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QUESTURA		
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Polizia del Traffico	I	11
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A system has now been introduced whereby Carabinieri carry out periodical and instantaneous checks of civilian road traffic at all crossing places over the River Tagliamento between Carnia in the North and Latisana in the South. So far this check has been operated on two occasions each week for a period of about four hours, and while no special results have so far been obtained, the preventive effect, especially as regards Black Market operators, is considerable.

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On 16 Dec. 46 Major Limbert, Carabinieri Branch M.M.I.A., visited and was supplied with certain information respecting vehicles , clothing and equipment .

No change to report with regard to morale and efficiency.

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No further breakings have been reported in Married Families quarters, and although the special squad (see M.R. Nov. para 2) engaged on preventive and detective duties is still so employed, the arrest of 3 deserters, one of whom was armed and was shot by Mil. Police when being arrested, is thought to have broken up the gang who were specialising in this class of crime.

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There has been a noticeable improvement in the lighting of vehicles, and the issue of Prov. Order n. 20 whereby all fines for traffic offences are increased ten-fold, has had a most excellent effect.

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The Auxiliary Police detachment at S. Daniele has been withdrawn following a general reduction in the stregth of the Company. During the past month 16 Aux. Police have left the service for various reasons.

The unsatisfactory result of having these untrained individuals in the Police Service cannot be too often or too strongly stressed. There is ample evidence to show that a great many are placed there for the sole purpose of acting as (Communist) Party spies, in order to ferment discontent , and to render ineffective any polife action that may be contemplated against that party.

Many are believed to attend regularly at Communist Party meetings, and every effort is being made to those concerned with a view to subsequent removal from the service.

4. GUARDIE DI FINANZA

During the month, 78 persons have been denounced for various infractions of the amassing laws respecting grain.

As a result, the following quantities have been sequestered and sent to the Granai del Popolo.

a) grano and other cereals	Kg.	23533
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Other offences for which action was taken were : 230-

a) . Diritti di confine	92
b) Imposte di fabbricazione	27
c) Monopoli di Stato	73
d) Tasse sugli affari	124

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Frontier patrols stopped 3 persons for illegally attempting to cross.

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6. PRISONS

Owing to the transfer of persons sentenced to more than one year, the prison population has decreased .

Udine judicial Prison now holds 224 men and 20 women,as against 283 men and 30 women in November.

The total prison population for all judicial and mandamental Prisons in the Province is 433 men and 50 women.

7. VENEREAL DISEASE and PROSTITUTION

A total of 65 women were stopped and dealt with by Agents.

Of these, 16 were issued with the compulsory" Foglio di via", 27 arrested and proceeded against for failing to comply with "Foglio di via " previously issued, and 4 found to be infected and detained for medical treatment. The remainder were warned as to their future conduct.

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8. POLICE SERVICES GENERALLY

British type " Gas capes " to the number of 500 in all, have been distributed among the Agents di P.S., Guardie di Finanza and Corpo delle Foreste, for the use of personnel on block posts,fixed points etc.

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Further a supply of fifty goggles and gauntlets have also been received from Ordnance and issued to the Traffic Section.

The issue of blankets (See M.R. for October 1940) from AMG sources has now been extended to include all guards at the Judicial and Mandamental Prisons throughout the Province. Arrangements are now in hand to deal similarly with the Vigili del Fuoco,which will complete an issue to all personnel of the Public Safety services in the Province.

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12 cases of armed robbery have been reported with 1 arrest for this class of offence.

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One case of murder, with robbery as the motive,occurred. No arrest.

Information as to the unlawful possession of arms,has led to 9 succesful raids in which weapons in varying quantities have been discovered , and five persons charged.

In one case only was any substantial quantity of weapons found - 12 automatic rifles of various types, and some ammunition and explosives. While all weapons were in good condition,the material appeared to have been hidden for some time.

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10. RELATIONS WITH MILITARY AND SECURITY POLICE

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Such decision gave further cause to bitter reflexions originated by the deprecated consequences to which the recent war would have fatally led Italy and by the vain sacrifices of men and riches that the Italian people have had to endure in order to obtain Italy's unity.

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During last month the activity of the various political parties of this province, has sensibly decreased. Infact, only a few conferences and meetings have been held and these also deserve no particular attention. It seems that the whole political structure not only resents the effects ensuing from the dissensions that were registered in the bosom of the Government but also resents the negative consequences of the dissensions and splittings which have taken place in the bosom of the Italian Socialist Party between "fusionisti" (Hon. NENNI) and "antifusionisti" (Hon. SARAGAT) and in the bosom of the Demo-Christian party where two currents respectively bewildered to right and left have come to light.

Congresses in a more or less near future must lead to a solution of the present political situation in order to give freedom and concrete possibilities to the action that the a/m parties are called upon to perform in the managing-ganglions of the Nation.

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Owing to the existing of all these intestine splittings amongst the most important parties, splittings which presently are not registered in the Communist Party, this will attempt to take advantage of this situation so as to receive odds that cannot easily be obtained as most dissentients seems to have an inclination towards the centre and right wing parties.

The population of this province proves to be influenced by a sense of mistrust and apathy that causes their estrangement from all political tendencies, at least as long as such political dissensions - that hinder the possibility of a concrete revival - exist.

ECONOMIC SITUATION

During last month no changes were registered.

The continuous depreciation of our currency, which creates uninterrupted wants of balance in every sector of the economic field, and hinders the creation of concrete basis for our certain revival, whilst on the other hand it favours all kind of dishonest speculations, the consequences of which definitively burden that mass of people who live and work honestly, is still the cause of serious worries.

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The population of this province is preoccupied by the rumours respecting the scarce availability of grain and by the ensuing possibility that the already low bread-ration, that represents the most important nourishment of the working-classes, may be entirely cut down.

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Other first-necessity foodstuffs are available on the markets of this province in quantities that are adequate and sufficient for the needs of the population.

Want of balance between prices and purchasing power, owing to the recent raise in the cost of goods, is still persisting amongst the working-classes who are therefore forced to many privations. 2791

MORALE OF THE PUBLIC OPINION

The hard political and economical impositions inflicted to Italy by the Peace-treaty; the uncertain fate of our colonies where a great percentage of our workmen had found a settlement; the uncertain situation along the demarcation line because of the exorbitant Slav territorial pretentions,

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On 3/12/46 at about 0900 hrs, about 60 workmen betook themselves in front of the communal building of TEOR as a token of protest against unemployement and forced the clerks to leave their office. At about 1400 hrs the same day, calm was re-established, thanks to the intervention of a Prefettura Offcial who promised them adequate measures.

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At Caneva di Sacile, on 10/12/46, about 200 persons gathered in front of the local communal-building and claimed an extra-ration of maize on payment. The local Sindaco interviewed a representative of the demonstrants and promised them that he would have taken interest by the interested authorities. The demonstration then broke up and the demonstrants threatened disorders if words were not followed by facts.

The above demonstrations like many other of smaller importance that we don't deem necessary to report, were carried out in good order and no violence deserving attention was committed.

OTHER ARGUMENTS RESPECTING THE PUBLIC OPINION

The slowliness and the scarce concreteness with which the works for the "COSTITUZIONE" are being carried out, gives cause to the harsh comments of the population of this province.

The general opinion is that if this method is applied in future also, all the political activities will be palsied for a long while and this prescinding from the possibility that future developments of the public opinion may lead to new situations capable of rendering its works partially useless.

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FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA AND FUNCTIONARIES IN GENERAL.

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Nil.

GOOD ARRESTS

In a public-house of this town, on 23/11/46, the P.S. agents arrested a certain LEVECOCICH Giuseppe fu Giuseppe born at Buia d'Istria, aged 44; one GIANNI Vasco fu Serafino born at Trieste aged 44; and BELLINATI Ezio di Martino from Fivizzano (Apuania) aged 17.

The a/m persons had planned an armed robbery that was to take place on the same night. They were all in possession of arms.

On 23/11/46, in Udine, the P.S. agents arrested a certain DI VINCENTIS Francesco fu Giovanni aged 24 from Taranto, self-proclaimed University-student, Physician and Medical Officer

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who lived in Udine, on fraud and other illegal expedients.

On 28/11/46, at about 1900 hrs, P.S. agents of Tolmezzo, ~~arrec~~ arrested the 2 u/m GERMAN P.Ws.

THIELMANN Guenter of Ugo born at Dreden on 26/10/1924 and DIRSUS Bruno of Osvaldo born at Schlichtingen on 24/12/1926, who had escaped from an Allied P.W. Camp and were bound to cross the Austrian border with the intention of expatriating.

In Tarvisio, the authors of a theft of coils that had been committed to the detriment of a local hydro-electric society, were arrested. The theft worth more than 1.000.000 lire was recovered.

GENERAL

Nil.

CRIME

Nil.

DETENTION OF ARMS BY CIVILIANS

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German machine-rifles	n. 3
German H.M.G.	n. 1
German rifles	n. 2
Italian musket mod. 38	n. 1
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Empty magazines for m/g	n. 11
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British m/g	n. 1
Italian m/rifle	n. 1
Spare barrel for m/rifle	n. 1
"Beretta" Mitra	n. 1
German new "Mauser" rifle	n. 2
German muskets	n. 8
Rifles of various types for hunting	
Boxes cont. 4000 cartridges for m/g cal. 8mm.	n. 2
Complete magazines for m/g.	n. 4
Boxes cont. 30 cartridges for m/g cal. 8 mm.	n. 6
Rocket-pistol	n. 1
Pistols	n. 4
Hungarian Aut. pistol	n. 1
Boxes cont. detonators	n. 6
German hand-bombs	n. 120

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"Breda" hand-bombs.	n.	2
Complete water filtres	n.	1
Spare water filtres	n.	3

VARIOUS INCIDENTS IN WHICH ALLIED PERSONNEL ARE INVOLVED.

At Udine, in the Puccini theatre, on 20/11/1946, at about 2200 hrs, 2 Allied soldiers who were evidently under the influence of alcoholic beverages, could harly be led out of a box, where with their behaviour they disturbed the other spectators, by a P.S. agent.

When a few metres outside the building, the Allied soldiers fired three rounds, it is believed in the direction of the agent who however was not injured. The incident was immediately brought to the notice of the Military Police.

In the fraction of Galliano di Cividale, at about 1730 hrs, on 23/11/46, a certain DI LENARDO Fortunato fu Stefano aged 40 from Gorizia, was driving his car occupied by his wife, SFILIGOI Federica, when, upon crossing an Allied convoy, a fire arm round was fired from the convoy's fourth truck. The bullet pierced the wind screen and ended its course in the cushion of the rear-seat, between DI LENARDO and his wife.

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This vandalic action raised the indignation of the local population. Lance and sword were found, on the following morning, in a field where they had been abandoned by the A/m soldiers.

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At Casarsa, on 26/11/46, in the railway-station, 4 British soldiers depending on the 18th Recovery Section, who had been drinking, gave cause to a violent affray with some civilians. This affray which commenced inside the bar in the railway station, ended in the premises of the "Movement Office" where 2 telegraphic-sets and several window panes were broken. 2 civilians were slightly injured.

On 13/12/46, in Piazzale Cella (Udine) a certain FORCINA Mafaldo, of Francesco, aged 24, residing in Monfalcone, was assaulted, to the purpose of robbery, by two Allied soldiers, and ill-treated with the buts of their revolvers. On arrival of a P.S. agent, the 2 soldiers fled whilst FORCINA had to go to the Hospital and receive treatement for wounds healable in 10 days.

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On 13/12/46, a certain ZAMPARO Filomena in Savio, aged 37, residing in Udine via Duca d'Aosta n. 18, denounced that at about 1950 hrs, 2 British soldiers entered her shop and purchased some biscuits. Suddenly one of them produced a revolver and threatened her, her father, and her cousin, who were in the shop, thus allowing the other soldier to take possession of 3.000 lire that represented the cash of the day.

On 13/12/46, during evening time, 2 British soldiers robbed a certain MARINI Luciano of Francesco aged 36, residing in Udine via della Vigna 36, of 7.000 lire and a golden-watch.

On 13/12/46, at about 1830 hrs, an American G.I. approached, in Viale Venezia, a certain FIORINI Michele of N.N., born at Milazzo on 7 May 1908, here residing in Via Pordenone n. 47, and forced him to proceed in a nearby lane where, under the threat of a pistol FIORINI was compelled to hand over 20.000 lire.
The soldier in question is believed to be stationed in the fraction of San Rocco. FIORINI could easily identify him as the soldier often sold to him some cigarettes.

One of the authors of the above robberies, a British soldier, has been arrested.

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Total	n. 65

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS

Nil.

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OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE

Nil.

PATRIOTS

Nil.

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SEQUESTRATION OF CEREALS

During last month a total amount of 526,02 quintals of wheat, bound for Venezia Giulia and black-market, were sequestered in the course of 40 police operations.

SANITARY SITUATION

During last month the following cases of infective disease were registered in this Province.

Typhus	n. 48
Diptheria	n. 97
Infantile paralysis	n. 4
Malaria	n. 1

SITUATION OF VEHICLES ASSIGNED TO THE QUESTURA

Unchanged.

SEQUESTRATION OF FORGED CURRENCY

Amlire:

Banknotes of 1000 lire	n. 27	-	27.000
" " 500 lire	n. 5	-	2.500
		Total	29.500 amlire

Italian currency:

Banknotes of 1.000lire	n. 16	-	16.000
" " 500lire	n. 5	-	2.500
" " 100lire	n. 4	-	400
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Effective personnel

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O.Rs.	n. 221
Total	n. 267

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Auxiliary Police:

Officers	n. 10
N.C.Os.	n. 31
O.Rs.	n. 285
Total	n. 326

Traffic Police:

Officers	n. 1
N.C.Os.	n. 16
O.Rs.	n. 61
Total	n. 78

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10 agents of the Traffic police are attached to the 1st Company.

Railway Police:

Officers	n. 3
N.C.Os.	n. 13
O.Rs.	n. 76
Total	n. 92

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STRENGTH OF POLICE AGENCIES

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QUESTURA		
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Polizia del Traffico	I	76
Polizia Ferroviaria	3	89
GUARDIE FORESTALI	8	I79
Guardie di FINANZA	I5	7I0
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The position of Capitano MATTEO MANCINI also remains unsatisfactory, as previously reported. This Officer has been awaiting transfer elsewhere for a year, but no decision has been reached apparently.

Further, Ten.Mancini of Palmanova, has made application to be allowed to retire in the near future, and the question of his replacement is also likely to be difficult.

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The whole question of possible replacements for both Officers, N.C.O.'s and Carabinieri has been discussed at length with Col. De Vita, the Legion Commander, and as a result it is clear that such cannot be found from those at present attached to the Legion of Padova, but must come from elsewhere.

In general, police work has been maintained at about the same low level as in previous months. There is a marked degree of lethargy and a general desire toa avoid being compromised through taking action which might be construed as in any way being against a particular political party, particularly the Communist party. As previously stated, a change in the attitude of the Officers of the Group, is necessary before more satisfactory result can be obtained from n.c.o.'s and men. No other special features to report.

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The efficiency, or otherwise, of auxiliary Police personnel, continues to be reviewed and 7 have been dismissed during the month, with 22 cases awaiting decision.

3. GUARDIE DI FINANZA

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It is difficult to assess accurately the real efficiency of the Finance Guards, since their personnel are scattered in very small groups - often of two men only -throughout the Province, and supervision can only be of the very lightest. For a force of 725 in all, the results reported each month do not seem exceptionally great.

Quantities, as shown below, have been sequestered and delivered to Sepral ,

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Farina	- "	250
Pasta	- "	208
Sugar	- "	I40
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Other activities resulted in reports for the following offences:

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At Frontier Posts ten persons were stopped for illegally attempting to cross.

No success has been gained in attempts to obtain some waterproof equipment for frontier and fixed posts.

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4. CORPO DELLE FORESTE.

The enquiry into the management of the state forest at Tarvisio has at last been completed. The whole affair appears to have been the result of local jealousy, fostered by certain individuals who were able to make substantial profits during the german occupation period, whose business activities - and profits - have dwindled.

The clothing situation of all personnel is serious. None have winter uniforms and the Legion has been informed by the Ministry that none are available, or likely to be made available for some considerable time. Footwear is in reasonable supply.

5. PRISONS.

As in previous months the prison population is steadily increasing. The Udine Judicial Prison has its full complement - 283 men and 30 women- as compared with 254 men and 21 women in October.

No escapes and disorders reported.

6. VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION

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7. POLICE SERVICES GENERALLY.

While all Auxiliary Agents of the Questura have been issued with uniforms and are consequently reasonably well clothed, the Regular Agents are very badly off as regards footwear. The Questore has applied to the Ministry for help, so that it might be possible for each man to equip himself on payment, but the reply has been that no supplies are available.

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Strikes and demonstrations have occurred frequently and for the usual reasons. No disorder reported, though threats have been made.

Slav and pro-Slav activity continues, and special enquiries are at present being made by F.S.S. and agents in the M. Pani area, near Tolmezzo. Two individuals from Zone "B" who arrived in Udine without any documents, were detained and handed over to F.S.S.

Two others were also detained for further enquiries, suspected

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U D I N E

Udine, November 18th, 1946

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report.

TO: Major WAY
Public Safety Officer
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

U D I N E

The most important political happening of this month, is represented by the unexpected trip to Brlgrade of the "on. Palmiro TOGLIATTI, leader of the P.C.I..

"on. TOGLIATTI arrived in this town at 1300 hrs, of 1/11/46, coming from Mestre, and on the same evening proceded to Trieste after having come in tough with the leaders of the Party in question, in the local seat of the P.C..

"on. TOGLIATTI although stopped at Barcola by the Allied Police, succeeded in proceding for Lubiana and Belgrade because in possession of a diplomatic passport.

No one excepting, maybe, his political followers, were aware of the goal and aim of his trip; only on the following day did the press announce that he was heading for Belgrade. Same press however did not mention anything regarding the reasons for such step.

On the evening of 5/11/46, "on. TOGLIATTI was awaited upon in Udine and therefore the leaders of the local section of the C.P. had planned for a meeting to be held in the Ceccini theatre and during which TOGLIATTI ought to have spoken with the view, maybe, of announcing the results he had obtained from his interview with TITO. This meeting however was given up at the last moment for the leader of the Italian Communism arrived in this town only on the early hours of November 6th, 46, and after a very short stay proceded for Rome. Lastly, on the evening of 7/11/46, we have come to know through the Communist paper "UNITA4" which published the news under very large headlines, that during the TOGLIATTI-TITO interview, the latter agreed that Trieste be left to Italy.

In another article which however was almost unnoticeable, the same paper reported that as a compensation TITO wanted not only Gorizia, but also the institution in Trieste of a democratic-progressist Government, which should, in other words, bind the same city, to Belgrade's will.

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On the same evening, moreover, unknown persons distributed clandestine bills in several cinemas of the town. Such bills sounded as follows:

"". The results of TOGLIATTI's trip.
TITO is willing to leave Trieste to Italy.
The "UNITA'" of this day publishes the statements made by TOGLIATTI upon his return from Belgrade: Marshal TITO is willing to leave Trieste to Italy.
Long live Italian TRIESTE - Long live the peace and collaboration between Countries - Long live TOGLIATTI - Long live TITO""

The population of this city, exception made for the percentage who side with Togliatti's party, learned and judged the piece of news respecting the results agreed upon by Togliatti and Tito, firstly, with prudential mistrust and then after, after moderate reflexion, with manifest aversion for they believed to notice in this initiative of the leader of the Italian Communism, a manoeuvre intended to favour the Slav-Communist aims, for the satisfaction of which the burdens would be supported by Italy.

Further, the population commented Togliatti's steps as an attempt to place the Communist Party in the light of the supporter of the rights of Italy in the Venezia Giulia Region, and this to the evident purpose of cutting down a further hurtful loss of adherences and votes; loss which is due to the equivocal behavior of the same Party in regard of this problem which is so much taken at heart by all Italians.

As regards this loss, it will not be unuseful to point out that in this second period of the Administrative elections, which has come to an end, in this Province, on 10/11/46, the P.C.I. succeeded in having only 5 Communal Counsellors elected.

And that the step of TOGLIATTI in Belgrade represents a manoeuvre which would have derived a benefit for his Party, and be of profit for the Jugoslav aspirations upon Gorizia, is proved by the recent declarations made by the Italian Premier DE GASPERI, in reply to an attack delivered against him by the leader of the Italian Communism. We may come to a close with this chapter by stating that Togliatti's initiative obtained a result opposite to that which he probably expected for his step meets not only the disapproval of the greatest percentage of the inhabitants of this Province, but will probably give cause in future, to a sensible flaking off even in the recent pact of action-unity, drawn up between Communists and Socialist because amongst these latters there certainly is a high percentage who do not approve diplomatic initiatives which are liable of compromising the National integrity within the limits fixed by the Big Four.

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In this Province, the movement aiming to obtain the Regional Autonomy, is taking a consistency of some interest.

Even respecting this matter though, opinions are discordant and influenced by political currents. In fact, during a meeting held to that purpose, in this town, about the end of last month by the Demo-Christian Party, the leaders of this Party, augured the autonomy of Friuli within the limits of the "VECCHIA PATRIA DEL FRIULI" such as it was at the time of the "REPUBBLICA VENETA"; meanwhile in other meeting held at Pordenone on 3/11/46, by the leaders of the various left-wing political tendencies, this autonomy was deemed convenient within the sphere of all the Venetian provinces including also that of Udine whilst on the other hand they augured the elevation of Pordenone to Chief-town of another province.

As regards to this problem it should be pointed out that all the initiatives taken to this purpose are to be considered at least premature for, the limits, attributions and functioning of the Being Region, are not yet fixed and made known.

On the night between 27-28/10/46, unknown persons hoisted a black flag with white "fascio Littorio" on the cupola of the War Memorial located in Piazza della Liberta - Udine.-

Another of these flags was hoisted on the Church Steeple in Codroipo and a third, a real black rag upon a tree in Sedegliano.

About 20 ex-Fascist already sentenced for collaborationism and then dismissed because of granted amnesty, were stopped but from investigations made, no cobcrete charge could be taken against them. Inquiries are still in course.

At Pordenone on the same night, other unknown persons posted three different types of manifests on the walls in the built-up area.

The manifests read as follows:

"""1946-XXVth year of the Fascist Era - Mothers and brides, do not cry. The remembrance of our martyrs is too great in our hearts that we may forget them. They will be satisfied of their sacrifices and in the depth of their graves they will sleep in peace their sleep of heroes. We the Fascist..."

"""28 October 1946. Fascists, let us salute with emotion the sunrise of this new 25th Year of the Fascist Era and let us repeat to our enemies the very words of the Duce: No one dare think of subdueing us without first having hardly fought. Viva Mussolini".

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""" 1946-XXV F.E. Fascist comrades, this day XXVIII October 46, our thought goes to our martyrs who fell with pure faith and sacred sacrifice like heroes. From their blood new life and hope will sprout. Their souls watch over us and with a steady hand guide us towards a bright future. We for all of them.... Present"".

The a/m bills were removed by P.S. agents.
Inquiries are in course in an endeavour to arrest the authors.

The fallen partisans were commemorated in Cervignano del Friuli, on 4/11/46.

Notwithstanding the preventive prohibition of the Allies, a representative of the Julian Partisans of Monfalcone, took part in the ceremony. The members of this representative were soldier-like distributed with a red flag of the Julian Communist Party and preceded by a crown of laurel - interlaced with Italien and Slav colours and with a red-star in the centre - which was carried by two partisans.

This representative entered Cervignano coming from the fraction of Terzo di Aquileia and was followed by some 1000 partisans and members of the Communist Party who sang the International hymn.

All the sections of the Mandamental ANPI and the sections of the Communist Party had gathered in Piazza Indipendenza which was thus crowded with some 3000 persons.

The 'commissary of war' of the ex-Garibaldi-Natisone Division, and representative of the Provincial ANPI, "VANNI", commemorated the fallen partisans.

He harshly criticized the proceeding action of the Government and said that this action protects the revival of Fascism.

He also brough charges against the Police proceeding action for the alleged aribitrary arrest of Partisans and stated that the worse of these is worth more than the best of bigwigs of the Government for the latters did not contributey with their own personal sacrifices to the liberation of the Country.

He further denied the right of the State Functionaries to judging those who suffered and fought giving assurance that the partisans must carry out a further efficacious epuration whenever we do not want to see again the "squadraccie" (Fascist squads) of unlucky memory.

He also criticized the so-called re-actionary press by saying that this Press has at its disposal, 90 magazines which throw mud upon the Partisan movement and which should therefore be abolished.

He lastly incited the Partisans to give the denigrators of partisans the lies in their throats.

Coming to a conclusion he asked to be granted approval for the sending of 2 telegrams: one addressed to the Prefetto asking for

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the release from prison of the ex-Commander of the Garibaldi Brigade Val Natisone "SASSO" and the other to the Provincial ANPI as a new confirmation of the faith of the partisans of the Bassa Friulana.

"VANNI" alias PADOVAN Giovanni late Edoardo, born at Cordenons on 26/6/1909, residing at Pordenone, is an enraged pro-Slav and one of the so-called 'Eastern-Coomunists" who exercises his influence over all the working classes of the Pordenone area. He is further considered, by the ex-OSOPPO partisans, as one of the main responsible of the well-known carnage of Porzus and at the time when owing to this carnage, arrests were being operated by the Police, he took refuge in Cormons so as to avoid an alleged capture.

2 days before a/m ceremony took place, the emblems of the Communist Party Section in Scodavacca (Cervignano) were torn off and broken to pieces maybe by Polish soldiers and German P.Ws. who were on duty in that area at the dependance of the Allies.

On 10/11/46, a meeting was held in a Public-Hall of this town by Hon. PRATOLONGO, communist; who spoke on the "WEEK OF FRIENDSHIP WITH RUSSIA".

The speaker illustrated the Revolution of October in its origin and development, pointing out its historical importance and putting to light its aims and social acoquisitions.

A government representing the people and which realizes their desires, said the speaker, replaced the sweating Government. He lastly spoke of the institution of the 2 great political blocks : On one side the reactionary and advocate for war, represented by the western powers, and on the other the progressist and peace making represented by Russia and by the other Nations siding with Her. Italy, concluded PRATOLONGO, will revive by establishing a socialist society with firm relations of friendship with Russia.

The day before, another Conference had been held for the same purpose in the "VERDI" hall at Pordenone, by Dr. Gino BELTRAME, who commemorated the XXIXth anniversary of the Revolution of October, and dealth with the progress and prosperity reached by the Russian people, and their program of peace with all Countries, with plenty of particulars.

He then ironically stigmatized the present British politics, headed by CHURCHILL, politics which aim to the institution of a block among all the Western Powers against RUSSIA.

He lastly commented the trip of Hon. TOGLIATTI to Belgrade and augured the achievement of direct agreements with the Juga and the annexation of Trieste to Italy.

These manifestations had regular course.

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After six consecutive Sundays, the second period of the Admin. elections came to an end on 10/11/46.

Everywhere the elections were carried out in good order and tranquillity. The following results were obtained in this Province.

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The month now elapsed was characterized by 3 political occurances of particular importance: Hon. TOGLIATTI's trip to Belgrade and subsequent controversial discussion with the Premier Hon. DE GASPERI; Commemoration of the Russian Revolution and relative Conferences; Conclusion of the 2nd period of the Administrative elections.

The population who are awaiting for over a year a re-arrangement and a revival of the social political and economical sector, consider such kind of occurances with a cold scepticism and disguised mistrust and the greatest percentage of them have fallen into a resigned fatalism which induces them to inactively wait for ~~an~~ a political economical development of the situation before taking any decisive step.

The low percentage of voters who flocked to the poll is a clear proof of the above.

SLAV ACTIVITY.

On the night between 4-5/11/46, the block-post served by Italian soldiers in the fraction of Ceplatisce'is (Cividale) was subject to several rounds fired from the "A" zone. No casualties.

On the night between 6-7/11/46, pro-Slav elements in the Commune of San Leonardo, hoisted a red-starred Jug. flag upon a tree in the fraction of Crostù. The same pro-Slavs distributed clandestine bills in several Communes of the Natisone Valley. The bills read as follows:

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""RUSSIAN REVOLUTION. The working classes after a struggle of many years fought in order to obtain improvements in both life and work conditions from the Government of the Czars, on 25/10/1917, under the leadership of Lenin started the conclusive stage and on 7/11/917 brought the Revolution to a victorious end which wiped out without arbitrations the last residues of Czarism and of the middle-classes which are the enemies of the workmen's classes.

The Revolution of October put the leadership of all the Republics which form Russia in the hands of the Soviets (Popular Powers).

There is a shuddering of hope running through all the workmen of the world, finally there was a directory for the struggle of classes in order to obtain the rights of life which belong to the working classes more than to anyone else.

24 years later, the Jug. Nation under the leadership of great "Compagno TITO" and following the example of the Russian people started the hard struggle for liberation, struggle which will liberate the Jug. people of the Nazi-Fascist enemy and of exploitation of a clique of Governors who, their King included, work on foreigner's pay.

There are popular powers also in Jugoslavia where the people continuously struggle not only for themselves, but also because they want all the workmen of Slovene blood to be united to their Mother-Country and not to be used by the Imperialisms of the whole world, as money for bartering.

We the Beneciani are proud to be the brethren of this glorious Country and are sure that after 30 years of pains, under the Italian yoke, our brethren will not abandon us and that we shall be included in New Jugoslavia.
Long Live the Russian Revolution - Long live the teacher Lenin - Long Live the leader Stalin - Long live the popular powers - Long live the Popular Confederation of the Jug. Republic - Long live the Slovene Benecia."""

This denomination of "BENECIANI" mentioned in the a/q bills was given by the Slovene propagandists, after the conclusion of World War I, to those 40.000 Slavs who live in the territory of the Commune of Resia, of the Julian pre-Alpes and of the Natisone Valley, and who were included to Italy on1866 according to the clauses contained in the Peace-Treaty of Campoformido.

They all speak both Italian and Slovenian and in every circumstance they have given proof of attachment to our Country.

They form a community of promiscuous races, just as it is where a boundary divides two peoples etnically different.

ECONOMIC SITUATION

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The resumption in all the branches of the economic situation still continues although with some difficulty because of the unsufficient availability of raw material.

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Cotton-mills and silk-mills which are well supplied with material work very hard and sometimes with night-shifts in order to satisfy the request of manifactured-goods which arrive mainly from abroad.

Silk-mills in particular are benefited by a provincial order - recently issued by the Allied Governor - which prohibits the exportation of cocoons from the Province thus assuring a long period of work for the respective workmen who learned the issuing of such order with great satisfaction.

As regards to the economical situation in this Province the following summary opinion can now be formed: a remarkable moral and material relaxation can be noticed amongst the population owing to the promising resumption which can be found in several branches of industry and to the thousands of workmen who have emigrated and have already begun to send money to their respective families.

The noteworthy decrease of all the demonstrations held, for economical reasons; by workmen and unemployees of this province during the past few months, is considered as a consequence of the a/q highly improved economical situation.

FOOD SITUATION

The food situation still remains in a state which can be considered as unbalanced for although there is an availability, sufficiently great, of first necessity goods, there is on the other hand a very scarce power of purchase of the masses.

This problem cannot be solved with steps of expedience but can be solved only with proper laws which may establish a convenient social equal distribution.

The prices of all the first necessity goods, are continuously, and without any hope of stopping, on the increase, and if these cannot possibly be steadied, a new wave of strikes and demonstrations of protest will be unavoidable in the near future.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC ORDER SITUATION.

The public Safety and Public order situation, during the past month, has sensibly improved for, both the number of crimes and the number of strikes and demonstrations, are, as already mentioned in other part of this report, on a decreasing stage.

For a more exact learning of the situation in this sector, see enclosure n. 1.

VARIOUS

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MORALE OF THE PUBLIC OPINION.

As regards to the public-esprit conditions, there are no important facts which may change what was already said in my previous report.
The Difficulties met by the conclusion of our peace-treaty are reflected upon the political economical and social life of our country which in its turn reflects the negative effects upon the population and influences their esprit causing in them a moral bewilderment which is due to contingent reasons rather than to manifestations of character.

It will be necessary to re-establish normal and customary conditions of life before sensible improvements can be hoped for in this sector.

RELATIONS BETWEEN CIVILIANS AND A.M.G. PERSONNEL.

The relations between civilians and A.M.G. personnel are always impressed by a reciprocal esteem. The population nourishes great sympathy and gratitude for the personnel of the A.M.G. for they are quite aware of the help and benefits received in difficult moments, thanks to their intervention.

TROUBLES CAUSE BY CIVILIANS.

Nil.

OTHER ARGUMENTS RESPECTING THE PUBLIC OPINION.

Owing to the persisting serious crisis of housing, the population who were compelled in many cases to settle-down under absolutely precarious conditions, conditions which become unbearable after a certain period of time, criticizes the unexplainable slowliness with which works of reconstruction are being carried out, particularly in Udine and claim that measures be taken so that at least those persons who are in the possibility of doing so, may arrange for the repair of damaged buildings no matter how and when the relative reimbursement will be paid by the Government.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA AND FUNCTIONARIES IN GENERAL.

Nil.

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GOOD ARRESTS.

- About the end of the last month the following German P.Ws. who escaped from Pozzuolo del Friuli and were heading for the Austrian boundary with the evident intention of repatriating, were arrested by the Police.:

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1)- POCK Gerard late Ernest, born at Graz-weissensee on September 25th, 1924.

2)- QUOSDORF Kurt of Paul born at Wolfenlohe on July 4th, 1921.

They both were put at the disposition of the Allied Police of Tolmezzo.

About the end of the last month, the following persons, responsible of armed robberies, were arrested by the Police Forces:

1)- PIZZINATO Renato Mario late Pietro born on 9/11/1925 at Pasiano di Pordenone, residing in frazione Rivarotta, bachelor, marine.

2)- BIASOTTO Angelo of Basilio born on September 8th, 1916 at Pasiano di Pordenone, residing in frazione Rivarotta.

3)- PANTAROTTO Giovanni called "Turbo" of Andrea born at Pramaggiore on March 9th, 1924, residing in Annone Veneto, itinerant dealer.

On November 2nd, 1946, the Allied Military Police arrested a certain TONELLO Ilario (Martello) who was put in the Judicial Jail of Udine because guilty of having infringed an order of the Allies who prohibited his soujourn in this province.

For propaganda and pro-Slav activity the following persons were respectively arrested on 22nd October and 5 November 46.

1)- CORMOSN Leonardo born at Taipana on September 8th, 1889, there residing, bricklayer, in the house of whom a red-star-red Jugo flag was found. He was in possession of the UAIS membership card.

2)- STURMA Eugenio of Giuseppe born at Platischis (Taipana) on August 20th, 1903, miner, unemployed.

GENERAL.

Nil.

CRIME.

Nil.

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DETENTION OF ARMS BY CIVILIANS.

There is nothing to add to what referred to the purpose in our previous reports.

