which are of vital importance were Livorno, Siena, Volterra, Grosseto, Civitavecchia and Piombino.

4. (a) Police: It is appreciated how the heavy calls for additional CC.RR have been met by Public Safety Sub-Commission despite the difficulties of obtaining uniforms and equipment and also the provision of transport.

The policy has been to bring each group to a centre and from there distribute them to points further up the line to be on call as each area or town was entered.

The Army Command appreciates the services rendered by Public Safety as is manifest by the priority that is placed on the Division in the supply of CC.RR.

The situation and disposition of CC.RR at present is:

Army Mobile Team: Proportionately distributed over Corps front in depth. This covers all communes and fractions as well as forward areas until such time as Provincial Police Officer can readjust his force of imported and static CC.RR.

Imported CC.RR:

Grosseto	50	
Sienna	50	
Livorno	100	
Pisa	50	presently working in Livorno to strengthen force there.
Lucca	50	operating special check line in rear of IV Corps ready to be dropped off when town reached.
Fistola	50	operating special check line in rear of II Corps ready to be dropped off when town reached.
Massa-Carrara	50	presently working in Piombino to assist in control and security of port during a temporary shortage of police. They will be brought a stage further when the situation demands their presence.

It is deemed advisable to keep all men employed rather than lying idle in billets.

Colonel Carrai has been transported to Ardenza, Fraction of Livorno, where, with his staff he is operating. So soon as the city is clear new quarters will be found for him.

Mention is made of the tragic death of CC.RR RIZZO, Sante, of the Catanzaro Group, and one of the mobile team, who was at these HQrs. on 22nd July 1944, when a nearby enemy ammunition dump exploded. He went forward to help beat out the fire when a shell struck and killed him. He was buried with full honours at a ceremony which was attended by officers of H.Q., A.M.G. A special report has been furnished on the matter and an endeavour will be made to have a posthumous honour conferred.

(b) Crimes and Offences: No outstanding cases have occurred, beyond a case of civil murder which will be dealt with by the Italian Civil Court. Prompt action has been taken by the early trial of minor offences such as breaches of the curfew and travel regulations. There is a background, however, of reports of killings in one area by Partisans of Fascists. This is partly confirmed by the return of personal papers and wallets of persons alleged to have been shot, to the P.S.O. at Grosseto, with a request that they be returned to the next of kin.

(c) Conduct of Troops: There has been a falling off in the number of reports of rape, especially with the departure of French Colonial Troops. One case is under investigation in Siena area involving U.S. soldiers.

Complaints have been made of looting and two important cases involving U.S. troops have been investigated by M.Ps.

(d) Relations with Military Police: A very harmonious state of affairs exists and there is a good blending of CC.RR, especially in the forward areas.

(e) Refugees: This is not nearly so great a problem in the early stages of the battle. The question has now arisen whereby persons who were compulsorily evacuated from Livorno may have to be catered for and arrangements have been made to deal with the situation. Representatives of the Displaced Persons Section are forwarded making preparations.

(f) Special Problems: Dealing with Partisans has been a most important item and here again the situation changed from time to time. The chief difficulty was to discover who were genuine and who were persons who embraced the name on the near approach of the allies. The formation of approved Italian personnel by A.A.I. and their attachment to Corps has gone a long way to help things. It is of note that in some places Partisans have been met who are reliable people, such as were met in Livorno. They have assisted in the early government of communes and the surrender of arms has been more readily effected. The issuance of the recently devised Certificate is also a boon provided no disabuse takes place in the future.

Boots for CC.RR has been a headache. By salvage from units, cajollery etc., some replacement has been done. In any allocation of reconditioned or new footwear it is requested that CC.RR be given priority.

5. (a) Public Morale: Satisfactory.

(b) Attitude of Public toward (1) A.M.G. (2) Italian Government:

(1) This part of the country where there is excellent industrial undertakings, salt mines (revenue producing) and an abundant crop provides ideal scope for the C.A.O. The fact that specialist officers got to work in the provision of water, repair of drains, machine parts, petrol for threshing, assistance with harvest and avoidance of crops by troops until mown, has shown A.M.G. and the troops generally in a good light. It is with amazement that the natives observe the reinstatement of roads and bridges with modern machinery.

(2) With such strong Partisan elements now being met the definite political trend is towards the Committee of Liberation who will make their presence felt when election time comes round.

The imported Prefect in Grosseto is not blending with his Committee. After a patient period of perseverance a new man has been applied for.

(c) Political Activity: See remarks in 5. (b) - (2).

(d) Riot or Civil Disturbance: Quilt.

(e) Industrial Agitation: None.

(f) Strikes: None

(g) Sabotage: None

(h) Control of Movement: Generally satisfactory. There is always the odd person who through lack of knowledge or keenness to oblige another contravenes by issuing an irregular pass; the percentage is happily small

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and to say that they are detected goes to show that those on road checks are doing a good job.

(i) Internees: Large numbers of alleged Fascists are being sent to P.O.W. cages and from the prima facie evidence accompanying them they fully merit incarceration.

(j) Curfew: Well observed.

6. (a) Prisons: Preliminary reports have been rendered as towns are taken. The destruction of Livorno jail has meant that provision will require to be made at Volterra where the prison was damaged by shell fire. At a conference with the P.S.O. it was arranged to get repairs started and this will soon be on the way. The Deputy Director at Volterra appears a capable man and would make a good temporary Regional Prison Director in the absence of a better one but this will be dependent on what obtains when Firenze is captured and what officials are functioning there. Grosseto and Campiglia Prisons are fortunately in good order. Ph

(b) See remarks under (a).

(c) Sanitation: A mixture of good and bad over territory. Volterra has an excellent hospital with a good doctor.

(d) Discipline: No report.

(e) Buildings: See (a)

(f) Food: Civilian supply scales initially.

(g) Political Prisoners from Fascist Regime:

The provincial teams have the matter well under control and cases are being reviewed as quickly as possible by C.I.C. The shoe is on the other foot in most cases, as prisons or ones formed temporarily have been found to contain alleged fascists who have been imprisoned by the Partisans. Each case is being reviewed as in most instances there is no evidence forthcoming to keep persons locked up. In such cases release is effected and when any process of defascistisation is commenced the liberated persons can be dealt with.

(h) Prisoners Awaiting Trial: No delays reported.

7. (a) Fire and Civil Defence: In Siena and Livorno only were Vigili Fuoco teams found as has been reported on during the month when occupied. In each place there is a nucleus to build up good Corps. Army teams are ready and alert.

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(b) Civil Defence Organisation U.N.P.A. Efficiency & Equipment:

So far only in Livorno and Siena have there been evidence of the U.N.P.A. organisations. The personnel are not at present available. It is a moot point whether they will return as possibly they may have been of fascist strain and will have made an escape north. In the interval the Vigili Fuoco can be relied upon to do their part.

(c) Disposal of Unexploded Bombs and Mines The same tale falls to be told each month. Areas in the advance are heavily mined, the Army engineers clear what is sufficient for military needs and the civil side is held up until areas can be cleared, with a mounting toll of civilian dead in the interval.

Two Italian Military Teams are believed to be operating in Region IV and it can only be reiterated that more similar teams are required immediately in the wake of the advancing Army and thereby make for a quicker and safer rehabilitation of the public.

GENERAL:

Despite the scorched earth policy of the retreating enemy by devilish destruction and mining in an endeavour to stem the advance, the officers and CO.RR have overcome all difficulties under most trying conditions over roads inches deep in dust and too much praise cannot be accorded them.

The provincial and regional teams following up, have fitted in well, have afforded all possible aid and prepared themselves for the assumption of office when the Army moves on.