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Investigations made by the Police Forces have lead to the recovery of the following arms, ammunition and various military material:

On October 18th, 1946, near Palmanova, an underground hiding-place built so as to prevent arms from going rusty. In this underground dump the following was found:

Rifles and automatic rifles of various calibre	n.	101
"Breda" machine-gun Mod. 42	n.	1
German anti-tank 'Panzerfaust'	n.	11
Boxes containing 81 mm. mortar-shells	n.	4
Boxes containing 4 spare barrels of anti air craft m/gun		2
French hand bombs	n.	80
German hand bombs	n.	120
Full magazines of 20mm. rounds	n.	34
Boxes containing fusees for 81mm.		1
Boxes containing 5 packs m/gun rounds	n.	1
Boxes containing 20 mm. rounds	n.	4
boxes containing full magazine m/guns rounds	n.	2
Spare barrels for m/gun.	n.	20
Charges of high explosive	n.	7
Mines of unknown type	n.	3

- On 9 and 11 November 46, the Police Forces have recovered the following arms in the Communes of Tarcento, Buaia, Tricesimo:

3 cans of petrol
20 empty cans of petrol.
2 cans of lubricating oil.
2 tarpaulins.
2 preda bellica canopies.
9 pairs of Allied military trousers.
6 Allied military shirts.
1 Allied military truck.
9 tyres for Jeep.
2 tyres for truck.
1 "Berretta" automatic rifle.
Various ammunition.

V.D. PROSTITUTION AND BROTHELS.

The following measures were taken during the last month in endeavour to repress the clandestine prostitution:

- Women arrested for infraction to the "Compulsory way-bill" 28

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- women arrested and repatriated with the compulsory way-bill . . . . . n. 32
- women arrested and warned . . . . . n. 46
- women stopped and removed to hospital because afflicted by V.L. . . . . n. 8

Brothels are always under strict control as regards sanitary rules and good order so as to avoid that same may become a receptacle haunted by criminals.

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS.

On 14/11/46, at about 1700 hrs, in the hall of the Extraordinary Court of Assizes of Udine, during the trial of the ex-republican and collaborationist, Bruno ZATTI from Spilimbergo, a person who was attending the trial loudly commented the procedure. The president Dr.CAPUTTI, ordered silence and stated that if he did not get it he would order the evacuation of the court-room. A person replied by shouting out "Better" at which the president gave orders for the sending away of the disturber.

This person who was identified for Alfio TOMBOSSO of Luigi aged 32, mosaicist from Spilimbergo; ex-partisan of the Garibaldi formations pronounced these very words in reply to the President's appeal:-

"" A lot better, because this is a piece of buffoonery.""

During the fuss which ensued in the Court-room; Dr. ACCARD asked the disturber to be arrested under the charge of infringement of art. 342 of the Penal Code.

The Court retired to deliberate and appeared a few minutes later and sentenced ZATTI who was set free because granted amnesty.

The Court then began the trial against TOMBOSSO Alfio who was sentenced 4 months imprisonment and the non-inscription in the Judicial records.

The fact that during the trials, the fascist and collaborationist was absolved whilst the partisan was sentenced, resulted in an open protest which was forwarded to the Ministry of Justice on behalf of the ANPI.

On 16/11/46, after the third meeting of the Allied Military Court, the captains : GUALTIERI GUASCONI and VASCONI were sentenced to 4 months detention because guilty of having failed to distribute the parcels addressed to British P.Ws. held in the Gruppigniano (Cividale) Concentration Camp.

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OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE.

Nil.

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PATRIOTS

N11.

SEQUESTRATION OF CEREALS.

During the last month, the Police Forces have sequestered 148,35 quintals of cereals which had been stolen from the State warehouse in order to make illegal profits by sending them beyond the demarcation-line.

Police services instituted to this purpose, have given very good results as it can be seen by the under mentioned figures:

Wheat	sequestered	during	the	month	of July	Qls.	681.25
"	"	"	"	"	" August	"	756.42
"	"	"	"	"	" Sept.	"	213.54
"	"	"	"	"	" Oct.	"	194.28
"	"	"	"	"	" Nov.	"	148.35
					Total	Qls.	1993.84

SEQUESTRATION OF FORGED CURRENCY.

Amlire:

Banknotes	of 1000 lire	Nr. 11 =		11.000
"	" 500 lire	Nr. 11 =		5.500
		Total of Amlire		16.500

Italian currency:

Banknotes	of 1000 lire	Nr. 12 =		12.000
"	" 500 lire	Nr. 4 =		2.000
"	" 100 lire	Nr. 4 =		400
		Total	Lire	14.400

STRENGTH UP TO 18 November 1946.

Effective personnel

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Officers	. . . . .	n. I
N.C.Os.	. . . . .	n. 45
Ors.	. . . . .	n. 217
Total		n. 263

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Auxiliary Police:

Officers	n.	9
N.C.Os.	n.	31
O.Rs.	n.	301
Total	n.	341

Traffic Police:

Officers	n.	1
N.C.Os.	n.	16
O.Rs.	n.	60
Total	n.	77

Railway Police:

Officers.	n.	3
N.C.Os.	n.	13
O.Rs.	n.	76
Total	n.	92

Sanitary situation.

About the last days of the last month, typhus caused by polluted water, broke out in the fraction of Banzicco (Commune of Dignano). 15 cases were registered 5 of whom serious.

The provincial Doctor immediately intervened and arranged for the encompassing and disinfestation of the houses where such cases were registered.

During the last month, the following cases of infective diseases were further registered in the Province:

Diphteria	nr.	65
Typhus	nr.	24
Polyomelitis	nr.	7
Maleria	nr.	3

THE QUESTORE
Dr. DURANTE
Signed.

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1. STRENGTH OF CIVIL POLICE

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CARABINIERI	9	508
QUESTURA		
Agenti di P.S.		250
Polizia Ausiliarie	10	334
Polizia del Traffico	1	76
Polizia Ferroviaria	3	89
GUARDIE di FINANZA	17	722
VIGILI URBANI	1	448
CORPO DELLE FORESTE	8	177

2. CARABINIERI

...of carabinieri as reported

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2. CARABINIERI

The gradual reduction in the strength of Carabinieri, as reported in previous months, due to personnel being released on termination of their period of military service continues. Twenty four N.C.O.'s and men were lost during the month for this reason, ill-health or etc. Replacements are practically non-existent.

Further it was found that the Legion H.Q. Padova were frequently ordering the transfer of personnel from this to other Groups in the

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6 jeeps and some 30 motorcycles have been supplied during the month. At present these are being put in running order - spare parts are causing considerable difficulty and delay - and will be eventually distributed to the various Commissariati and the Traffic Police.

Suitable premises have been found and are being gradually adapted for use as a garage.

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AUXILIARY POLICE

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IV. GUARDIE DI FINANZA

There is reported to be a noticeable decrease in the Black Market, particularly in cereal products, towards which particular efforts have been directed.

Quantities, as shown below, have been sequestered and delivered to SEPRAL .

Grano)	Kg. 3219.-	2764
Granoturco	" 82.-	
Farina	" 641.-	

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Riso)	Kg.	59.-
Patate)	"	56.-

Other activities resulted in reports for the following offences :

a) Diritti di confine	87
b) Imposta di fabbricazione	22
c) Monopoli di stato	9
d) Tasse sugli affari	57

Total amount of taxes collected L. 2.298.992.=

Further, frontier posts stopped 19 persons for illegal attempts to cross the frontier.

The equipment of the Gd. Ff. is fair, but waterproof clothing for the frontier posts and other fixed duties is essential. Application has been made to Agra for gas capes in this case, and also for other police services.

V. CORPO DELLE FORESTE

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VI. PRISONS

While prison conditions remain about the same, the population is steadily increasing not only in the judicial, but also with the " mandamentali" prisons.

The numbers of detainees in the Udine judicial Prison has increased from 234 males and 16 females on 15 Sept. 1940, to 254 males and 21 females at the present time.

No escapes or disorders reported during the month.

VII. VENEREAL DISEASE and PROSTITUTION

A total of 157 women were stopped and examined. Of these 12 were found to be infected and detained for medical treatment, 47 were issued with compulsory "foglio di via" and 26 were proceeded against for failing to comply with " foglio di via" previously issued.

VIII. POLICE SERVICES GENERALLY

An issue of blankets obtained from Allied sources is being made to each man in Carabinieri, Agents di P.S., Guardia di Finanza, and Corpo delle Foreste. Distribution has already begun.

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IX. PUBLIC SAFETY. CONDITIONS GENERALLY

While there has been a reduction in the number of cases of armed robbery, the situation cannot be regarded as in any way satisfactory as there has been a corresponding reduction in the number of arrests.

In 26 reported cases, arrests have been made in 2. Other serious crimes have been reported as under :

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a)	murder	wounding and attempt	3
b)	extorsion		1
c)	heavy larceny		6

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The movement of workers away from the Province to find work in other countries, particularly France, continues. From the number of letters stopped by C.C.G. Udine, referring to this activity, the movement appears to be considerable.

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The various parties have been as active as ever particularly the Communists.

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It is just for such an occasion that both sides are working and preparing now.

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d) At the Special Assize Court, on 5 Oct. 40, 7 members of the infamous Fascist band " Nebez-Ruggero " responsible for a number of murders, robberies etc. were found guilty - 3 to death by shooting, and the remainder to terms of imprisonment varying from 15 to 20 years.

e) On 12 Oct 40, Segni, Minister of Agriculture and Forests visited Udine, and met representatives of the Local Christian Democrats and spoke at a meeting of that party.

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- Q U E S T U R A OF U D I N E -

Nr. 01055 di prot. Gab. Udine 20th Oct. 1946

SUBJECT: Monthly Report.

TO: Major A.G.I. RAY
Public Safety Officer
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
= U D I N E =

The approval of the Peace-Treaty with Italy, which took place in Paris, on 10/10/46, on behalf of the so-called Committee of the "Twentyone", has given cause to bitter and vivacious comments of all the social classes of the population of this province, because of the painful and ethnically unjustified territorial modifications which, by the Treaty itself are inflicted to Italy.

The reservation made by the Russo-Slave in respect of the ratification of the Treaty itself, is also harshly criticized for, notwithstanding the serious renunciements to which Italy was subject in order to alleviate the Slav's thirst of expansion, this seems to be unsatisfied.

As regards the a/m comments, it should be pointed out that large masses of the population consider vain our co-belligerency and the sacrifices undergone in order to side and facilitate the Allied fighters against the German army.

A new political undecision will be originated in this Region, which is already morally and materially damaged by a circumstancial situation deriving from its location along the demarcation-line, by the reservation made by the Russo-Slave in respect of the Peace-Treaty with Italy.

Political extremisms, which might represent a danger, for they will be able to lead to the elimination of all initiatives aiming to the establishing, in our Country, of a healthy and honest democracy which might give to this discouraged people, peace, bread, liberty and work, might be originated by the unavoidably ensuing feeling of discontent and resentment.

As regards the political situation of the Province, the interesting

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developments which take in account in the area of Zervieh, where, of the 260 "unacquisti" have formed a block with neo-christians and Socialist, in view of the forecoming "constructive elections" which will take place on 12 Nov. v., it is to be pointed out, in fact, the local Socialists have taken part in the C./. block, in view of the unfavourable opinion of their leaders in the province.

Jo-Nni se, who are non isolated, accept to side with the Austro-Slavs of the Peasants, so that they already indicate support and collaboration.

The equally feble success of the "Uomo Qualunque" in view for extremist of the Centre, in spite of the discredit and difficulties represented by the Austro-Slav propaganda and by the political organizations which side with the left-wing parties, is a fact which deserves a particular interest.

This success is to be attributed to the re-awakening of the national feeling of the Italians of that area, who purpose, through the "Uomo Qualunque", to fight for the ethnical and territorial integrity of that contested valley.

In Zervignano also, which is the fortress of the local pro-Slavs, a nucleus of the "Uomo Qualunque" comprised of 70 members approx. has been constituted along the end of last month.

This fact proves how, the fiercest political attacks which characterized the months immediately ensuing the end of the war in this province, is now gradually cooling down, or otherwise the existence of this party would have been impossible in that centre of the Friulian plain.

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The political situation which ripened in the area of Monfalcone, deserves a particular notice. In fact, in this important industrial centre of the Friuli, the pro-Slavs, having understood the opportunity of monopolizing those masses of workmen, are now influencing them with huge promises, propagandistic systems to the purpose of using them as threatening political weapon against those circuits which do not agree with the left-wing parties.

In my view, this action does not exceed from the usual methods of political campaign now in use, but it is also certain that behind the scenes of all demonstrations held during these days by the Communist Party of Monfalcone, under the specious acceptable pretext, we can discover the hidden purpose of creating, there, a chronical situation which, if conceived and planned with ability, by means of "foreigner's law", should lead the area to annex to Tito's Yugoslavia.

In the centre of Gorizia and surroundings, the question, for it

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re-establishing in that centre of the "Sotto prefettura" with the view of obtaining a quick settlement of the administrative matters respecting the local interests of that area, is being agitated.

CHAMBERS OF LABOUR AND SYNDICATES.

Chambers of Labour and syndical ganglions, circumvented with ability by the leaders of the Communist Party, are now functioning and acting under their instructions, annulling, practically, the collaboration which, in this sector, would have been given also by the leaders of other political parties.

This way of behaving, which, in many cases, differs only nominally from the methods used during the Fascist period, indisposes and creates discontent amongst those persons who do not share with the political ideas of the left-wing parties.

ADMINISTRATIVE ELECTIONS.

On 6 and 13/10/46, the second turn of the Administrative elections began in this Province. These elections, which were held in 39 Communes; gave the following results:-

Demo-Christian Party.	Counsellors	n.	224
Italian Socialist Party	"	"	63
Left-wing concentration (P.C.I. - P.S.I.			
Partito d'Azione)	"	"	201
Uomo Qualunque	"	"	27,6
Independants	"	"	115

Administrative elections in this province will last four more Sundays and will therefore end on 10/11/1946. Their development, up to now, has been calm but with scarce rush of electors.

OTHER VARIOUS HAPPENINGS OF POLITICAL CHARACTER.

On 2/10/46, the "Movimento della Gioventù Democratica" was constituted at Udine - Via Generale Maldissera.

Aims of this movement are:-

- To provide the young-men with political preparation.
- To give them assistance, to create sports-centres and to arrange for instructive trips.
- to constitute cultural and professional courses and to come in

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b. touch with other similar organizations abroad.

The aim of this movement consists in taking away the young-men from other similar organizations controlled by the left-wing parties. The enlistment is allowed to young-men of all political tendencies.

Under the presidency of prof. PIERA Gaetano, president of Chamber of Commerce of Udine and master of the class of statistics in the University of Padua, a Commission for the study of problems re: Regional autonomy, members of which are also of. GORIATI Michele and MARANO Giuseppe, has been constituted during the first days of October.

On 12/10/46, on. SCELBA, Minister of Agriculture, arrived in Udine. He attended a meeting of the reclaimers of the provinces of Udine, Belluno, Bolzano and Treviso.

During the meeting, agricultural problems,-particularly re: reclaiming works on high scale, for which, the necessary funds have been partially granted with the view of employing a good number of unemployees,-have been dealt with.

SLAV ACTIVITY.

As for the past, raids of Slav armed gangs in the territory of this Province, are still being registered. One of the most important of these raids took place during the first days of October last in the area of CIVIDALE-SAVOGNA-KAL AT TORRE, where, raiders and Slav elements residing in Savogna kept themselves in touch by firing conventional fire-arms shots.

Other raids of patrols comprised of some 2 or 3 persons, were signalled, by confidential sources, in the areas of Faipana and in the fractions of Subit and Persaue (commune of Attimis).

Furthermore, in Cervignano del Friuli, on 10/10/46, U.S. agents arrested a certain LUBZIC Josipa aged 21, born at Fiume and residing at Milan in Via Alessi n.6; who is believed of having made several trips between Milan and Zagreb, on account of a Slav Group of Milan for whom she exported from Italy, gold valuables, currency etc.. acting, in the same time, as messenger and liaison. It is believed that for her last trip, she was granted a compensation of 45.000 lire.

Another person was arrested together with LUBZIC. He is a certain JANKOVIC Milan, born at Risch, Jugoslavia, on 14 May 1927, residing at Belgrade. This person was in possession of an Identity Card issued at Trieste under the name of Rodric Edoardo, there residing in Via Udine n.37/IV. He obtained this Identity card from a certain MARINI Margherita, waitress, employed by the

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"Metropol" Hotel in Trieste.

JANKOVIC, whom the e/m RUBEZIC met in Zagreb, was to be accompanied to Milan and introduced to the a/i Slav Group.

Inquiries are in course in an endeavour to ascertain the position of the a/m and of their employers.

ECONOMIC SITUATION.

No important happenings capable of causing changes in the economic sector of this province, were registered during the last month.

A discreet resumption is to be noted in all branches of the local industry and particularly in spinning-mills, silk-mills, furniture-paper and cement industry.

Owing to this resumption, which is mainly due to circumstances of temporary character, and owing to the fact that many thousands of workmen have been engaged abroad, unemployment marks a light retrogression.

Industry and commerce are however passing through a period of inopportune uncertainty because of the depreciation of the Lira and because of the already planned substitution of the currency, the consequences of which are considered under reserve by banks as well as by possessors or investors of large sums of money, for no-one knows, at present, the modalities and repercussions which this substitutions will give cause to.

FOOD SITUATION.

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A further light inclination towards a rise of the prices of the 'first necessity goods' is registered in the food-sector.

The origin of this rise is to be attributed to the continuous decreasing of the worth of the Lira, on which, as a matter of fact, the whole so-called, dishonest speculation and black-market is based.

The measures taken in an endeavour of eliminating speculation and black-market, will have, necessarily, aleatory effects, for, such kind of inconveniences will be excluded from the social life, successfully and decisively, only when the Lira will be stabilized and the market assessed with victuals and first-necessity articles, the whole connected with the relative purchasing-power of the masses.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC ORDER SITUATION.

The Public Safety situation has not undergone, during the

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last month, any important changes. Robberies and serious crimes committed in the province during this period, are reported in the attached enclosure n. 1.

The public order situation was also normal in spite of the administrative elections, demonstrations and strikes held for economical reasons and the most important of which are hereunder reported:-

On 23/9/46, 150 workmen employed by the COI firm of Pressacco (Cormons), betook themselves to Udine, in front of the "Palazzo della Provincia" and claimed economical improvements and the granting of new works for the employment of their workmates.

Their representatives were received in the Prefecture and granted assurance about the s/m requested. The demonstrators then broke up in good order.

On 26/9/46, about 150 workmen employed by the "TELVE" (Società Telefonica delle Venezie) branch of Udine, went on strike as a token of protest against the non-acceptance of the requested wage-improvement and in order to side with their fellow-workers of the other provinces of the Kingdom. This strike was effected only by the personnel of the interurban lines.

On 30/9/46, about 2000 workmen employed by the building-industries of Pordenone, went on strike as a token of protest against the non-payment of the wage-improvements consisting in 55 lire a day.

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For the same reason, this strike was repeated on 7/10/46.

On 3/10/46, the personnel depending on the "Azienda Comunale del Gas" went on strike in conformity with the decisions taken by the "Federazione Italiana degli Agenti del Gas".

The distribution of Gas, water and electricity was assured thanks to the instructions given by the Allied Military Government.

On 4/10/46 at about 1000 hrs, about 4000 workmen, the majority of whom were females, employed in the factories of Pordenone and Torcenone, gathered in Piazza XX Settembre, in Pordenone, whence, preceded by various representatives of the Chambers of Labour of the place and of Udine, betook themselves, in front of the town-hall where they delegated a commission which had to submit, to the local authorities, a memorial containing the following requests:-

1)- financing of new plans of works on a high scale.

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2)- drastic and immediate measures against the continuous rise of the prices of the first necessity goods.

3)- Measures against black-marketeers and speculators.

4)- Control of prices from producers to consumers.

5)- rationing of other eatables.

The Sindaco as well as the represenatives of the various working-classes, spoke from the balcony of the town-hall and promised their interest in the achievement and putting into effect of the a/q requests.

The Vice-Prefetto of Udine attended this meeting.

The demonstrators broke out without incidents.

On 8/10/46; in Venzone, about 200 workmen gathered in the main square of the town in order to claim a prompt starting of public utility works, where the most needy person were to be employed.

The Sindaco, and a delegation of 3 workmen went, on the next day, to Udine and presented themselves to the Prefettura where they dealt with the problems respecting the necessities of the unemployees of Venzone.

All questions were temporarily settled.

VARIOUS

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See attached enclosure n. 2.

MORALE OF THE PUBLIC OPINION.

The public opinion in this province is still being negatively influenced by different causes which are to be classified amongst the consequences of the recent war.

The causes which mainly burden the morale of the population are:-

- the difficult economic situation which falls heavy upon all the social classes who live on honest work.

- the particularly hard treatment inflicted to Italy at the Peace-Conference, treatment which, not only menaces her political life, but makes rather uncertain her economical revival because of the heaviousness of the burdens inflicted as a compensation for the damages caused to ex-enemy countries.

- the uncertain internal political situation due to the struggle amongst the parties, which, in an endeavour of overpowering each

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other, do not care, with sufficient interest, the wide and serious problems which respect our revival.

The a/j state of things has given origin to a deep sense of mistrust amongst the population and to a period of moral lawlessness and resignation, owing to which, all wealthy initiative is stagnant, in the expectancy of a new, not to be foreseen fact, which may give the start to a new era of resumption.

RELATIONS BETWEEN CIVILIANS AND A.M.G. PERSONNEL.

Nil.

TROUBLES CAUSED BY CIVILIANS.

Nil.

OTHER ARGUMENTS RESPECTING THE PUBLIC OPINION.

Nil.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE JUDICIAL AND FUNCTIONARIES OF POLICE.

For ascertained subtraction of records, aggravated by the aim of lucre, and for failure of denunciation against malfeasors of cousins, the Commissario aggiunto di P.S., MANIUSSI Gino of Cesare aged 32 from Casilina, employed by this Questura and ex-member of the "Garibaldi" formations where he was known under the name of "Guampa", has been forced to resign from the office and the Ministry of Interior informed of this case for the steps they will deem necessary.

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CODE ARTICLES.

On 26 Sept. 46, a certain PICCINI Mario of the late Francesco, aged 23, from Moresco (Padova) once residing in Corinia, was arrested under the charge of serious robberies and because member of a gang.

On 3/10/46; in Udine, a certain SACCAVINI Aldo of the late Luigi, aged 24 from Udine, was arrested under the charge of murder and aggravated robbery.

On 10/10/46, at San Vito al Tagliamento, a certain LEONE Nicola, of Civaviano, aged 24, from Lupara di Campobasso, University student, self-proclaimed "Lieut. RAOUL" was arrested by

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The F.S. agents became responsible of a theft of cocoons to the detriment of the "Essiccatoio" of San Vito al Tagliamento.

This theft, which was committed during the month of May 1945, represented a loss of 240.000 lire. On this occasion the following persons were also arrested: ZANIER Walter of the late Daniele aged 21 from San Vito al Tagliamento in his quality of accomplice, and COLZATO Rino of Antonio aged 24, from Arcade di Piave, for personal support, in the a/m theft, and for violence and opposition against the F.S. agents.

On 6/12/45, the Ung. native UDRIO Liler, ex present American subject, was arrested and put at the disposition of the F.S.S. because responsible of having attempted to sell half a kg. of cocaine.

The following persons, who are responsible of complicity in the a/m crime, and alleged authors of a theft of 2 million lire to the detriment of the "SORRAVEN" firm, have been also arrested:- COLZATO Emilio of the late Silvestro, aged 49, his son Pietro, aged 19; PETRACCO Francesco of Antonio aged 22, all from S. Vito al Tagliamento, who, attempted escape in order to evade the law.

Inquiries are in course in an endeavour to trace goods as well as money.

DI CESARE Alessandro of the late Antonio aged 51, residing at Piedimonte Matese, author of a theft of money and jewels committed at Trieste, was arrested on 10/12/45.

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For abusive detention of arms, explosives and war-material, the following person were arrested in Ara Grande di Fricesimo between 7 and 8 Oct. 45:-

MARTELLI Antonio of the late Massimo aged 58, farmer, to whom the following material was sequestered:-

42 packages of celluloid of 1,500 Gr. each, for bomb charge.
44 fuses of mine and relative detonators.
140 rounds for pistol.

MARTELLI Plinio of Sebastiano aged 31, farmer, who was found in possession of:

40 Kgs of powder for the charge of hand-bombs.
1,500 Kg of high explosive for guns.
1 package of celluloid for guns
100 metres fuse for mines without detonators.

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MARINO Guglielmo of the late Tobia aged 50, farmer, who was found in possession of:-

20 Kgs of high explosive which was kept in 2 cans.
50 metres of Allied telephone wire.

MONTAGNESE Lamieri of the late Giuseppe aged 23, farmer, who was found in possession of

One bayonet for "Mauser" rifle.
3 German hand-bombs.
2 bars of high explosive
2 packages of detonators for mines.
1 "Browning" revolver regularly declared.

CARUSO Pietro of the late Lorenzo aged 34 who was found in possession of:-

3 mortar bombs of 37 mm. cal.
200 metres of fuse for mine, without detonators.
1 military saucepan
1 tin of high explosive (belligaite).
1 package of explosive for guns
20 Kgs of high explosive contained in 2 boxes.

ROCCO Ottaviano of the late Giovanni, farmer, who was found in possession:-

1 magazine for "Breda"-machine-gun.
1 magazine for musket mod. 1891.

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TERESCHTI Riccardo of the late Pietro aged 61, bricklayer, who was sequestered of:-
1094 rounds cal. 10,35 mm. for pistol.
48 bars of blasting-gelatine 'Agna' German make.
20 Kgs of high explosive for hand-bombs.
2 pondere which ohne belonged to the M.V.S.N.
2 bayonets for muskets mod. 1891
5 Kgs of ballistite
9 fuses for mine with detonators
30 detonators for incendiary-bombs.
2 boxes containing ballistite
3 mortar bombs
10 piles of fuses for mines without detonators.
3 charges of powder for mines and relative garniture.
39 graduating disks for artillery bombs
400 detonators
38 rounds for "Flem" rifle
33 rounds cal. 6,5 mm. for Italian muskets
1 smoke-bomb

1 bin of explosive for mines
2 tins of powder for guns
219 detonators for mines,
1 shell-case for mortar

BENELLI Andrea of the late Luigi aged 60, merchant, who was found in possession of:

7,500 Kgs of high-explosive for guns
65 Kgs of high-explosive for bombs
1 musket mod. 1891.

GENERAL

Nil

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Nil

DETENTION OF FIRE ARMS BY CIVILIANS

Nil.

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V.D., PROSTITUTION AND DRUGS:

The following police measures were taken during the last month for the repressing of clandestine prostitution:-

- Arrested and denounced for infraction to the "Compulsory Way-bill"	n. 26
- Stopped and repatriated with the "Compulsory Way-bill"	n. 47
- Stopped and warned	n. 72
- Removed to Hospital because afflicted by V.D.	n. 12
Total	157

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GENERAL

Nil

CRIME

Nil

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Nil.

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Total 157

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS

On 5 Oct. 46, at about 1700 hrs, in the local Court of Assizes, the trial against REBEZ-RUGGERO, charged with murder and tortures against partisans, has come to an end.

After a stay of 5 hours in the Council-Room, the Court sentenced:-

RUGGERO Ernesto, REBEZ Remigio and a certain ROSSINI (absconding) sentenced to death (shooting at the back)

MUNARETO Alessandro to 20 years imprisonment

BIANCO Giovanni to 16 years imprisonment.

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ORAGNO Quinto to 16 years imprisonment.

TURRIN Giovanni to 16 years imprisonment.
BILLA Alessandro & SICCO Giovanni, granted amnesty.

At the beginning of the trial, the population attempet to invade the cage and lynch the detainees.
The sentence was listened with tranquillity by the population.

Owing to the large amnesty granted to common criminals, and owing to their dismissal from prison, a recrudescence of all crimes, especially of those against private properties, is to be registered.
Whilst amnesty granted to political detainees, left - a few cases excepted - the population unconcerned, the amnesty granted to common detainees, has been harshly criticised for a worsening of the public Safety situation, which is already so much compromised by circumstancial reasons, was to be expected.

OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE.

Nil

INCIDENTS

Nil

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SEQUESTRATION OF FORGED CURRENCY.

Asiire:

banknotes of 1000 lire	Nr. 46	=	46000
" " 500 "	" 5	=	2500
	Total	=	48500

43 Asiire of 1000 lire each were impounded to a certain PRALIT Silvio, against whom, therefore, a penal procedure is in course.

Italian currency:

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OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE.

Nil

PATRIOTS

Nil

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SEQUESTRATION OF FORGED CURRENCY.

Amlire:

Banknotes of 1000 lire	Nr.	46	= 46000
" " 500 "	"	5	= 2500
	Total		= 48500

93 Amlire of 1000 lire each were impounded to a certain PRALZI Silvio, against whom, therefore, a penal procedure is in course.

Italian currency:

Banknotes of 1000 lire	Nr.	54	= 54000
" " 500 "	"	2	= 1000
" " 100 "	"	12	= 1200
	Total:		56200

45 banknotes of 1000 lire each were impounded to BENARDON Gio Batta, aged 29 from Mercatico - Piacenza - who was arrested and denounced to the Judicial authority.

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STRENGTH OF FO 10 October 46.

Effective personnel

U.C.Os.	n.	46
C.Rs.	n.	214
	Total	260

Auxiliary Police.

Officers	n.	10
N.C.Os.	n.	31
C.Rs.	n.	3 03
	Total	344

Traffic Police.

Officers	n.	1
N.C.Os.	n.	16
Agents	n.	60
	Total n.	77

Railway Police.

Officers	n.	2746
N.C.Os.	n.	13
C.Rs.	n.	72
	Total	92

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N.C.Cs.	n.	13
C.Rs.	n.	79
Total		92

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Signed.

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Enclosure N. 1

ROBBERIES AND SERIOUS CRIMES REGISTERED DURING THIS MONTH.

The Public Safety situation during this month has been nearly stationary. A light recrudescence, which is partly due to the dismissal from prison of common criminals who enjoyed the recent amnesty, is to be registered in crimes committed against private properties.

In order to have an exact estimate of the situation, the most important and serious cases are hereunder reported:-

On 21 Sept. 46, at about 2215 hours, along the road between RUBANO DI PADOVA and PADUA, an unknown person, armed with pistol, stopped the following persons and robbed their money:-

1)- CUBERLI Giacinto of Arturo aged 35 from Cavegnacco, labourer . . . . . L. 60

2)- MISS Antonio of the late Luigi aged 43 from Cavalicco . . . . . L. 650

3)- PERUCCO Sereno of the late Agostino aged 44, labourer from Cavegnacco . . . . . L. 500

4)- AMBROSINI Enore of Carlo aged 20, railwayman from Cagnacco . . . . . L. 500 and a bicycle.

5)- CRISTOFOLI Nino of Giorgio aged 20 from Cagnacco . . . . L. 50

On 22 Sept. 46, between 2100 and 2330 hrs, in Adegliacco, some unknown person armed with pistol, stopped the following persons and robbed their money:- 2745

1)- CASARSA Pietro of Isidoro aged 19, from Ribis di Reana, labourer . . . . . L. 700

2)- BEARZOTTI Antonio of the late Leopoldo aged 33 from Udine, labourer L.1400

3)- VARICA Lino of Angelo aged 26 from Adegliacco, labourer . . . . . L. 450

4)- COLUSSI Alfredo of Pietro aged 25 from Udine, labourer L.1100

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1)- DUBERTI Giacinto of Arturo aged 36 from Lavagnacco, labourer . . . . . L. 60

2)- RICO Antonio of the late Luigi aged 45 from Cavalicco . . . . . L. 600

3)- TORETTIC Serano of the late Agostino aged 44, labourer from Lavagnacco . . . . . L. 500

4)- ANDREOLINI Enore of Carlo aged 20, railwayman from Lagnacco . . . . . L. 500 and a bicycle.

5)- CHRISTOFOLI Rino of Giorgio aged 20 from Lagnacco . . . L. 60

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On 22 Sept. 46, between 2100 and 2300 hrs, in Adegliacco, 2 same unknown person armed with pistol, stopped the following persons and robbed their money:-

1)- CASARSA Pietro of Isidoro aged 49, from Ribis di Reana, labourer . . . . . L. 700

2)- BEARZOTTI Antonio of the late Leopoldo aged 36 from Udine, labourer L.1400

3)- VARICHA Rino of Angelo aged 26 from Adegliacco, labourer . . . . . L. 450

4)- COLETTI Alfredo of Pietro aged 33 from Udine, labourer L.1100

Inquiries immediately made in an endeavour to trace the thief gave negative results.

On 23 Sept. 46, at about 2-45 hrs, at Laipure del Comune di Aviano locality, CARUSO Silvio of Benedetto aged 26, and ROSSI Silvio of the late Giovanni aged 37, mechanics, whilst proceeding by m/cycle towards their homes, were stopped by 3 armed persons and robbed of 70.000 lire.

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On 25 Sept. 46, at about 2200 hrs, in Travesio, three masked and armed persons, entered the house of a certain BOSCHIAN Domenico of Giuseppe, aged 44, and stole 200.000 lire partly in banknotes and partly in cheques.

On 27 Sept. 46, at about 1700 hrs, a certain PERUZZIA Andrea of the late Claudio aged 45, residing in Udine, was proceeding by bicycle along the main road Palmanova-Udine when, at the height of Cascali Peperotti he was approached and stopped by a person who was also riding a bicycle and robbed of 6000 lire. The chief was armed with pistol.

On the night between 29-30 Sept. 46, on a country-road which runs between Villalta and Fagagna, an unknown person armed with knife, stopped a certain DI TANT Aurelio of the late Girolamo aged 21 from Madrisio and stole his bicycle, his watch, his suit and 300 lire.

On 30 Sept. 46, at about 2100 hrs, at frazione RUSSOLO, in the Commune of San Giorgio alla Richinvelda, 4 unknown persons, armed and masked, entered the house of the farmer LENUT Luigi of the late Giuseppe aged 43, and under the threat of their arms they robbed him of 10.000 lire.

On 30 Sept. 46, at about 1900 hours, in Fanna locality, 2 unknown persons armed with revolver entered the house of a certain ZUCC Maria of the late Cio-batta aged 74, with the intention of plundering her. When her maid-servant called for help, the a/m criminals fled.

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On 30 Sept. 46, at about 2140 hrs, at Cortis di Versons locality, 3 unknown persons, masked and armed with musket, stopped a certain VANZIT Giuseppe aged 37, wood-cutter, and robbed him of 2200 lire.

On 2/10/46, at about 2230 hrs, in Torre del Comune di Pelestro Umberto locality, 2 unknown persons armed with revolver, stopped a certain DANTA Attilio of Giuseppe aged 30 from Cagnacco and robbed him of 5000 lire.

On 6/10/46, at about 2310 hrs, some unknown armed persons, stopped, along the main road [illegible] a certain CASTIANI Angelo

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On 30 Sept. 46, at about 2140 hrs, at Borgo di Veracco locality, 3 unknown persons, masked and armed with musket, stopped a cervelo VALENTE Giuseppe aged 57, wood-cutter, and robbed him of 2000 lire.

On 2/10/46, at about 2250 hrs, in Borgo del Comune di Pelucco Inferiore locality, 2 unknown persons armed with revolver, stopped a certain ZAMPA Attilio of Giuseppe aged 30 from Pagnacco and robbed him of 5000 lire.

On 6/10/46, at about 2210 hrs, some unknown persons armed, stopped, along the main road JUDRIO-PREMARIACCO, a certain CANDIANI Angelo of Francesco aged 24 from Prieska and from the car which he was driving the robbed 5 wheels, personal effects and a leather-purse containing 20.000 lire. Authors arrested.

On the night between 6 and 7 Oct. 46, in Via Santa Caterina, in the Commune of Soroia, LA PIEVE Angelo of the late Costante aged 64, merchant, was stopped by three armed persons and robbed of his wallet containing 45.000 lire.

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On 6 Oct. 46, at about 2000 hrs, along the road Mercato-Polcenigo, two unknown persons armed with sibra and agaed, robbed the young-men VARIATI Agostino of Augusto, aged 25 from Aviano, of his bicycle (12.000 lire worth) and of 500 lire, and ROVERE Sergio of Giuseppe aged 24 from Polcenigo, of his bicycle (20.000 lire worth) and of 250 lire.

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On 8 Oct. 46, at about 2000 hrs, along the road Manzano-Polcenigo, two unknown persons armed with Mitra and masked, robbed the young-men VARIATI Agostino of Augusto, aged 26 from Azzano, of his ~~xxx~~ bicycle (18.000 lire worth) and of 500 lire, and ROVERE Sergio of Giuseppe aged 24 from Polcenigo, of his bicycle (20.000 lire worth) and of 250 lire.

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Enclosure n. 2

VARIOUS

On 10/10/45, at about 18,0 hrs, at Lestizza Valeriano, a violent fire broke out in a hay-loft. The flames, fed by the wind, set fire to three buildings belonging to the Enterprise "THE VENEZIE" and destroyed them completely.
Machinery and farming-tools could be taken to safety. No-body injured.

On 12/10/45, at about 0200 hours, in the Railway Station of Gemona del Friuli, owing to the sistained manoeuvre of a locomotive engine, this collided with the Allied Military train n.d. 322 S. causing fairly serious damages to the Railway material. 4 Allied soldiers were killed whilst 3 were more or less seriously injured. 5 Railway personnel were also injured.

On 15/10/45, at 0,00 hrs, in a suburban road of this town, U.S. agents met a few persons who were carrying vehicle tyres upon their backs. When ordered to stop, the a/m left the tyres and fled even though the agents had fired several shots in the air with the view of frightening them. From ascertainments made, it was learnt, on the following day, that the a/m tyres had been stolen from the USS T.C. located in Via Cairoli -Udine-, to whom they were returned.

On 17/10/45 at about 0,00 hrs, a certain .C.Iosa entered the Ville of the Allied CAC in Cividale. He was fired upon and killed by the C.A.C. himself.

On 18/10/45 at about 0100 hours, U.S. agents on tour of duty in the area of Via Parsels -Udine- noted 4 persons who were actually going to take away big coils of telephonic-wire of the Allied Military Forces. 2742
When ordered to stop the thieves fled at high speed although the agents had fired several rounds in the air with the view of frightening them. The coils were all recovered.

The following fatal-accidents were registered during last month:-

1)- On 1/10/45, the child [illegible] Daniele, 3 months of age, died in San Daniele del Friuli because of the burns which she suffered in a short-circuit.

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Valentino, aged 54, whilst unloading a trunk of poplar-tree was run down by the same and suffered such injuries as to die shortly after.

5)- On 9/10/46, at Zaipana, while a certain CARAT C. Natta aged 64 was repairing the roof of his home, fell to the ground and died immediately.

6)- On 9/10/46, at about 2130 hours in the vicinity of Lanzocco, the P.S. agent LORENZINI Romano aged 25, whilst proceeding on b/cycle, collided with a cart loaded with iron-bars and died instantly.

7)- On 11/10/46 at about 1600 hrs, at Laserie locality in the Commune of Savogna a certain SALVADO Emilio was found hanging from a tree. It is a question of suicide due to insanity of mind.

On the morning of 10/10/46, at Reverado di Farmo, a violent fire broke out in one of the premises used as stable by the metayer ZUCCHI Antonio. The Stable belongs to the CORICO Bros.

The premises, a good deal of hay, farming-utensils etc.. were destroyed. Amount of damages d.500.000 lire.

In Tarvisio, the incorrect and often violent behaviour used by the Allied soldiers, during night-time, against the local peaceful citizens is highly lamented. In fact these soldiers ill-treat the civilians whenever these demonstrate of wanting to defend their personal liberty.

Such behaviour has exasperated the population who will no longer remain passive if necessary measures, capable of putting an end to these inconveniences are not taken by the interessed Allied Authorities.

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[illegible] at about 1300 hrs, at Levaris locality in the Comune of Savorna a certain Slu[illegible]ko Zrilic was found hanging from a tree. It is a question of suicide due to insanity of mind.

On the morning of 16/10/46, at Noverado di Verma, a violent fire broke out in one of the premises used as stable by the mayor -Vuli Antonio. The stable belongs to the -Ostino bros.

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On 19/10/46, at about 1640 hrs, Adj. M/Gr. Mil. Alberto di Piero, whilst returning from Louvera (Gervisio), where he had betaken himself by means of a "Jeep" on the purpose of accompanying many agents sent on duty there on the occasion of the Administrative elections, was ordered to stop, half-way between Vaurano and Gisarris, by three individuals 2 of whom were armed with rifles.

Without taking such order in the least of considerations, Adj. kept going, reached the group, knocked down a person, switched the light off and fled at high speed.

The other 2 rougues fired several bursts of rifle against Adj. who was fortunately safe.

Enclosure N. 3.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS REGISTERED IN THE PROVINCE OF UDINE DURING THE MONTH OF SETT-OCT. 1946.

Total Accidents	Serious Wounding	Wounding	CAUSED BY:		
			Allied vehicles	Civilian vehicles	Unident. vehicles
15	15	22			
Cases involving allied personnel			31	7	1
3		5			

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While there have been a number of instances of good Police work by individuals it is not felt that generally the Carabinieri of the Udine Group are as efficient and as active as they should be. The particular difficulties of this Province, particularly as regards (a) size and (b) outside political influences are appreciated, but nevertheless in view of the amount of transport and POL supplied from Allied sources

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Progress continues with essential repairs to barracks and stations.

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b) imposta di fabbricazione	"	= 4	"	= 16
c) monopolii di Stato	"	= 143	"	= 72
d) tasse sugli affari	"	= 114	"	= 102

Total amount of taxes collected -Lire 2.079.497,00
as against august " 982.165,00

Further the frontier posts of Tarvisio and Pontebba stopped 18 persons who attempted to pass the frontier illegally.-

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The total normal capacity is about 300.

No escapes or disorders reported during the month.

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An effort has been made to arrive at the true figure, or somewhere near it, for a serious crime. As is invariably the case, returns by Carabinieri and Questure bear not the slightest resemblance to one-another.

From a combination of reports received from all sources, there have been 34 cases of armed robbery-9 cases in one night by the same group or individuals

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or attempted armed robbery, arrests having been made in 5 instances. Also 1 murder, 3 attempted murders for non-political motives and 2 attempted murders for alleged political motives. In both cases, the victims were subjects of the recent political amnesty. 5 persons were arrested for the unlawful possession of arms. Although these figures, particularly those for armed robbery, are higher than those given in preceding monthly reports, it is not considered that the situation is any worse than previously reported, merely that these returns are nearer the truth. Demonstrations and strikes are of almost daily occurrence. Unemployment, the high cost of living, low wages, continued employment of persons who worked in public offices under the fascist republic etc.etc. are most frequent reasons.

There has been noted a movement of some unemployed sections of the population towards Austria, Switzerland, and particularly France, in an attempt to enter these countries to find work. The exact numbers are of course unknown and difficult to determine, but are thought to be substantial.

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means of a levy on every member inscribed in the local party, but this method is not believed to be too popular. Applications have been made for well over 100 meetings throughout the Province during October by this particular Organization. However, the majority of the population are Christian-Democrats and the influence of the Church is very strong. Here it may be noted that the Archbishop of Udine has instructed the priests in his diocese to combat Communism, not openly from the pulpit, but by their general conversation with private individuals.

As always, partisan and political activities are intimately connected.

The "Garibaldini" - Communist and Pro-slav elements - are loud in their accusations of the " Osovani " , whom they consider neo-fascists and reactionaries. The latter are charged with attempting to arm themselves against the former, and while there is no doubt that the " Osoveni " do wish to obtain possession of arms for this very purpose, the extent to which they have been able to do so is open to question. The " Osovani " are strongly " Pro-Italy " and see a clear threat to their country in the activities of the communists and all other Pro-Tito and Pro-slav sympathisers.

Slav activity, especially on the eastern side of the Province has been as active as ever.

There have been some reported incidents in which it is alleged that "Block posts " have been fired on. However, as these "block -posts " are, more often than not, in isolated positions, manned by italian troops and responsible to I3 Corps, not to A.M.G. nor any local police Authority - Questura or Carabinieri - it is difficulty to give an accurate estimate of their reliability. The only evidence of such " attacks " is the expenditure of a large quantity of ammunition by the personnel of the Block-posts , but never any sign of a casualty. Further, the practical purpose served in attacking such positions is obscure, placed as they are on the boundary of this Province with Zone " A ", and so far apart that it is quite simple to pass between them.

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As always, partisan and political activities are intimately connected. The"Garibaldini" - Communist and Pro-slav elements - are loud in their accusations of the " Osovani " , whom they consider neo-fascists and reactionaries. The latter are charged with attempting to arm themselves against the former, and while there is no doubt that the " Osovani " do wish to obtain possession of arms for this very purpose,the extent to which they have been able to do so is open to question. The " Osovani " are strongly " Pro-Italy " and see a clear threat to their country in the activities of the communists and all other Pro-Tito and Pro-slav sympathizers.

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PROVINCE OF UDINE

(PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION)

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Nr. 01054 /Gab. Udine 20th Sept. 46.

SUBJECT:- Monthly Report.

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Since a few weeks, the variances existing between the ex-leaders of the "Garibaldi" and "Osoppo" Partisan-formations, who politically side with left-wing or centre parties, are worsening in this Province.

The "garibaldini" inculpate the "Osovani" of having instituted and organized re-actionary armed-squads, and accuse them of being neo-Fascists, whilst the accused-persons retort these accusations upon their accusers stating that the "garibaldini" did never dissolve the G.A.P. (Partisan Armed Guard) formations, but did only change their appellation in"Proletarian Armed Guard" thus continuing to keep these formations alive even after the liberation, as a support for the left-wing parties which they side with.

The "Osovani" further state that the "Garibaldini" have been

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As regards the activity of the political parties in this Province, nothing important was registered during last month. The difference between the P.C.I. and the P.S.I., is continuously increasing, for the P.S.I. members tend to a definite separation of responsibilities in the political-social ground.

Interest is now being taken in the approaches, which, it is believed, are in course, for a union of the Liberal Party and the Uomo Qualunque.

These approaches are more and more interesting for, the U.Q. which, in Northern Italy, has obtained, until now a moderate success, would now be allowed to make its way and unbosom itself in an ambient the tendencies of which proved to be hostile.

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The Demo-Christian Party, is always firm and compact and this; not only because its members support, fully, its political conduct, but also because there ~~xx~~ is a good deal of people - mainly amongst the female sexe - who could not find a most opportune proportionment.

The political action of this Party, gives cause to discussions because of its conduct which was not so clear during the "Referendum" and because of its uncertain proceeding made of compromises and agreements with the left-wing parties, which gives the impression that its action is not always rectilinear and sometimes also incoherent.

In fact, the report goes, that the recent re-entry to Italy of Don STURZO, is also due to the necessity of avoiding a sliding of this Party towards a dangerous unpopularity.

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In the meantime, fire was opened, from the slope overlooking the carriage-road, against the billeting.

The men of that detachment replied the fire by making use of the automatic arms in their possession.

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This action lasted half-an-hour after which the assailants, always firing, left.

It is believed that one of the assailants was injured, for lamentations and cries were uttered by some-one of that group which first approached the bar enjoining "STOP".

No injured persons amongst the men of the detachment.

On 26/8/46, at about 2330 hrs, many persons (judging from the fire-arms in action), surrounded the built-up area ~~farm~~ of UCCEA, from several directions and opened a brisk fire against the billeting of the block-post.

The agents, who immediately sheltered themselves, reacted with all kind of arms in their possession. Fire, on behalf of the assailants; ceased after half an hour approx.

At about 0100 hrs, whilst the soldier of the detachment prepared a stronger defense, the assailants re-opened fire from different directions and threw hand-bombs. No casualties.

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It is believed that a good deal of these persons arrived to Gorizia during last August. The report goes that these persons, took refuge in the "Casa del Popolo" in order to escape retaliations on

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behalf of the Italians of that town.

From a reliable source it is learnt that during the last few weeks, many German P.C.Ws. serving with American units stationed in the "A" zone, deserted with the intention of re-entering Germany. From inquiries made to the purpose, it was ascertained that these prisoners received letters on which, the sender's name was not specified.

These letters stated that in that zone of Germany occupied by the Russians, the population was granted a very good moral and material treatment and that the German soldiers, if willing, could be enlisted with the Russian Army where they also would have covered the rank under which they served when in the German Army.

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On 7/9/46, at about 1000 hrs, at Gemona del Friuli, about 500 workmen held a demonstration in front of the Town-Hall.
The immediate intervention of a Prefettura Official of Udine, who promised that he would have taken immediate interest for the starting of public utility works, resulted in a breaking-up of the demonstration. No acts of violence.

On 9/9/46, at about 0800 hrs, at Brugnera, about 100 unemployees gathered in front of the local Communal building to protest for their dismissal due to defect of funds. Assurance given by the local authorities and by a representative of the Chamber of Labour of Sacile, that the works will be recommenced in the near future, resulted in a breaking up ofnthe demonstration.

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FOOD SITUATION

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The food situation of this Province, has not undergone any changes for, on wholesale and detail markets, there is a sufficient availability of first necessity victuals.

As referred in another part of this report, the prices of victuals, have undergone, during this month, immoderate increases and, as a matter of fact, hereunder are some examples:-

Butter	from	550 to	850 Lire the Kg.
Fats	"	450 "	650 " " "
Olive oil	"	550 "	750 Lire the litre.

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Oil of grains ..... from 500 to 700 Lire the litre
Lard ..... " 450 " 700 " the Kg.

The prices of the a/m goods, and the prices of some other goods, are nearly equivalent to black-market prices.

On the contrary, wheat has not a relative stability of price, not even on black-market.

It is sold by the countrymen and the forestallers, at a medium varying between 5000 and 8000 lire the quintal.

This disproportion is due to the fact that Tito's emissaries in order to obtain this kind of goods, do not bargain.

The traffic of this precious cereal with Jug. has sensibly decreased since vigilance services were instituted, and, during the last month also, the Police Forces have operated in 59 cases and impounded 214 quintals of wheat.

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RELATIONS BETWEEN CIVILIANS AND A.M.G. PERSONNEL.

Nil.

OTHER ARGUMENTS RESPECTING THE PUBLIC OPINION.

The mass of countrymen, which constitute the majority of the Friulian people, and particularly,: the land-owners and metayers, have been agitated, during the last few weeks,. This agitation was caused by the clauses of the "Lodo" (award) DE GASPERI which the metayers have not intention to accept, because these clauses do not reach the limits which could satisfy their " right aspirations", whilst on the

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other hand, the land-owners consider these limits as being exorbitant, and therefore non-applicable, even because, the "Lodo" itself, owing to the fact that it has not yet a juridical value, would end by non-binding; legally, the two parties concerned.

A chaotic situation has been created therefore in this field, and this (the situation) in many cases, leads land-owners and metayers to direct agreements and resolutions, without taking in any account, neither Laws nor "Lodi" re: "metayars' questions".

In other cases, the metayers; instigated by perturbers, refused to deliver the due deal of product to the land-owners, plundering also the crops and the stable-products,. No reaction whatsoever was made by the damaged-persons, for these fear worse consequences.

This question should be, urgently, equally and at the same time energically settled; in order to bering the countries back to order and tranquillity.

Another argument which, in the interested circles, gives cause to passionate debates, is this respecting the impoverishment of the inhabitants of the mountains because of the depauperation in live-stock and woody-patrimony, due, in these last few years, to war necessities.

During a recent meeting held at Belluno, meeting which was attended by many political and technical personalities of the Provinces of Udine and Belluno, this problem has been greatly discussed and it is believed that the Interested Ministry will appropriate a sum of 200 million Lire for its solution.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA AND FUNCTIONARIES IN GENERAL

Nil.

TRANSPORTS

Nil.

GOOD ARRESTS

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During a recent meeting held at Belluno, meeting which was attended by many political and technical personalities of the Provinces of Udine and Belluno, this problem has been greatly discussed and it is believed that the Interested Ministry will appropriate a sum of 200 million Lire for its solution.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA AND FUNCTIONARIES IN GENERAL

Nil.

TRANSPORTS

Nil.

GOOD ARRESTS

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3°) KEPPER Rudolf aged 27, employed by the British Airfield of Capua Nr. 9, Camp 892

4°) HOFFMAN Franz aged 21 escaped from the British Military Hospital of Ferrara.

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6°) BIBRMAS Walter, aged 38

7°) FRANZ Michel, aged 40.

The particulars of other 4 P.OWs, who some days ago were arrested at Pontebba, are still missing. The arrestees have been handed over to the concerned Allied Military Authorities.

On 26 Aug. 46, Police agents arrested a certain MOLARO Antonio of Zeno aged 24, from Sedegliano (Udine, because found in possession of a bag containing 2 revolvers, 3 magazines for same, a mask and a phial of chloropherm. A certain BOFFA Nicola, of the late Antonio, student, aged 22, was also arrested because, together with the a/m MOLARO, they had the intention of attempting a robbery in a Bank of Codroipo.

On 2 Sept. 46, Police agents arrested a certain ROSSI Fortunato of Giovanni, residing at TRICESIMO, in Via Ara di Mezzo n. 32, because found in unlawful possession of the following material:-

- 5 French type hand-bombs 'Fen'
- a magazine for "Mitra" with 20 bullets.
- 14 magazines for musket cal. 6,5;
23 different cartridges.
- an efficient musket mod. 1891
7 percussion-caps for hand-bombs deprived of the match.
- many metres of military telephone-wire, clothes, tarpaulins and other Italian, German and Allied articles.

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- A Slav make pistol with 6 ammo.
- 5 "Breda" hand-bombs.
- 25 rounds for pistol.
- 1 efficient musket mod. 1891
- 400 cartridges.

On 31/8/46, the Police agents arrested:- 2724

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The a/m are responsible of crimes against private-properties and association with criminal bands.
Inquiries are in course for the arrest of other accomplices.

Following a request of the Questore of Milan, on 6 Sept. 46, the Police agents arrested, at Brugnera locality (Udine), the dangerous returned-convict, responsible of serious robberies, BOCCATO Libero of the late Primo aged 26 from Milan, former Commander of the "Venezieno" Brigade (Garibaldi Division "M.MODOTTI.)

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BOCCATO was sequestered of a "FIAT" 'Balilla car and of 5000 Lire.

On 15 Sept. 46, P.S. agents arrested a certain MAZZOLA Giuseppe of the late Antonio, born at Catania on 31/3/1919, dangerous returned - convict who, by the Military Court, was sentenced to 20 years imprisonment, for armed robbery.
MAZZOLA? who attempted escape was injured at the buttock by a bullet fired by one of the two agents who arrested him. He was therefore removed to Hospital.

GENERAL

Nil.

CRIME

Nil.

DETENTION OF FIRE-ARMS BY CIVILIANS.

Nil.

V.D.; PROSTITUTION AND BROTHELS.

No worsening was registered respecting V.D.
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- denounced for allurement	n.	1
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FUNCTIONING OF COURTS

The Extraordinary Court of Assizes of Udine, emitted, during last month, the following important sentences:-

- On 12/Sept. 46, The Court sentenced ROSAGLIO Silvano of Silvestro aged 20 from Roncade di Treviso and PISTOR Pietro of Luigi aged 19; from Valvasone; to 20 years imprisonment each, under the charge of active collaboration with the German troops;

- On 14 Sept 46, the same Court granted an amnesty to ex-Colonel ZULIANI Ermacora, from Magnano in Riviera, former Commander of the

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"8° Reggimento Alpini"during the period of the German invasion.
He was charged of collaboration with the Germans.

OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE

Nil.

PATRIOTS.

Nil.; The partisans of this Province did not take part in the movement organized in other parts of Italy during the end of last month.

SEQUESTRATION OF FORGED BANKNOTES:

Amlire:

Banknotes of	1000 lire	n.9	=	9.000
" "	500 lire	n.6	=	3.000
" "	100 "	n.1	=	100
		Total		12.100 Lire.

Italian currency:

Banknotes of	1000 lire	n.8	=	8.000
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		Total		11.900 Lire

Strength up to 20 Sept. 46.

Effective personnel

N.C.Os.	n. 47
C.Rs.	n. 210
Total	n. 257 2722

Auxiliary Police

Officers	n. 10
N.C.Os.	n. 31
	n. 311

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Traffic and Economic Police

Officers	n.	1
N.C.Os.	n.	15
Agents	n.	58
Total		74

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Railway Police

Officers	n.	3
N.C.Os.	n.	12
O.Rs.	n.	81
Total		96

The Questore
Dr. U. Durante
Signed

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Enclosure n. 4

ROBBERIES AND OTHER SERIOUS CRIMES DURING THE LAST MONTH.

Murders	Att.ed murders	Armed Robberies	Robberies	Thefts	Att.ed Robberies	Att.ed thefts
1	1	17 Cases inv. Allied Forces. 1 (alleged)	2	2	3	1

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Enclosure n. 2.

Om 23/8/46; during evening time, the following persons were arrested:-

CULETTO Silvano from Pradielis - Tarcento.
DE BELLIS Luciano from Micottis - Tarcento.
DE BELLIS Giuseppe, brother of Luciano.

The latter was found in possession of a revolver.
The a/m persons, are pro-Slav Communists who expatriated clandestinely to Jugoslavia, and temporarily re-entered Italy, to the purpose of receiving the "Reward in money" granted to all ex-partisans.

During their brief soujourn in this area, they conducted active pro-Slav propaganda, attempting also to induce, other young-men, to clandestime expatriation and enlistment with Tito's Army.

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In the area of Latisana, there is a well-organized association served by elements who put into effect orders received from beyond the frontier.

These, are persons with whom you talk, joke and play at cards.
They are persons who do not work because do not like work.
It is the pay received from beyond the frontier which allows them to live.
They re-pay this money by betraying their Country.
We know that many obliging farmers give a helping hand to their activity. We individualized them. Every Kilogram of wheat, which passes through the frontier, represents an even deal of bread subtracted to the needy and working masses.

This shame must stop.
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CASES INVOLVING ALLIED SOLDIERS.

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During the night between 26-27 Aug. 46, Police Forces noted, under a street-door in the built-up area of Udine, a woman behaving immorally with an Allied soldier. This woman was approached and her papers requested, but, as she answered that was not in possession of them, was invited to proceed to the Questura for investigations.

The Allied soldier however, pretended her immediate release stating that she was his fiancé.

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Whislt en route, the group halted in front of the "Albergo ITALIA" and the soldier, taking advantage of this delay, proceeded in the a/m "Albergo" and called for help.
A few minutes later in the night, he made return in the company of 4 R.A.F. Officers who, speaking both in English and Italian, inveighed against the Italian Police Forces.

When the group arrived to the QUSTURA, the Officers requested Vice-Commissario TRENTIN Leo, to release the girl immediately, but were answered with a refusal. Behaving arrogantly, and always keeping their right hands in their pockets, so as to give the impression of being ready for the use of arms, they went-on threatening the agents and giving, one of them, a blow with a telephone hand-set. Meanwhile the M.Ps.,previously called, arrived.

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26 Sep 1946.

File No : ADM/92/22

Subject : Voluntary deferment of release.

To : HQ 1 ADRA

Capt. D.J. HOPKINS (279412) - General List

Attached is application for voluntary deferment of release for the s/n officer together with other correspondence in this connection.

H.W. BRIGHT,
Lieut. Colonel,
Provincial Commissioner.

CA/cf
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APPENDIX 'B' to GRO 541/45

APPLICATION BY AN OFFICER VOLUNTEERING TO CONTINUE TO SERVE AFTER HIS AGE/SERVICE GROUP IS DUE FOR RELEASE.

NOTE:- This form will be modified where necessary in the case of Officers of the Women's Services.

1. Personal No. 279412 2. Rank T/Capt. (W/S. T.A.) 3. Name HOPKINS D.J.

4. Date of Birth 6/5/1909 5. Age/Service Group 38

6. Medical Category A.1. 7. Regt. or Corps General List

8. Unit AMG Udine Province 9. Date of Commission 1/6/43

10. Nature of Commission Emergency

11. How at present employed Provincial Public Safety Officer HQ. Allied Military Government Udine Province, CMF.

12. Short synopsis of service during this war Public Safety and Civil Affairs duties, Sicily, Rome, Ravigo, Bolzano, and Udine Provinces from July 1943 to present date.

13. Although eligible for release, I hereby volunteer to continue to serve as an officer for the period stated below (delete where inapplicable):-

(a) For a period of one year from the normal time for release in my Age/Service Group.

(b) For a period of two years from the normal time for release in my Age/Service Group.

(c) Until general demobilization is ordered and until my release is authorised under the regulations for such general demobilisation.

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(c) Until general demobilization is ordered and until my release is authorized under the regulations for such general demobilization, provided my services are so long required.

I fully understand that if I am retained in the Army I shall be subject to the normal rules regarding transfer, posting, promotion, pay, etc.

Date . . . . . Signature . . . . . [signature]

14. Recommendation by OC on whether the Officer should be retained . . . . .

Date . . . . . Signature . . . . . [signature]

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT UDINE PROVINCE [illegible] Lt-Colonel, Provincial Commissioner.

15. Decision of confirming authority.

Effective date of commencement of period of extended service . . . . . .

Date . . . . . Signature . . . . . .

16. (For use by the War Office if applicable.)

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Provincial Commissioner - A.M.G.
Udine Province.-

Voluntary deferment.- 24 September 1946

ADM/92/22

1. I hereby make application to voluntarily continue service in the Army, for a period of one year from the date of release of Group 38.
I was due for release with my Group but volunteered to serve for a period ending on 31 Oct.46.

2. I joined the Army on 1/6/43, with an Emergency Commission for Civil Affairs (Public Safety) duties, and have served in this Theatre since July 1943.

3. I am an Off Pay member of the Metropolitan Police Force, and have had the consent of the Commissioner, if I so desire, to continue service in the Army, for the period covered by the Police and Firemen (War Service) Acts, i.e. the period of the present emergency and one year thereafter.

4. A copy of the letter from the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police is herewith attached.

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NEW SCOTLAND YARD
LONDON
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Telephone WHITEHALL 1212

8th May, 1946

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 26th April, I am directed by the Commissioner to inform you that whilst you are serving in H.M. Forces you are covered by the provisions of the Police and Firemen (War Service) Acts for the period of the present emergency and for one year thereafter. The Government have not yet declared the present emergency to be at an end, and it is open to you to continue your service in the Army for a further period if you wish. It is desirable, however, that you return to the Force within the period you are covered by the Act.

I am, Sir
Your obedient Servant,

(signed)

Secretary

Capt. D.J. Hopkins,
H.Q. Allied Military Government,
Udine Province;
c/o H.Q. 1 Agra,
C.M.F.

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APPENDIX "A" to 1 AGFA AQ/168/3
dated 25 Sep 46

I hereby relinquish all rights to repatriation to UK under the PYTHON scheme, during my period of extended service:

No. 279412 Rank. CAPT. Name HOPKINS D.J.

Date 27th. SEPTEMBER 1946.

Signature ..... CAPTAIN.

..... MAJOR.

Signature of witnessing Officer.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

PROVINCE OF UDINE

(PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION)

ADPS-
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To: Provincial Commissioner -A.M.G.
Udine Province.-

Subject: Voluntary deferment.-

Ref. No: ADM/92/22

Date: I8th September I946

Recd 23/9

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

PROVINCE OF UDINE

(PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION)

To: Director Public Safety Sub Commission
H.Q. Allied Commission, Rome

Subject: Monthly Report - August 1946

Ref. No: PSD/9

Date: 28th August, 1946

I - STRENGTH OF CIVIL POLICE.

Agency	Officers	O.Rs.
Carabinieri	9	608
Questura Service:		
Career Agenti di P.S.	12	255
Auxiliary Police	10	332
Traffic Police	1	72
Auxiliary Railway Police	3	93
Guardie di Finanza	15	752
Guardie Municipali	1	442
Corpo Forestale	8	176

II - CARABINIERI.

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Agency	Officers	O.Rs.
Carabinieri	9	608
Questura Service:		
Career Agenti di P.S.	12	255
Auxiliary Police	10	332
Traffic Police	1	72
Auxiliary Railway Police	3	93
Guardie di Finanza	15	752
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During the month Major LEGEY, AMIA, Carabinieri Branch, visited this Group and examined the position as to equipment, uniforms, arms and transport. As a result of this it is expected that this Province may receive a greater share of the supplies provided from AMIA sources and not continue to be more or less dependent on equipment, in particular transport, provided from local sources by AMG. However, in spite of these common difficulties the general work of the Carabinieri has been satisfactory and good arrests, often the result of long enquiry, continue to be made.

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III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

The newly appointed Vice-Questore BORDIERI Daniele has arrived and taken up his duties. Generally speaking the effective agents of this Service work as well as can be expected. However, the great difficulty as always is the lack of sufficient transport.

Auxiliary Police. All personnel have now been given uniforms and as far as possible the policy of withdrawing isolated detachments and concentrating them in one Unit in Udine City itself has been continued. Colonel MAZZONI who has been in charge of these men since the beginning of January 1945 is a good disciplinarian and is making every effort to instil a proper sense of discipline and responsibility in the men under his command. It is true, however, that a great deal of elimination is still necessary and the number of incidents in which these auxiliary police are involved are still much too frequent for the position to be considered satisfactory. It must be appreciated that all these men were formerly partisans and are easily swayed one way or another by political events as in the case of the rest of the population of this Province.

IV - GUARDIE DI FINANZA.

Subject to the usual difficulties common to all Police agencies the Finance Guards continue to work well. During the past month 1250 quintals of cereals, the greater part of which was grain, were sequestered and delivered to the "Granai del popolo" owing to the discovery of irregularities in threshing and transportation. Other activities reported are as follows:

a) diritti di confine N° 40
b) Imposte di fabbricazione 16
c) Monopoli di Stato 72
d) Tasse sugli affari 102

The total amount of taxes involved being L. 982.165.

Progress continues in repairing the barracks on the frontier.

V - PRISONS.

The prison situation owing to the number of persons released under the amnesty is comparatively satisfactory. The buildings are generally in good order and the new Director of Udine jail, Dr. Vitale, has begun a number of very necessary reforms as regards discipline, prison regulations, etc.

No escapes or disorders have been reported during the month at any prison in the Province.

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VI - VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION.

All told 214 women were arrested for offences in connection with prostitution during the month. Action was taken as under:

Arrested and given foglio di via obbligatorio	32
Arrested for violence and resisting police	2
Stopped and removed to hospital for treatment	5
Stopped and cautioned as to their future behaviour	175

VII - PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY.

The state of Public safety as regards serious crime remains about the same, five robberies only have been reported.

There has been a very definite increase in the number of demonstrations and strikes due to unemployment, but no cases of serious disorders have been reported. A number of incidents in which civilians and Allied troops have been involved has also increased. It is felt that this is a reflection of the current political situation and a reaction on the part of some of the population to the discussions taking place at Paris. Naturally this Province is particularly sensitive to any matters that affect Venezia Giulia and a growing Anti-Allied feeling is very definitely noticeable. Such incidents as have occurred have usually been started by the presence of Italian women accompanied by Allied soldiers. There have been cases of assaults not only when the women have been of doubtful character, but also when perfectly respectable individuals have been present. It is in such cases as these that the Auxiliary Police have often been to the fore in showing their feelings in a manner which cannot be tolerated by those who undertake police work and its obligation of impartiality to all.

Accidents in which WD vehicles and civilians are involved are always a matter for comment among the civil population. From figures supplied by 112 Provost Coy. it appears that during the current month 19 accidents were reported involving 22 WD and 19 civilian vehicles; 3 civilians were killed and 4 Allied military personnel and 7 civilians injured.

Every accident involving WD vehicles is reported at great length in local newspapers and in such a manner as to give the impression that Allied military personnel are always the drivers. It is conveniently overlooked that many vehicles of Allied military type are driven by German POW's and possibly even more frequently by Italians.

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VIII - POLITICAL SITUATION GENERALLY.

Pro Slav and communist activity and propaganda is believed by some authorities to be decreasing. However this would appear to be rather a case of wishful thinking then actual fact. It would be possibly more true to say that political opinion throughout the Province is lacking a clear cut direction. The Christian-Democrats remain strong and there is clearly some attempt among those members of the "right" parties to organise themselves for action against those of the "left" and Pro-Slav elements in the event of disorders when the Allies depart. Evidence of this nature came to light with the discovery of the transport of a substantial quantity of arms to an "out of way" Carabinieri station at TORVISCOSA at the direction of the 5th Comando Militare Territoriale. This was the subject of a separate report on corres. PSD/14 "Arms.Alleged illegal movement" dated 21st August, 1946, and further inquiries to discover the extent to which Carabinieri may or may not be involved are still in progress.

The Finance Minister SCOCCIMARRO visited Udine on 17th-18th August but without prior notice to the Provincial Commissioner. He discussed a number of matters such as Public Works, unemployment, Public Safety and so on with the Prefect and later with the Questore - in fact practically every subject excepted Finance for which he is Minister. He also held a meeting of the local communist party at which he criticized DE GASPERI and his handling of Italian affairs at the Paris Conference.

The presence of Yugoslavs in the Province, some times in groups of as many as 20 have again been noted. They are believed to have contacted a number of local communist and Pro-Slav leaders and their activities are a matter of some preoccupation amongst the more peaceful elements of the population, as there is little doubt that their efforts are aimed at attempting to increase Slav influence in the Province, not only by propaganda but by acts of terrorism.

A translation of the Questore's Monthly Report is attached.

IX - NAMES OF OFFICERS PERFORMING P.S.DUTIES OR ASSISTING

Major Andrew G.P.	WAY	(B)	- S.P.P.S.O.	as from 19/8/46
Major J.T.	MANUEL	(B)	- " "	proceeding on release
Capt.G.E.	LEE	(B)	- P.P.S.O.	
Capt.D.J.	HOPKINS	(B)	- " "	

Copy to:- Provincial Commissioner
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Andrew G.P. Way

Andrew G.P. WAY
Major
S.P.P.S.O.-Udine Prov.

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- QUESTURA DI UDINE -

Udine 20th Aug. 1946

Nr. 01054 Cab.

SUBJECT:- Monthly Report.

To:- Major MANUEL
-Public Safety Officer-
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
UDINE PROVINCE

It seems that DE GASPERI's speech and the memorials and proposals of amendment to the Clauses for the Peace Treaty, which were submitted by our Mission to the Paris Conference, did not obtain the expected results and therefore the Venezia Giulia Problem is probably destined to undergo that solution which was already planned by the Big Four in their last meeting in the French Capital.

The population of this Province, who live closely with the tragedy of those Italians who will be disjoined from their motherland or who will be compelled to find a settlement elsewhere as exiles, are badly impressed and express their justified worry for the tranquillity and peace this region will lose after the settlement of the new frontier.

Taking into consideration that Tito's territorial claims are not satisfied even with the above solution, - whilst on the other hand it will be impossible to repress the feeling of many local elements who have at heart the Italianity of that Country which ought to be surrendered to Jugoslavia, - struggles and frontier-incidents, which obviously will not concur in creating a friedly relation of neighbourhood, are expected in the near future.

SITUATION OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES.