For the Commanding General:

Walter Doherty

WALTER DOHERTY,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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R.C. Region VIII for R.P.S.O.
(for information)

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APPENDIX " A "

Forging and Altering of Allied Military Currency: No Cases.

APPENDIX " B "

Disposition of P.S.O.s in Fifth Army

Lt. Col. W. Doherty	B	Chief of Public Safety.
Major O.G. Supene	B	C.A.P.O. Recuperating in the South.
Captain J. Dunstan	B	C.A.P.O. Fifth Army.
Captain J.O. Ronnie	B	C.A.P.O. IV Corps.
Captain J.A. Edwards	B	C.A.P.O. II Corps.
Captain A.G. Mack	B	C.A.P.O. Livorno
Captain R.C. Limbert	B	C.A.P.O., C.E.F. (In rest)
Captain L.G. Whyman	B	C.A.P.O. for Pisa, supervising
		check line in rear of II & IV Corps.
Captain J.E. Long	B	C.A.O. II Corps.

APPENDIX " C "

Prisons: See period reports forwarded during month.

HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

- 3 JUNE 1944

1st July 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Return - Public Safety.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission, A.C.C.

1. I enclose herewith in duplicate the report for the month of June 1944 of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. 5th Army.

2. Appendices "A" Forged Currency, "B" Disposition of Public Safety Officers and "C" Prisons are also attached.

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Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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Col. Mayne to note
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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

1st July 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report for June 1944.

TO : HQ., A.C.C.,
Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. This report covers the month of June 1944 and by reason of the change to wholly mobile operations, the standard form of report on prisons has been departed from having regard to the periodic preliminary reports sent you from time to time.

2. LOCATION: Four forward moves were made during the month and in future this Headquarters will be located with 5th Army C.P.

3. TERRITORY: The front covered embraces about a 50 miles strip from the Western Italian Coast to the junction with 8th Army varying according to the tactical situation. Very long lines of communication have had to be met in covering the II, IV, VI Corps and C.E.F. Rome City is excluded. The advance which commenced on 11th May 1944 extended from the line of the R. GARIGLIANO to R. CECINA.

4. a. POLICE: It has to be recorded that the Division appreciates the ready assistance given by Public Safety Sub-Commission in the provision of 50 CC.RR to augment the mobile team with this Army. Without such there would have been the danger of a breakdown which happily was obviated. The demand of Corps, which at one time were all in the line, taxed the supply to the utmost. When a Corps went into rest the CC.RR were returned to a common centre and this enabled extraordinary demands to be met, such as the guarding of a captured German food and oil dump, which would have been looted and which is now available for civilian supply.

The CC.RR are mobile in the true sense of the word. On entering a commune the C.A.P.O. makes a disposition of his CC.RR and, when CC.RR return from hiding come forward they assist together with those of the new region teams and then move on to the next point. There are also teams with the C.I.C. and the French 2nd Bureau for the screening of suspects. In an expedition to the Island of GIGLIO the Brigadier which accompanied the party did excellent work. In some towns otherwise undamaged, the Germans single out CC.RR Caserma for damage or destruction and temporary accommodation has had to be provided.

A small dump of German underclothing was made available to our men.

b. CRIMES and OFFENCES: The type of civilian met as the line goes north appear to be more law abiding and breaches are negligible. Any cases are generally of a technical nature. The French Prevote display a keenness to prosecute on little provocation as otherwise there would be a "clean bill of health".

c. COND of TROOPS: The French Colonial Troops were somewhat well ordered for a period but there has been numerous recurrences of raping. There was a diminution of complaints for a period supposed to be due to summary execution of the guilty parties but there is no confirmation of this. The apprehension of 2 "Goums" by the C.A.P.O. in Viterbo was acclaimed by the public there.

Looting by U.S. troops on the Anzio sector was reported to Higher Command.

French troops have also been guilty of looting in communes in C.E.F. territory.

d. RELATIONS WITH MILITARY POLICE: Good.

e. REFUGEES: The situation changed with every phase of the advance. Generally speaking the policy has been to hold civilians where found, keep the roads free for military traffic and later to permit limited movement to return to homes where the distance was not great. In any case where the movement showed signs of developing it was dealt with.

The part evacuation of PIOMBINO had to be carried out today. In this the CC.RR helped considerably.

f. SPECIAL PROBLEMS: From an Army A.M.G. point of view most problems have been surmounted but new provincial teams have failed to arrive with sufficient or no CC.RR which causes delay in returning repatriated ones for screening.

5. a. PUBLIC MORALE: Satisfactory.

b. ATTITUDE of PUBLIC TOWARDS (1) A.M.G. (2) ITALIAN GOVERNMENT:

With the short stay in some communes this is difficult to assess. On the face of things it is good but the reactions, if any, will be for Regional or Provincial reports.

c. POLITICAL ACTIVITY: Here a completely new set of circumstances have been encountered by the existence of armed groups of partisans. Their attitude differs in many cases. Difficulty is sometimes met when they are told to disarm and considerable tact has to be displayed in carrying this out.

Fifth Army intelligence have a Lt. Colonel and a Captain of the Partisan Group working in conjunction with them and are at present attached to IV Corps. Their duty is to assist and guide partisans in the line of advance and in due course pass on the work to officers of other groups.

The S.C.A.O., IV Corps will after contact, report the result of his experience which will help as a guide for the future.

The rabid fascist elements have generally fled and the partisans have taken control in communes. Their appointments are often confirmed and their aid enlisted, where this will help rehabilitation.

The existing CC.RR have been disarmed on occasion and their authority flouted whereas the mobile CC.RR arriving with C.A.P.Os have been generally well received.

d. RIOT or CIVIL DISTURBANCES: See c.

e. INDUSTRIAL AGITATION: Nil.

f. STRIKES: None

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g. SABOTAGE: None.

h. CONTROL OF MOVEMENT: As soon as conditions permit the pass system is employed. One incident already reported disclosed Special Force issuing pro forma passes in Army Area. Otherwise all in order.

i. INTERNEES: Nothing to report. Security Police making detentions where necessary which will be subject to later review.

j. CURFEW: No difficulty experienced in enforcement. It had the "Hun Heel Mark" before we arrived.

6. a. PRISONS: Preliminary reports have been rendered during the advance. No persons have been found in custody except alleged fascists who had been locked up by Partisans. The area GARIGLIANO to TEVERA Rivers with the exception of LITTORIA presents a difficulty if many prisoners have to be detained due to destruction or damage to prisons. North of Rome the situation is somewhat more favourable.

b. ADMINISTRATION: The new director from NISIDA was temporarily housed in LITTORIA for future disposition. R.P.S.O., Region IV was advised of position. A similar official is now required for Region VIII.

c. SANITATION: No report.

d. DISCIPLINE: No report.

e. BUILDINGS: See a.

f. FOOD: Initially, civilian ration supplied.

g. POLITICAL PRISONERS FROM FASCIST REGIME:

Only one found in GROSSETO who had been liberated. He is now a temporary prison guard - a Gilbertian situation in all truth.

h. PRISONERS AWAITING TRIAL: During the advance Provincial Officers dealt with the less serious cases promptly.