After the struggle for the recent elections for the Constituent, all the Political Parties of this Province, have undergone an ordinary period of stasis for, no incident whatsoever capable of causing remarkable changes has been registered amongst them. The above however does not mean that changes of a particular importance cannot take place. Hereunder is a Summary of the situation:-

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COMMUNISM

The Communist Party in this Province is in a continuous decay without any hope of stopping, notwithstanding the large means and propagandistic instructions which are greatly imported from abroad at its disposal.

The reasons of this decay are to be sought for in the ambiguous behaviour of a few leaders of this Party respecting the Venezia Giulia Problem, and in the complete submission of this movement to the Moscow's will.

The population who longs for peace and liberty, dislikes its compulsory methods of violence and its various threats and will not accept them any longer.

In various peripherical centres of this Province, where, after the Administrative Elections, many Communal Administrations with a high percentage of Communist members were created, the following phenomenon, which concurred to alienate many simpathies to the Party in question, was registered:-

Several leaders, who, for electoral speculation had been very liberal of promises of work and welfare, once obtained a situation of responsibility, found themselves in the absolute impossibility of keeping their promises, thus being discredited mainly amongst the female-classes which are easily subject to delusion.

We can therefore state that without the moral and material support which arrives from beyond the demarcation-line, the Communist structure in this Province, would have already been reduced to very modest proportions.

SOCIALISM

Socialism in this Province is well organized and for the number of its members it is in rivalry with the Demo-Christian Party. Socialism however is undermined by the duality created by the NENNI-SARAGAT currents. The former aims -as it is known - to the unconditional collaboration with Communism whilst the latter -on the contrary- supports the absolute independance of this Party which should find its basis and strength upon a National plan. If, up to the present moment, the a/m duality has not given concrete results, this is due only to political considerations which have the intention of impeding the weakening of the Progressist Front which is based upon the Proletarian consent.

The game however is still open and a splitting up of the Party may take place when the works for the Constituent are over.

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DEMO-CHRISTIAN PARTY

This Party maintains its previous position. It also strengthens it and proves to be the most firm and homogenial party, capable of creating within its ranks, a concrete condition with long-sighted effects.

In the whole behaviour of this Party, there is a clear influence of determined ecclesiastical currents. No remarkable changes, capable of exercising their influence upon its structure are to be expected from the members of this Party.

The other parties, i.e. Republican, Liberal, Uomo Qualunque and some other, are playing a roll which cannot exercise an important and conclusive influence upon the present political life.

SLAV ACTIVITY

A remarkable recrudescence of the Slav activity in the territory of this Province, was registered during the past few weeks. This recrudescence is probably attributed to the Slav boldness ensuing from the unconditionate support which it receives from Moscow, and to the recent decisions of the Big Four in Paris, respecting the solution of the Venezia Giulia Problem. In fact, in this short lapse of time; the following raids of armed gangs have been registered in the Valleys of the Torre and Cornappo rivers (East Friulian Region):-

- A group of 20 armed-Jugoslavs, who crossed the boundary with the alleged intention of exploring the area and of coming in touch with the local pro-Slav elements was noticed on the night of 22/7/46, in the locality of UCCEA (about 45 Kms North-East of Udine). Two members of this Group were stopped on the following day by American soldiers, whilst the others succeeded in re-crossing the demarcation-line;

- Another group comprised of 12 armed Jugoslavs, headed by a certain Don TULLIO - excommunicated priest - residing at Tricesimo (Udine) and known under the battle-name of "Liberto", was seen in Savorgnano al Torre, on the night of 24/7/46.

Don TULLIO, with the same battle-name, during the liberation struggle, covered the rank of "Political Commissary" at the dependance of the famous Jug. IX Corpus. On February 1946, he clandestinely crossed the boundary and went to Jugoslavia, for the purpose of serving Tito.

It is believed that the a/m Group was given hospitality, in Savorgnano al Torre, by a certain VENUTI Clinto (Bramante), who is a well-known pro-Slav Communist and lives in an isolated house and therefore out of sight.

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The following, persons, are also believed to have come in touch, with the a/m Group, besides VENUTI:-
GIORGIUTTI Adelchi, GIORGIUTTI Ferdinando, FIORITTO Angelo, BUT Domenico, FOSCHIATTI Livio and some other persons who could not be identified. They all live in Savorgnano al Torre and are in touch with the pro-Slav leaders of this Province.
FOSCHIATTI Livio is entrusted with the task of supplying The Slavs, who cross the Demarcation line, with goods.

- A third group of armed Jugoslavs, probably coming from the Julian pre-Alpes passed through NIMIS, (18 Kms N. of Udine), on the night between 31-7-46, 1-8-46. This group, which was comprised of 20 elements, reached the Torre stream and returned to Savorgnano. It is believed that Savorgnano has become a kind of Head-Quarters where Slavs and local pro-Slavs hold their meetings.

- A fourth group, having the same itinerary of the previous gang, was seen on the night between 4 & 5 Aug. 46, whilst heading once more for Savorgnano al Torre.

It is believed that these continuous raids of armed Jugoslavs coming from beyond the frontier, follow a well determined program which aims to the moving forward of the bounds of that territory which must undergo the propagandistic influence and the Slav terroristic activity, for the purpose of creating an opinion favourable to the acceptance of Tito's territorial pretentions, which, arrive, even to-day, up to the Tagliamento river.
The population is highly troubled by these raids for they fear acts of violence.

ECONOMICAL SITUATION

The crisis which overlooks the whole economical life of this province, shows no symptom of improvement and a further getting worse of the situation in this field, is to be expected in the forthcoming months, whenever the employement of a considerable number of unemployees, cannot be found abroad and whenever a political stability with the view of encouraging the private initiative, cannot be reached in this area.
All this, without taking into consideration the necessity of importing an adequate quantity of raw-materials in order to re-establish industrial activity and barters inland and abroad.
As a comparative circumstancial proof, which may in some way give an idea of the present, local, economical situation, and of its progressive getting worse, by pointing out that in comparison with the 15 unemployees' demonstrations held last month, more than 25 were registered during this month, without counting

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those which are not reported because of their little importance. Hereunder are the most important:-

- 2 at Fiume Veneto with the intervention of 200 and 300 unemployees respectively.

- 1 at S. Vito al Tagliamento with the intervention of 400 unemployees.

- 1 at Sacile with the intervention of 300 unemployees.

- 1 at Paluzza with the intervention of 500 unemployees.

- 1 at Muzzana del Turgnano with the intervention of 200 unemployees.

--1 at Versure di Aviano with the intervention of 50 unemployees. The 2 promoters of this demonstration, were stopped by the P.S. agents for they had induced the demonstrants to compell the local wealthy-families to hand over money as charity.

- 1 at Travesio with the intervention of 400 unemployees.

- 2 at S. Giorgio di Nogaro with the intervention of 200 and 60 unemployees respectively.

- 1 at Aviano with the intervention of 300 unemployees who also posted on the walls, pamphlets inviting the moneyed-persons to supply the necessary funds for the performing of public-utility works.

- 1 at Pinzano al Tagliamento with the intervention of 400 unemployees.

- 1 at Polcenigo with the intervention of 50 unemployees.

- 1 at Prata di Pordenone with the intervention of 300 unemployees.

- 1 at Chions with the intervention of 200 unemployees. A part of these demonstrants invaded the Communal Offices and sent away from the same, two clerks who had already been dismissed and re-engaged by order of the Prefetto.

- 1 at Cervignano del Friuli with the intervention of abou 2702 1000 unemployees some of whom flocked from the surrounding villages to protest against unemployement and against the putting into effect of the 'Lodo DE GASPERI'.

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During the same month, a few economical strikes but of little importance, also took place;. The strikes were over after a few days.

FOOD SITUATION

Nil.

PUBLIC SAFETY.

Since last May, the Public Safety situation is continuously improving and there are good reasons for stating that within a very short time the criminal activity will be brought back to its normal proportions.
Robberies and serious crimes committed during the last month are better described in the attached enclosure n. 1.

VARIOUS

See enclosure n. 2.

MORALE OF THE PUBLIC OPINION

One of the reasons which concur at the present moment in depressing the morale of the population, is to be sought for in the uncertain political situation in which this Province is involved because of occasional reasons due to the territorial pretentions which Jugoslavia attempts to put into effect in a few areas of the same. The more or less reliable news which are now circulating amongst the population, according to which this territory will probably be included in the "Free-State" of Trieste, and other similar allegations, concur in creating a condition of indecision which gives the impression that the whole local life is based upon a slippery ground and therefore subject to undergo radical changes.

This state of emergency, which exercises its negative influence upon the moral conditions of all those persons who have still kept an honest feeling of patriotism, has also other spiritual consequences in connection with the new political bearings.

Before this situation, which renders supple the whole political and economical life of this Province, all the other problems which may depress the feelings of the population, i.e. unemployement, poverty, damages caused by war events and other ensuing troubles, hold a second rank for these, once Peace and Tranquillity is re-established will all be solved in the best ways.

RELATIONS BETWEEN CIVILIANS AND A.M.G. PERSONNEL

There is nothing to add, to what already said in our previous report.

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The A.M.G. which has alleviated many discomforts ensuing from the war, enjoys the esteem and appreciation of the population.

TROUBLES CAUSED BY CIVILIANS.

Nil;. Public order maintained everywhere in spite of the unemployees'demonstrations, of a few strikes and of other troubles ensuing from the critical economical situation.

OTHER ARGUMENTS RESPECTING THE PUBLIC OPINION.

Unemployeed families and workmen, having understood that it is impossible to find a continuous job here in Italy, are awaiting for the Government to take prompt interest so that emigration may be re-opened thus alleviating the daily life-necessity. The mountaineers of CARNIA and of the Julian pre-Alps, are particularly suffering from this situation and are therefore inclined to leave these areas and to emigrate to Countries where resources are less sterile.

The depopulation of the a/m areas, besides constituting an economical inopportunity, also represents a political danger for, the Slav invadence would find an easy ground where poor and unhappy people could easily be absorbed by their propaganda.

For the elimination, at least in part, of these important inconveniences, it would be necessary to relieve the population by:-

- reducing taxations - increasing of traffic - repairing the roads, mainly the Military ones which are now abandoned and in bad conditions, for the Communal administrations are unable of supporting high maintenace-expences - repairing the schools and by building new ones where the same do not exist - by protecting and relieving the local hand-labour etc..

It would be furthermore indispensible to establish many Police detachments along the Jug. border in order that the same may give the inhabitants the feeling of being under protection and so that the interested authorities may be immediately informed of what is going on in those areas during the present delicate and important moment.

I wish to point out that this border must not be administered just like the borders of an inland Province, but, on the contrary, it is necessary to take the measures which may support and oppose the Slav invadence which is inclined to overflow into the plain.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA AND FUNCTIONARIES IN GENERAL 270

Nil.

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TRANSPORTS

Nil.

GOOD ARRESTS

During last month, the undermentioned German P.Ws. who escaped from Concentration Camps of Labour units, were arrested by the P.S. agents whilst they attempted to cross the Austrian frontier.

1)- HORAK Rodolfo of Giuseppe born at Obersdorf on 7/11/1912
2)- SAUERBREI Willy of Otto born at Thiererberg on 9/4/1911
3)- WERNER Lothar of Max born at Stettino on 15/9/1916
4)- HANNER Hans of Heinrich born at Stendal on 24/4/1913
5)- KUESTER Otto of Otto born at Stettino on 23/9/1915
6)- BROLTEIL Paolo aged 39
7)- SCHREIBER Werner aged 24
8)- COLM Werner of Fritz aged 21 from Goerlitz
9)- KLANOWSCHKI Alfred of Robert aged 27 from Schoenwald
10)- WENZEL Herbert of Kurt born at Freital on 7/2/1924

All the a/m P.Ws. were put at the disposal of the Allied Military Authorities.

GENERAL

Nil.

CRIME

Nil.

DETENTION OF FIRE-ARMS BY CIVILIANS

As it is known, when the patriots surrendered the fire-arms in their possession, they, and particularly the members of the "Garibaldi" division, surrendered only unefficient or old-modeled arms whilst automatic and efficient arms were kept for their own use. In fact, the leaders of the "Garibaldi" formations, abolished the denomination "Guardia Armata Partigiana" (G.A.P.) calling it " Guardia Armata Proletaria" (G.A.P.) thus continuing to maintain alive, an armed force at the disposal of the P.C.I. (Italian Communist Party), with the arms always at hand.

The leaders of the "OSOPPO-FRIULI" division, in their turn, having considered such situation and the necessity of creating armed formations in opposition to the "G.A.P.", and with the view of defending the National territory from eventual Slav infiltrations, organised the so-called "3° Corpo dei Volonteri delle libertà", which began its activity during last Spring.

Whilst it is clear that the a/m armed formations, are a peril to Public order, it is quite interesting to report that

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the Provincial P.C.I. leaders rushed immediately against the leaders of the "OSOPPO", calling them "re-actionaries and Fascists" only because the latters aim to the safeguarding of their Motherland's frontiers, without taking into consideration that such initiative might never have been put into effect without the threat of the C.A.P. squads.

The disarmament of these armed-formations, is now a question which cannot be dealt with with a normal Police action, and all this, leaving out of consideration the political repercussion which would ensue whenever an attempt was made to eliminate this danger with the proper means.

V.D., PROSTITUTION AND BROTHELS

A total of 214 women were stopped during the last month, for measures of morality. The following measures were taken in their respect:-

- Arrested and denounced for infringement to the "Compulsory way-bill" . . . . . n. 20
- Arrested for violence and resistance against the Public Forces . . . . . n. 2
- stopped and repatriated . . . . . n. 12
- Removed to Hospital because afflicted by V.D. . . . . n. 8
- Stopped and warned 172

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS

Nil.

OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE

Nil.

PATRIOTS

Nil.

FORGED CURRENCY

Amlire:

Banknotes of 1000 lire	n. 45	=	45.000
" " 500 lire	n. 10	=	5.000
" " 100 lire	n. 3	=	300
Total Lire			50.300

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Italian Currency

Banknotes of	1000 lire	n. 36	=	36.000
"	" 500 lire	n. 10	=	5.000
"	" 100 lire ?	n. 17	=	1.700
	Total	Lire		44.700

Strength up to 20/8/46

Effective personnel

N.C.Os.	47
O.rs.	208
Total	255

Auxiliary Police

Officers	10
N.C.Os.	12
O.Rs.	320
Total	363

Traffic and Economic Police

Officers	1
N.C.Os.	15
Effective agents	3
Aux. agents	54
Total	73

Railway Police

Officers	3
N.C.Os.	12
O.Rs.	81
Total	96

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The Questore
(Dr. DURANTE)
Signed.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 794

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. : 3627/144/G

3 September 1946

SUBJECT: CC.RR. - Clothing and Equipment.

TO : Provincial Commissioner
AMG
Udine

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I have now fully investigated your complaints regarding the deficiencies of clothing, arms and equipment for the Carabinieri in your province and I enclose a copy of the report by the Land Forces Sub-Commission. Considering this report I do not feel justified in pressing the Italian Government on this point at present.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

W. TURNER-COLES
for Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Encls. as above.

Copy to: Land Forces S/C
P.S. S/C

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SUBJECT: Clothing & Equipment (Udine)

Land Forces Sub-Commission, AC.
M.M.I.A. ROME.
G/L/1/96/CC.RM

29 August 1946

TO : Executive Commissioner
HQ, AC.

1. Reference your 3627/EC of 6 Aug 46.

2. Enquiry has been made by CC.RM.LO ist. Division, with the following results:-

Deficiencies of Clothing.

Underpants (cotton)	273
Pullovers (woollen)	616
Towels	616+
Jackets: Khaki	181
Trousers, "	616
Shirts, "	616
Caps, "	616+
Ties, "	616+
Ties, Black	440+

+ Supplies are arriving.

Deficiencies of Arms.

Pistols	313
Pistols, ammunition for	14,140rds.

Deficiencies of Equipment.

Kit Bags	400
Bandoliers	400

Deficiencies of Transport.
There is a small deficiency of L/Cs and M/Cs, but this is largely counterbalanced by the loan from XIII Corps of 24 L/Cs and 16 M/Cs.

3. Of the deficiencies, all legions are in the same position, except those legions south of Rome, which are in a worse condition.

4. Transport has been, and is being, supplied to all Legions, especially those in the South who have been very much neglected.

5. Udine Group has its full complement of boots, which is an extremely rare occurence.

6. Pistols Mod. 34 are not available.

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7. Comparatively speaking, Udine Group is in a good position, and unless the complaint of deficiencies can be clarified, the Group will

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continue to receive its normal allowances of equipment.

C.HAYES, Major
for Major General
CC.RR. Section,
M. M. I. A.

CH/cas.

Certified true copy:

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
PROVINCE OF UDINE
(PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION)

To: Director Public Safety Sub Commission
H.Q. Allied Commission, Rome.

Subject: Monthly Report - July 1946 Date: 26th July, 1946

Ref. No: PSD/9

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II - CARABINIERI.

Morale and efficiency of the Carabinieri are reasonably satisfactory having regard to present difficult economic conditions. Complaint is made as to the slowness with which discrimination is proceeding, and it is somewhat surprising that in these days useful Carabinieri are being discharged from the service, owing to their conduct

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Traffic Police	1	58
Auxiliary Railway Police	3	95
Guardie di Finanza	19	794
Guardie Municipali	-	442
Corpo Forestale	8	180

II - CARABINIERI.

Morale and efficiency of the Carabinieri are reasonably satisfactory having regard to present difficult economic conditions. Complaint is made as to the slowness with which discrimination is proceeding, and it is somewhat surprising that in these days useful Carabinieri are being discharged from the service, owing to their conduct under the Fascist Regime, at a time when hundreds of persons guilty of quite serious fascist crimes are being freed under the amnesty. It would appear that a new policy as regards discrimination is warranted, but in any case it is time that the necessary measures were completed undesirable elements being eliminated and those who are retained given a feeling of security in an assured future. 2693

The condition of uniforms is fairly good and underwear is now being distributed. The provision of more summer uniforms would be appreciated. Progress is now being made in re-equipping barracks and supplying bedding, etc.

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It is encouraging to note that 10 additional Carabinieri have been transferred to the Province and it is hoped that they form a first contingent and that others will follow to a total of about 100 in order to bring the Carabinieri Service up to strength.

Some good arrests have been made during the month and the most serious handicap of the Carabinieri at the moment remains shortage of manpower.

III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

Vice-Questore COGLITORE Leopoldo has left on promotion, but has not so far been replaced and it is asked, that the arrival of his substitute Vice-Questore BORDIERI Daniele may be expedited.

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With the release of a large number of prisoners under the recent amnesty law there is no longer a danger of overcrowding at either Udine or Pordenone jails and prison conditions generally have been improved.

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16 detainees found guilty of causing a revolt at Udine jail on 30th May,1946, were sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from four to one year, but it is regretted that the majority of these were released after sentence under the amnesty law.

The new director, Dr.VITALE, has taken up his duties at Udine jail and recently visited Rome in order to clarify conditions as regards pay and allowances of prison guards. This question is now being adjusted, replacements are being made and uniforms provided,and it is reported that internal discipline has much improved.

During the month 18 jewish security detainees went on hungerstrike for about five days and have now been released. This case has formed the subject of a separate report.

VI - VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION.

During the month 220 women have been arrested for soliciting prostitution, 5 of whom have been treated in hospital for V.D., 31 repatriated from the Province by means of the foglio di via obbligatorio and 148 cautioned. 36 women have been arrested and denounced for having contravened the foglio di via obbligatorio.

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VII - PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY.

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The number of crimes generally is decreasing,and the robberies are not of such a serious nature as those committed some months ago. Resolute action is being taken by the various police agencies and a number of good arrests have been made.

Complaint has been made of the illegal transportation of grain from the Province, also the slowness in ammassing, but such complaint is considered to be exaggerated and is being separately reported upon. Ammassing is proceeding well and Police Services are doing

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According to statistics from Military Police sources the numbers of accidents in which Allied Military vehicles have been involved have appreciably decreased and only three have been recorded during the month. There is a tendency on the part of the Italian Authorities to attribute blame in many accidents to unknown Allied vehicles, but the facts cannot ~~be~~ always be verified. It appears from Questura records that the number of Allied vehicles involved in accidents during the month is five.

VIII - POLITICAL SITUATION GENERALLY.

In internal political spheres, as was to be expected following the General Election and Referendum, activities have greatly diminished. The public generally appear to be taking very little interest in Italian politics, but as is natural in present circumstances are much more concerned over the international situation. Strong resentment is being expressed over the proposed settlement of the Venezia Giulia problem in which it is felt that the Allies are not maintaining past promises but are giving way under pressure from Russia. A number of unauthorised manifests relating to Istria, etc. have been exhibited, some of them strongly decrying the present attitude of the Western Allies. One of these, however, pointed out that Allied soldiers could not be held responsible and it is pleasing that so far no Anti-Allied demonstrations have been reported. Some landmines were placed on the main railway line between Udine and Trieste in the vicinity of the Province boundary on two or three occasions, some of them being removed without exploding, but on one occasion damage was caused delaying traffic for several hours. In this same locality a railway employee Was shot and killed by an Allied soldier who has since been arrested.

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Udine 20th July 1946

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ECONOMIC SITUATION.

The economic situation of this Province is slightly becoming worse, for, notwithstanding the higher demand of hand-labour fpr the agricultural works, The unemployees from 52.000, have increased to 54.000 from February up to the present date.

The increased frequency of the demonstrations which are hereunder reported and which have been performed during last month, by the unemployees of this Province, who insistently ask for bread and work, is a clear proof that respecting the economical situation, the crisis is slowly becoming worse.

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- At Caneva di Sacile, on 1/7/46, about 100 ex-servicemen, who had left the Army, after the 8th Sept. 43, visited the local Sindaco, and claimed the payment of the arrears of the daily rate of assistance for the members of their families. The Sindaco, gave assurance that the matter would have been taken into consideration by the local authorities and therefore the demonstration broke up. No incident.

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- On 2/7/46, a percentage of the 120 workers employed by the DE FRANCESCHI Firm, for the construction of a canal in the fraction of San Leonardo - Commune of Montereale Cellina - arose a demonstration of protest in order to avoid the engagement of Too high a percentage of workers residing in the a/m fraction. The DE FRANCESCHI Firm, decided to interrupt the work so as to avoid serious incidents until the dispute was overcome.

- On 4/7/46, the workers employed by the three Cotton-Mills of Pordenone, started on white strike in order to compell the authorities to take the necessary steps for the lowering of prices of the first-aid goods. The strike ended on 9/7/46. No incident.

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-At Resia, on 7/7/46, a group of workers representing the 300 unemployees of that Commune, gathered in front of the local Town-Hall, in order to obtain permission for the starting of Public utility works which had already been approved by the competent authorities of the Province.

After the Sindaco had given assurance that he would have taken concern in the matter, the demonstration broke up.

-At Azzano Decimo, on 10/7/46, about 600 unemployed persons, gathered in front of the local Town-Hall, asking for work.

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The carrying out of public utility works, which have already been made or are still to be made, with the view of eliminating, at least in part, the a/m discomfort, is considered as a remedy which cannot solve the serious problem of unemployement in this

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The hope of employing Friulian hand-labour in Austria at the dependance of the Allied authorities, seems a very difficult problem also, for many of the 600 workers who were sent to Austria during last June, have abusively repatriated whilst the others are trying to follow their example by finding out all pretext, owing to the fact that their food is unsufficient both in quality and quantity.

From the a/m it is clear that the morale of the population is not satisfactory nor does it seem to improve.

RELATIONS between CIVILIANS AND A.M.G. PERSONNEL.

Nothing differing from the previous reports.

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The population also claims, for the carelessness in which Communal and Provincial roads are kept especially respecting the mountainous areas where, owing to the above, the inhabitants believe of having been abandoned to their fate. The resettlement of such roads, besides being a practical necessity, represents, on this particular moment, a political opportunity, for, by favouring and increasing traffics and contacts with the mountain-villages, the Russo-Slav invadence is in the meantime, hindered.

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The areas which from this point of view, are to be given a greater consideration, because they have been neglected more than the others, are:- the area of RESIA, the whole area of TARCENTO, and the Northern part of Cividale, which is included between the Communes of Faedis and Attimis.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA AND FUNCTIONARIES IN GENERAL.

The recent economical measures taken in favour of functionaries and State employees in general, have been accepted, by all the beneficiaries with a large sense of satisfaction, for in this way, they have been allowed to face the daily and serious problem of life, with more serenity.

TRANSPORTS.

Nil.

GOOD ARRESTS.

Nil.

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The news respecting the requisitioning of buildings, in Udine City and outskirts, on behalf of the Allied Commands, have alarmed the interested authorities and the whole population owing to the fact that the already serious housing problem, will therefore become worse, and thus create a situation which no one could conveniently solve.

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V.D. AND PROSTITUTION.

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- Arrested and denounced for infringement to the "Foglio di Via Obbligatorio" . . . . . N. 36
- Stopped and repatriated with the "Foglio di Via Obbl" . . N. 31
- Stopped and warned . . . . . N. 148

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- Removed to Hospitals because afflicted with V.D. . . . . N. 5

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The brothel of Cervignano has been closed temporarily for infringement to the Law in force for they allowed the abusive access of Allied soldiers and German P.Ws. and because some women were afflicted with V.D.

With the increasing of Allied troops, a recrudescence in clandestine prostitution is to be expected notwithstanding the continuous measures taken by this Questura.

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS.

Nil

OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE.

Nil.

PATRIOTS.

Nil.

FORGED CURRENCY.

Am lire:-

Banknotes of 1000 lire	N. 10 =	10.000 Lire
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Total		L.12.600

Italian currency:

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STRENGTH UP TO THE 20TH JULY 1946.

Effective personnel:

N.C.Os.	N.	50
ORs.	N.	205
	Total N.	255

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Auxiliary Police:

Officers	N.	10
N.C.Os.	N.	40
ORs.	N.	360
Total	N.	410

Railway Police:

Officers	N.	3
N.C.Os.	N.	12
ORs	N.	83
Total	N.	98

Traffic and Economic Control Police:

Officers	N.	1
N.C.Cs.	N.	17
effective agents	N.	3
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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 6A

PROVINCE OF UDINE

(PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION)

To: Director Public Safety Sub Commission
H.Q. Allied Commission, Rome.

Subject: Monthly Report - June 1946

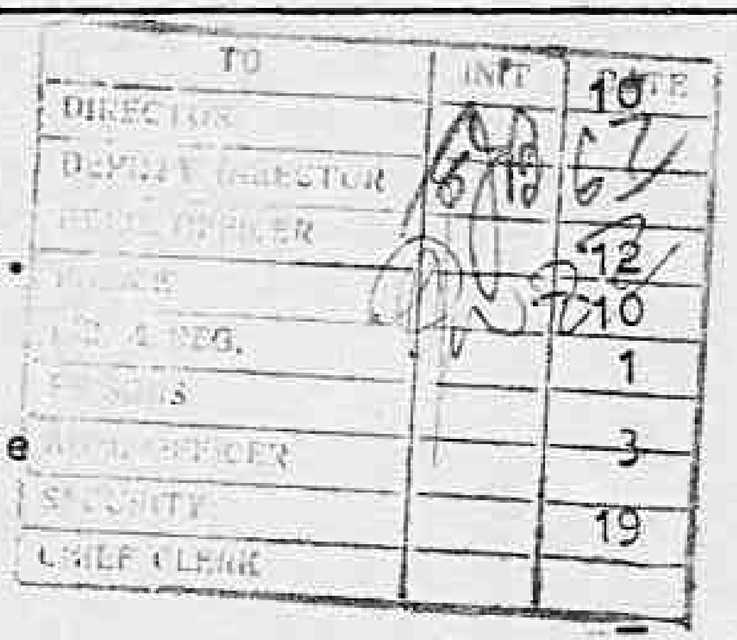
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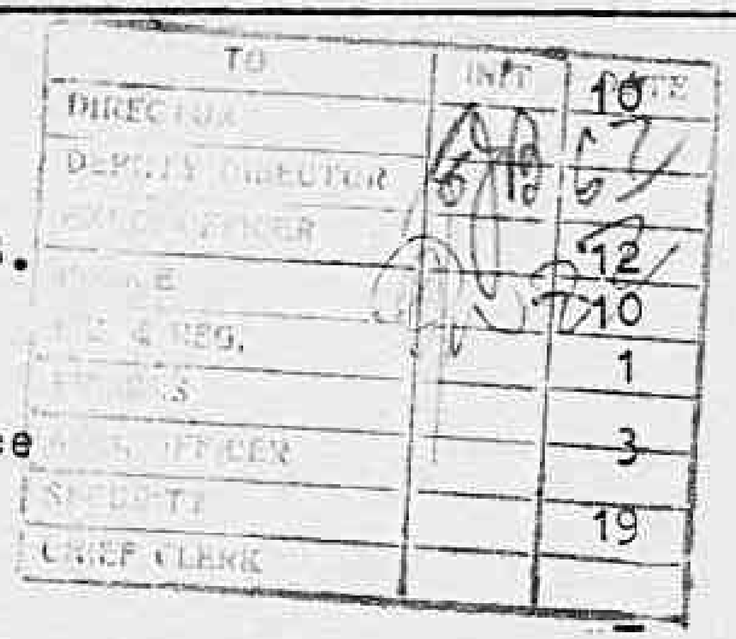
I - STRENGTH OF CIVIL POLICE.

Agency	Officers	O.Rs.
Carabinieri Reali	10	616
Questura Service:		
Career Agenti di P.S.	12	268
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Traffic Police	1	58
Auxiliary Railway Police	3	95
Guardie di Finanza	19	829
Guardie Municipali		442
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II - CARABINIERI.

Some concern has been felt among Officers and men of the Carabinieri as to how they would be effected by the new Constitution of the State, but they have continued to perform their duties satisfactorily and their morale is reasonably good.

No steps have yet been taken to bring the strength up to the new establishment, and the earlier this can be done the better, as a serious shortage of Carabinieri in this Province remains.

A number of important arrests have been carried out during the month including the members of an armed band who have been operating for some time.

Economic conditions of the Carabinieri, particularly those who are married, are not satisfactory and this has a prejudicial effect on morale

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Their most pressing needs at the moment are shirts; socks, underclothing and more and better uniforms, also bedding. Their arms are sufficient, but are of many different makes and standardization of arms and supply of ammunition are desirable. More private cars are needed for patrolling officer duties, also more cycles for service at the smaller stations.

III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

The appointment of new officials to the Questura has greatly assisted in placing this organisation on a normal footing and their morale and efficiency are satisfactory.

Complaint is made by newly appointed officials of the difficulty in finding accommodation for themselves and their families in Udine, but this is due to the present serious shortage of lodgings and is common to officials and public alike.

The recent bonuses granted in anticipation of general wage improvements have given satisfaction, and although complaint is made that it is impossible to maintain a proper standard of living, economic conditions for the time being may be described as fair.

Now that the General Election is over, it is the intention to still further screen and dismiss certain elements of the Auxiliary and Railway Police. In this connection it is desirable that they should be sent on the course of instruction prescribed by the Ministry as early as possible in order that those who qualify may become effective agents. When this has been done, wide-spread replacements will also be essential as many auxiliary Police are employed in the localities where they have lived for some years and have too many relatives and friends there to perform their duties impartially.

IV - GUARDIE DI FINANZA.

The morale and efficiency of this force is fairly good. Some equipment has been supplied and the most urgent necessities of the moment are revolvers, tyres for motor vehicles and bicycles. Repairs have been completed at the Legion Headquarters which are now in a full state of efficiency. Complaint is made of the low wages compared with the high cost of living.

Black Market.- It is reported that this has decreased, but the price of goods including some of primary necessity is still high and beyond the pockets of the working classes. Two persons have been denounced for black market offences and a number of sequestrations made. 180 persons have also been reported for various violations of tax laws, amount

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V - PRISONS.

Following the revolt inside Udine jail on 30/5/46 when 350 detainees barricaded themselves in and caused serious damage to repair works to cell-doors, etc. then nearing completion, 130 male detainees were transferred to other prisons. 18 detainees who were the organizers of the revolt have been denounced to the judiciary authorities. Repairs

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have again been expedited and are now almost completed and it is reported that with the reduced numbers and improved security measures internal discipline is much more satisfactory. Little or nothing has so far been done to replace the guards and conditions will not become better until this has been done. A large number of arrests have been made during the month and the present total number of detainees in the jail is approximately 300 as compared with the capacity of 350.

It is understood that a number of new prison guards are now under instruction in Rome and a separate report is being submitted asking that a number of these may be posted to Udine as early as practicable.

VI - VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION.

During the month 78 women have been arrested for clandestine prostitution, 13 of whom have been treated in hospital for V.D., 31 repatriated from the Province by means of the foglio di via obbligatorio and 34 cautioned.

Police and medical services pay constant attention to licensed brothels and every effort is made to prevent unlicensed houses being used and to deal with clandestine prostitution.

VII - PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY.

Whilst there is no cause for anxiety over the present Public Safety situation in Udine Province, conditions cannot be described as satisfactory owing to the fact that robberies and other serious crimes which during the months of February and March had encouragingly decreased, are now on a slight upward trend. One murder and fifteen armed robberies have been reported during the month as compared with two and sixteen respectively last month which also was rather higher than for the preceding three months.

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The number of fatal accidents caused by Allied military vehicles is still a case for concern, but military police are endeavouring to effect a reduction in such accidents. It is hoped that recent revised traffic directions for certain parts of Udine City will have a good effect. One reason for these continued accidents has undoubtedly been the prevalence of wet weather when roads particularly in this part of Italy seem to be specially treacherous.

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VIII - POLITICAL SITUATION GENERALLY.

Police arrangements for the recent General Election and Referendum were well organised and adequate. It is very much to the credit of all concerned that no incidents of any kind were reported. The fact that the results were publicised over a period lessened the excitement which,it was thought,might arise and the celebrations of the establishment of the Republic went off very quietly indeed, wet weather largely contributing towards this.

For the past two weeks the population have become rather disinterested in internal politics and much more concerned over the international situation.

Some attempt was made by pro Slav elements to persuade by means of leaflets residents in certain eastern communes to refrain from voting, but this propaganda had little effect. Information from Venezia Giulia,which included certain troop movements,caused some anxiety about two weeks ago, but this has recently abated and interest is strongly centered on the Conference of the Four Ministers now being held in Paris.

A number of incidents provoked by Slav or pro Slav elements have been reported,and the presence of certain groups in various parts of the Province is receiving the attention of Security Services.

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The present Public Safety and Political situation in Udine Province is unquestionably strongly affected by the Frontier problem and unless and until this can be solved a state of normality cannot be attained.

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A translation of the Questore's Monthly Report is attached.

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IX - NAMES OF OFFICERS PERFORMING P.S.DUTIES OR ASSISTING.

Major J.T. Manuel	(B)	- S.P.P.S.O.
Major T.P.Cotton	(B)	- P.P.S.O.
Capt.G.E. Lee	(B)	- "
Capt.T.W.Glasspool	(B)	- "
Capt.D.J. Hopkins	(B)	- "

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Major
S.P.P.S.O.-Udine Province

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QUESTURA OF UDINE

Nr. 01054/Gab. Udine 20th June 1946.

SUBJECT: Monthly report.

TO : Major MANUEL
Public Safety Officer,
Allied Military Government,
Udine Province.

Political situation:-

Last month was characterized by an intense electoral propaganda, by numerous meetings held by the various political parties and by the elections for the Constituent and Referendum.