7. a. FIRE AND CIVIL DEFENCE: Reported on during the month as they occurred. Exclusive of Rome, only in Littoria, Tolmi (for Civitavecchia), Viterbo and Grosseto were there semblances of fire fighting and C.D. Organisation which can be developed by Regions. Army fire teams are still available.

b. CIVIL DEFENCE ORGANISATION U.N.P.A. - EFFICIENCY & EQUIPMENT

Practically non existant due to flight from communes. If the need is still apparent there is a better class of public here than in the south and an enthusiastic citizen properly encouraged could do well in large communes. The large agricultural tracks here does not call for anything else.

c. DISPOSAL OF UNEXPLODED BOMBS & MINES: Still a problem in coastal areas and road strips approaching bridges. The military can only further their own immediate needs. The promise of an Italian Military Section from Sardinia has not yet materialised. It is a clement need, but the minefields in the inland territory encompassed in the rapid advance are not so numerous. 1125

GENERAL:

The experience gained in the advance has been such that hard work and keenness met all the demands and improvisation in emergencies has enabled the machinery to work smoothly.

Too much stress cannot be laid on the excellent team work of all sections who, though fatigued by long hours of work have done a creditable job well unstintingly. Regional and Provincial teams have been received, primed in their requirements where necessary and set up in their new locations.

For the Commanding General:

Walter Doherty

WALTER DOHERTY,
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A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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Captain L.G. Whyman	B	C.A.P.O. (Still in 2nd Gen. Hospital)
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Captain J.E. Long	A	C.A.O. II Corps

APPENDIX "C"

PRISONS: See period reports forwarded during month.

This will be a Provincial or Regional matter when static conditions obtain.

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AMG FIFTH ARMY (FIELD)
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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30th May 1944.

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d. Relations with Military Police.

Good. They comment on the good work of C.C.R.R.

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There has been a complete change in the treatment of these people.

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It has been the aim to get people back to their regular habitation as quickly as possible. In some cases passes had to be dispensed with in view of the urgency in getting people off roads coupled with the fact that personnel was not available and the numbers so great. There has been no hitch and no complaints.

f. Special Problems.

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5. a. Public Morale.

The general tone of the relieved populace is one of gratification in being freed from the yoke of the enemy as people had been fleeing to the hills for fear of being carted off to the north.

b. Attitude of Public Towards (1) A.M.G. (2) Italian Government.

This can be summarised in stating that the immediate supply of food, medical supplies and such comforts as the Red Cross officials are able to provide is received with gratification. The vast majority of the people are not concerned with what form of Government they are to meet so long as their immediate needs are met. Detestation of the Fascists is widely expressed.

c. Political Activity.

Information was received, but not confirmed, that there was a communist trend in the fractions near to the Commune of FONDI.

d. Riot or Civil Disturbances.

None.

e. Industrial Agitation.

None. The occupied area so far has no apparent industries beyond agriculture.

f. Strikes. None.

g. Sabotage. None.

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h. Control of Movement.

The new type of pass is working well. In conjunction with the remarks under 4e., it is pointed out that once the initial flow of refugees has subsided, control is maintained where possible and people encouraged to travel small distances to their recognised homes. It might be a matter for review later on when Region 4 takes over as to what relaxations can be made in the movement within the occupied area.

i. Internees.

No complaints. One application received for release of a father has been passed through Legal Division to the Legal Sub-Commission.

j. Curfew.

The public in the new area are only too well drilled by their former dictators to show any disinclination to comply with orders.

6. Prisons.

a. The administration of prisons in the area of Region 3, which were within the Army Zone, has been transferred during the month to that region.

In the occupied area north of the River GARLIGIANO the communes have been so devastated that only in LITTORIA, PRIVERNO, GAETA, MINTURNO, FORMIA and 2 cells at ITTRI are all the prisons that have been discovered so far. It will be the duty of the Public Safety Officer of LITTORIA to reconnoitre the area when it becomes more static to get a complete survey of the position. No prisoners were found in custody. *A'*

A report has been made requesting the immediate appointment and installation in the new area of a Prisons Director and staff to help in the organisation and running of the prison administration. If no large building is found further north it might be found necessary to establish a field prison to deal with detentions as prisons further south are taxed to capacity. *Handwritten notes and signatures on the right margin.*

b. Administration.

Reference is made to the special report on the death of a person while serving a sentence in SIESSA AURUNCA. *Handwritten notes and signatures on the right margin.*

c. Sanitation. Too early to report on.

d. Discipline. Do.

e. Buildings. See preamble to this section.

f. Food. If new scale is applicable in the area it should be satisfactory.

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DR SONNA from Nicotia Reformatory appointed by
arrangement with Reg III and Ministry. W. Gal. D. 1948
will arrange transport.
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g. Political Prisoners from Fascist Regions.

None discovered so far.

h. Prisoners Awaiting Trial.

Several persons are awaiting trial in four of the communes named above. They have all been arrested since occupation and will be, or have been tried by the time of receipt of this report. Monetary penalties might alleviate the custody question. Civilians have been employed by Sindaci, in some communes, to act as prison guards.

7. Fire and Civil Defence.a. Fire Brigade Efficiency and Equipment.

Military Fire Units at Dumps and Railheads are the only teams that can deal with conflagrations. After survey, Vigili Fuoco may be found. Water supply must be from streams as towns supply has been put out of commission until restoration has been effected. In the coastal area, and with the provision of pumps, sea water could help, but not before certain areas of a heavily mined shore and sea could be cleared.

b. Civil Defence Organisation U.N.P.A. - Efficiency & Equipment.

No organized teams so far but military aid should be available. Only one commune, outside the battle area, has been bombed so far, but there was no call for any outside aid.

c. Disposal of Unexploded Bombs and Mines.

As this whole area especially the peninsula of GAETA and its surrounds have been heavily mined the task of the military has been a heavy one. Numerous casualties have been occasioned and Italian Military Detachments with equipment, acting in agreement with Army Engineers, would be a great adjunct in aiding the civil element in regaining what is left of their homes and permitting the continuance of agricultural pursuits.

8. General.

All Intelligence and Security Branches have been met. C.A.P.Os visited at their varying positions and early visits made to towns on their capture to assist in refugee work.

The executions of a further four spies were supervised during the month.

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APPENDIX "C"

LOCATION	CONDITION	CAPACITY	MALES	FEMALES
1. FONDI	Destroyed	-	-	-
2. FORMIA	Damaged	-	10	-
3. GAETA	Fairly Good	20 cells	60	20
4. ITRI	Fairly Good	-	8	6
5. LITTORIA	Fairly Good	-	30	10
6. MINTURNO	Damaged	-	20	10
7. PRIVERNO	Fairly Good	-	9	-
8. SABAUDI	Good	3 cells	10	5
9. TERRACINA	Good	-	-	-

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c. Political Activity.

Information was received, but not confirmed, that there was a communist trend in the fractions near to the Commune of FORDI.

d. Riot or Civil Disturbances.

None.

e. Industrial Agitation.

None. The occupied area so far has no apparent industries beyond agriculture.

f. Strikes. None.

g. Sabotage. None.

h. Control of Movement.

The new type of pass is working well. In conjunction with the remarks under g., it is pointed out that once the initial flow of refugees has subsided, control is maintained where possible and people encouraged to travel small distances to their recognized homes. It might be a matter for review later on when Region 4 takes over as to what relaxations can be made in the movement within the occupied area.

i. Internees.

No complaints. One application received for release of a father has been passed through Legal Division to the Legal Sub-Commission.

j. Curfew.

The public in the new area are only too well drilled by their former dictators to show any disinclination to comply with orders.

6. Prisons.

a. The administration of prisons in the area of Region 3, which were within the Army Zone, has been transferred during the month to that region.

In the occupied area north of the River GARIBOLDI the communes have been so devastated that only in LITTORIA, PRIVERNO, CAFFA, MINTURNO, FORMIA and 2 cells at INRI are all the prisons that have been discovered so far. It will be the duty of the Public Safety Officer of LITTORIA to reconnoitre the area when it becomes more static to get a complete survey of the position. No prisoners were found in custody.