Although a particular state of emergency had resulted from the propagandistic activities, because of the contrasting political ideas which had divided the population into various currents, the elections were carried out with regularity and tranquillity. The Christian Democrat, Socialist and Communist parties were returned respectively in that order during the elections, whilst the Republic obtained the victory during the Referendum with a majority of 2.000.000 votes. As regards the Referendum, we can say, that the monarchists of this town and province, resigned themselves with displeasure to their defeat and, notwithstanding the clear results of such voting, they hoped, until Umberto of Savoy left Italy, that, owing to some alleged irregularity, the Referendum might be cancelled and, by holding another one in the near future, their hopes were looking forward to a favourable response.

It is clear that serious danger would have derived from this fact, regarding public order, for, the majority of members enlisted in the left-wing parties, would certainly, have not accepted, and it is believed that they would have used arms and violence in order to re-establish a situation which was already sanctioned by people's will. On the days immediately following the elections, owing to a gloomy situation which seemed to have ripened in Rome, the local Republican Centres spread the rumour that the Allies had intervened in favour of the Monarchy, and such rumour acquired concreteness and was still believed until the ex-King decided to leave on exile.

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The flocking to the voting-booths of people who were entitled to do so, surpassed all expectations. It seemed to be particularly intense and accompanied by real enthusiasm, in those localities situated in the so-called "Slavia Italiana", which is now disputed by Tito. In fact, the population gave proof of its great affection to Italy. This proof, appears more expressive, if we take into consideration the fact that emissaries of Tito and local pro-Slav communists, after having carried out an intense propaganda and all sort of constraints in order to draw the population to their political ideas, distributed the following pamphlet a few days before the elections:-

"""" Inhabitants of the Slav littoral - Yow know that our Country is still in dispute. Italy wants to deceive you once more, and wants you to serve for Her own interest.

We are not interested in the elections of the 2/6/46, and therefore we must not vote. The secretaries of Foreign Affairs of the Four Great Powers, in Paris, have cleared this point by stating that our Slav littoral is a disputed area between Italy and Jugoslavia. The Italian Government, abusively, and without authority, abuses of a territory which does not belong to them, in spite of all the treaties between Italy and the Allies.

Inhabitants of the Slav littoral, do not vote!
We shall vote when our future has been decided. """"

The contimuous information regarding the flocking and displacements of Jug. troops in the Venezia Giulia, "B" zone; the intention of the Slavs to cause incidents with the American troops stationed on the Morgan line; the non-controlled information which report the presence of eight Russian divisions on the Jug. territory; the information regarding the sojourn of Russian Officers and of Russian Military Commissions, entrusted with the control over Tito's troops in "B" zone; the recent trip of Tito to Moscow and the subsequent statement which sanctioned the signing of a Military Treaty between Moscow and Belgrad and at last the fact that in Tito's whole political and military action there is a clear glimpse of Stalin's long hand, who, through Jugoslavia attempts to make an opening for the Pan-Slav intrusion to the Mediterranean-sea, have created a particular tensioned and delicate situation, which, apart from having caused a state of permanent uneasyness and worry amongst the population, hinders furthermore the development of all serious initiative regarding re-construction, owing to the fact that everybody is awaiting the end of such dark political period which lasts for more than one year since the war finished.

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ECONOMIC SITUATION:-

The economic situation in this province is still serious due to the present political situation which interferes and hinders all concrete possibility of re-establishment.

The cocoon-harvest in the High-Friuli, has now come to its end. Good results were obtained from such harvest which is to be considered a very important and active source of profit in the economical situation of this Region. When the cocoons are dried, the re-opening of silk-mills which were temporarily closed because of the lack of material, will be possible.

FOOD SITUATION:-

As previously communicated, the food conditions in this Province do not rouse serious worries for, with the commencement of the wheat harvest the present ration can be maintained. Bread is the most important nurishment for the Italian people now that all other first-aid goods can easily be purchased on the market. On the contrary, a higher equalization between wage and cost of living should be attained so that clerks and workmen be in a position of leading a standard of living assured at least, on moderate proportion.

PUBLIC SAFETY:-

Robberies and other serious crimes which during the months of February and March had encouragingly decreased are, after a short period which can be considered statical, again increasing and the above can be seeh if we bring to comparison the previous with the present reports.

As regards such reports it is necessary to point out that only the most important crimes are being herewith reported:-

On 18/5/46, at about 2100 hrs, at Cascina Podere locality, in the Commune of Fagagna, three masked and armed persons entered the home of MARTINI Vittorio, of the late Luigi aged 29, and proceeded to ran sack the house taking various cloth-linen and pork-sausages for a total amount of about 10.000 lire. One of the intruders was soon afterwards arrested and ascertainments are in course for the other twos.

On 18/5/46, at about 2200 hrs, at Riveroli locality, in the Commune pf Osoppo, five armed persons entered the Bar managed by BRIGNOLINI Luigi of Cristoforo aged 39, and held up the four occupants of the bar taking 78.000 lire, a neck-lace with golden medal, a fowling-piece, 15 silver coins, bottles of liquors and several pork-sausages for a total value of another 12.000 lire.

On 19/5/46, at about 2000 hrs, two individuals armed with 2674 revolver, entered the home of Countess CARTOLARI MICHELI Teresa aged 58, residing at Leonacco in the Commune pf Tricesimo, and, under the threat of their fire arms, they took possession of ready-money, State-bonds; and various jewels for a total value of more than 1.000.000. lire.

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Inquiries carried out immediately resulted in the identification of the authors of such crime. They are two brothers residing at Udine. One of them was arrested. the theft, which was nearly completely recovered, was given back to the owner.

On 19/5/46, at about 2200 hrs, at Ovaro (Carnia), an unknown persom stopped Furlan Giuseppe who is the pharmacist of that town, and covering him with a revolver, ordered him to hand-over his wallet. Whilst Furlan attempted to deviate the revolver, the assailant, fearing an act of re-action fired a round which hit the pharmacist in the belly causing his death. It is believed that the robbery in question was only a pretext and that on the contrary Furlan was the victim of an OZNA agent. In fact, the a/m is an exile of Istria where he once carried out an active pro-Italian propaganda.

On 20/5/46, at about 0030 hrs, on the main road "Pontebbana", in the vicinity of Casarsa, three persons armed with revolver, stopped a British soldier, robbed him of 300 Lire and fired several rounds in the air in the aim of frightening him.

On the night between 19/20 May 46, an undetermined number of persons, favoured by the darkness went beyond the protective wire of the ammunition-dump of Precenicco with the alleged intention of committing sabotage. The prompt intervention of sentries and other soldiers, put the evil-minded persons to flight. The a/m, with the view of frightening the guards, fired several rounds in the air and then fled across the fields.

On 21/5/46; at 2145 hrs, in the locality of Soprapalude, in the Commune of S. Daniele, three masked and armed persons, held up QUAI Augusto of Vincenzo aged 29 of Maiano and robbed him of 70.000 lire.

On 26/5/46, at about 2145 hrs, in the locality of Geromina, in the Commune of Sacile, two armed and masked persons, entered the Bar managed by CAMERINI Luigi and held up the eight occupants. Whilst one of the rogues covered them with his fire arm, the other robbed GASPAROTTO Guglielmo of 2000 lire. The robbers then entered the private house of the manager and proceeded to ran sack it taking 80.000 lire two bicycles, and 15 Kgs of sugar which was to be distributed amongst the population. Before leaving they bound the occupants of the bar, with pieces of steel-wire.

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On 24/5/46, at 1130 hrs, at Ponte Sile locality in the Commune of Azzano Decimo, two unknown persons, one of whom was masked and armed with hand-bombs, stopped the farmer GABBANO Massimo aged 44 and robbed a 90 Kgs sack of flour from a cart driven by same. Special inquiries carried out by the P.S. agents, resulted as being the author identified and arrested.

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On 26/5/46, at 2130 hrs, at S. Pietro of Ragogna three unknown persons armed with automatic arms, entered the home of VARIATI Augusto aged 68 and stole 3200 lire, 3 saving-books amounting to 15.000 lire, and several articles valued to 6.000 lire. The thieves used to speak the Slovene language and it is believed that they belonged to one of those patrols which, having entered our territory through Resia, are now rambling on the mountains North of Frogaria where they are in contact with the local pro-Slav Communists.

On 29/5/46, at about 2300 hrs, in the vicinity of the level-crossing-keeper's home, at Polcenigo, two unknown persons one of whom was armed with a sub-machine-gun, robbed TONIN Virgilio aged 22, waiter, from Polcenigo, of his bicycle which is valued to 8000 lire.

On 31/5/46, at about 2100 hrs, at Pasiano (Pordenone), 4 armed and masked persons entered the home of PESSA Angelo aged 58, farmer, and threatening the occupants they took possession of 40.000 lire, after which they left for unknown destination.

On 2/6/46; at about 0430 hrs, in the locality of Morsano al Tagliamento, three unknown persons armed with revolver entered the home of Doct. BUTTI Giuseppe of Pietro aged 58 and covering him with their fire-arms compelled him to hand over 30.000 lire.

On 5/6/46, at about 2230 hrs, at Palce di Porcis locality, two masked and armed persons stopped DAL BENE Agostino of Pietro aged 35, wine-shop-keeper, ordered him to re-enter his shop and compelled him to hand over 30.000 lire.

On the night between 6/7 June 46, in Via Pavia N° 2 Udine, three armed and masked persons entered the home of QUERRINI Federico of the late Pietro aged 36 and covering him with their fire arms, compelled him to hand over 140.000 lire, sum which he had obtained from the sale of 2 cows, 1 bicycle and about 50 Kgs of flour.

On 6/6/46, at about 0230 hrs, on the road-crossing CIcconicco-Plesencis, two unknown persons, one of whom was armed with a "Sten", stopped MINISINI Attilio of the late Giorgio aged 37 from Farla di Maiano, dealer, and robbed him of 26.000 Lire, and of a bicycle worth 8.000 lire. From inquiries carried out by the P.S. agents one of the thieves was identified and arrested. Inquiries are still in course for the arrest of the other.

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On 8/6/46, at about 0200 hrs, at Tauriano di Spilimbergo, three armed persons entered the stable of PAVAN Cesare of Aurelio aged 25, whence they attempted to carry away one of the horses. When detected by the owner, the a/m persons fired several rounds against his house. Pavan answered the fire and put them to flight. The horse was therefore recovered.

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On 8/6/46, at about 0230 hrs, at Torre di Talmassons, 6 persons one of whom was armed with "mitra" assaulted three country-guards and disarmed two of them whilst the third escaped.

Inquiries carried out by the Police, brought to the identification and arrest of six persons responsible of that assault.

On 11/6/46 at about 0300 hrs, in Via Lombardia N° 63; fraction of RIZZI (Udine), several armed and masked persons, knocked at the door of PICCILLI Agostino, aged 66, clerk, and asked him to hand over all the money in his possession. As PICCILLI refused to open the door, the a/m fired several rounds against the house. One of the bullets injured Piccilli's sister-in-law.

On 11/6/46, at about 2230 hrs, at Rivoli di Osoppo, 4 armed and masked persons entered the home of Pittino Pietro of the late Giuseppe aged 45 and after having gagged him they took possession of 1700 lire, eatables, a camera and golden articles for a total value of 20.000 Lire. A person suspected of having taken part in such crime was arrested. Inquiries are still in course for the identification and arrest of his accomplices.

On 14/6/46, at about 2400 hrs,a certain DEL TORRE Mario aged 43,from Campoformido,residing at Cave del Predil,begged two American soldiers of the 3rd Special Police for a lift on thier "Jeep".

The soldiers agreed,but howevere after a few hubdred metres they suddemly pulled up and the driver addressed DEL TORRE in menacing tone telling him to hand over all his money. As the latter did not understand, the soldiers searched him and took possession of 700 Lire. They then compelled DEL TORRE to leave immediately and while he was doing so,they fired several rounds in the aim of frightening him.

On 16/6/46, at about 0830 hrs, at Vallunga locality, in the Commune of Fontanafredda, an unknown person, repeatedly hit the driver DA RE Antonio of the late Giovanni aged 60 of Pordenone,on the head with a hammer. DA RE had lent a vehicle to this unknown person, who after the former had lost his consciousness, laid him on the border of the road and attempted to drive the vehicle away,but,the approach of a person compelled him to give up his plan and run away. DA RE was removed to hospital where he was received under "reserved prognosys.

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On 19/5/46, at about 2000 hrs, the Italian soldiers on duty at the check-post of Ceplatischis (Cividale), stopped VELICOS Antonio from Masseris, Commune of Ragogna, because they were made suspicious by his behaviour. In fact VELICOS was seen questioning the town-folks about Military informations.

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VELICOS,when stopped menaced the soldiers stating that,if he was not released immediately, something serious would certainly happen within a short time. In fact,soon afterwards, several persons behaving suspiciously attempted to approach the check-post and when the sentries cried the "Who goes there"they answered by firing rounds from thier fire-arms against the soldiers,however,the immediate reaction of the latters who were also aided by the population, put them to flight. VELICOS was removed to a safer place and the day after he was conveyed to the C.I.C. of Cividale. From his questioning it was ascertained that he is a member of the 4th Jug.Army, and that he was entrusted with a special task.

On the night between 22/23 May 46, unknown persons,making use of pick-locks and false-keys, entered the Banca del Friuli, branch of Spilimbergo and with the oxyhydrogene-flame they pierced the safe taking possession of more than 1.000.000 Lire.

Inquiries are in course for the identification and arrest of the authors.

On 24/5/46, the Police Agents together with F.S.S.,having discovered a box containing an Italian sub-machine gun, in the premises of the S.C.A.P.T. (Società Cooperativa Autotrasporti Patrioti Tagliamento),which are located in S.Vito al Tagliamento, have arrested the leaders of the a/m Society. These persons,besides being guilty of malversations to the detriment of the a/m Society, are also known as being desperate pro-slav communists and the organizers of seditious movements in favour of the annexation of these territories to Jugoslavia.

The a/m are now at the disposal of the Allied authorities.

On 25-26 May 1946, at about 0100 hrs, a bomb exploded on the main door of the bulding occupied by the seat of the Christian Democrat Party of Gemona del Friuli. The building suffered serious damage, whilst no person was injured. This criminal action is attributed to extremist elements.

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On 24/5/46, the issuing of the daily newspaper "MESSAGGERO VENETO", was commenced in UDINE. This paper is issued by means of a financial group who have bought the tipography of the newspaper "LIBERTA'", which is issued by C.L.N., for the amount of 18.000.000 Lire.

The "MESSAGGERO VENETO" is a paper of monarchic colour against the political tendencies of the left-wing parties.

On the evening of 29/5/46; a meeting was held by the I.C.P. (Italian Communist Party), at the "Puccini" theatre of Udine. Dr. SCOCCIMARRO Mauro, Finance Minister, and friulian candidate for the Constituent, after having spoken upon the activities of his party, the principal tasks of which are:-

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to give the people that liberty and welfare which they expect from the New Democracy; the National Independence and in the meantime, the economical and moral reconstruction of the whole country.
Dr. Scoccimarro, speaking of the Monarchic problem, stated that the Republic unites us whilst the Monarchy divides,because this latter since 28th October 1922, instead of maintaining the Constitution,has broken it.

The Minister,taking Italy's position in the world into consideration,said that our politics must be a peace politic with all the democracies and not politics of opposition. As regards the problem of our war reparation he stated that Russia has requested for itself, Jugoslavia and Albany,a sum which is much lower than that which the Italian Government has already paid to the Allies,who did not suffer such damage as other countries have.

The meeting lasted more than two hours and was over at 2300 hrs. No incidents.

On 30/5/46,at about 2030 hrs,350 detainees barricaded themselves in the Judiciary Gaol of Udine-cellular section,and attempted escape. The rioters destroyed all the works of repair which were nearly completed and refused to get in touch with any-one. Italian and Allied Police Forces, surrounded the building, making use of five armoured cars. The Police in order to frighten the detainees, fired several bursts of their sub-machine-guns.

At 0600 hrs on the following morning, the rioters surrendered as they did not obtain the result they expected.

9 prison-guards, who were in the prisons, suffered no injury. 18 detainees, who are the organizers of the revolt, were committed to the Judiciary authority.

On 30/5/46, 40 cases of poisonment due to consumption of meat obtained from animals which were unproperly slaughtered, were registered in the Rest-House of Palmanova.

Two persons died. Inquiryes are in course in order to find out the responsible.

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On 1/6/46, the silk-mill of Cordenons was closed owing to the lack of material. 180 women were therefore dismissed. Work will be re-commenced as soon as the cocoons are dried/

On 2/6/46, at 2100 hrs; at Udine, in Via della Valle Nº 17, the American soldier MLZGORAD Ivan, of the 86 Div. Q.M.Coy. fired a round against DEGANO Emilia aged 40, when she refused to supply him with some wine. Degano was received to the Hospital where shortly after she died. The Allied soldier, who was beaten by civilians, was also removed to Hospital.

On 3/6/46, at about 1900 hrs, an Allied fighter whilst flying over Chiasottis, Commune of Pavia di Udine, dropped from the

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height of 200 metres, a tank filled with 250 litres of petrol. When in contact with the earth, the petrol caught fired and resulted in the burning of 3 persons who were removed to Hospital. Shortly after the plane landed on the Lavariano arifield.

On 4/6/46, at about 2400 hrs, at Frazione Piovega (Gemona), unknown persons placed a bomb on the main door of the home of MARINI Bruno of the late Leonardo, who is the Director of the Cotton-mill "Morgante" of Gemona. The explosion resulted in the breakage of several window-panes and damages to the building's fron side.

This attemt seems to be a revenge on the part of one of his employees.

On 6/6/46, at about 19,30 hrs, at Torviscosa, ARRAGHINI Antonio of Giuseppe and ZAGOMER Aldo of Alessandro, respectively 19 and 24 years old, whilst joking with some explosive, set it to fire which resulted in them being burned and removed to Hospital?

Arrighini, died on the following day.

On 7/6/46, at about 1400 hrs, a non identified plane, flying at undetermibed height, dropped a bomb (weight 1 Kgs), on the Via Gorizia in the Commune of Casarsa. The bomb did not explode. A person entrusted with its removal, stated that the bomb was lacking of the fuze.

On 13/6/46, at about 0810 hrs, a cyclone was registered at Faedis. 20 houses were uncovered, several trees uprooted and 2 persons injured. The damage amounts to 6.000.000 lire approx. This cyclone, furthermore, caused the interruption of the railway between Tarisio and Pontebba, and of the road between Tarvisio and La Carnia.

The cyclone which was followed by a heavy-shower, caused several slight damages to the roads, houses and cultivations, in several localities of this province.

On 12/6/46; the P.S. agents have arrested the following persons:-

1) TRIADANTASIO Costante of Angelo aged 23, labourer.
2) LAZZERI Giovanni of Antonio aged 22, labourer
3) LAZZERI Attilio of Antonio aged 18, student.

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The a/m are the authors of robberies and other crimes which were committed during the past months, in several localities of this province. They were found in possession of a "mitra", one musket-mod. 38, 2 revolvers, 2 hand-bombs and several ammunition.

On 16/6/46, at about 2340 hrs, unknown people, from the outside, dropped two hand-bombs in the Artillery barracks of Via Buttrio.

One of the sentries re-acted and fired ~~xxxxxx~~ two bursts of his "mitra" against the assailants, anyhow he did not injure them.

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Many other explosions were registered in several parts of that town, at about the same hours but without causing victims, damages of whatsoever. ~~XX~~ Shortly before these explosions, about 40 persons coming from Fiume had been arrested; these persons were coming from the Sella Nevea where they had gone for an excursion, and, when in Udine, they stopped in the road with the evident intention of carrying out pro-Slav propaganda. Owing to that they quarreled with people and rouse their resentment. Doubtless, it is believed that the pro-Slav local Communists, have dropped the a/m bombs as a protestation against the arrest of these 40 persons. 8 of these excursionists, who are believed to be OZNA members, were handed over to the F.S.S..

Herewith their names:-

1) FERGHINA Giovanni of Giovanni
2) JUSTICH Ruperto of the late Angelo.
3) SAMMERSNICH Francesco of Igino.
4) FABBRO Giuseppe of the late Giuseppe.
5) TOMSICH Ernesto of the late Antonio.
6) VASCOTTO Enrico of Nicola
7) NORDIOMGuerrino of Ermanno
8) ENDE Giuseppe of the late Enrico.

On 12/6/46; at about 2030 hrs, at Tissano di Santa Maria la Longa, a lightning set to fire the home of PECILE Alfredo of the late Giovanni aged 48;. Wheat, hay, all the tools and the building, were destroyed.
The damage which amounts to 400.000 lire is insured for 35.000 lire only.

On 10/6/46, the P.S. agents have sequestered 40 Qls of sugar, coming from the sugar-mill of Ceggia (Venezia),. The sugar was being carried towards Cervignano, to the firm, S.A. PICCIOTTI.
It was sequestered because not accompanied by proper documents. It lays now at the disposal of the SEPRAL (Provincial Food Section) of Udine.

4 cases of infantile paralisys were registered in the Commune of Sesto al Reghene. Two persons died. ~~REGISTERED~~ Preventive measures were taken.

On 11/6/46, at about 1320 hrs, in Via Molin Nuovo, Commune of Feletto Umberto, two trains formed of a driving-car and two waggons each, when on a curve, ran one against the other, and get wrecked. 6 persons have died and amongst the 60 injured-persons there are nine in a very serious condition. It is believed that the accident is due to the fact that the driver of the train which left from Tricesimo instead of paying attention to the 'holyday time-table' which does not include a train leaving from Udine at 1300 hrs, had observed the working day's time-table. Inquiries are in course in order to find out the responsibles of this accident;

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MORALE OF THE PUBLIC OPINION.

It is now, more than one year that the war is over, however peace and tranquillity are not yet re-established and this fact justifies the worries of the population for another deadly war. Owing to the above, the morale of the public opinion, is necessarily dejected, mainly in this province, which lays in the vicinity of those territories which might be an object of war.

Therefore, everybody is looking forward to the Peace Conference, which is being held in Paris, and the decisions of which are expected like a sun-ray which might enlighten our souls.

RELATIONS BETWEEN CIVILIANS AND A.M.G. PERSONNEL.

Relations between civilians and A.M.G. personnel, is always impressed by a sense of mutual confidence and there is no judicious person who does not realize that, without the help of the Allies, Italy, should not be able to overcome the moral and material chaos of this after-war period.

TROUBLES CAUSED BY CIVILIANS:-

Although a particular state of emergency had resulted from the contrasting pre-electoral propagandistic activities, no incident took place in this province. This fact is due because of the tranquillity and the meditations of the friulan people and because of the good functioning of the Police service also when they had to overcome a difficult situation.

OTHER QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PUBLIC OPINION.

Nothing important to be reported.

QUESTURA PERSONNEL:-

The Police Officials who were recently assigned to this Questura, point out that it is quite impossible to find out a lodging for them and their families. Up to now, the a/m made complaints for their unadequate rate of pay, which, compelled a good many of them to lead an unsuitable standard of living, however, at present, having cashed an anticipation of the already granted wage-improvement, their condition, at least for the time being, is fair.

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TRANSPORTATION

After the recent allottment of cars and m/cycles, this Questura can carry out nearly all her duties, and particularly the urgent-ones.

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GOOD ARRESTS:

On 6/6/46, at about 2100 hrs, at Mussons, Commune of Morsano al Tagliamento, the P.S. agents arrested DELLA SIEGA Giovanni of Ernesto; who is a dangerous criminal chief of an armed gang which ~~wkx~~ brought terror amongst the population of the Low-Tagliamento area, for over a year.

The same agents arrested also the following members of the gang:-

1) MAURO Alessandro of Virginio, aged 21, mech. from Rivignano.
2) CAUZZO Mario of Luigi aged 23 labourer, from S. Michele al Tagl.
3) ZAMARIAN Francesco of Massimo aged 19 labourer from S.Michele-Tagl.
4) DONADONIBUS Ruggero of the late Agostino aged 25, labourer from S. Michele al Tagliamento.
5) TEMINI Dino of Massimo aged 22 labourer from S. Michele al Tagl.
6) RE Ernesto of Enrico aged 22 farmer from S. Michele al Tagl.
7) VADORI Amelio of the late Ettore aged 23, farmer from Morsano al Tagl.
8) ZANON Anselmo of the late Giovanni aged 36, from Morsano al Tagl.

The following persons were arrested on 10/6/46, as authors of a theft of fuel from the Allied truck-pool of Casarsa:-

1) BENVENUTO Angelo of Valentino aged 38 driver, from S. Vito al Tagl.
2) MAZZOLINI Luciano of Biagio aged 27 mech. from S. Giovanni di Casarsa.
3) ROSA Domenico of the late Pietro aged 47, painter from Casarsa.
4) CINAT Gino of the late Virgilio aged 20 mech. from Casarsa.
5) TREVISANUT Tarcisio of Valentino aged 23 mech. from Cusano.
6 VENCHIARUTTI Aldo of the late Giovanni aged 30 mech. from Casarsa.
7) FABBRO Giuseppe of Angelo aged 21 mech. from Orcenigo.

At Udine, on 15/6/46, the P.S. agemts arrested DISDAR Pietro of the late Giovanni borh on 14/6/1921 at Aidussina (Gorizia) Jug. subject, because, two months ago,with threats and cheats he extorted 100.000 lire from Mrs PAGANI Bice Giulia. in Pattini, residing at Udine, and because a few days ago he attempted to extort another 30.000 lire from the same person.

During the liberation-struggle, DISDAR was the Commander of a "Garibaldi" Battn. attached to the Jug. IX Corpus.

GENERAL:-

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During the last weeks, unfortunately, an increase of serious traffic accidents caused by Allied vehicles, was registered in Udine and Province. Three of these accidents took place in the centre of Udine, in few days, and another 10 in the Province. All of them fatal.

These accidents are criticized by the population who impute them to the little sense of duty shown, up to now, by a percentage of the Allied drivers. The recent traffic improvement in the centre of this town, has met with the consent of the citizens who hope that

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with such measure and with the warning of the drivers as regards their responsibility, these accidents may be eliminated or at least highly reduced.

CRIMINAL POLICE:-

Nil.

FIRE-ARMS DETAINED BY CIVILIANS.

For obvious reasons, the quantity of fire-arms detained by civilians, is rather a source of troubles if we take into consideration that such arms may be used for criminal activity or for the supporting of political currents. It's a difficult task to recover these arms, and to enforce the law against their unlawful possessors, because of the solidarity among the population in denouncing the same and because such arms are all properly hidden.

We wish to point out that, although a great number of persons detain arms for criminal purposes, there is a very small pereentage of honest and serious persons who are in need of carrying fire-arms in view of defending themselves against the increasing delinquency, who are being issued with regular permit.

VENERIAL DISEASES, PROSTITUTION & BROTHELS.

78 women have been arrested during last month, for clandestine prostitution.

The following measures have been taken against the a/m:-

-arrested and denounced for infraction against the compulsory way-bill . . . . . Nº 19

-stopped and repatriated with compulsory way-bill . . . . . Nº 12

-stopped and warned . . . . . Nº 34

-removed to Hospital because suffering from V.D. . . . . Nº 13

The Police and the Medical Department, are continuously controlling the brothels, in order to avoid these to become a place haunted by criminals and a home of V.D.

An increase is being registered, in the cladestine prostitution, now that the American troops have left this area.

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS:-

Nil.

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OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE:-

Nil.

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FORGED CURRENCY:-

A.M. Lire.

Banknotes of	1000 Lire	Nº	22-	22.000 Lire
" "	500 Lire	Nº	10-	5.000 "
		Total.		27.000 "

Italian banknotes:

Banknotes of	1000 Lire	Nº	28-	28000
"	"b 500 "	"	8-	4000
"	" 100 "	"	2-	200
"	" 50 "	"	2-	100
		Total.		32300 lire

PATRIOTS:-

Nil.

STRENGTH ON 20/6/1946:-

Effective personnel:

NCOs.	Nº	51
ORs	"	217
Total.		268

Auxiliary Police.

Officers	Nº	10
NCOs	"	40
ORs	"	363
Total.		413

RAILWAY POLICE.

Officers	Nº	3
NCOs	"	12
ORs	"	83
Total.		98

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Traffic and economic control Police.

Officers	N°	1
NCOs	"	15
Effective agents	"	3
Auxiliary agents	"	40
Total.	"	59

In the near future, it will be necessary to dismiss other elements of the Auxiliary Police Battn. and of the Railway Police, in order that the units depending by this Questura may become more efficient and able of carrying out the tasks they are entrusted with.

The Questore
(Dr.U.Durante)
Signed

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PROVINCE OF UDINE

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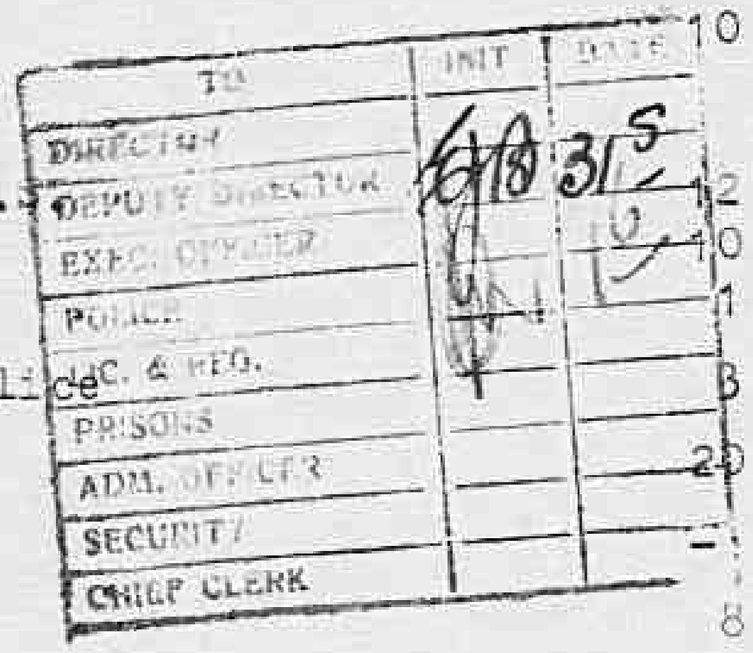
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Carabinieri Reali	10	628
Questura Service:		
Career Agenti di P.	2	267
Auxiliary Police	10	422
Traffic Police	1	60
Auxiliary Railway Police	3	95
Guardie di Finanza	29	838
Guardie Municipali	2	442
Corpo Forestale	8	174

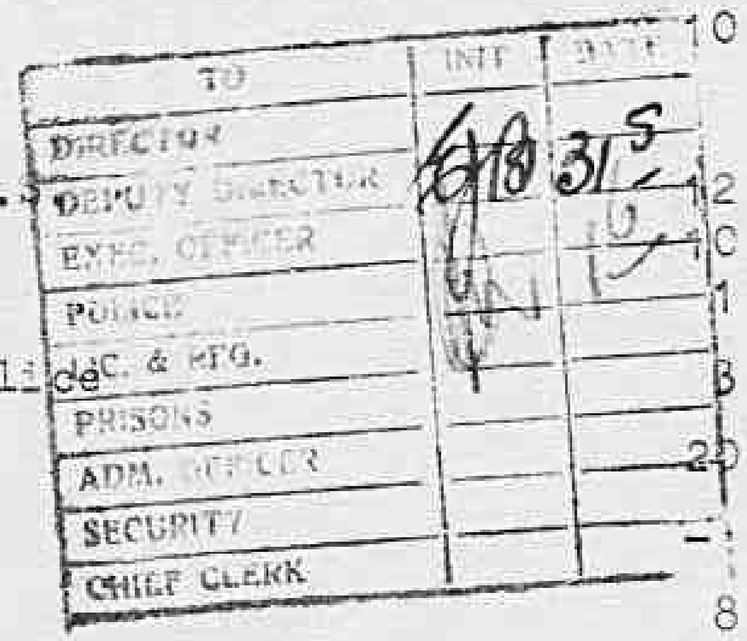


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The augmentation of the strength of this force by approximately 100 men, making a total of 717, is welcomed, but the earlier this paper increase can be transformed into effectiveness by the sending here of the additional men, the greater will be the benefit to this Service and Public Safety generally. Good police work is being carried out and a number of important arrests have been made including some armed criminals. Some

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Morale, however, is not satisfactory mainly due to the high cost of living and low wages. Clothing and equipment of the Carabinieri have improved, but summer uniforms are requested, and some discontent is felt over the quality and quantity of uniforms, etc. now being issued to new recruits to the Italian Army as compared with that available for the Carabinieri. Shirts and underclothing are particularly needed.

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Military trucks assigned to the Carabinieri are proving of great service and will be indispensable at the forthcoming General Election, but more private cars are required for supervising officers, also bicycles.

III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

This is now functioning well and the degree of support rendered by the Auxiliary Police has much improved. A recent inspection of the barracks of the latter in Udine disclosed a high standard of cleanliness and discipline, but conditions are not quite so satisfactory with some of the detachments elsewhere in the Province. More barracks equipment including mattresses, beds, etc. is urgently required.

It is considered that a large proportion of the Auxiliary Police now remaining will make useful candidates for the effective Questura Service.

Several good arrests have been made including four escaped German POW's and a number of hidden arms were traced. The Italian Authorities have assigned two jeeps to this Service which will be very useful.

Traffic Police operating under the Questura are now performing a useful service, but more transport is needed by them.

IV - GUARDIE DI FINANZA.

These are now efficiently performing their normal service and their morale and discipline are satisfactory. Some clothing and equipment have been received, but pistols and barracks equipment are the greatest necessities at the present time. As with all Police Services at the moment, complaint is made of the difficult economic conditions which, it appears, can only be alleviated by an increase in wages. Tyres are urgently needed for transport, also more bicycles.

Black Market.- Activity continues especially in regard to flour, maize and sugar. 17 persons have been denounced during the month for black market offences and a further 230 for various violations of tax laws, the amount of the evasions involved being lire 1.070.641. 8 aliens were stopped at Tarvisio for attempting to improperly entering Italy.

V - PRISONS.

Conditions at Udine jail are being much improved as a result of the repairs now being carried out. Delays have arisen in connection with these repairs, but a further promise has been made that they will be completed by 15th June.

There is a tendency for the intake at the prison to exceed the releases and arrangements will be made, if possible, to transfer more sentenced prisoners.

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A reduction in the wages of auxiliary guards, which is likely to be effected from 1st June, will cause dissatisfaction and this subject is being reported upon seperately. The transfer of more career guards here to replace these auxiliaries would be of very great service.

VI - VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION.

During the month 117 women have been stopped for clandestine prostitution and subjected to medical inspection. 93 were repatriated from the Province by means of the foglio di via obbligatorio.

All known houses of prostitution, also boarding houses and furnished apartments are controlled.

VII - PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY.

There has been a slight deterioration in the Public Safety situation during the month owing to an increase in armed robberies. Two murders have been reported during the month, in one case a man who killed his wife, and 15 armed robberies. It is believed that a number of these robberies are being committed by criminals arriving from outside the Province. Information has been received that 15 armed criminals recently arrived in this Province from Rovigo and every effort is being made to apprehend them.

In response to the publication of General Order N° 1 and Provincial Order N° 16

7 automatic arms
25 rifles
8 pistols

were surrendered, also a small quantity of ammunition. The majority of these arms were surrendered by the Auxiliary Railway Police, and so far as the public generally were concerned, no great success was achieved. Searches continue to be made for arms, and a number have been recovered during the month including some in a tomb in a cemetery and two machine guns buried in a hut-in connection with which two arrests have been made.

The First of May celebrations went off very quietly there being less than the usual activity due, it is believed, to the celebrations held at the Partisans Day on 25th April.

Steel employees went on strike throughout the Province between 6th and 11th May, and a number of minor strikes including cement workers occurred , but no demonstrations or disorders arose therefrom. A number of small unemployment demonstrations have occurred, but no disturbances resulted. Certain communist activities in the way of collecting money from the more wealthy inhabitants to finance public works have been stopped.

At the moment there is no grave cause for concern over the Public Safety situation in Udine Province, but with the present slight upward trend in the criminal activities and unsettled political and labour-

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nal conditions the situation will have to be carfully watched.

VIII - POLITICAL SITUATION GENERALLY.

Political activity, as was to be expected, has appreciably increased in view of the General Election and Referendum which takes place in a week's time.

The Republican and Monarchical movements are intensively pursuing their propaganda,and at a republican meeting in Udine on 14th May some effort was made by Monarchists to distribute leaflets and hold an opposition meeting, but having previously been informed that this wouldnot be permitted on the same evening, they were dispersed by Police.

At a communist meeting at Cordovedo on 21st May interruptions appear to have been caused by christian democratics operating from a lorry who were posting manifests and the lorry was set on fire. A prominent monarchist shortly afterwards appeared on the scene and became engaged in some altercation with the crowd. He and three of his dependants were arrested for having two handbombs on their motor car without authority.

With the exception of these incidents political meetings have been held in a calm and orderly manner and although strict police precautions will be taken for the General Election on 2nd June, it is anticipated that these will pass off quietly ,but there may be some excitement following the publication of the results of the Election and Referendum.

The international situation remains unchanged and disappointment is expressed at the complete failure so far to settle the frontier question. Strong resentment is felt towards the Russian suggestion that part of this Province should be ceded to the Yugoslavs and this is likely to have a damaging effect on communist propaganda.

Slav and Pro-Slav activities continue in conjunction with certain communist sections, but nothing definite has materialized in this connection and it is believed that further orders are awaited.

IX - NAMES OF OFFICERS ROSTER ING F.S. DUTIES OR ASSISTING.

Major J.T. Manuel	(B)	- S.F.P.S.O.
Major T.P. Cotton	(B)	- F.P.S.O.
Capt. G.E. Lee	(B)	- "
Capt. T.W.Glasspool	(B)	- "
Capt. D.J. Hopkins	(B)	- "

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QUESTURA DI UDINE

N° 01054 di prot. Div.Gab. Udine, 20th May 1945

Subject:- Monthly Report
To:- Major Manuel, Public Safety Officer,A.G. Udine

A sense of bewilderment and discouragment, whichpartially destroyed the confidence, particularly acquired during the past months, with regard to a possible revival of our country through a fair peace and not one influenced by particular interests, entered among the population, due to the following facts:

The political contrasts which appeared once again at the Paris conference between Russia on the one, and the British-Americans on the other side, causing the postponement of the peace treaty with Italy and showing also the difference of ideological conception and political interests of the parties involved, which probably will never allow the establishment of effective and lasting agreements; the menace of Tito who, considering himself strong because of Russian support, makes exaggerated claims to Venezia Giulia and N-E Italian territories with display a red imperialism that it is tried in vain to conceal behind the shield of the so called progressive democracy; the eudication of the King in favour of his son Umberto with all its possible consequences from the political point of view as well as from that of public order; the rigorous treatment the adoption of which seems to be intended for the peace conference to the detriment of Italy in spite of her non-indifferent contribution to the Allied cause after 8th September,1943; the uncertainty of the coming political elections and of the "Costituente; the disagreement among the various parties which try to overpower each other in the political field and leave the population therefore under the impression that the morale and material reconstruction of the nation forms a problem of secondary importance for the party leaders; the critical economic and food situation, the unemployment and other minor causes.

The population comments with particular bitterness the pleas and proposals submitted at Paris todate relating to,our colonies, war and merchant navy, Venezia Giulia and eastern Friuli.

Many Friulians want to know - for instinctive spirit of comparison - what particular merits Yugoslavia may have in order to be recognised as a victorious Nation considering that Croatia, the most important part of the "Three Reigns", fought under the dictator Pavelic with Hitler's troops up to the last moment.

The aforesaid motives are creating a vivacious discontent, that it is better not to conceal, among the population of this Province because of the consequences which possibly might arise to the advantage of the so called progressive democracies.

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The approach of the elections brought along a remarkable increase in the propagandistic activities of the political parties, viz conferences, meetings, exhibition of manifests and press publications.

During the more recent manifestations a diminished participation at the meetings organised by the communist party have been observed There is a suggestion that this is due to the decision of the socialist party to appear at the elections with own leaks and not with those agreed upon with the communist party as it occurred for the administrative elections. The conviction has spread that a concealed or disguised resentment exists on the part of the communists against the socialists generally to whom they want to attribute the responsibility of having betrayed by their conduct the people's cause.

This suggestion also cannot be excluded that socialists and democratic-christians may reach an agreement of mutual collaboration.

The recent abdication of King Victor Emanuel III in favour of Prince Umberto was debated by the press according to its political colour in a favourable or unfavourable manner.

The economic situation of the Province is unchenged and no remarkable observations are to be added to what was reported previously.

Several manifestations for claiming bread and employment occurred during the month. The most characteristic one was that which took place on 8/5/46 at S.Vito al Tagliamento. About 800 unemployed persons went in front of habitations of the richer families and asked for more or less voluntary guarantees for a bank loan in order to continue public works which had to be suspended because of lack of funds.

The following other manifestations with the purpose of claiming bread and work occurred during the month:

On 10/5/46 at CANEVA DI SACILE where 500 workers met near the Municipio claiming urgent measures in order to help them;

On 11/5/46 at CORDENONS about 150 labourers demonstrated for the same reason in front of the Communal House and obtained the promise that works for the damming of the two torrents Livenza and Cellina would soon be started;

at CHIONS where about 170 labourers made a demonstration for the same reason and finally
at VARMO where about 70 unemployed labourers told the communk secretary that they would abandon themselves to unpleasant excesses whenever favourable measures were not taken immediately.

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After a six days' strike the state employees decided to take up work again on 12/5/46.

With regard to this strike a conference took place on 13/5/46 in the Government Building of Udine which was attended by the Provincial Commissioner, Lt.Col. Wright and a financial councillor of the British Embassady at Rome. The granting of economic improvements for the state employees was decided.

On 3/5/46 the workers of the cement plants of Udine and Cividale entered into strike. Three days later they began to work again following the promises that the economic improvements they had asked for would be granted.

The food conditions of the Friuli improved due to the first agricultural resources of the season, whilst the scarce purchase capacity of the employee and worker classes remains unchanged. The population hopes that the coming crop of grain and other land products will help to free Italy from the menace of famine.

PUBLIC SAFETY.

The Public Safety Situation and that of criminality remain generally unchanged after a rapid decrease of robberies and other serious crimes during the months January to March.

Morale State of Public opinion.

The virtual failure of the Paris' conference; the political contrasts in the internal; the unemployment and the economic and food difficulties as well as the impossibility on the part of Italy to free itself from a stagnant situation which threatens to suffocate the country because of the lack of a peace treaty, are forming reasons for a depressed morale state of the Friulians who do not believe any more in a morale and constructive re-establishment of our country. A remarkable number of persons who are afflicted by a similar state of affairs wait for the reopening of the frontiers in order to emigrate to foreign countries. They are disappointed because having worked hard and made many sacrifices their only compensation are bigger burdens and always more intolerable hardships.

Relations between A.C. and Civilians. No change.

Civilian Disturbances.

Public order was maintained everywhere in spite of numerous manifestations of political character or due to unemployment.

Other Points affecting public opinion. NIL

Functionaries of Questura and generally. NIL

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TRANSPORT.

As already referred to previously, two jeeps arrived from Naples; ~~three~~ 6 motorcycles were allotted to this office by Allied Authorities which will allow to increase the police services and will be particularly useful during the political elections.

Good Arrests.

On 1/5/46 the German Hermann TERNIC di Giuseppe was arrested in this town. He was in possession of a false identity card issued at Renasel(Aosta) and headed with PRESSANALDO. Ternig belonged to the German SS and evaded a POW camp.

On 5/5/46, at Tarvisio three German POW's were found on a goods truck which was directed in Austria who had evaded from the concentration camp of Cancello(Caserta). One of them succeeded in escaping through the window whilst the other two were stopped and identified: ALDER Helmut di Giorgio, born at Ehrenforst on 19/3/1924 and MILDNER Manfred di Bernard, born at Stenz on 31/1/1921.

GENERAL. NIL

CRIME. NIL

Possession of Arms by Civilians. No change.

Venereal Disease and Prostitution.

From 20/4/46 up to date 117 women have been stopped for clandestine prostitution. Some of them have been taken to hospital requiring medical attention, others have been summoned and 93 were repatriated with foglio di via obbligatorio.

Functioning of Courts. NIL

Arguments affecting Civil Police. NIL

Forged AMG. Currency.

AMG. LIRE.

9	1000 lire notes		9.000
3	500 " "		1.500
		Total Lire	10.500

Italian Banknotes.

19	1000 lire notes		19.000
3	500 " "		1.500
1	100 " "		100
1	50 " "		50
		Total Lire	20.650

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Patriots. NIL

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Strength on 20/5/1946.

	Officers	NCO's	Men
Effective Personnel	12	49	218
Auxiliary Police	10	40	382
Railway Police	3	18	77
Traffic Police	1	17	43

Il Questore

(sgd.) Dr.U.Durante

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 4A

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(PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION)

To: Director Public Safety Sub Commission
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Subject: Monthly Report - April 1946

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Questura Service:		
Career Agents di P.S.	12	266
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Traffic Police	1	61
Auxiliary Railway Police	3	97
Guardie di Finanza	19	856
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Complaint is made of the low wages paid to Carabinieri by comparison with other classes of workers, especially having regard to the risks which they are often called upon to run.

Some uniform and equipment are arriving, but more is required, particularly automatic arms and pistols, also shirts and underclothing. In certain instances the latter are now being purchased by the Carabinieri and owing to their high cost this is increasing the hardship caused by low wages.

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Transport provided from Allied Military sources is being of the utmost assistance. There is a tendency for this Province which is the only one now remaining under the control of AMG., apart from Venezia Giulia, to be neglected by the Italian Authorities who refer applicants

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for financial or other assistance to AMG. As an example, the contractor responsible for refurnishing and re-equipping barracks, a most urgent necessity at the present time, has been referred to AMG. All possible assistance is being rendered in the matter of accommodation, etc. for this contractor, but I would point out that as for purposes of administration the Carabinieri remain under their normal controlling authority, the Headquarters in Rome should also endeavour to assist in such important matters as refurnishing barracks and not merely refer the contractor to AMG.

III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

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200 Finance Guards assisted in connection with Policing at the recent administrative elections.

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V - PRISONS.

Repair works are now being hastened at Udine jail which should have the effect of appreciably improving internal security, sanitation, etc. Arrangements are also in hand for the purchase of bedding, cooking utensils, etc. and the kitchen has been entirely re-equipped.

Conditions generally are thus being improved, but unrest still exists and further transfers of sentenced prisoners are being made. Only four guards have arrived in response to the recent request and other replacements are still required before internal discipline is likely to be made satisfactory.

Rumours of possible attempts by partisan elements to free their former comrades from jail on 1st May have been heard and precautional measures have been taken.

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The Questore describes this in some detail in his Monthly Report a translated copy of which is attached. Administrative elections were held on 24th and 31st March and 7th April, when adequate police arrangements were made and no incidents occurred.

The Democratic-Christian Party gained most seats being fol-

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lowed by the Socialist and Communist Parties. It is reported that the Pro-Slav attitude of certain communists had a detrimental effect on the results achieved by this Party, and the women voters were in the majority opposed to communist principles.

Between 30th March and 2nd April the Allied Boundary Commission for Venezia Giulia visited various communes in the eastern part of the Province and questioned local authorities. Members were received cordially and although certain demonstrations took place, the principal one in Udine and mainly composed of students, no disorders or incidents of any kind occurred.

Attempts were made in certain of the eastern communes to exhibit Yugoslav flags and slogans, but in many cases these were removed by the Italian population who were considerably in the majority.

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The presence of various nests in the Province said to be composed of certain Slav and Pro-Slav elements is reported and these are receiving the attention of Police and Security Services.

In spite of political activity attendant upon the administrative elections which is likely to increase with the approach of the general election, indications at the moment are that meetings and propaganda will be continued in the state of calm and tranquillity which has hitherto prevailed, but these conditions may, of course; be changed by any announcement regarding the future of Venezia Giulia.

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In order to repress clandestine prostitution numerous visits were paid by Police to boarding-houses and furnished apartments. All houses of prostitution are strictly controlled.

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IX - NAMES OF OFFICERS PERFORMING P.S.DUTIES OR ASSISTING.

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The other parties viz. the Liberal, Republican and Action Parties had scarce success in spite of the active and intense propaganda which the party leaders performed or had performed at Udine as well as in the Province.

The diminution of the Liberal Party, although the list issued by Udine Section showed names of persons who are generally respected for their seriousness and rectitude, is due to the fact that one part of the leaders is considered to be excessively conservative and monarchic; so much so as to be retained promotors of reactionary tendencies which do not agree with the democratic ideas with which the majority of the Italian population seems now to be inspired. It is supposed that many elements who originally were followers of the old liberal party joined for such reason the democratic christian party the success of which is mostly due to this circumstance that was noy foreseen in such clear measure.

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The reasons for this partial failure are not quite clear yet, but without fear of denial it can be said that the equivocal aptitude of the local communism with regard to the solution of the Venezia Giulia problem contributed doubtless to the unsuccessfulness; further the voting right of the women who, being faithful to the tradition of the religion and family, do not accept the postulate of the communist ethics and certain violent and imposing attitudes of not a few communists which remind, in such way, too much the methods used during the past fascist government.

The first part of the administrative elections occurred with absolute calm in the Province and the public order service organised for that purpose functioned everywhere impeccably.

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Between 30th March and 2nd April the Allied Mission for Venezia Giulia visited several localities in the zones of Cividale, Cerceneto, Resia, Tarvisio and was everywhere welcomed by cordial demonstrations of Italianity and friendly feeling.

The population of this Province learned with a certain disappointing surprise of the arrival of the Mission as nobody would ever have thought that areas of this Province might form an argument of contest. The surprise was still bigger due to the fact that the Allies made a formal assurance early this year that the failed return of this Province to Italian administration was caused by reasons of military character only and not because some zones of the Friuli might be contested by some foreign country.

The most Italian population of the Province are asking themselves therefore with an understandable apprehension what may be the reason for the revocation of the assurance furnished by the Allies at the time and what eventual bitter surprises the Friulians will have to expect in a more or less near future.

Slovene emissaries and a few local Pro-Slavs increased everywhere their propagande activities during the days before the arrival of the Allied Commission in Friuli in order to present the localities of this Province which are claimed by Tito under a not true aspect.

The following are happenings considered worthwhile to be reported as an illustration of the above mentioned activites:

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During te night 26/27th March Pro-Slav still unknown elements hoisted Yugoslav flags in the communes of S.Pietro al Natisone; Pulfero and S.Leonardo. The population of said communes hauled them down and destroyed them spontaneously next morning.

Numerous leaflets of Slav propaganda, paper flags and other sheets with symbols and wording praising Tito, Stalin and the Yugoslav federation were spread in the commune of S.Leonardo.

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During the night 27/28th March, at Tarvisio and in the nearby fraction CAMPOROSSO IN VALCANALE not yet known persons exhibited numerous Yugoslav paper flags on the walls which have been destroyed next morning by the public force.

A Yugoslav cloth flag was hoisted on a tree at Camporosso but hauled down again.

During the first hours of 31st March numerous paper flags (Yugoslav) and leaflets with red stars and praises for Tito have been spread on the roads of RESIA.

The economic situation of the Province remains unchanged. There is some revival in the silk industry and for the small and medium artisans. Following recent agreements reached at the competent Ministry Rome, the silk industry will open again several mills in the Province which were inactive for some time due to contrasts with regard to the purchase price of cocoons and the sale price of the manufactured products. This will provide work for several thousands of female labourers and cause a remarkable diminution of unemployed persons. There are about 52.000 unemployed persons at present in the Province.

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PUBLIC SAFETY.

Public Safety conditions are improving rapidly. In fact, whilst there were still 38 robberies in January, they were reduced to 24 in February and to 9 in March and during this month occurred 10. These facts show clearly that the situation is returning to normality in this respect.

The following are the more serious robberies and crimes committed from 20/3/46 to date:

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On 23/3/46 at about 0130 hrs. in ANDUINS DI VITO D'ASIO, one GERONETTA Lino, aged 32, employee whilst returning home in a drunken state has been stopped by three unknown persons, armed with automatic rifle and robbed of the sum of 5.000 lire.

On 24/3/46 at about 2300 hrs. at UDINE at the crossway Pradamano Baldasseria, one VIRILI Fulgenzio di Antonio, aged 21, was stopped by two individuals wearing English uniform and whilst one of them kept him under menace of a pistol, the other removed the billfold containing 1000 lire and a block with tickets for the communist loan.

On 25/3/46 at about 2100 hrs. in the commune of Travesio, three armed and masked individuals penetrated into the habitation of MINZANA Amedeo fu Pietro, businessman, where they attempted a robbery which could not be carried out due to the absence of the owner.

On 27/3/46 at about 2200 hrs. in the fraction TOPALINO DI SACILE two unknown persons, armed with pistols, committed robbery of a bicycle of a value of 6000 lire to the damage of BIASI Tiziano fu Giacomo, aged 64 of Sacile.

On 29/3/46 at about 2230 hrs. in the fraction S.Michele of the commune of Sacile, two unknown persons, armed with pistols, robbed from ZANETTI Bortolo di Giovanni, age 31; of CANEVA DI SACILE the sum of lire 10.000 and a bicycle of about the same value.

On the evening of 4/4/46, in Via Grazzano, UDINE, one PAGGIO Venerea fu Basilio, born at Terrazzano di Udine, aged 40, was approached by an individual wearing British uniform who pushed her and tore away the bag containing 3000 lire.

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On 14/4/46 at about 0315 hrs? in Cervignano, two unknown individuals, armed with pistols, riding on a vehicle type English ambulance; imposed by menace of arms to the two guards of the mill VARIOLA, Breaschia Alfonso, aged 36 and DI PIAZZA Primo, aged 35, to open the gates. -hey entered the compound and removed three tyres for motorcar "Aprilia" property of the brothers Variola. After that they left for unknown destination. Inquiries of the police organs of Cervignano resulted in the identification of the responsibles: three British military and an Italian civilian who have been arrested by MIL-POLICE.

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On 15/4/46 at about 2200 hrs. in locality RIVA DELLA CIEVA DI PINZANO AL TAGLIAMENTO, DE MONTE giuseppe, aged 38, farmer, was assaulted by four unknown masked men who hit him and robbed his billfold containing 5300 lire.

VARIOUS.

On 16/3/46 at about 2130 hrs. in the fraction of MOLINIS DI TARCENTO, unknown indivuduals threw a handbomb against the house of one VATTOLO Gregorio fu Domenico, aged 50 without causing damage to things or persons. The attempt appears to be due to political revenge as Vattolo was a follower of the fascist party in the past.

On 17/3/46 at about 2030 hrs. between the localities ZUGLIANO and BASALDELLA DI UDINE a grave road accident occurred due to the disordered and speedy proceeding of a RAF vehicle which collided therefore with a civilian lorry causing the death of 5 persons.

Although the driver of the civilian vehicle, one GALLO, tried by all means to avoid the clash; the RAF truck collided violently and threw the civilian lorry in the ditch at the side of the road.

Three dead bodies were recovered immediately whilst other two injured persons died soon afterwards at the civilian hospital, Udine. 11 injured persons were recovered at the same hospital, two of those under reserved prognosis.

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On 23/3/46 at about 1830 hrs. in locality MADONNA DI BUIA, the child TONDOLO Adriano di Giovanni, aged 9, was killed by the bursting of an explosive with which he was playing.

On 25/3/46 at about 2000 hrs. in FAEDIS; unknown persons placed a charge of explosive at about 10 metres from the building which is occupied by FELIZZO mons.Giuseppe and MUSSONI mons.Leone, arch-priests of Faedis. Many windowglasses were broken without damaging persons or things. It seems that this attempt was effected with an intimidating purpose by elements who are contrary to the Democratic-Christians.

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On 25/3/46 at about 2310 hrs. on the railroad between Pontebba and Dogna, the goods train N° 8117 harved. The first part of it which had to slow down at a certain point was hit by the detached part which had gained speed on the sloping road. The collision caused the derailment of seven empty trucks and the wounding of three brakesmen. The accident was followed by a 20 hours' interruption of the line.

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On 27/3/46 at about 0215 hrs. the dead body of PERESSI Ferdinando fu Raimondo, born at Roccolana di Chiusaforte on 16/1/1879 and resident there was taken to the civilian hospital of Udine by a military truck. On questioning the military replied that information should be requested from the Raf-Police.

On the evening of 28/3/46 1200 Italian military, ex detainees in Russia arrived at Udine by special train from Tarvisio. On the evening of 30/3/46 they left for Verona on a pontifical ambulance train, tenderly assisted by the friars Camillians.

During their brief stay at Udine several incidents and quarrels occurred because the local communist elements did not like the spread of little exemplary news on the treatment received by the Russians and the methods used by these in occupied territory.

On 31/3/46 at about 1500 hrs. a meeting organised by the Udine Section of the U.D.I. should have taken place at the Castle of Udine. On this occasion the Consultrice Nazionale MELLINI and the Provincial leader Mrs. DE GREGORIS were appointed as speakers. The manifestation was suspended due to ~~the~~ scarce intervention of the public.

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2 small " " " "
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On 11/4/46 at about 2200 hrs. unknown persons threw two handbombs against the canonical house of the fraction of VILLALTA DI FAGAGNA, where the priest LEZZERTA Angelo, aged 52 is living. No damage to persons, light damage to the entrance door.

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On 12/4/46 at about 1100 hrs. in Trasaghis, about 500 persons gathered in order to protest against the Sindaco of the place, who was accused not to distribute impartially the UNRRA gift parcels. After intervention of Police and CAO Gemona the disbandment of the demonstration was obtained and the distribution of the parcels proceeded according to the Prefect's lists.

On the morning of 8/4/46, in TRAVESIO, the funeral of 11 bodies extracted from an abyss called "Fous di Balancetta" took place. These 11 persons were killed by partisan elements in 1944 because supposed to have been nazi-fascist spies. But the population of Travesio are convinced that this summary execution, made at the time, did not occur according to justice; because not all the victims are retained responsible. In fact almost the whole of the population participated at the funeral, so much so as to give to the sad rite a real imposing aspect.

The ceremony which should have had a completely private character assumed instead the aspect of a public manifestation due to the participation of the scholars of the fifth class of the primary school with flag whilst the Reduci carried on their shoulders the bodies. The procession was joined further by the employees of the Municipio of Travesio and later also by the Sindaco, Prof.Lizier who per chance passed by.

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For the same reason further 14 persons have been denounced on free foot, responsible for theft and serious damage and 5 persons for receiving of stolen goods. 30.000 bricks have been sequestered. The total damage amounts to about a million lire.

On 14/4/46 at about 1900 hrs. police agents of S.Daniele arrested three German POW's, viz. KOLLBERG Werner; KREUZBURG Kurt 2641 ROSENBERG Walter, who declared to have evaded on 13/4/46 at about 1500 hrs. Camp 300 German Coy (G.T.) of Treviso with the intention of returning to Germany. They have been found in possession of 19.942 lire the origin of which they could not justify.

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On 17/4/46 at about 2230 hrs. in TOLMEZZO, unknown persons threw a German handgomb against the Finance Guards' barracks which uprooted a window-shutter and caused the breaking of several glasses. No damage to persons. This act is believed to have been commited with the purpose of intimidation by elements who are carrying out contraband.

On 9/4/46 the Sindaco of Pordenone has been elected in the person of Avv.GARLATO Giuseppe of the Democratic-Christian party. This appointment produced generally good impression as Avv.Garlato is everywhere respected.

On 13/4/46 the Sindaco of Udine was elected in the person of AVV.COSATTINI; Vice-Sindaco was elected On.Assessore. These appointments did not gain big enthusiasm among the population of Udine.

On 15/4/46 the Sottosegretario for Public Education; Avv. Achille Marazza arrived at Udine in order to visit the schoolbuildings of the town and in the Province.

On 18/4/46 at about 1100 hrs. between Raune di Ludisco and Lase; in locality CODERIANO(north-east of Cividale) about 15 armed Slovenes, divided in two petrols, sequestered by action of force from the camps where they were working the following persons:

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They were taken, under menace of arms, to RAUNE DI LUDISCO to the pub Pelettig where they were guarded by 8 armed men, one of those in plain dress, armed with pistol.

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At about 1930,three American "jeeps" with military arrived; as the fire had not ceased yet, the military opened it on their part in direction of Raune. After some time the shots became less and ceased completely at about 2100.

Immediately afterwards the brothers CICIGOI were released by the Slovenes following an intervention of the population of Raune who, however, collaborated with the Slovenes.

These two brothers reported that the Slovenes asked them in the pub Feletting under menace of arms the following information:

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Arms and ammunition dumps existing in the Italian zone;
Arms in possession of the Italians;
Intention of the Italians with regard to the Slavs and their personal feeling;
Existence of Italian patriot organisations of Anti-Slovene character and other informations of minor importance.

According to the statement of the brothers Cicigoi and according to the disposition of the aggressors, the action must have been led by about 40 well armed men.

The Slovene elements, authors of the incident, declared before releasing the brothers Cicigoi that they are acting as police organs for the search of arms and armed persons. But the arrested persons are under the impression to have faced authentic "Titini" judging from their arms, uniform and Slovene language.

The two Italians still under arrest have been taken on board of a "jeep" by means of menaces and violent pushes and sent to Caporetto (according to the orders given in the presence of the two Cicigoi to the personnel who accompanied the vehicle)

The Slovenes expressed repeatedly menaces of future reprisals in the zone, especially against Drenchia. For that reason they entered said locality in order to carry out their intention. The civilian population, making use of the arms at their disposal, put them to flight. One Slovene remained in the hands of the defenders who was handed over to the Allied Police. The population of Drenchia had one wounded who was taken to the civilian hospital at Cividale.

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The members of the Commission walked through Nimis in all directions in order to realise the almost complete destruction by German reprisal action.

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The questions usually made by members of the Commission to the local authorities were the following:
How many fractions has the commune? How many inhabitants? How many of these are Italians and how many Slovenes? How many schools are Italian and how many Slovene? How many parishes? What fractions have inhabitants of Italian language and what fractions have inhabitants of Slovene language? Has there been immigration of aliens after the war 1918? Has there been emigration? For where? How many families? how many persons? Have there been marriages with persons of the other side of the Judrio? On whatsis the

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population living? Are the population devoting themselves to agriculture only? Are there men who go for work outside the commune? Tere are they going? Are the land products consumed on the spot or exported elsewhere? For how much time is the zone under Italian sovereignty? Where are the inhabitants of the place purchasing? Are there aqueducts? Is there electric light? What is the central plant which supplies the power? What is the feeling of the population? Is there some affinity between the Slavs of this zone and those wo reside beyong the river Judrio? Are the products of this land the same as those beyong the Judrio? Do there exist relations with the inhabitants beyond the Judrio?

The members of the Commission interrogated at Tarvisio the Italian, Austrian and Slovene leaders of the spot in order to understand the ethnic situation of the zone.

They asked to draw by chance some cards from the index which happened to be letter "P". These cards bore almost all names of Italian and Austrian families, 5 excepted which were headed by Slovene families who did not origin from there but had immigrated from Plezzo and Sonzia.

The members wanted to question also the Station Master of Tarvisio who reported on technic arguments only which do not affect politics, viz. on quality, direction and bulk of traffic, electrification of the Pontebbana line and on the advantages which derived from it.

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The population showed thus to have liberated themselves from that morale heedlessness to which they were led by the tremendous tragedy of the recentwar and to be now on the way to a spiritual revival without which it would be impossible to begin an efficient peaceful struggle for the national reconstruction.

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Relations between A.M.G. and Civilians.

No change.

Civil Disturbances.

Public order was not disturbed in spite of the intense propaganda performed in this Province by all political party leaders on the occasion of the recent administrative elections which unavoidably contributed to excite the souls and to create contrasting opinion. These first administrative elections are therefore a confirmation of the political maturity of the Friulian population.

Other points affecting public opinion.

No change.

Functionaries of the Questura.

NIL

Functionaries in general. NIL

Transport. The recent allotment of 6 lorries by A.M.G. to this Questura and the early arrival of two "Jeeps" improved remarkably transport conditions and will certainly help to increase the various services, particularly those more urgent ones.

Good arrests. NIL

General NIL

Crimes. As already referred to in another part of this report, the whole of the criminal activity is decreasing strongly thanks to the unwearied activity of all police organs which in spite of the deficiency of means and of difficult conditions achieved results that will lead soon to normality.

Detention of arms by civilians. No change.

Venereal disease and prostitution.

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The houses of prostitution in the Province are strictly controlled with the purpose of avoiding the spread of diseases.

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Functioning of Courts; NIL

Arguments affecting Civil Police. NIL

Forged A.M.G. Currency.

A.M.G. LIRE:

1000	Lire notes	15	15.000
500	" "	6	3.000
		Total Lire	18.000

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Italian Banknotes:

1000	lire notes	24	24.000
500	" "	5	2.500
100	" "	6	600
		Total Lire	27.100

Patriots. NIL

Strength on 20/4/46:

	Officers	NCO's	Men
Effective Personnel	12	53	213
Auxiliary Police	11	54	371
Railway Police	3	18	79
Traffic Police	1	17	44

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PROVINCE OF UDINE

(Public Safety Division)

To:- Director Public Safety Sub Commission
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From:- S.P.P.S.O. Udine Province

Subject:- Monthly Report - March 1946

Ref:- UDI/PSO/9

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All Carabinieri are now provided with one uniform, but the majority of them are in need of a second uniform, also shirts and under-clothing. Truck transport and motorcycles provided from Military sources are proving of the greatest possible service. More automatic arms are required, and it is suggested that the armament of all Police Services should receive the urgent consideration of the Italian Government in order that a decision may be reached as to numbers and types of weapons to be authorized for specific duties, also as to the possibility of providing teargas or smoke grenades for use at disturbances, etc.

Another important matter requiring attention in this Service is the refurnishing of barracks. During the time of the liberation many caserme were unoccupied and this has resulted in serious losses of

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furniture, including cupboards, tables, beds, etc. and it is recommended that the contractors normally responsible for providing such articles should be instructed to make good deficiencies.

III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

This Service is now returning to normality and the replacement of certain functionaries has been welcome. More transport is required and the remarks regarding arms, etc. for the Carabinieri apply equally to this Force.

The Auxiliary Police have been doing better work and practically all of them have now applied to be engaged as effective agents of P.S. and to take the course of instruction prescribed by the Ministry of Interior. They now await the allotment of vacancies at the school by the Ministry. Some members of this Corps will undoubtedly prove themselves fit for retention in the Service, but by reason of local contacts and political influences it is advisable that, as and when they are accepted for permanent service following the completion of their instruction, they should be transferred elsewhere. The Corps is under the close control of the Questore, local detachments being supervised by Commissari of P.S.

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V - PRISONS

Further unrest was recently reported in Udine jail, and the new director appears to have become somewhat intimidated and fears more disorder. He has reported that he has no faith in any of the prison guards and in reply to a signal sent to ALCOM HQ. it has been learned, that the Ministry will expedite the replacement of guards and supply of uniforms. Budgets are being approved for the purchase of bedding, utensils and other equipment and for general repairs to the prison including locks on cell-doors, etc. which should improve internal security. This work is in hand. Other prisons in the Province are reasonably

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satisfactory, but bedding and equipment are required in almost all cases.

VI - PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY

It is fair to say that conditions as regards Public Safety generally in the Province during the past five or six weeks have very much improved. This has been brought about by a stronger and a more resolute activity on the part of Police Services which has resulted in a large number of arrests of armed criminals including one band in the Pordenone area and one at Udine. In consequence the number of serious armed robberies in the Province has decreased from an average of about 30 per month to 5, and whilst it is difficult to forecast whether this new low level figure can be maintained, it is nevertheless distinctly encouraging. 2 murders were reported and in each case arrests have been made. There has been an increase in the stealing of cars and tyres, etc. The provision of transport from Allied Military sources has been of the greatest possible benefit as well as the gradual supply of uniforms, boots and other equipment.

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The first of the Administrative Elections were held on Sunday, 24th March when adequate policing arrangements were made, but in no case was the intervention of police necessary. These elections will be continued during the next two Sundays, but there is no reason to believe that they will be held in other than the state of tranquillity which prevailed last Sunday. It is possible that political activity may become

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somewhat more vociferous and forceful with the approach of the General Elections, but so far as can be foreseen this should not lead to serious strife or disturbances.

Great interest is centered on the present visit of the Allied Commission to Trieste and whilst there has been a tendency for students to desire to demonstrate in support of Italian claims, they have in the main been persuaded that a calm and dignified bearing on the part of the Italian population will have as much weight with the Commission as flag waving and noisy manifestations. It is possible that some demonstrations may occur when the Commission visits this Province, but serious disorders are not likely to arise.

Pro Yugoslav activity, mainly of an underground character, continues in the Province, particularly in the eastern communes where a certain amount of tension exists between local Italian and Slav or pro Slav groups, but no serious incidents have occurred. As against this there is a tendency for certain Italians to adopt the childish practice of crying before they are hurt in the hope that this may stave off a subsequent cause for pain. The continued presence of Allied troops in the Province will be of the greatest possible service in preventing outbursts from any particular Party or group.

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TRANSLATION

QUESTURA DI UDINE

No. 01054 di prot. Div.Gab. Udine; 20th March 1946

Subject:- Monthly Report
To:- Major Manuel, S.P.P.S.O. Udine

1. General political and economic situation.

Generally speaking there hasnot been any change in the political situation of the Province during the past month.

The following manifestations worthwhile of being mentioned have taken place:

On 3/3/46, the Fifth Provincial Congress of the Fronte della Gioventù has been held at the Castle,Udine, which was attended by the Prefect, Avv.Candolini, the Sindaco off Udine On.Cosattini whilst Colonel Bright, the Provincial Commissioner sent his consent having been hindered to assist personally.

Almost all the sections of the Province, which have about 13.000 followers among the Friuli youths,sent their delegates to this Congress.

There have been speaking Dr.Mario CHIUSSI, the National Councillor F.Polari and various other orators of either sex who discussed the present political, social and other problems relating to the Fronte della Gioventù.

Finally the Directive Committee, which is composed of 20 persons belonging to all political parties, was elected.

On 12/3/46 the Second Provincial Congress of the Socialist Friuli Federation took place, also at the Castle of Udine, which was attended by delegates of all the sections of the Province.

On Piemonte gave a summary report on the provincial organisation of the Party.

There spoke further, developing subjects of political, social and organisational character, Felice FERUGLIO, Dr.ZANUTTIG, Eng. CECCHERINI and Avv. ZAMPAGHINI. The latter discussed the problem "Socialism and Christianity", but this speech did not convince toomuch.

During the Congress the historical, national and international function of the Socialist Party, also that relating to the class-problem, has been recognised, but in order to reach the realization of such function its autonomy and independence should be indispensable. Such acknowledgment is, however, in contrast with the existing collaboration between the Socialist and Communist Party, and it must therefore besupposed that the agreement between the two Parties is either a temporary one for the election period or a sign for the existence of contrasts the further developments of which must be expected.