A report has been made requesting the immediate appointment and installation in the new area of a Prisons Director and staff to help in the organization and running of the prison administration. If no large building is found further north it might be found necessary to establish a field prison to deal with detentions as prisons further south are taxed to capacity.

b. Administration.

Reference is made to the special report on the death of a person while serving a sentence in SESSA AURUNCA.

c. Sanitation. To early to report on.

d. Discipline. Do.

e. Buildings. See preamble to this section.

f. Food. If new scale is applicable in the area it should be satisfactory.

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g. Political Prisoners from Fascist Regions.

None discovered so far.

h. Prisoners Awaiting Trial.

Several persons are awaiting trial in four of the communes named above. They have all been arrested since occupation and will be, or have been tried by the time of receipt of this report. Monetary penalties might alleviate the custody question. Civilians have been employed by Sindaco, in some instances, to act as prison guards.

7. Fire and Civil Defence.

a. Fire Brigade Efficiency and Equipment.

Military Fire Units at Dumps and Railheads are the only teams that can deal with conflagrations. After survey, Vigili Fuoco may be found. Water supply must be from streams as town supply has been put out of commission until restoration has been effected. In the coastal area, and with the provision of pumps, sea water could help, but not before certain areas of a heavily mined shore and sea could be cleared.

b. Civil Defense Organisation U.N.F.A. - Efficiency & Equipment.

No organized teams so far but military aid should be available. Only one commune, outside the battle area, has been bombed so far, but there was no call for any outside aid.

c. Disposal of Unexploded Bombs and Mines.

As this whole area especially the peninsula of GAKTA and its surrounds have been heavily mined the task of the military has been a heavy one. Numerous casualties have been occasioned and Italian Military Detachments with equipment, acting in agreement with Army Engineers, would be a great adjunct in aiding the civil element in regaining what is left of their homes and permitting the continuance of agricultural pursuits.

8. General.

All Intelligence and Security Branches have been met. C.A.P.O.s visited at their varying positions and early visits made to towns on their capture to assist in refugee work.

The executions of a further four spies were supervised during the month.

Walter Doherty

W. DOHERTY,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. 5th Army (Field).

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APPENDIX "A"Forging and Altering of Allied Military Currency.

No cases have been detected in Fifth Army Area.

APPENDIX "B"Disposition of Public Safety Officer in Fifth Army A.M.G. (field).

Lt. Col. W. Doherty	B	Chief of Public Safety
Major G.G. Supane	B	C.A.O. - C.E.F.
Captain J. Ronai	B	C.A.P.O. IV Corps
Lieut. P.A. Edwards	B	C.A.P.O. IX Corps
Lieut. A.G. Mack	B	C.A.P.O. VI Corps
Lieut. J. Dunstan	B	C.A.P.O. 5 Army (in hospital)
Lieut. L.G. Whymen	B	C.A.P.O. (in hospital and likely to be evacuated)
Lieut. R.C. Limbert	B	C.A.P.O. - C.E.F.
Captain J.E. Long	A	C.A.O. - C.E.F.

APPENDIX "C"

LOCATION	CONDITION	CAPACITY	MALES	FEMALES
1. FONDI	Destroyed	-	-	-
2. FORMIA	Damaged	-	10	-
3. GASTA	Fairly Good	20 cells	60	20
4. ITRI	Fairly Good	-	8	6
5. LITTORIA	Fairly Good	-	30	10
6. MINTURNO	Damaged	-	20	10
7. PRIVERNO	Fairly Good	-	9	-
8. SABAUDI	Good	3 cells	10	5
9. TERRACINA	Good	-	-	-

This list is subject to correction when further survey is made.

HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY (FIELD)
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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Public Safety (6A)
(Rear HQ)

4011/4
3rd May 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Public Safety.
TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Rear Headquarters, A.C.C.

1. I enclose herewith in duplicate, the report for the month of April 1944 of the Public Safety Division, A.M.G. Fifth Army (Field).

2. As requested in your memo ACC/14217/PS dated 14 April 1944, an appendix is also attached to the report with the details of the prisons in the area of this Army not administered by Region 3 A.C.C.

For the Commanding General:

E.B. MAYNE
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Lt. Col., U.D.F.,
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. 5th Army.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY (FIELD)
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

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2nd May 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report for April 1944.
TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission.

1. Report covering the month of April 1944.
2. Location: This H.Q. is now situated west of SPARANISE. Reference 1:200000, Map Sheet 19:0580 (Tented Camp).
3. Territory: This Division covers the areas of the 2nd, 6th and C.E.F. Corps.
4. Police:
 - a. Efficiency continues good. Of the 153 Mobile C.C.R.R. attached to Fifth Army, 64 have been attached to Eighth Army to cover the transferred Army territory.

They are fully occupied in Corps and Army area manning road blocks, check posts, river crossings and organisation and supervision of labour in anti-malarial campaign.

The shortage of C.C.R.R. in CARINOLA and FALCIANO is being arranged for by R.P.S.O., Region 3, A.C.C.

The C.C.R.R. of CASERTA Group manning the river crossings of the VOLTURNO and CALORE Rivers east of CAPUA have been withdrawn as Eighth Army are making their own arrangements. This should release men for additional police duties in the already short staffed CASERTA Group. The river crossings in Fifth Army area at CANCELLO and CAPUA are being maintained.

A Lieut. of C.C.R.R. at SESSA AURUNCA was removed by the Captain at CAPUA due to his hostility to the French and general lack of cooperation.

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2 C.C.R.R. have been reported on for good work performed at the Refugee Centre at SESSA AURUNCA. A group of C.C.R.R. and Guardia di Finanza are being commended this week for counter intelligence work with C.I.C.

b. Crimes and Offences:

Three persons caught on Bridgehead in possession of Wireless Transmitter.

An Italian killed a French soldier during a compulsory evacuation.

Two French soldiers in attempting to abduct an Italian girl were assailed by the father; one soldier was injured and arrested.

An Italian father killed a Ghom who was in the act of raping his daughter.

The above cases all refer to the C.E.F. area. Otherwise there is no serious crime in other Corps areas beyond curfew, 10 kilo travel and other minor proclamation offences.

c. Conduct of Allied Troops:

Good on main front Corps areas. At Nettuna and Anzio there have been complaints of pilfering but in all cases they are dealt with satisfactorily by the Provost branches concerned.

d. Relations with Military Police:

Complete accord.

e. Refugees:

Only small numbers have had to be dealt with on the main front. On the 6th Corps front 8,500 additional persons were evacuated by sea to points in the south. Special C.C.R.R. were drafted for this work, returning as escorts with each batch of refugees. It is note-worthy that not a single casualty has occurred in this connection beyond the mention of increased numbers disembarking to that which embarked e.g. births aboard.

f. Special Problems:

It is recommended that the provision of C.C.R.R. for areas north of Rome receive attention.

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While Region IV and Rome City are being catered for it cannot be conjectured what the situation will be further on and a reserve should be created to meet any contingency.

5. Security.

a. Public Morale:

Satisfactory.

b. Attitude of Public towards (i) A.M.G. (ii) Italian Government:

(i) The complete utilisation of labour in agriculture or on work schemes seems to make for contentment in what must be to the native a period of transition.