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It results meanwhile that a strong resentment is felt on the part of communist leaders of the Province against the Sindaco of Udine, On.COSATTINI because of the desire for autonomy which prevailed at the Congress and because he is supposed to be the main favourer.

On 14/3/46 the Provincial Congress of the Demo-Christian Party was held at Udine where 14.165 votes were given favourably to the Repuolic against 1.207 votes.

During this meeting spoke Avv.SCHIRATTI and the Provincial Secretary Dr. BARBINA who discussed particularly the recent declaration for autonomy expressed by the Socialist Party which he considered was lacking of clearness because on one hand they wish a loyal agreement with the Democratic-Christian Party whilst on the other hand instead they see the necessity for increasing always more their agreement relating to joined action with the communists.

There spoke further Avv.TOMÈ', ZARDI MAIERON, Eng.GIACOMUZZI, DOMENICO ROMANO, Rag.TOMSIG, Avv.TESSITORE, Avv.CANDOLINI who discussed various constitutionary, social and organisational subjects and also the problem of Venezia Giulia supporting among others the necessity for conserving the territorial integrity of the Nation.

On 17/3/46 the Finance Minister, SCOCCIMARRO, who arrived at Udine four days earlier, made a political speech at the Castle. He spoke, of the reactionary forces who did not disappear yet and who he defined to be destructive because they put the benefit of the Party before that of the Nation and being favoured by their own and foreign countries they aim to lead the country again towards conditions which would finish by menacing the unity and the independence of the Nation.

He examined briefly the agrarian problem and confirmed that certain agreements decreed by the Fascist Government are still in effect which put the paesant in a state of bondage.

With regard to the Army and the police forces he explained that such organs must not be considered any more as enemies of the aspirations of the population, but as instruments which have the purpose of making respect the will of the working population.

As regards the constitutionary problem he said that 80 years ago the Monarchy united us and the Repuolic separated us whilst such phenomenon was inverted nowadays. All honest persons should therefore vote for the Republic in order to close the past and open the future.

Talking about the problem relating to the change of the money the Minister confirmed that this measure had been postponed due to various opposition and also for the fact that is was not desired to subtract a big number of multi-millionaires who made their profits under the Fascist Government from the payment of the extraordinary tax.

Discussing then the delicate problem with regard to the

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relations between the Communist Party and the Church the orator said that there are too many priests who forgot to be such, that the Nation needs unity to-day and that among the forces who help to realize it there was also included the Church.

Speaking finally of the disputed problem of Venezia Giulia the Minister assured that the Italian Communist Party disagrees completely with the directives of the Giuliano Communist Party and that it recognises fully the Italianity of Trieste.

The proselytism for Tito is taking always more preoccupying proportions among the communists of the Province. The emissaries and propagandists who are serving such idea have, at the present time of particular social difficulties, an easy job to impress on the unemployed masses, metayers and agrarion workers whom they are promising future welfare by means of expropriation and distribution of property which will be only obtainable if Friuli makes part of the Federalist Progressist Yugoslav Republic.

Besides the fact that humole and inexperienced people, as far as propaganda is concerned, are generally not capable of making a neat destinction between reality and utopia, it must be considered on the other hand that an efficient action of counter-propaganda, which might call to reality misled persons and succeed in explaining with simple words the false promises which are making part of a political speculation that is deceitful and menaces to upset the social structure of the Nation, is lacking almost everywhere. It is a matter of fact that such propagandistic action is bringing along risks for personal safety as it is shown by the following two cases:

Some time ago a gamekeeper of the estate of "Colombera" Aquileia, who belonged to the Osoppo organisations during the period of the clandestine struggle for the liberation had been discovered - due to a postal error - to be an element who acted against the pro Slav movement and emissaries of Tito made him disappear and deported him probably to Yugoslavia as no trace can be found.

Another less serious, but equally caracteristic fact which illustrates the atmosphere of terror that has been created in certain zones of the Province against whom dares to manifest feelings of Italianity is that occurred some days ago to one CRUCIL Mario, residing at PREMERO(Cividale). He was assaulted and ill-treated by some of his countrymen and menaced with worse consequences if he would not quickly modify his ideas. He disagrees with the pro Slav propaganda, is suspected of having written phrases of Italianity on the walls of the houses and of having denounced the existence of a clandestine transmitter set to the Allied Military Police.

As already referred to on other occasions, the organizers of the Pro Slav movement selected carefully small groups of individuals, which are feared because of their violent character, in several localities of the Giulia Alpes and the Valleys of Natisone and

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Judrio. They are all well paid and succeed by means of menaces of any kind in subjugating entire communities which do not dare to rebel themselves as they are fearing suppressions and deportations by armed Slavs who can easily pass the line of demarcation and penetrate into national territory.

The operations of these elements who are paid by "OZNA" can easily be carried out as the Italian authorities are represented in those zones by a few Carabinieri only who being scattered over the area and of small strength have not the material possibility of imposing themselves and of performing efficient control in order to prevent and repress the violences which are causing compliant. The inhabitants of the said zones are discouraged and feel to be abandoned to the power of a few scoundrels.

The economic situation of the Province does not show any visible improvement in comparison with the last months.

As long as a peace treaty will not free Italy from the duty assumed with the armistice treaty and as long as the country will not be able to take up again free trade and exchange with foreign countries which alone could give new impulse and life to the present economic situation of the country and therefore of the Province, it will not be possible to reach satisfactory results in this field. It is true that other internal problems of various nature contribute to render difficult the re-establishment of the economic situation, but such problems are subordinated to the peace treaty and will find immediate resolution when Italy will be freed from the bonds which are now hindering any initiative. To deal therefore particularly with the defects and the rimedies of the present economic situation would mean to neglect the main reason which hinders any possibility of recommencement.

The food situation of the Province is absolutely unsatisfactory. The population who are bearing the consequences try to have recourse to expedients of any kind but these are not sufficient to keep away from too many families the spectre of famine inspite of all the hardships which had to be imposed with the purpose ofavoiding a getting worse of the already critical conditions of life.

It can be confirmed that the possibility to live well and in a decent way is reserved for those who dispose of a big fortune or who trades with illegal and dishonest means. The phrase which affirms that nowadays there is no place for straight and honest persons is quite appropriate for the present time.

It is therefore understandable and excusable if meetings and manifestations continue in the Province in order to protest against unemployment, high cost of living and the constituted authorities to whom - wrongly or rightly - are attributed the reasons which led the population to the present situation.

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II. PUBLIC SAFETY.

The arrest of numerous robbers during the past weeks led to a comforting decrease of all crimes against property and persons.

During the past month in fact communications of the following serious crimes only have been received:-

(a) On 19/2/46 at about 0030 hrs. in locality "Agenzia No.5" of TORVISCOSA three armed individuals were surprised in a suspicious attitude in the courtyard of the agency by the guard ZANELLA G.Batt. aged 36. Whilst one of the rogues took the guard, menacing him with an automatic rifle, to the open country, the other two individuals removed three tyres from an agriculture cart which belonges to SAICI, TORVISCOSA and took possession of them causing a damage of about 30.000 lire.

(b) On 21/2/46, at about 2130 hrs. four armed and masked individuals appeared at the tobacco-shop of MATIUSSI Olanda, of MAGNANO IN RIVIERA and forced her by menace of arms to deliver 12.000 lire. The inquiries led to the arrest of the following persons who pleaded guilty:
RUMIS Alberto, aged 14
GONZATTI Rino of Simone, aged 21
DENIS Giovanni of Leonardo, aged 19
JACUZZI Edoardo of Giovanni, aged 19, all resident at ARTEGNA.
They have been found in possession of two pistols, an English "Stein" and one of Spanish type with relative ammunition which have been sequestered.

(c) During the night 21-22/2/46, unknown persons penetrated into the habitation of PIELLI Olidia fu Francesco, residing at SPILIMBERGO from where they removed 4 tyres for motorcar "Balilla", half-new, with relative rims, estimated with about 90.000 lire, further 150 kg. sausages, value 80.000 lire. Inquiries in course.

(d) During the night 24-25/2/46, unknown individuals penetrated into the warehouse of COMIS Giovanni fu Sebastiano, of SPILIMBERGO and took possession of 196 calf-skins and 3 quintals of salt, total value 400.000 lire. Inquiries in course.

(e) On 23/2/46 at about 2330 hrs. in locality CHIARETTO of the Commune of CASARSA, two armed and masked unknown persons robbed from one SPIZZAMIGLIO Luigi di Giuseppe, manufacturer, resident at S.Vito al Tagliamento, lire 400, a bicycle and a billfold containing various documents.

(f) On 25/2/46 at about 2130 in RAUSCEDO of the Commune of S.GIORGIO ALLA RICHINVELDA, three unknown armed persons, one of whom blindfolded, penetrated into the offices of the Societa Vivai Cooperativa and forced the cashier LEON Gino, aged 22, to open the cash and to deliver 20.000 lire.

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(g) On 27/2/46 at about 2300 hrs. whilst BRONCA Giuseppe di Pietro, aged 26, residing at Udine; Via Planis 43 was riding on his bike through Via Filippo Renati, he was assaulted by two unknown persons who kicked and boxed him and robbed the bicycle.

(h) On 28/2/46 at about 2200 hrs. in locality S.CATERINA of UDINE, one FERRARIO Ettore giuseppe di Enrico, aged 36 of CAIRATE(Varese) was killed by a shot from a fire-arm and robbed of the billfold. The authors Giuseppe BUDELLI di Francesco, aged 22 of CARDANO AL CAMPO(Varese) and Arcangelo BORIENZO di Domenico, aged 28, of GALLARATE have been arrested.

(i) On 26/2/46 at about 2330 hrs. at TOLMEZZO an unknown individual who waylayed in Via S.Giovanni fired a shot against FILIPUZZI Antonio fu Filippo; born at Tolmezzo on 4/7/1901, resident there, manufacturer and killed him. The reason for this crime is retained to be of political nature as Filipuzzi was known as a fascist and squadrista.

(j) On 4/3/46 at about 2130 in Via Nimis,UDINE; one DE CILIA Maria di Acito, aged 21, born in France, was assaulted by an unknown individual and robbered of her handbag containing 4.000 lire.

(k) On 6/3/46 at about 2100 hrs. on the road Squarzulis of the commune of PREPOTTO two armed and masked unknown persons assaulted one DEGANUTTI Riccardo di Eugenio, aged 34, resident at Prepotto, and robbed the billfold with 6300 lire and various personal documents.

(l) On 9/3/46 at about 0200 hrs. unknown persons forced the iron bars of a window at the ground floor and penetrated into the dairy of S.MARTINO AL TAGLIAMENTO from where they removed 168 forms of cheese of a total weight of 12 quintals and of a total value of about 411.000 lire. The thieves loaded the goods on a lorry and left in direction of Domanins-Zoppola-Pordenone. Some suspicious persons have been arrested.

(m) On 13/3/46 at about 1730 on the road Aris di Rivignano-Driolasso-Teor near the Casali Sacile,VARUTO Luciano di Marco, aged 22 of S.Maria la Longa, peasant; was robbed by two unknown armed and masked individuals of the sum of 40.000 lire and a half-new bicycle of a value of about 20.000 lire. The persons left in direction of Palazzolo dello Stella. Inquiries are in course.

VARIOUS.

On 16/2/46 police arrested one TRACOGNA Maria; wid.Ceccon, aged 40 of Canebola, commune of Faedis for infanticide.

On 22/2/46 at about 2100 hrs. police arrested MANGANELLI Ausilio fu Pietro, aged 33 and BIASIZZO Pietro di Antonio, aged 36, both of CISERIS DI TARCENTO who attempted to extort by blackmail 100.000 lire from FERIGO Amadio. Both of them were armed.

On 22/2/46 police arrested SIMONCINI Marco Amedeo di Pietro, aged 16 who pleaded guilty to have thrown a handbomb against the Priest MAGAZZON Stefano, parson of the fraction of SARONE of SACILE.

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The reason for such action must be sough. in personal resentments.

On 20/2/46 at about 0900 hrs. about 100 workers of either sex coming from OSOPPO gathered at Udine in front of the Prefettura carrying posters with the following wordings: "Enough with promises" - " Bread and Work". They protested against the failed commencement of work for the restoring of the watery canals of the commune of Osoppo as it resulted that the funds consisting of 8 Millions Lire had been already appropriated. A delegation of the workers was received by the Prefect who assured them that the works would begin soon. The demonstrators dispersed without causing any incidents.

On 22/2/46 the silk-mill of BUREI,VENZONE had to suspend work due to the theft, committed by unknown persons, of two belts which are connected with the generators which develop the electric power for the machinery. 125 women and 5 men are left without work.

On 22/2/46 the spinning-mill of CORDENONS has to suspend work for the following reasons:-

For the failed confirmation of the verbal agreement which had been taken between the Minister Gronchi and the Spinning Association with regard to the purchase price of cocoons and the sale price of silk which had been established with Lire 325 and 5.200 respectively;
For the impossibility of sustaining the expenses for the purchase of cocoons as the sale price of the manufactured goods does not permit any revenue.
183 workers remain without work. The population is calm at the present time, but are commenting unfavourably this measure and public order is menaced.

On 25/2/46 in CLAUZETTO, police organs arrested one MARCUZZI Gaetano, aged 74 and his son Antonio, aged 33, headganger in a workshop at Vito d'Asio because found in illegal possession of the following arms and ammunition:
1 rifle "Mauser"
1 leathern bag containing 11 cartridges, cal.9
9 spare parts and fittings for machine-gun
1 pistol "Mauser" and case
2 clips with 9 cartridges each, cal.9
2 cartridges for rifle "Mauser"

On 27/2/46 at POZZUOLO DEL FRIULI, police arrested MONTICCOLO Marino Pascolino di Lino, aged 17, labourer, because he was found in possession of the following arms which he hid in his house under a sheaf of maize canes:
1 German light M.G.
3 German rifles "Mauser"
3 Italian rifles
1 Italian musket

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1 English ammunition box containing about 2 kg. explosives
2 leathern jerkins
2 tubes for a German boat(dinghy)

On 28/2/46 after most active inquiries had been carried out police organs succeeded in arresting the undermentioned persons guilty of crimes against private patrimony and associated delinquency:

1) MORETTO Dante, aged 17, of Latisana
2) BISACCO Igino, aged 19, of PALAZZOLO DELLO STELLA
3) VENDRAMETTI Alfredo, aged 23, " " "
4) TAMOS Carlo, aged 23, " " "
5) ZAGHI Pietro, aged 18, of LATISANA
6) PIZZOLITO Mario, aged 19; of LATISANA
7) DE CECCA Pietro, aged 41, of LATISANA
8) TRIVILLIN Alberto, aged 38, "
9) SARTORELLO Girolamo, aged 41 "
10) STEFANUTTO Giraldo, of FOSSALTA DI PORTOGRUARO
11) BICIATTO Antonio, of PALAZZOLO DELLO STELLA
12) VENIER Bruno, aged 26, of LATISANA.

A great part of the stolen goods could be recovered.

On 11/3/46 about 0100 hrs. in SPILIMBERGO police organs arrested the authors of a theft of 14 quintals maize flour at the mill PIELLI. When the delinquents realized to have been discovered they shot with a pistol and automatic rifle against an agent of the public force but missed fortunately the target. The agent answered the fire with an automatic rifle and succeeded with the help of other agents to arrest immediately or soon afterwards the following persons:
1) ZANIERI Benvenuto, aged 33
2) CAVALLERO Lorenzo, aged 58
3) CAVALLERO Bruno, aged 22
4) DE GIUSTI Agostino, aged 31
5) COTTORINO Paolo, aged 47, all labourers resident at SPILIMBERGO.

On 14/3/46 at SPILIMBERGO the following persons have been arrested:
1) SIMONUTTI Giacomo di Giovanni, aged 19
2) ZACCHIN Carlo di Luigi, aged 19
3) PETRACCO Franco, aged 19
4) PAGOTTO Giuliano di Angelo, aged 19.
The above mentioned persons are responsible for a theft of tyres and foodstuffs for a value of about 170.000 lire, committed to the damage of PIELLI Olidia, SPILIMBERGO.

The Società Mineraria di Cave dei Predil is assuming progressively 130 labourers who had been already previously employed by the Mines and who dismissed themselves for political reasons or in order to enter the armed Slav bands. These labourers are residing in the area of Plezzo, Brotto and Alto Goriziano and are all of pro Slav feelings. This measure caused unfavourable comments on the part of the Italian population of the zone who hoped that unemployed Italians residing in this zone might be employed.

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On 11/3/46 all Sindaci of the Carnia met at TOLMEZZO in order to discuss the problem of the exportation of timber by A.M.G. The Sindaci menaced to give their resignations if no measures would be taken against this exportation and if the payment would not be carried out for the already exported timber.

The meeting was attended by the Civil Affairs Officer of TOLMEZZO and an Officer of the Forestry Corps, Udine.

From the liberation up todate Allied Military Authorities exported from the Carnia about 80000 cubic metres of timber for an inferior price to the current one causing to the producers a damage of about 150 millions of lire.

STATE OF PUBLIC MORALE.

The arrival of Tito's troops and the violences carried out by his emissaries in Venezia Giulia; the international disagreements which are made known by the Press and the speeches made by leading political men that make understand that the reaching of an effective peace is a rather thorny and difficult problem ; the misery which exists in thousands of families due to unemployment; the discontent of the people who remained without shelter and who are waiting for months now some efficient help on the part of the Government and other circumstances of minor importance, created an atmosphere of discouragement among the population which in many cases are going very near to desperation.

It would be illogical to expect the public morale to be relieved as long as similar conditions exist.

Immediately after the liberation and inspite of the mournings, the sufferings and the disasters, the population were anyway hoping that within a few months life might take up its assent again and peace give impulse to a new social existence under the climate of which everybody would work and live freely without being burdened by new and serious fear.

As instead these premisses could not been realized yet and as such failed realization is attributed to the disagreements which occurred in the international field among the major political-military powers of the world, a serious apprehension that a new world conflict might ruin what has been saved from the last one took the place.

RELATIONS BETWEEN ALLIES AND CIVILIANS.

The population are watching confidently the action of A.M.G. and they understand that the Allied Authorities are resolving many problems which help to render less difficult the months after this war.

The relations between civilians and A.M.G. are cordial or mutual friendly feelings.

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CIVIL DISTURBANCES.

Inspite of the unemployment which is creating a big discontent in the families who are bearing the consequences and the active political propaganda which is performed by the leaders of the various parties influencing and exciting the population in different way no disturbance of public order has been caused todate by civilians. This favourable situation is partially due to the calm and sensible character of the Friuli people who are expecting patiently the reopening of the frontiers so that the emigration to other countries may be taken up again which at other times contributed so much to the prosperous economic situation of this Province.

OTHER POINTS AFFECTING PUBLIC SAFETY.

The population is most interested in the problem relating to the resolution of the housing crisis which is particularly acute due to damaged buildings and to the fact that many others are occupied by Allied commands. This compells intolerable cohabitations on too limited spaces.

It is known that at Udine many owners of houses although they dispose of means, do not reconstruct or restore the buildings for two reasons: firstly they are waiting for the payment of the damages of war and secondly they do not want to invest capitals at an uncertain revenue because of the low rents. Against this reluctance coercive measures should be taken as it is not morally admissible that at the present special moment calculations of personal profit to the disadvantage of the less wealthy part of the population who expect a decent settlement of their families, should be made. If the Government does not find the funds in order to provide directly the means, all the meetings for the resolution of the housing crisis and all the recalls to national solidarity in order to relieve the population will not help.

Also the uselessness of the food ration cards is much discussed at present, as those entitle to the collection of an absolute derisive quantity of foodstuffs. As foodstuffs continue to be exhibited in the shop-windows, it must be supposed that the shortage of food is passed and it is therefore the desire of everybody that an equality of wages and pays should be obtained so that everybody may be able to purchase the necessary commodities on the free market. A measure of this kind would eliminate an inadequate and expensive bureaucratic "harness" which is kept alive for the control and the distribution of the ration cards and practically useless.

The insufficiency of hotels at Udine is reason for complaint. Many of the hotels are occupied by Allied Authorities. It occurrs therefore that persons who are travelling for commercial reasons or other urgent necessities very often do not know where to pass the night. It would be very welcomed by all tradesmen if one or two

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hotels were returned.

FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA. NIL

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Whilst the automobilistic transport has been progressively improving so that approximately the exigences of public character could be satisfied, this cannot be said of the Railway Service which is due to the lack of engines and trucks and partially due to the deficiency of coal still far from being efficient as desired by all.

Owing to the high carriage of the auto-transports the prices of the goods are consequently increased what could be avoided to the advantage of everybody if the railway were able to meet the requests.

Also the passenger trains are too scarce and therefore exaggerately crowded. At the railway crossing stations of a certain importance the travellers are therefore forced to wait much time and often in not suitable rooms or places as many stations are damaged or devasted due to war actions.

Postal, telegraphic, telephonic and other means of communications are functioning almost normally.

GOOD ARRESTS. NIL

GENERAL NIL

CRIME.

The whole criminal activity is decreasing in a comforting way after the numerous arrests of the past weeks. Further improvements will be obtained gradually when the police organs are adequately equipped.

ARMS IN POSSESSION OF CIVILIANS.

No change.

VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION.

Also during the past month several women have been stopped for clandestine prostitution; some of them have been recovered as they were requiring medical attention.

A rigorous vigilance continues of the houses of prostitution as well as of the clandestine prostitution in order to reduce this phenomenon which is mainly due to the presence of the Allied troops in this area.

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS. NIL.

OTHER CIVIL POLICE POINTS. NIL.

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FORGED AMG CURRENCY.

During the month the following forged AMG currency have been sequestered:-

1000 lire notes	15	15.000	
500 " "	8	8.000	
	total	23.000	AMG. LIRE

ITALIAN BANKNOTES.

1000 lire notes	10	10.000	
500 " "	8	8.000	
100 " "	1	100	
	total	18.100	Italian Lire

In addition to the above mentioned sequester it is notified that on 14.3.46 at S.DANIELE DEL FRIULI one REBAUDO Giovanni di Giacomo, born at Cannes(France) on 3/7/1913, resident at VALLECROSIA(Imperia) and one LEONARDUZZI Lucia di Giovanni, born on 11/9/1926 at Ragogna(Udine) resident there, have been arrested whilst they were about to spend forged Italian banknotes of 1000 lire each. They have been found in possession of 79 forged 1000 lire banknotes.

Two functionaries of this Questura have been sent to VALLECROSIA because it is believed that a printing-house of forged currency may exist there.

PATRIOTS. NIL

STRENGTH ON 20/3/46.

	OFFICERS	N.C.O's	MEN
Auxiliary Police	11	59	390
EFFECTIVE PERSONNEL	3	53	218
Railway Police	3	20	88
Traffic Police	2	17	43

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PROVINCE OF UDINE

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To : Director Public Safety Sub Commission
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From : P.P.S.O. Udine Province

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Renewed attention is, however, drawn to the fact that in such a large Province with 65 stations, frontier control duty, etc. Carabinieri are very thin on the ground and constant complaints are received that stations responsible for policing three or four communes have a strength of four or five men only. If therefore any addition can be made to the authorised strength of CC.RR. in this Province it would be of the greatest possible benefit to public safety. The morale and efficiency of the Carabinieri is improving and a number of trucks recently obtained on loan

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from the Military Authorities will be most useful. Clothing and equipment is gradually arriving but more is needed and automatic arms and pistols are constantly requested. Complaint is made that the present pay is not sufficient having regard to the cost of living, but this of course is common to all Services.

III - QUESTURA SERVICE.

The appointment of four additional functionaries to this Service, one a vice-Questore, has been welcomed and they will materially assist in the re-organisation now being effected by the Questore. The greatest needs of this Service at the moment are transport and arms. It is hoped to assist as regards the former locally, but attention is again drawn to the pressing need for arms for Career Agents who are almost entirely unarmed. Automatic arms and pistols are required. It will be recalled that a short time ago the Questore sought authority to purchase these from the Beretta Firm, but this was refused, it being explained that they must be obtained through the Ministry - a rather fruitless source to date. The Questore emphasised the fact that it is important that his men should be armed before the forthcoming elections. The Auxiliary Police, Railway Police and Traffic Police are all under the control of the Questore and the personnel are being investigated and those unsuitable sent away. The Auwiliary Police consisting of a Corps under the control of the Questore are being reduced and officers' ranks are gradually being abolished preparatory to absorbing those who remain in the future as agents of P.S. Much yet remains to be accomplished before this Service in all its diverse aspects is restored to a condition of normal efficiency, but nevertheless good progress is being made.

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This force is performing its normal functions in a fairly efficient manner and the morale of the personnel is good. Its greatest needs are warm clothing and bedding for post block duty in the mountains, etc. pistols and mess utensils. Complaint is made as to the lowness of wages and the irregularity in the distribution of food rations from civilian sources. Some good work has been done in connection with the suppression of black market activities and Finance Guards are being encouraged to increase their activities in this respect.

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V - PRISONS.

The prisons in this Province, and particularly Udine and Pordenone, remain overcrowded, but probably not unduly so by comparison with gaols elsewhere. The new Director has taken up his duties at Udine Gaol, and is doing his best to improve the administration there. He has submitted a lengthy report to the Ministry of Grace and Justice, of his requirements, etc. One step which does appear most necessary is a general re-shuffle of prison guards who by reason of local contacts over prolonged periods have become frightened or otherwise influenced in the performance of their duties. In addition, uniforms are urgently required for guards, also equipment. bedding, eating utensils, etc. for almost all prisons.

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VI - PUBLIC SAFETY SITUATION GENERALLY.

By comparison with normal standards the public safety situation is still unsatisfactory mainly by reason of the continued prevalence of armed robberies but the position is reliably reported as being much better in this Province than in many other parts of Italy and this is unquestionably due in large measure to the presence of Allied Forces in the area. The number of armed robberies reported is 31 which is an average figure over the past few months. It is however fair to say that the situation has improved by reason of a large number of arrests for armed robberies, possession of arms, etc. in recent weeks, totalling about fifty. The provision of transport for the Carabinieri will, it is hoped, be of very material assistance in the prevention of crime. A firmer attitude on the part of police generally has been observed and it appears that the public are regaining some of their former confidence in the ability of the police services to maintain law and order and are becoming more willing to co-operate by denouncing offenders, giving information, etc. which is of the utmost importance under any police system.

Four murders have been reported during the month and arrests made in three of these cases. An appreciable quantity of arms has been recovered and arrangements are now in hand concerning the promulgation of General Order N°1.

Apart from one or two minor demonstrations of a quiet character against difficult economic and living conditions there has been no disturbance to public order and no large strikes. Unemployment is causing anxiety and it is hoped that this may shortly be relieved by the commencement of public works schemes. If this takes place and there is no worsening in the food and economic situation then there is reason to hope that with the approach of spring, and excluding external considerations, a continuance of the gradual return to normality may be expected.

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In this particular territory at the moment a gfeater interest is being taken in the International frontier problem, than in internal

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politics. The Commission which is to investigate the frontier question on the spot is expected in the near future and this has led to a fresh outbreak of propaganda activities on the part of Slav and pro-Slav elements on the eastern border of the Province, in the shape of wall slogans, flags, etc. .

In addition, some infiltration and alleged threats by Slav elements have been reported and whilst there is undoubtedly substance in many of these reports, it cannot be altogether overlooked that exaggeration of them may well be an Italian counter measure. An early settlement of the frontier problem, more particularly if it can be decided on a reasonably satisfactory basis to both Countries, will be the greatest contributory factor towards establishing more settled conditions in this Province.

VIII - NAMES OF OFFICERS PERFORMING P.S.DUTIES OR ASSISTING.

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To:- P.P.S.C. - Udine Province

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The work the emissaries of Tito are having carried out in the various Record Offices of the Municipi and Communal Seats in Zone B with the purpose of altering names of the registered persons adding new ones of persons who immigrated from Yugoslavia and of creating forthwith a non existent Slav majority, is said to be particularly hasty.

Functionaries and employees of the Record Offices who did not show to be of sure Slav faith have been substituted by elements of scarce scruples and of unconditioned devotion to Tito to ensure that the alteration work could be effected quicker and more complete.

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Preparations for specially ordered popular demonstrations are said to be in course in Zone B, ~~the members of the Commission~~ which should impress on the members of the Commission the opinion of a plebiscitary adherence of the population to the Yugoslav progressist Republic. It is notified with regret that also elements who are of contrary idea will be obliged to participate at these demonstrations in order to avoid consequent measures of reprisals or deportations into the internal of Yugoslavia.

Thus is more or less the situation now in Venezia Giulia and thus are the conditions on which the members of the Commission will have to base their decision.

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The political situation of the Province is passing a period of particular emergency at the moment owing to the reasons already referred to and to the news published in the papers with regard to the movements of Tito's troops in Zone B. It has further been reported by reliable source during the last few days and now been confirmed by some local newspapers that Yugoslav troops are constructing trenches and other field fortifications along the western line of Zone B.

Also articles published by the local Press relating to the Autonomy and Internationalisation of the FRIULI have rendered still more acute this atate of emergency and created a certain bewilderment among the population which is not quite conciliating with the necessity for a quiet and serene expectation of the decisions which will be taken relative to this region.

Among the several often contradictory news those which are forecasting an union of Venezia Giulia and Friuli with the purpose of creating an international zone for the exchange of goods through the port of Trieste with the central European countries, have found much consense. This is justified by the fact that the local population - after so many hardships, disappointments and trouble - want work, justice and peace and do therefore not discuss too much the means which may provide it, being more important that some solution be reached. But it is true that, if a similar decision was to be taken; Italian feelings and ethnic characteristics should be granted.

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The democratic-christian party continues its silent and efficient propaganda, validly supported by the clergy who sees in this party the means for saving the Church from the atheism as emanated by the progressist parties.

The Liberal, Republican and Action Party continue to maintain the reached positions. The latter is dropped now to a second rate rule owing to the disunion which occurred at the recent national assembly in Rome, unless the crisis should cause the slow disbandment of the party.

As already referred to in previous reports the majority of the population who are concerned about the necessities of life which exceed any other worry show little interest in the political life of the Nation and consequently in the political parties and their dispute for power; a large abstention from the ballot-boxes can therefore be forecasted; this regards the political as well as the administrative elections, even if the law now under discussion at the CONSULTA should be approved and render compulsory the vote.

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The Press is attributing this political apathy of the population to the abstention to which they were obliged under the fascist regime. This corresponds partially only to the reality because the main reason for this phenomenon should be sought in the mistrust which the population have for all politicians of any tendency as their work, their hardships and their sufferings were not sufficient to save them from the morale and material abyss in which they have been thrown.

The economic situation of the Province remains stationary and does not show any improvement owing to the lack of raw materials and possibilities of exchange.

The manufactured goods which are produced at the spot or are arriving from outside the Province remain mostly unsold because the labourers or the middle class cannot afford the requested prices.

Such state of affairs has unavoidably led to unemployment and misery which are increasing continuously rendering always more difficult the solution of the manifold, complicated and serious problems which must be faced.

In order to protest against the impossible conditions of life several manifestations which had been organized by unemployed workers have taken place in the Province during the past month. By means of posters and shouting they asked to be reassumed so that the daily accommodities for themselves and their families might be provided.

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In locality TURRIDA and PINZANO the following persons have been arrested because found in possession of the following arms and materials: TURINIS Vinicio fu Giacomo, aged 19 of SEDEGLIANO, CIMOLINO Cesare di Pietro, aged 23, of Udine and MINASI Primo di Bernardino, aged 25, of SEDEGLIANO:-

2 Machine-gun "Brem"
2 German Machine-guns
2 boxes with spare parts for German machine-guns
2 clips for German Machine-guns
1 Austrian pistol
1 efficient telemeter

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At PALAZZOLO DELLO STELLA one TRUSGHACH Giuseppe di Francesco, aged 37, has been arrested because found in possession of 1 kg. explosive and a handbomb. He is known for his pro Slav propaganda activities.

In the courtyard of the Municipio of VARMO three muskets mod.1891, efficient, have been recovered.

In the zone of PRAVISDOMINI, FRATTINA AND BARCI as well as in ANNONE VENETO 21 persons have been arrested because they were members of armed bands who operated against persons and private property in the region of the BASSO TAGLIAMENTO. The following arms and material have been sequestered:-

Four shot-guns
Two automatic pistols
Two complete bicycles
Seven bicycle frameworks
Two winches with telephonic wire

The following arms, ammunition and material have been recovered in the zone of S.Daniele:-

1 landing sub-machine-gun
1 musket mod.1891
1 American sub-machine-gun
1 pistol STEN
14 handbombs
About 1000 rds. of various calibre
1 pistol

In connection with the sequester of above material three individuals who are suspected to make part of armed bands have been arrested.

The following persons have been arrested because found in illegal possession of arms:-

SIMONI Ugo di Enrico, aged 24; of CASSACCO
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At TARVISIO in the seat of the FRONTE DELLA GIOVENTU' the following arms, ammunition and material have been sequestered:-

1 heavy Machine-gun
3 automatic rifles
55 handbombs
2000 rds. for machine-gun
1000 cartridges for arms mod.1891
Two field telephone-sets and various other material.

At CLAUZETTO one IONIA Luigi, aged 25, carter, resident at Forgaria, has been arrested for illegal possession of the following war material:-

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40 metres of gun matches
6 charges for incendiary bombs
4 handbombs
3 rolls of dynamite powder
3 boxes of detonating caps
7 boxes of explosive pencils
73 cartridges for sub-machine-gun
19 cartridges for automatic rifle
8 petards
25 rolls of insulated ribbon
Pincers for detonating caps
2 antigas masks

At PRECENICCO the following persons who pleaded guilty being members of association for delinquency have been arrested;-

BIASUTTI Mario di Angelo; aged 19
MANCINI Maurizio di Severino, aged 23
MANCINI Antonio di Severino, AGED 16
QUEREL Mario di Luigi, aged 23
POLICIN Carlo di unknown, aged 23.

The above said persons are all living at PRECENICCO. Inquiries are in course in order to ascertain their responsibility and to arrest further individuals.

The following 4 persons have been arrested for robbery committed against PEZZUTTI Giovanni:-
PICCOLO Lino, aged 24
FORNIZ Oliviero, aged 23
VIEL Giovanni, aged 22
BALLARIN Giovanni, aged 22.

DELICATO Francesco di Francesco, aged 18 has been arrested for illegal possession of an automatic pistol.

COMUZZI Gino fu Alfio, aged 37 and MICHELUTTI Bruno fu Giuseppe, aged 40, both of UDINE and pleading guilty have been arrested for extortion of lire 30.000.- to the damage of CODUTTI Primo of TAVAGNACCO.

In the zone of CIVIDALE the following persons have been arrested for robberies:-
BERTONI Antonio di Amedeo, aged 23, of REMANZACCO
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STURMA Amabile fu Stefano, aged 33, of MONTEMAGGIORE
PIEMONTE Angelo fu Amadio, aged 23; of REMANZACCO.
They are all pleading guilty.

The already formerly convicted AVOTI Pietro fu Angelo, aged 44, of RAGOGNA has been arrested because guilty of having robbed two motorcars, having wounded two persons and being a member of a band. Through inquiries four further individuals have been identified and are searched.