(ii) No comment has been heard but the formation of some form of people's government is bound to bear good fruit, otherwise it is felt some reaction would have been noticeable.

c. Political Activity:

Nothing to report.

d. Riots or Civil Disturbances:

None.

e. Industrial Agitation:

Non-existent.

f. Strikes:

None.

g. Sabotage:

None.

h. Control of Movement:

The issue of the new type of pass is too early to pronounce upon. Suffice to say the numerous cases of irregular passes issued and the lack of appreciation of security in forward areas warranted such a departure as that of a uniform type of pass. It remains now for those entitled to issue them to ensure that only those strictly entitled to travel are given possession of a document which, heretofore has been often sadly abused. 1103

MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA
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DATI STATISTICI RELATIVI ALLE CARCERI GIUDIZIARIE, CASE PENALI, CASE DI LAVORO ED
ERCASTONI ESISTENTI NEL TERRITORIO RESTITUITO AL GOVERNO ITALIANO. =

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STATISTICI RELATIVI ALLE CARCERI GIUDIZIARIE, CASE PENALI, CASE DI LAVORO ED
ALI ESISTENTI NEL TERRITORIO RESTITUITO AL GOVERNO ITALIANO. =

Circoscrizione Stabilimento	Tipo dello Stabilimento	Capienza detenuti		Presenza detenuti					Presenza detenuti militari		Presenza internati	Totale presenti	Disponibilità posti	Sopranumerario no detenuti	Note	
		Uomini	Donne	Imputati	Condannati				Italiani	Alleati						
Reggio Emilia	✓ Carceri Giudice	118	7													Occupato dagli Alleati
Genova	" "	397	20									391		11		
Liguria	" "	620	91	648		97	5138	546				434		423		Disposti trasferimento 350 det.: 25 a Melfi, 105 a Bitonto, 69 a Melfi, 105 a Bitonto, 90 a Trani.
Emilia	" "															Occupato dagli Alleati
Parma	" "	600	50	675		38		56	89	6		464		114		
Modena	" "	165	15	204								204		24		
Reggio Emilia	" "	341	11	276		37	29	11				2355		3		Danneggiato da operazioni belliche. evacuato rifugiati. Capienza prec. 478
Parma	" "	80	14	72		11						83	11			
Modena	" "	360	60	801		126	43	11	31			1042		592		
Parma	" "	280	30	271	14	37	7	19	56	1		405		95		
Reggio Emilia	" "	52	16	30		17			1			48	20			
Parma	" "	200	30	55		54	1	17	54			184	46			+80 non pervenuti
Modena	" "	262	48	141		8	29	2	25			235	45			
Parma	" "	100	6	91								91	15			
Reggio Emilia	" "	36	4	17		5						22	18			
Parma	" "	100	15	50		2						52	63			
Reggio Emilia	" "	72	8	108								108		28		
Parma	" "	340	35	290		70		5	326			2693		318		8 in parte ripuliti dalla R. Marina Italiana. Capienza prec. 380
Reggio Emilia	" "	128	16	68		80	6	3			1	158		14		
Parma	" "	56	12	52	2	6	4		3			67	1			+25 arruolati e non pervenuti
Reggio Emilia	" "	142	12	49	1	2		1	4			57	97			+69 " " "
Parma	" "	145	35	79		17	16	61	7			180				
Modena	" "	264	15	118	2	15	5	34	1			175	104			
Reggio Emilia	" "	50				54						54		4		
Parma	" "	60	60	22		6	8	7	2			45	75			
Reggio Emilia	" "	120	18	106								106	32			

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21	Melfi	-	-	112	12	49	1	2	/	1	4	/	/	57	97	/	+69 "
22	Messina	-	-	115	35	79	/	17	16	61	7	/	/	180	/	/	
23	Mila'Lo	-	-	264	15	118	2	15	5	34	1	/	/	175	104	/	
24	Mineo	-	-	50	/	/	/	54	/	/	/	/	/	54	/	4	
25	Mistretta	-	-	60	60	22	/	6	8	7	2	/	/	45	75	/	
26	Modica	-	-	120	18	106	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	106	32	/	
27	Nicastro	-	-	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
28	Nicosia	-	-	226	39	229	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	229	36	/	
29	Niuro	-	-	189	19	307	/	/	/	5	17	/	/	329	/	121	
30	Oriстано	-	-	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
31	Palermo	-	-	2000	65	2404	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	2404	/	339	
32	Paluni Colabro	-	-	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
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35	Petruzza	-	-	137	32	58	/	5	/	4	1	/	/	71	98	/	+105 anquati
36	Pizzolungo	-	-	37	9	31	/	23	5	3	/	/	/	62	/	16	
37	Poggi Colabro	-	-	200	45	497	1	48	25	31	5	2	/	309	/	64	
38	Romano Colabro	-	-	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
39	Saleruo	-	-	420	60	230	/	69	80	44	15	/	/	438	12	/	
40	Sassari	-	-	232	25	429	/	98	/	26	249	/	/	802	/	545	
41	Sciacca	-	-	150	20	169	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	169	1	/	
42	Siracusa	-	-	150	20	196	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	196	/	26	
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46	Tempio Pausa	-	-	150	15	150	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	150	/	150	
47	Tempio Pausa	-	-	253	25	155	/	45	/	6	16	/	/	212	66	/	+10 anquati
48	Trapani	-	-	200	50	250	/	9	5	28	/	/	/	292	/	112	
49	Trapani/Colombini	-	-	700	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	
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51	Alghero	-	-	433	-	-	-	242	-	45	174	-	5	517	84	84	
52	Augusta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Requisito nel 1 ^o
53	Favignone	-	-	400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Chiesa parochia nel due secoli demagoghi
54	Lecce	-	-	350	-	20	-	141	-	-	-	-	-	2	163	187	
55	Neto	-	-	400	-	8	-	295	39	-	-	-	-	134	3	57	
56	Orani (Donna)	-	-	-	140	121	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	121	19	-	
57	Oristano	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
58	Oristano	-	-	400	-	-	-	707	-	22	-	-	12	741	659	-	
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MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA

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DATI STATISTICI RELATIVI ALLE CARCERI GIUDIZIARI, CASE PENALI ED ERGASTOLI ESISTENTI
NEL TERRITORIO SOTTOPOSTO ALL'A.M.G.

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- i. Internees:
No complaints.
- j. Curfew:
Well observed.

6. Prisons.

a. General Conditions:

The prison at SESSA AURUNCA has a defective drainage system putting one cell out of commission.

The C.E.F. have taken over two cells for their own prisoners use. Resort has to be made to the transference of prisoners from SESSA to SANTA MARIA C.V. and CASERTA.

An application to transfer a further 20 to another prison has been made to Region 3 and it is hoped will be effective within a day or two.

b. Administration:

Good.

c. Sanitation:

See (a).

d. Discipline:

Satisfactory.

e. Buildings:

It is reiterated that a new prison central to SESSA AURUNCA, CARINOLA, TEANO, and ROCCAMONFINA be built.

f. Food:

No complaint.

g. Political Prisoners from Fascist Regions:

Nil.

h. Prisoners Awaiting Trial:

Two persons released due to lack of evidence coming promptly. To be subpoenaed later if necessary. Otherwise satisfactory.

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7. Fire and Civil Defence.a. Fire Brigade Efficiency and Equipment:

Wholly dependent on military arrangements at Dumps and Railheads also to Fire Fighting Detachment at 5 Army Rear.

b. Civil Defence Organisation U.N.P.A. Efficiency and Equipment:

No organised civil teams and no great call for them. Any situation will be met by local labour and Army help in an emergency.

c. Disposal of Unexploded Bombs and Mines:

With the present static state in forward areas there has been no renewal of complaints of mines or bombs requiring attention. Any advance into occupied territory will require to be met by units following up.

Again it is requested that Italian Military Units be equipped with the necessary detecting gear to clear areas that might be a menace to the returning civil populace.

SEE
HQS. 12.3.4

STAFF

Chief of Public Safety	-	Lt. Col. W. Doherty (B)
C.A.P.O. 2nd Corps	-	Lieut. L.B. Whyman (B) (in hospital and likely to be evacuated)
C.A.P.O. 2nd Corps	-	Lieut. P.A. Edwards (B)
C.A.P.O. C.E.F.	-	Major O.S. Supeene (B)
C.A.P.O. 6th Corps	-	Lieut. A.G. Mack (B)
C.A.P.O. Attached 2nd Corps (awaits new assignment)	-	Capt. W. Ronnie (B) (from A.C.C.)
C.A.P.O. 5 Army	-	Lieut. J. Dunstan (B) (from Region I)

GENERAL

Weekly internal conferences have been held here with all C.A.P.Os at 5 Army H.Q. Liaison has been made with 5 Army C.I.C. and A.M.G. (Rear); C.I.C.; S.I. (b) A.A.I.; 8th Army and Region 3 A.C.C.

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The execution of 4 persons convicted of espionage was supervised on 30th April 1944.

Walter Doherty

W. DOHERTY,
Lt. Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety.

HEADQUARTERS
AMG FIFTH ARMY (FIELD)
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

APPENDIX TO MONTHLY REPORT

Return of Prisons

Location	Class	Capacity			Present State			N° of Guards
		M	F	Minors	M	F	Minors	
SESSA AURUNCA	Mandamentali	24	6	-	42	3	-	5
ROCCAMONFINA	Mandamentali	18	8	-	6	-	-	2

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AMG FIFTH ARMY (FIELD)
APO 464 U.S. ARMY

Public Safety S.C.
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S/203/2

14th April 1944.

SUBJECT: C.C.R.R. Shortages.

TO : Public Safety Sub-Commission,
Rear Headquarters, A.C.C.

1. Reference your ACC/14011/4 PS. dated 8 April 1944.
2. On 26 March 1944 Captain Brooke, C.A.P.O. 10 Corps reported that there were only 2 C.C.R.R. at each of the Stations of CARINOLA and FALCIONE di CARINOLA and recommended increased numbers.
3. Major Formica, Commanding the C.C.R.R., Gruppo Caserta, in his return dated 21 March 1944, showed 3 at the former place and 7 at the latter. On being asked for the reason of the discrepancy, explained that calls for special duty, sickness, etc., had reduced the numbers.
The peace time members in each place he stated, would be 12 in each place.
4. It is considered that having regard to the general shortage of C.C.R.R. at present, 6 men at CARINOLA and 9 at FALCIANO would be sufficient.
5. As Civil Administration up to rear Corps boundaries has now passed, by agreement, to Region 3, I am sending them a copy of this letter.

For the Commanding General:

Col. Francis, Region III, has dealt with this direct with the Region Commander Naples CRR on 17th April 1944 P.A.

Copy to:

Knowledge Major GL
Regional Commissioner, Region 3, A.C.C. (for information)

18th April 1944

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Walter Doherty
for E.B. MAYNE,
Lt. Col., U.D.F.
Chief of Staff,
A.M.G. 5 Army (Field).

REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Safety Sub-Commission

April 8th, 1944.

ASO/14011/4/PS

SUBJECT : Shortage of CCHR

TO : Chief of Public Safety, A.M.G. 5th Army

1. With reference to your monthly report for March 1944 in which you ask for an increase in the number of CCHR. at Carolina and Falciano, please inform this Hqs:

- (a) Normal strength of CCHR at each station
- (b) Present strength of CCHR at each station
- (c) The strength you now consider necessary at each station.

2. On receipt of this information representation will be made to CCHR.. Hqs.

APR/18.

Paul G. Kirk
PAUL G. KIRK, Major
Colonel Inf.,
Chief Public Safety
Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMG 5 ARMY (FIELD)
A.P.O. 464 U.S. ARMY

14011/4
JR (3A)

SECRET.

3rd April 1944.

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SUBJECT: Monthly report for March 1944.

TO : S.C.A.D., A.P.O. Fifth Army.
Public Safety Commission, Rear H.Q., A.C.C. ✓

1. Report covering the month of March 1944.
2. Territory.

This Public Safety Division covered the areas of the 2,6,10, M.Z. Corps and Corps Expeditionnaire Francaise until 26 March, since that date, due to the rearrangement of the tactical front only the 2,6 and 9.E.F. remain with 5th Army.

2. Police.

(i) The efficiency of the police continues to be good. A return of the strength of the various police agencies has been forwarded to P.S.D., Rear H.Q., A.C.C. A member of the Finance Guard at MONTECASSINO was transferred to another station by his General after representations had been made to him. He was found to be lax in his duties. 36 former CC.RR were collected during the month in forward areas and sent to Legion H.Q. at NAPLES. The CC.RR at the beach-head are much improved in morale and are working satisfactorily.

A quantity of reconditioned boots and underclothing has been provided for CC.RR chiefly at NAPTUNA.

An article in the newspaper "l'Unita" was circulating in this area detrimental to a CC.RR Maresciallo at SPARANZA. This has been reported upon through channels with a view to having the paper suppressed, or prevented from printing further similar articles.

There is a complaint of shortage of CC.RR in CARINOLA and ^{later} PALCIANO. It is requested that representations be made to increase the ^{8% asking} strength in those places. _{for no. 9 CC.RR required}

The CC.RR, mobile and static, are fully occupied on road blocks, river crossings and refugees in addition to normal duties.

(ii) Crime.

Serious crime discloses cases of looting by an Italian soldier of civilian goods.

The murder of a French Algerian soldier by an Italian soldier.

Several cases of illegal possession of firearms.

Milling of seed grain.

Several spies have been convicted and sentenced to death, two were caught on the beach-head and six in MONDRAGON area. All the cases have not yet been disposed of. Enemy agents (Italian) have landed by boat from GARTIA area complete with wireless transmitters and American and British currency.

Four G.C.R.R. are awaiting trial at St. MARIE C.V. for the alleged murder of a British soldier at B. AMARA del PIRONE.

In addition several cases of a lesser degree have been dealt with such as curfew offences, Black Market, 10 kilometre travel and other proclamation contraventions.

Several apprehensions have been effected where persons crossed, or tried to cross, the VORRUBINO and CALONE rivers without passes. These persons were carrying supposed Black Market goods, i.e. tobacco, eggs and general merchandise.

Representations have been made to impound all boats on the rivers and to deliver the cars to the nearest G.C.R.R. Caserma.

(iii) Conduct of Allied Troops.

Generally good. On 14th March, Lt. Lambert (B), G.C.R.R. requested two U.S.A. soldiers to leave a house where their drunken conduct was giving offence. They did so and attacked this officer, kicked him and cut his face. The men were later identified and the necessary proceedings are being taken by the Unit G.C.

At the beach-head troops are alleged to have slaughtered and used cattle. Investigation has been made in conjunction with M.P.s. and appropriate action taken. A number of cases of window shutters being used to cover 'fox-holes' has been noticed but as the buildings are in some cases damaged or wrecked it is a moot point if claims will be made.

(iv) Relations with Military Police.

All that could be desired.

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(v) Refugees.

The situation, as was to be expected, has eased. There has been a large falling off in numbers, especially on the rear front. The machinery still exists so that new territory will be coped with.

(vi) Special Problems.

There is still a demand for persons wishing passes for forward areas and it must be emphasized that the operational zone cannot admit of persons and vehicles which retard traffic on highways so essential for military operations. Reports have been made where officers have issued authority to travel to certain persons who gave bogus reasons for their journey. This has resulted in the imprisonment of such offenders.

4. Security.(i) Public Morale.

Good. In a few districts civilians have declined to work when given employment and have been prosecuted as a result.

(ii) Attitude of Public towards (a) A.M.G. (b) Italian Government.

(a) The maintenance of the food ration has made for a more contented public, coupled with the provision of medical supplies and American Red Cross garments in the forward area.

(b) No expression of opinion - apparently apathetic.

(iii) Political Activity.

The circulation of Italian papers in the forward areas is apparently the only sign of political atmosphere. Copies of "Italia Libera" and "Bandiera Rossa" were confiscated and reports submitted thereon.

This Division still awaits the official list of approved and non-permitted papers. ||

(iv) Riots or Civil Disturbance.

On 4th March 1944 a projected communist meeting in CAPUA was suppressed by Region 3 officers. Efforts were to be made to foment a strike as a result of a statement made in the British Parliament. The four ring-leaders were apprehended the night before, putting "paid" to the meeting.

(v) Industrial Agitation.

Nil.

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(vi) Strikes, etc.

An attempt was made to refuse to work in TRANO if French troops were billeted in homes. No strike developed when it was intimated that the ringleaders would be imprisoned and the bread ration withdrawn.

In CONGA and GALINGO complaints were made that only "lavoratori" were being made to work and not "Signori". This difficulty was overcome by employing persons irrespective of class. The Podesta's son and two friends were actually employed.

(vii) Sabotage.

Nil.

(viii) Control of Movement.

This is being checked by the restriction of passes, checks at road blocks and river crossings and several clandestine travellers apprehended in the forward area.

(ix) Interuses.

No complaints.

(x) Curfew.

Well maintained.

5. Prisons.(i) General Conditions.

Satisfactory, but shortage of accommodation will arise when troops move forward from SESSA - TRANO region coupled with the destruction of CASSINO prison.

(ii) Administration.

At TRANO on the death of the custodian, his son, aged 16, was carrying on with the assistance of his mother. This has been rectified by an older man being appointed.

(iii) Sanitation.

Supplies of soap and disinfectants cannot be distributed too liberally. It is understood these are in short supply.

(iv) Discipline.

Satisfactory taking all things into account.

(v) Buildings.

Some repairs of bomb damage have been carried out to ROCCAFORTE prison.

(vi) Food.

The increased ration is being maintained.

(vii) Political Prisoners from Fascist Regions.

Nil.

(viii) Prisoners awaiting trial.

No outstanding delays.

6. Fire and Civil Defence.(i) Fire Brigade efficiency, equipment - personnel.

Detachment at CASERTA - satisfactory. Remainder of Army area relies on Army installations or fire fighting equipment at dumps and engineering companies.

H.B. A special report has been forwarded detailing the situation. //

(ii) Civil Defence Organisation - U.M.P.A. efficiency, equipment - personnel.

No recognised organisation other than at CASERTA where Vigili Fuoco can perform rescue work.

At the recent bombing of VERAPPO Allied troops carried out initial rescue work being later replaced by civilian labour, some of whom deserted at the type of work possibly due to the recovery of victims or the element of danger.

(iii) Disposal of U.S.Bs. and Mines.

A military task by Engineers, but there is still the demand for qualified personnel to clear fields for agriculture which evidently cannot be done by troops who are more urgently required elsewhere. //

The formation of Italian troops, properly equipped, could be a useful means of employment.

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Staff.

Chief of Public Safety.	-	Lt.Col. W. Doherty (B).
C.A.P.O., 2 Corps.	-	Lieut. L.B. Whymon (B).
C.A.P.O., C.E.F.	-	Major G.S. Supesne (B).
C.A.P.O., 6 Corps.	-	Lieut. A.G. Mack (B).
C.A.P.O., 5 Army.	-	Lieut. P.A. Edwards (B).

Departures.

Major J.A. Chambers (B)	-	Reported to A.C.C., 12 March 1944.
Capt. A.E. Jefferson (B)	-	Ordered to report 8 Army, 21 March 1944.
Capt. G.W. Brooks (B)	-	Reported to 8 Army, 26 March 1944.
Capt. H.G. Williams (A)	-	Reported to A.C.C., 31 March 1944.

General.

Public Safety Conference at Rear H.Q., A.C.C., attended by Chief of Public Safety on 8 March 1944.

Weekly C.A.P.O. Conferences have been held at 5 Army A.M.G. H.Q.

Visits have been made to all Corps H.Q.s, Army A.M.G. Liaison Officer and Provost Marshal 5 Army.

Walter Doherty

W. DOHERTY,
Lt.Colonel,
Chief of Public Safety,
A.M.G. 5th. Army

HEADQUARTERS
 AMG 5 ARMY (FIELD)
 PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION
 A.P.O. 464 U.S. Army

Public Safety
 3rd March 1944.

Subject : Monthly Report for February, 1944.

223/2.

To : S.C.A.O., A.M.G. Fifth Army.
 Public Safety Commission, Rear H.Q., A.C.C.

1. This report covers the month of February, 1944.
2. Territory.

The Public Safety Division embraces the areas of the 2, 6, 10, New Zealand Corps and Corps Expeditionaire Francais. The districts in rear of Corps are the responsibility of Region 3.

3. Police.

(i) The general efficiency of the police continues to be good. The main responsibility in policing the area from the civil angle is the CC.RR which had to be drafted in and who operate as a mobile force with the various Corps.

The static CC.RR are responsible up to the line of the VOLTURNO and CALORE rivers, at which latter points they are fully occupied manning the river crossings for the purpose of checking passes and generally controlling civilian vehicles and pedestrian traffic.

In the beach head zone the CC.RR have, in the main, not come up to standard. Their morale under fire has not been good and they require constant supervision.

Small bodies of Finance Guards, Forest Guards and Municipal Guards exist in the area and give a certain amount of support but their effort in the scheme of things is almost negligible.

(ii) Crime -

No outstanding cases of civilian crime can be commented on. The chief cases comprise those of Black Market offences and illegal possession of Allied Government property such as clothing and foodstuffs. In one case of theft of Allied foodstuffs during the early hours of the day, a group of Italians, when challenged, ran off and disobeying an order to halt, were fired on. One person was shot dead, three others captured while the remainder got clear.

(iii) Conduct of Allied Troops.

At S. ANDREA PIZZONI a soldier and a civilian were the victims in a double shooting fatality. A serious case of rape, by troops, took place at CORIGLIANO. These cases are being investigated by S.I.B.

One serious case in the forward area brought to light the illegal confiscation of civilian property at CORNELLO which later was auctioned to civilians. Apprehensions have been effected and a full investigation made.

Coloured troops of the C.E.F. have become involved in a most disturbing series of rape cases, use being made of firearms in order to enter houses. One fatality has occurred in such an episode. This matter has been specially reported on to higher authority as difficulty is experienced in bringing offenders to book.

The situation is a difficult and complex one which cannot be tolerated in view of civilian morale in the forward zone.

(iv) Relations with Military Police.

Relations with Military Police continues satisfactorily.

(v) Refugees.

The refugee situation is one that involves a major portion of C.A.P.O.s. time. Complete evacuation has been ordered from forward zones. The refugees are collected at a Central Point, clothed when necessary, vetted by security personnel, disinfested in the forward area if possible and conveyed to the centre and there entrained to the rear.

The G.C.R.R. are doing a good job in the escort of such persons. The Red Cross assistance has been very pronounced and the machinery set up has functioned well.

(vi) Special Problems.

The clothing and equipment of G.C.R.R. has had to be dealt with. Several pairs of reconditioned army boots have been acquired and more are being sought, but the replacement of uniform cannot be handled. The lack of electric torches for G.C.R.R. to assist in the rounding up of refugees in the darkness is a big want. Such movements have perforce to be carried out at night due to the close proximity of the line and no supply is available from Army sources.

h. Security.(i) Public Morale.

Public Morale may be described as passive.

(ii) Attitude of Public towards (a) A.M.C. (b) Italian Government.

(a) The attitude to A.M.C. varies with the food supply. Expressions of hostility are made during evacuation. Some are willing to get out of danger, while others prefer to stand by their homes.

(b) The situation in Corps areas of civilians attitude towards the Italian Government is one of apathy.

(iii) Political Activity.

No pronounced political activity.

(iv) Riots or Civil Disturbance.

On 7th February 1944, a demonstration of 1000 people clamouring for bread took place at PASTORANO near CAPUA. A supply of flour was obtained and now everything is calm, otherwise there was no civil incident of note.

On 15th February 1944, 250 CC.RR were despatched to CATANIELLO, north of CAPUA to deal with a corresponding number of Italian troops of the 2nd Mile Pack Company who refused to obey an order to move to another town. The troops were rounded up by CC.RR and taken to P.O.W. cage at VAIRANO. 38 recalcitrants were detained there for disciplinary action and the remainder returned to their unit. No force was required.

(v) Industrial Agitation.

No industrial agitation.

(vi) Strikes, etc.

There have been no strikes or lock-out.

(vii) Sabotage.

No cases of sabotage have come to notice.

(viii) Control of Movement.

Passes and permits in Corps areas have been strictly limited to most essential pressing demands. Control points are established on roads and river crossings to prevent unauthorised travel.

(ix) Interviews.

No complaints.

(x) Curfew.

No difficulties in enforcement.

5. Prisons.

(i) General Conditions.

Satisfactory.

(ii) Administration.

(iii) Sanitation.

Fairly good considering accomodation available.

(iv) Discipline.

SESSA AURUNCA - Custodian dismissed due to unsatisfactory work.
ROCCAMONFINA - One gaoler was removed from office on instructions of the Naples Prefect as he was alleged to have collaborated with the Germans.

(v) Buildings.

ROCCAMONFINA - Repairs are being effected.
SESSA AURUNCA - Repairs are being arranged for.

(vi) Food.

Supply being maintained. The Italian practice of only giving one meal per day is bad. As this is a national system, it is recommended that the ration be so arranged that two meals be given.

(vii) Political prisoners from Fascist Regions.

Nil.

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To : S.C.A.O., A.M.G. Fifth Army.
 — Public Safety Commission, Rear H.Q., A.G.C.

1. This report covers the month of February, 1944.
2. Territory.

The Public Safety Division embraces the areas of the 2, 6, 10, New Zealand Corps and Corps Expeditionnaire Francaise. The districts in rear of Corps are the responsibility of Region 3.

3. Police.

(i) The general efficiency of the police continues to be good. The main responsibility in policing the area from the civil angle is the CC.RR which had to be drafted in and who operate as a mobile force with the various Corps.

The static CC.RR are responsible up to the line of the VOLTURNO and CALORE rivers, at which latter points they are fully occupied manning the river crossings for the purpose of checking passes and generally controlling civilian vehicles and pedestrian traffic.

In the beach head zone the CC.RR have, in the main, not come up to standard. Their morale under fire has not been good and they require constant supervision.

Small bodies of Finance Guards, Forest Guards and Municipal Guards exist in the area and give a certain amount of support but their effort in the scheme of things is almost negligible.

(ii) Crime -

No outstanding cases of civilian crime can be commented on. The chief cases comprise those of Black Market offences and illegal possession of Allied Government property such as clothing and foodstuffs. In one case of theft of Allied foodstuffs during the early hours of the day, a group of Italians, when challenged, ran off and disobeying an order to halt, were fired on. One person was shot dead, three others captured while the remainder got clear.

(iii) Conduct of Allied Troops.

At S. ANDREA PIEZONZ a soldier and a civilian were the victims in a double shooting fatality. A serious case of rape, by troops, took place at CORIGLIANO. These cases are being investigated by S.I.B.

One serious case in the forward area brought to light the illegal confiscation of civilian property at SORDELLO which later was auctioned to civilians. Apprehensions have been effected and a full investigation made.

Coloured troops of the C.E.F. have become involved in a most disturbing series of rape cases, use being made of firearms in order to enter houses. One fatality has occurred in such an episode. This matter has been specially reported on to higher authority as difficulty is experienced in bringing offenders to book.

The situation is a difficult and complex one which cannot be tolerated in view of civilian morale in the forward zone.

(iv) Relations with Military Police.

Relations with Military Police continues satisfactorily.

(v) Refugees.

The refugee situation is one that involves a major portion of C.A.P.O.s. time. Complete evacuation has been ordered from forward zones. The refugees are collected at a Central Point, clothed when necessary, vetted by security personnel, disinfested in the forward area if possible and conveyed to the centre and there entrained to the rear.

The C.C.R.R. are doing a good job in the escort of such persons. The Red Cross assistance has been very pronounced and the machinery set up has functioned well.

(vi) Special Problems.

The clothing and equipment of C.C.R.R. has had to be dealt with. Several pairs of reconditioned army boots have been acquired and more are being sought, but the replacement of uniform cannot be handled. The lack of electric torches for C.C.R.R. to assist in the rounding up of refugees in the darkness is a big want. Such movements have perforce to be carried out at night due to the close proximity of the line and no supply is available from Army sources.

Security.

(i) Public Morale.

Public Morale may be described as passive.

(ii) Attitude of Public towards (a) A.M.G. (b) Italian Government.

(a) The attitude to A.M.G. varies with the food supply. Expressions of hostility are made during evacuation. Some are willing to get out of danger, while others prefer to stand by their homes.

(b) The situation in Corps areas of civilians attitude towards the Italian Government is one of apathy.

(iii) Political Activity.

No pronounced political activity.

(iv) Riots or Civil Disturbance.

On 7th February 1944, a demonstration of 400 people clamouring for bread took place at PASTORANO near CAPUA. A supply of flour was obtained and now everything is calm, otherwise there was no civil incident of note.

On 15th February 1944, 250 CC.RR were despatched to CAIANELLO, north of CAPUA to deal with a corresponding number of Italian troops of the 2nd Mule Pack Company who refused to obey an order to move to another town. The troops were rounded up by CC.RR and taken to P.O.W. cage at VAIRANO. 38 recalcitrants were detained there for disciplinary action and the remainder returned to their unit. No force was required.

(v) Industrial Agitation.

No industrial agitation.

(vi) Strikes, etc.

There have been no strikes or lock-out.

(vii) Sabotage.

No cases of sabotage have come to notice.

(viii) Control of Movement.

Passes and permits in Corps areas have been strictly limited to most essential pressing demands. Control points are established on roads and river crossings to prevent unauthorised travel.

(ix) Interviews.

No complaints.

(x) Curfew.

No difficulties in enforcement.

5. Prisons.

(i) General Conditions.

Satisfactory.

(ii) Administration.

(iii) Sanitation.

Fairly good considering accommodation available.

(iv) Discipline.

SESSA AURUNGA - Custodian dismissed due to unsatisfactory work.
 ROCCAMONFINA - One guard was removed from office on instructions of the Naples Prefect as he was alleged to have collaborated with the Germans.

(v) Buildings.

ROCCAMONFINA - Repairs are being effected.

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Supply being maintained. The Italian practice of only giving one meal per day is bad. As this is a national system, it is recommended that the ration be so arranged that two meals be given.

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