On 6/2/46 the following persons have been arrested and denounced to the Procura del Regno:-

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PICCARDI Domenico, called "Icaro", di Giuseppe, aged 36, and BENEICH Giuseppe, called "Decum", Commander and Vice-Commander of the auxiliary Police, CERVIGNANO, responsible for robbery and murder of STERMIN Francesco fu Vincenzo, aged 43, jeweller, resident at Trieste, Piazza Goldoni 10. PICCARDI is further responsible for having suppressed Office records, for having omitted the denunciation of some crime and malversation.

In connection with the above crime the Venezia Giulia Police is searching for MONTI, not better identified; ANTONELLI Giacomo called "Rudy", di Angelo; born at TERZO DI AQUILEIA, on 24/4/1921, ex member of the auxiliary Police of Cervignano; FONTANOT Vinicio, called "Petronio" and DANILO of TERZO DI AQUILEIA, not better identified.

The above mentioned individuals formed together with others an armed band of 15 men and on 5/5/45 they went to the small island of "Monteron" near Grado where they plundered the house of STERMIN who was kidnapped and taken to TERZO DI AQUILEIA although there did not exist any political reason which could have justified such action as STERMIN did never belong to the fascist party and has never effected any anti-partisan action during the clandestine struggle for the liberation.

The delinquents detained Stermin at Terzo di Aquileia up to 21st May, day on which they shot him burrying his body in a camp where it has been recovered on 10/1/46.

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DI PCI Antonio, aged 18
DEL GIUDICE Pio; aged 18.

All of them have been in possession of arms and ammunition.

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STATE OF PUBLIC MORALE.

State of public morale in this Province is still shaken and strongly depressed.

These conditions are probably not quite evident for an occasional observer but are easily met by whom lives among the population and is dividing their fate.

The reasons which created this depressed morale state must be sought in the unemployment that brought along misery and famine; in the political situation of this Province owing to the unsolved question of Venezia Giulia and to the news which are circulating for some days already relating to movements of Tito's troops in Zone B preluding the possibility of a new conflict; in the not productive struggle of the various political parties which with the purpose of overwhelming each other are neglecting the interests of the community creating therefore a great mistrust as to a quick morale and material reconstruction of the country.

All these obscure arguments paralize almost every possible initiative and everybody is waiting for the settlement of the political economic situation before promoting works and employ money, although just this initiative only could help to overcome the present crisis.

The population of this Province are further unfavourably impressed by the recent communication of Admiral STONE to the President of the Council DE GASPERI relating to the necessity of cutting down the food supplies for Italy on the part of the Allies. This has caused special concern as the present food reserves and particularly those of corn must be rather scarce considering that for some time already bread is distributed four or five times the week only in the town of Udine whilst the situation seems to be worse in the Province.

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Relations between Allies and Civilians.

No change.

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Other points affecting public safety.

In consideration of the critical food situation which may become worse if no steps will be taken to overcome the deficiencies up to the next harvest, the population is proposing to take opportune measures against the producers - particularly the middle ones - who are supposed to be in possession of large quantities of corn for sale on the black market, so that a complete lack of bread might be avoided.

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The population are further complaining of the exaggerated prices for clothes and would like the relative authorities to effect severe controls with the purpose of establishing if there is not a too high profit on the part of the retailer on the wholesale price for which he purchases the material. Such action would be contrary to the honesty and uprightness with which the tradesman should effect his business at the present moment of particular emergency.

The inhabitants of NIMIS, ATTIMIS, FAEDIS, FORNI AVOLTRI and of other localities which have been seriously damaged by Germans during the struggle for the liberation, are claiming that measures be taken to give them new homes as their present conditions of life are unsustainable.

These claims are becoming more insistent due to the fact that it appears from recently issued dispositions of the Italian Government that all those persons who did not sustain damages through direct war actions are not entitled to indemnities.

The measures which already had been taken to mitigate this grave state of affairs were of precarious and inorganic character only.

It is a matter of fact for instance that some help given by the Government has favoured with a payment in advance only those persons who are disposing of remarkable sums of money so that they could provide on own expenses the reconstruction or restoration of their houses whilst the others, i.e. the not wealthy and therefore needy part of the population cannot aim at such payments in advance because they have not the necessary means to have equal repairs made.

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FUNCTIONARIES OF THE QUESTURA.

a) General conditions as to morale, efficiency, etc. The Ministry of Interior appointed four functionaries of P.S. to Udine; among these there will be a Vice-Questore. With their experience it will be possible to render more perfect and efficient services.

b) Particulars of other officials. No change.

c) Transport and communications - No change.

d) Good arrests. NIL.

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e) General. NIL.

f) Crime. During the month several robbers, members of armed bands and illegal detainers of arms have been arrested.

It is hoped that these arrests and others which will follow may improve the criminal situation.

ARMS IN POSSESSION OF CIVILIANS. No change.

VENEREAL DISEASE AND PROSTITUTION.

During the month 22 women have been stopped for clandestine prostitution. From 1/1/46 to date the police organs of Udine have stopped a total of 140 women for clandestine prostitution. 86 of them required medical attention and have been recovered in hospital whilst many others have been sent away from the Province. Seven have been warned not to return to this Province. The vigilance of the houses of prostitution is always assiduous.

FUNCTIONING OF COURTS. NIL

OTHER CIVIL POLICE POINTS. NIL

FORGED AMG CURRENCY.

During the month the following AMG currency have been sequestered:-

1000 lire notes	15	=	Lire	15.000
500 " "	6	=		3.000
100 " "	1	=		100
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GENERAL.

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Il Questore
(sgd.) Dr.U.Durante

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PROVINCE OF UDINE

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1 (a) Strengths :

Agency	Officers	O.Rs.	Remarks
Carabinieri Reali	9	621	Including 335 AMG. and 94 absent as at 1 (d)
Agenti di P.S.	2	286	In addition there are 521 auxiliary Police and 109 Railway Police
Guardie di Finanza	21	880	
Guardie Municipali	-	444	
Corpo Forestale	7	186	
Polizia Controllo Economico and Traffico	1	43	

(b) CC.RR. recovered from extraneous duties - NIL

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Capt. LORENTINI Pietro - transferred on 6/1/46 from Company of Pordenone to ROVIGO

(d) Number of CC.RR. absent from duty through sickness, etc. - 94

(e) Morale and efficiency - The morale of the Carabinieri is good, but grave concern is felt over their decreasing numbers. The recent dismissal of auxiliary and recalled men should have a good effect on the Service generally as most of these individuals were not particularly satisfactory.

(f) Crime arrests - Serious crime - 22 good arrests for murder, robbery and extortion have been effected by the Carabinieri during the month.

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(g) State of clothing, firearms, etc. - The serious shortage, many times previously reported, as regards warm clothing, boots and efficient arms, continues. Many Carabinieri have been obliged to purchase clothing for themselves, and this is a cause for discontent.

(h) Discrimination - This is being expedited.

(i) Co-operation - Satisfactory.

(j) Transport and communications - The Carabinieri are almost without efficient transport of any kind. The assistance promised in this respect by the Military Authorities has not been yet forthcoming with the exception of 6 small motorcycles. The distribution of a certain number of bicycles has been of assistance but more are needed. Telephonic communications also remain interrupted and it is reported that these cannot yet be repaired owing to lack of essential materials.

(k) General - In spite of the present serious shortage of Carabinieri in this Province - there are only just over 400 available for ordinary duty at 65 stations - orders continue to be received for the transference of further appreciable numbers. Directions have been given by A.M.G. in this Province for these orders to remain in abeyance pending the arrival of replacements. The almost complete absence of serviceable transport is the most serious impediment as regards the efficient discharge of their duties by CC.RR. at the moment.

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(d) Good arrests - Several good arrests including one in connection with a case of forged Italian currency have been effected by the Questura agents during the month.

(e) General - This Service is gradually returning to a state of normality and one of the things which will be of the greatest assistance is the sending here of the Career Functionaries already referred to.
The auxiliary Police have done some good work but not as much as might be expected from their numbers and the appointment of a new Officer in charge may have the effect of increasing the respect for this Corps and its general efficiency.

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3. GUARDIE DI FINANZA.

(a) General conditions as to morale, efficiency, etc.- The morale of this Force is good and the distribution of some clothing and arms has had an encouraging effect. Further clothing is needed and complaint is made that the prescribed rations are not available from civilian sources.

(b) Particulars of Senior Officials - An additional Senior Officer returning as a prisoner of war has taken up his duties making a total of 21 Officers.

(c) Transport and communications - Tyres are urgently needed for motor vehicles. Communications as for other Services.

(d) Co-operation - Satisfactory.

(e) General - Greater use is being made of the members of this Service in which a general improvement is being maintained.

4. MUNICIPAL GUARDS.- These are only of any real value from the policing point of view in Udine City itself where they deal with the control of traffic.

5. CORPO FORESTALE.- This Service is performing its normal function and is particularly active as there are a number of forests in the Province and the timber industry is an important one.
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(b) On 18/12/45 in COLTURA DI POLCENIGO unknown persons carried away from the ox-stall of CELLAN Giuseppe a calf, a goat, a sheep and a lamb. Total value 60.000 lire. Through immediate intervention of CC.RR. the stolen animals were ricuperated at three o'clock on the same day in the village Raulz in the same commune, left by

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the fleeing thieves. Investigations are in course. Motive:Profit.

(c) On 21/12/45 in VIGONOVO DI FONTANAFREDDA (Udine) three armed and masked individuals broke into the baker's shop of MAGNOLIER Fioravante and robbed him of the amount of 23000 lire. Investigations are in course. Motive:profit.

(d) On 23/12/45 at PONTE SULL'EDRA DI MAIANO six armed and masked individuals broke into the house of PICCILLI Egidio and after having tied his hands with a rope they robbed him of the amount of 49000 lire, various goods, clothes, linen, shoes and 170 kg. of salt-meat, altogether for a value about 120.000 lire. Investigations are being made. Motive-profit.

(e) On 23/12/45 in SACILE(Udine) unknown individual carried away from the home of BRUNETTA Caterina a suitcase containing valuables and banknotes to a total value of 500.000 lire. Investigations in course. Motive: profit.

(f) On 24/12/45 on GRADISCUTTA DI VARMO(Udine) some unknown individuals while committing a theft in the house of LIANI Antonio flung a handbomb at LOCATELLI Giovanni, hunt-guard. He died on the next day. Investigations are in course. The motives of the crime are unknown.

(g) On 29/12/45 in PREMARIACCO(Udine) three individuals appeared at the house of BISIACCO Alessandra robbing her of various goods and 1000 lire for a total amount of 80000 lire. Investigations are in course. Motive: profit.

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(m) On 7/1/46 in CARTIONS DI STRADA three armed and masked individuals pushed into the house of PILIPPUTTI Elisa and roobed various things, a bicycle and 170.000 Lire from her. Investigations in course. Motive: profit.

(n) On 8/1/46 in SACILE six armed and masked persons, after having immobilized the night-guard BIMONCINI Casimiro, broke into the garage of the Cooperative Autotrasporti Impresa Sacilese and robbed a Ford truck, licence plate 12156 Ud. belonging to the Ministry of Transport, 4 complete wheels taken from another truck, two tubes; 480 litres of narta, 372 litres of gazoline, 20 litres of oil, a lot of various tools and 20 Angora rabbits. Total value about one million. Inquiries in course. Motive: profit.

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(o) On 8/1/46 in [illegible]RDENONS Engineer GALVANI [illegible]rico received a minatory letter with which some unknown individuals attempted to extort from him 500.000 lire which were to be put in a certain place near Auel Ponte Valia at 19 o'clock on that day. The CC.RR. took care of the matter and the criminals did not show up. Investigations are in course. Motive:profit.

(p) On 11/1/46 two armed and masked persons,in Gemona,broke into the shop of VECCHIARUTTIAGiuseppe, jeweller and watchmaker; immobilized him andhis son threatening them with their arms and robbed a great quantity of silver and watches to a total value of 800.000 lire. Investigations in course. Motive: profit.

(r) In locality PRATA DI SOPRA unknown persons penetrated into the spinning-mill of CENTAZZO Gustavo from where they removed two bales of spun silk for a value of about one million. Soon afterwards the thief's booty had been recovered and the authors arrested.

(s) A certain MION Riccardo fu Riccardo, born at Fanna, aged 29, resident at Fanna whilst passing through Via Martignacco,UDINE had been stopped by two unknown armed persons who obliged him to consign 40.000 lire and other items in his possession. The robbers carried away even his shoes.

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7. POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BY CIVILIANS.-

Attached is a return showing particulars of arms which have been collected during the month. It is unquestionably the case, that many civilians are still unlawfully in possession of arms and, whenever information is received which justifies such action, houses are searched and action taken in AMG Courts against persons found with arms. Certain information is also to hand as to the likelihood of there being still arms dumps in the area and this is being followed up. Military assistance is forthcoming to deal with searches where necessary.

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8. CONDUCT OF ALLIED TROOPS - Satisfactory.

9. VENEREAL DISEASE - 65 women have been stopped during the month for clandestine prostitution and houses of prostitution are continuously checked. Venereal disease is still too prevalent and the Military Authorities havebeen taking all possible action to decrease this.

10. RELATIONS WITH -

(a) Military Police)
(b) Security Services) Excellent.

11. FUNCTIONING OF COURTS -

(a) Italian - Many cases are outstanding and the slowness of trials is a matter of frequent comments. Attached is a return of the cases dealt with by the Special Court of Assize.

(b) A.M.G. - 87 Cases have been tried during the month, 18 by Superior Court.

12. OTHER POINTS AFFECTING CIVIL POLICE -

Black Market - Owing to the shortage of essential rationed foodstuffs the black market continues to flourish, but in some places it is being replaced by a system of bartering various products.
Finance Guards have been more than normally active during the month in suppressing Black Market activities and 211 persons have been denounced.

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2. Strikes and lock-outs -

(a) On 17/12/45 in PORDENIA the communal employees suspended the public service performing office work only in order to protest against the failed payment of indemnities for the months August, September and October 1945 and the failed pay increase as from 1/5/45. No incident.

(b) On 21/12/45 in Udine about 250 labourers of the Societa Elettrica Friulana striked protesting against the Societa for refusing to lend a motorcar to some labourers who wanted to go to Venice to attend a syndicate meeting. On the next day they took their work up again. No incident.

(c) On 8/1/1946 in TORVISCOSA at the SAICI Manufactory about 2300 labourers proclaimed full strike as a sign of protest against failed payment of the Christmas bonus claiming clarification

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of their position as far as their classification is concerned and definition of pay, cessation of advances on salary and regular increases. The strike finished at 1800 hrs. on 14/12/45 on intervention of the Chamber of Labour. Whenever their position should not be settled until 24/1/46, the labourers will go on strike again.

3. Other Civil Disturbances - The following are some of the more important incidents reported

(a) In locality RAGOGNA unknown persons threw a handbomb against the habitation of one MARTINIS Jobe fu Giulio, born at Ragogna on 25/8/1908, resident there, baker, causing light damage to the roof of the house. No victim. The reason for this attempt is believed to be a political one.

(b) On 13/12/45 in MAIANO about 500 persons organized a calm demonstration wanting to obtain civilian authorities to take interest in the unemployment. Demonstrators went home without causing any incidents.

(c) On 17/12/45 in BUIA about 100 people organized a calm demonstration claiming work. The Sindaco made formal promise that regular work would be taken up again and the demonstrators went home in order.

(d) On 20/12/45 in SACILE about 150 people, mostly women, went to the Azienda BRANDOLINI in VISTORTA DI SACILE wanting to collect some maize which was stored there by the food office of Udine and should have been taken to SPILIMBERGO. Following an intervention of the CC.RR. the demonstrators went home.

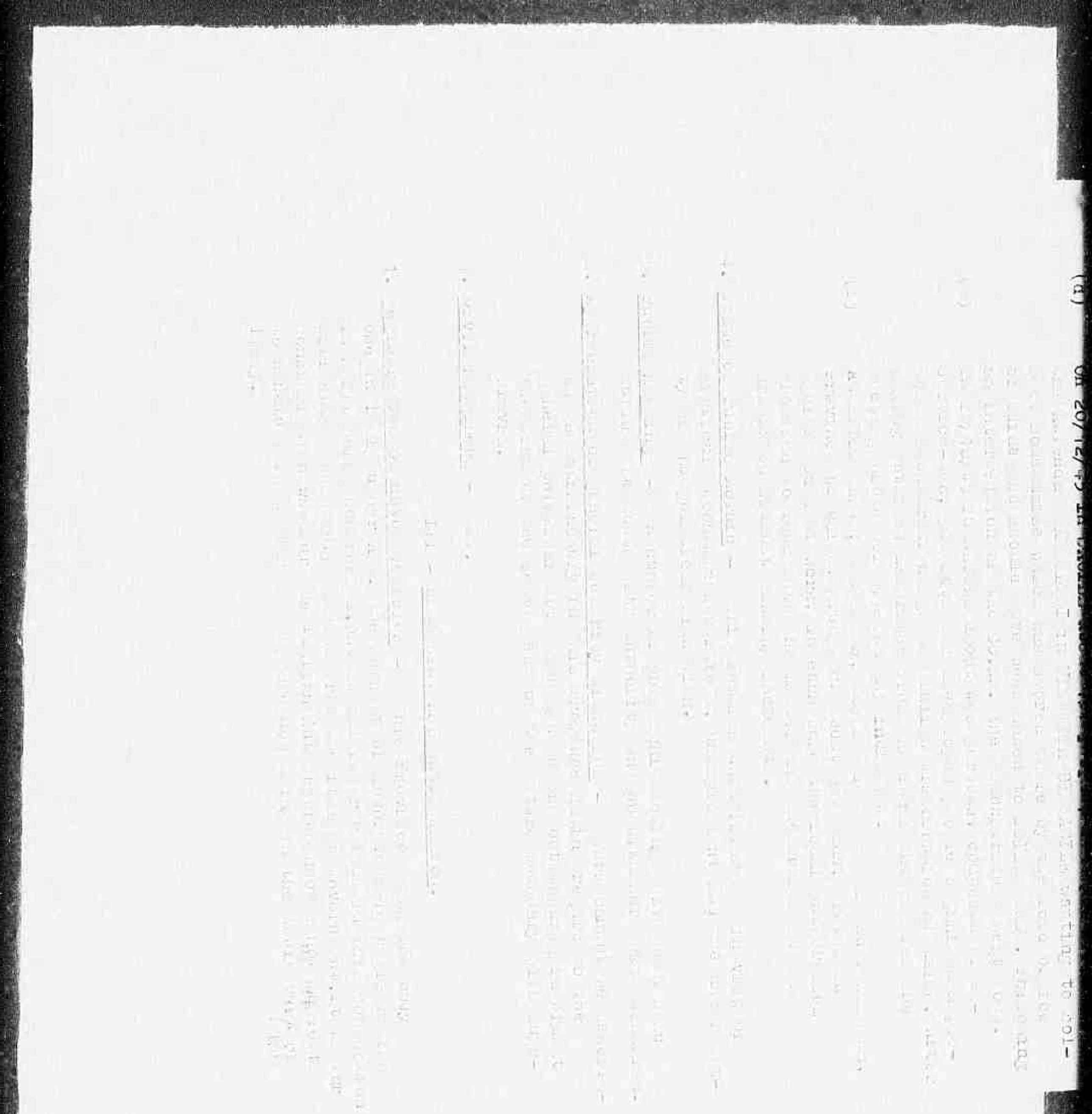
(e) On 20/12/45 in SACILE about 400 persons, composed of ex-service-men, patriots and unemployed people organised a protest demonstration against failed distribution of maize. After having obtained assurance from the local authorities the meeting broke off without any incidents.

(f) At SPILIMBERGO, CORDENONS, PASIAN DI PORDENONE and PORDENONE, Province of Udine, groups of about 400 each, protested against lack of work. In each case the local authorities promised to look into the matter and the demonstrators disbanded without causing incidents.

4. State of Public Morale - This remains unsatisfactory in view of difficult economic conditions, unemployment and the uncertainty of the political situation.

5. Public Meetings - A number of political meetings have been held during the month with authority and no disorders have occurred.

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2. Problems in connection with Registration - NIL

3. Control of Civilian Movement - The number of passes for Venezia Giulia being issued in this Province is still very large and difficulties are encountered through civilians coming from many parts of Italy without passes and endeavouring to obtain them at Udine. It still does not seem to be generally known that passes are required for Venezia Giulia and it is suggested that the Italian Government should give the widest possible publicity to the regulations both to the public and all transport services in order that unnecessary hardships may be avoided.
In spite of a several months delay no decision has yet been received regarding the proposed cancellation of the regulations applicable to the Prohibited Frontier Zone.

IV - FIRE.

1. (a) Efficiency and morale - Satisfactory

(b) Equipment and State of Caserme - In fair condition

(c) 29 fires reported, estimated damage being approximately 1,919.000 lire.

V - CIVIL DEFENCE

1. Taken over by Fire Service.

VI - PRISON.

1. Categories of Prisons in operation - See Appendix attached.

2. General Prison conditions -

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(b) Sanitation - Fair.
(c) Food - Rationed in accordance with scale, but complaint made as to lack of meat.
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(f) General - 1000 comforters have been received for distribution throughout prisons and these have been greatly appreciated. There is much to be desired still so far as prison conditions generally are concerned, but everything possible is being done to overcome them. Further equipment such as beds, blan-

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VII - FORGED AMG CURRENCY

1. During the month the following numbers of forged AMG Currency notes have been sequestered:-

14	1000 lire notes		14000
9	500 " "		4500
		total	18500 lire

VIII - PATRIOTS

1. (a) General Situation - Fairly satisfactory.

(b) Problems - Unemployment among certain Patriots continues and a number of these are almost certainly engaged in criminal pursuits.

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IX - GENERAL

1. (a) Names of Officers performing P.S. Duties or assisting -

Major J.T.Manuel	(B)	- P.P.S.O.	
" W. Sykes	(B)	- " " "	
Capt. G.E. Lee	(B)	- " " "	
Major T.P.Cotton	(B)	- " " "	) at present on
Capt. T.W.Glasspool	(B)	- " " "	) LIAP
" D.J. Hopkins	(B)	- " " "	)

(b) Synopsis of General Public Safety Situation -

There has been no great change in the past two or three months in the public safety situation in this Province which continues to cause anxiety. It is understood that by comparison with other provinces in Northern Italy conditions in Udine are no more serious than elsewhere but this is no reason for complacency and every endeavour is being made to encourage Police Agencies to greater effort particularly as regards the prevention of the most prevalent and serious class of crime, viz. armed robberies. The services of the additional AMG. Public Safety Officers posted to this Province will be of great assistance in this connection. Criminal activities are believed to be organised and those delinquents taking part in them well armed and provided with transport and it is therefore imperative that police agents should be at least equally well equipped.

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The Communist paper "Lotta e Lavoro" recently published a most scurrilous article against the Carabinieri Reali in consequence of which the Editor and Sub-Editor were arrested and are being charged by the CC.RR. before the Italian Courts.

In view of the particular geographical situation of this Province grave concern is naturally felt over the protracted settlement of the frontier problem and deep resentment has been caused by the propaganda methods of Slav elements some of whom are undoubtedly in league with "various Communist factions in the Province.

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SPECIAL COURT OF ASSIZE

Cases tried to date by this Court as follows:
(for the month of January 46)

	NAME.	ALLEGED CRIME.	SENTENCE.
1.	CORAZZA Maria di Luigi	Pol.Collaboration	Acquitted
2.	CORAZZA Irma di Pietro	" "	"
3.	MORETTI Pietro di Giovanni	" "	1 year,7 months 16 days
4.	JACOB Augusto fu Giovanni	" "	5 years,5 months 20 days
5.	CRAGNOLINI Emilio di Luigi	" "	acquitted
6.	VERSOLATTO Isidoro di Luigi	" "	5 years,5 months 20 days
7.	MONTEREALE Rodolfo fu Pietro	" "	acquitted
8.	CEREA Amerigo di Ezio	" "	10 years
9.	BILLIANI Daniele fu Antonio	" " and extortion	12 years
10.	SIMONI Igildo fu Giovanni	Pol. and Mil.Collaboration and espionage	26 years and lire 2000 fine
11.	SIMONI Ottorino fu Giovanni	Cont.aggravated theft	acquitted
12.	CANCI Armando di Onorio	Pol.Collaboration	"
13.	ZANIN Alberto fu Antonio	" "	"
14.	LARI Giovanni di NN	" "	3 years;9 months
15.	FALZAGO Luigi di Antonio	" "	acquitted

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7.	MONTEREALE Rodolfo fu Pietro	" "	acquitted
8.	CEREA Amerigo di Ezio	" "	10 years
9.	BILLIANI Daniele fu Antonio	" " and extortion	12 years
10.	SIMONI Igildo fu Giovanni	Pol. and Mil.Collaboration and espionage	26 years and lire 2000 fine
11.	SIMONI Ottorino fu Giovanni	Cont.aggravated theft	acquitted
12.	CANCI Armando di Onorio	Pol.Collaboration	"
13.	ZANIN Alberto fu Antonio	" "	"
14.	LARI Giovanni di NN	" "	3 years;9 months
15.	FALZAGO Luigi di Antonio	" "	acquitted
16.	PINTOR Antonio di Virginio	Mil.Collaboration	"
17.	CONTI Giovanni fu Angelo	Pol. " "	"
18.	RAVALICO Giorgio di Cesare	Pol. " " and robbery	15 years; fine 8000 lire
19.	VOLTOLINA Tosca fu Carlo	Pol. Collaboration and robbery	15 years; fine 8000 lire
20.	ZANTONI Beniamino fu Umberto	Pol.Collaboration	acquitted
21.	CUTTINI Fulgenzio di Luigi	" "	"
22.	COLOMBEROTTO Pericle di Lorenzo	" "	"

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23.	D'ANGELO Raffaele fu Gaspare	Pol.Collaboration and ser.menaces	2 months
24.	NARDINI Valentino fu Giuseppe	Pol.Collaboration	acquitted
25.	CRIVELLARI Bruno fu Amos	" "	3 years, 9 months
26.	FANZUTTI Galliano fu Guido	" "	acquitted
27.	TOSOLINI Emilio di Luigi	" "	3 years,9 months
28.	BADINI Lucia fu Pietro	" "	4 years
29.	PELLIZZON Giuseppe di Giovanni	" "	acquitted
30.	PELLIZZON Renato di Giovanni	" "	"
31.	ZANNIER Pietro fu Giov.	" "	"
32.	BILLIANI Arturo fu Vittorio	" "	"
33.	LANFRIT Attilio fu Antonio	" "	13 years

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	fu Vittorio	"	"	
33.	LANFRIT Attilio fu Antonio	"	"	13 years

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R E T U R N OF PRISONS IN PROVINCE OF UDINE

Name of Prison	C A P A C I T Y			O C C U P A N T S			C L A S S
	Men	Women	Minors	Men	Women	Minors	Sentenced
I) All Judiciary Prisons							
UDINE	300	35	10	425	32	14	25
[illegible]MANOVA	24	12		5			1
CERVIGNANO	16	8		7			2
CIVIDALE	44	14		10	5		3
CODROIPO	15	3		2			
GEMONA	80	8	8	12		1	5
SAN DANIELE	22	12	4	3			
TARCENTO	16	4		10	6		5
TOLMEZZO	26	10		43	3		12
AMPEZZO	3	3	2				
PONTEBBA	19	6	2	12			7
PORDENONE	90	20	10	137	6	9	27
S.VITO TAGL.	24	2	1	27		1	13
LATISANA	17	6	4	8			4
SPILIMBERGO	24	12					
[illegible]NIAGO	16	3					
TOTAL	736	158	41	701	52	25	104

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R N OF PRISONS IN PROVINCE OF UDINE

Y	OCCUPANTS			CLASSIFICATION		Number of Guards
rs	Men	Women	Minors	Sentenced	Waiting Sentence	
	425	32	14	25	446	90
	5			1	4	1
	7			2	5	2
	10	5		3	12	3
	2				2	1
	12		1	5	8	1
	3				3	1
	10	6		5	11	1
	43	3		12	32	5
						1
	12			7	5	1
	137	6	9	27	125	15
	27		1	13	15	1
	8			4	4	1
						1
						1
	701	52	25	104	672	126

HIDDEN ARMS DISCOVERIES

R E T U R N

JANUARY 1946

9/11/45 TOLMEZZO(Prov.Udine)
house of VIDONI Otello
Raid by CC.RR.

1 aut. pistol "Steyer"
19 cartridges for above
2 obturators for muskets mod.38
19 gelatine cartridges
5 projectiles of 20 mm.
4 rolls for the match
2 rifles mod. 1891 — All arms in good condition

9/11/45 TOLMEZZO(Prov.Udine)
house of VALENT Luigi
recovered by CC.RR.

1 American automatic pistol "Hardasa"
1 Spanish " " "Astra"
1 handgrenade "Sipe"
19 capsules for the match
19 cartridges for aut.pistol cal.7.65 — All Arms in good condition

20/11/45 BUDOIA(Prov.Udine)
house of PASOCCO Angelo;
recovered by CC.RR.

1 Sten
6 loaders
72 cartridges — Arm in fair condition

10/12/45 COMMUNE OF CLAUT(Udine)
locality "Cellino di Sopra"
FABERO Lorenzo
recovered by CC.RR.

1 pistol mod.89 — Arm in good condition

15/12/45 LATISANA FRACTION PERTEGADA
FAGGIANI CESARE and
FAGGIANI ANTONIO
recovered by F.S.S. and CC.RR.

1 tommy-gun type Italy

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19 capsules for the match
15 cartridges for aut.pistol cal.7.65 condition

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1 tommy-gun type Italy
11 magazines for above
4 shells
350 different cartridges
1 Bayonet
1 pistol type "VIS" magazine and covering
1 Sport gun
5 cartridges for the sportgun
1 rifle "Mauser" Arms in good condition

15/12/45A Locality "COLOSOMANO DI BUIA
habitations of
BERNARDINIS Amadio and
ALESSIO Tarcisio
recovered by CC.RR.

1 automatic rifle "Breda" mod.38
230 cartridges for above
240 " " hvy M.G.
7 handbombs
1 mortar "Brizia" 45 mm with 35 grenades

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1 ammunition box
1 musket mod. 38 with various cartridges

Arms are in good condition

20/12/45 Locality AVILLA DI BUIA
house of URCELLA Sergio
recovered by CC.RR.

2 pistols "Maxin"
with 150 cartridges each. One pistol only efficient

20/12/45 Locality River Ledra near
FARLA DI MAIANO
ammunition dump
recovered by Auxiliary Police:

7 Antitank mines
12 incendiary bombs
39 bombs "Sipe"
100 metres detonant wire
40 kg. explosives
34 detonators
2 boxes of petards

24/12/45 Locality BUIA
house of BERTOLI Albino
recovered by CC.RR.

1 Sten with two clips, each complete with cartridges
2 handbombs O.T.O.
15 pieces of thritol
1 small case containing explosive. Fair condition.

29/12/45 Between PASSONS and MARTIGNACCO
in the open country
recovered by Auxiliary and Questura Police.

1 musket mod.1891 (short)
4 " " 38 cal.6.5
4 rifles Mod.1891
6 " German
2 Mtr. Breda cal.6.5

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40 kg. explosives
34 detonators
2 boxes of petards

24/12/45 Locality BUIA
house of BERTOLI Albino
recovered by CC.RR.

1 Sten with two clips, each complete with cartridges
2 handbombs O.T.O.
13 pieces of thritol
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4 rifles Mod.1891
6 " German
2 M.G. Breda cal.6.5
2 aut.muskets Breda cal.6.5
1 musket 1891
53 various handbombs
2 boxes with ammunition for M.G.Breda (4000 rds)
2 " " clips
11 German handbombs
13 S.R.C. "
7 handbombs Breda for practice
5 " " for war use
1 handbomb O.T.
11 various handbombs
21 Antitank bombs
5 kg. various cartridges fair condition.

13/1/46 Locality PESCINCANA(Latisana)
recovered by CC.RR.
in a stable,property of SIMONATTO Mario
1 aut.musket "Breda"
1880 cartridges for above
140 " " mil.German rifle
15 complete loaders of 20 cartridges each
3 bayonets good condition

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8/1/46 RIVIS (fraction of Sedegliano)
Questore Agents; CC.RR. and a Military vehicle of 299 BTY RA carried out this raid:

1 Russian M.G. heavy calibre
2 spare barrels — fair condition

19/1/46 PORDENONE
recovered by CC.RR.
from ALBINI Felice:

3 German pistols
1 Belgian "
1 Pistol "Patent"
1 " "Beretta" — fair condition

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TRANSLATION

QUESTURA DI UDINE

Nr. 05641 di prot. Div.Gab. Udine; 20th January 1945

Subject:- Monthly report.

To:- Major Manuel, P.P.S.O. Udine

1.General political and espionage situation.
The statement which had been issued at the end of the conference of the "Three" at Mosca during the last days of December was not favourably commented by the local press because of the reactions it might have - to the damage of Italy-at the peace conference. This because it appeared from the statement that our country would not be granted any special treatment although it had been decided at Potsdam to do so and although Italy freed itself already in 1943 from the neo-fascist soppression and contributed through direct actions and enormous sacrifices to the Allied victory and the liberation from the German invader.

This disavowal depressed strongly the public morale of this Province which is already stirred up by many justified apprehensions and by manifold material necessities which are not likely to be resolved at the present time.

There was a big fear among the population of the Province that STALIN might succeed in imposing his will on many points on which London and New York on the one hand and Mosca on the other disagreed and that helped by the name of UNRRO - might improve his influence on the settlement of the borderline in Venezia Giulia to the disadvantage of Italy.

That fear was still increased by the possibility that the influence which STALIN is exercising on the Balkans could be extended to this Province where the major part of the population is not prepared to assimilate by violence a political and ethic education which is not in agreement with the Latin civility nor they do want to accept a political block based on Slav-Balkan prevalence.

As far as the political situation of this Province is concerned, there has not been happening anything worthwhile to be mentioned.

During the month there have been held several meetings and conferences at Udine and in the Province by the Action Party, Socialist Party, Democratic-Christian Party, Republican and Communist Party which, although

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The arguments dealt with by the major part of the speakers related to the maintenance of the reached liberty, the abolishment of the Monarchy, the struggle against any reaction system, the necessity to improve the condition of the workers, the morale and material reconstruction of the nation. Some communist, socialist and republican speakers criticized bitterly the work of the Italian General Staff before and during the war considering the opportunity that higher officers should better not be seen walking through the towns of Italy.

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There is further no change in the internal situation of the political parties formed in the Province after the liberation. But it must be pointed out that numerous communist elements of the Province are said to be in touch with emissaries of TITO creating therefore a state of emergency in this region the importance of which should not be undervalued because of the consequences and reactions which otherwise might arise to the disadvantage of a real and sound democracy.

The following happenings are notified as a confirmation and proof of the activities which the emissaries of Tito are performing on the territory of this Province. -

(a) On 23rd December 45 during the night Slav elements coming from the other side of the demarcation line surrounded the village of PREPOTTO DI SORTO(Val Natisone) and appeared at the house of JADUM-BURAVIC Antonio with the purpose of kidnapping him. The latter opened the fire and the individuals escaped.

(b) On 12/12/45 two armed individuals tried to kidnap the communal secretary of STREGNA named SIDAR Luciano whilst he was returning home. They invited him to follow them but he succeeded in escaping favoured by the darkness and could return to his home.

(c) At PORTOGRUARO a truck is supposed to collect from time to time arms which the communists of FRIULI are gathering. The collection centres are said to be CERVIGNANO, CUSIGNACCO and Via GRAZZANO and Via S.LAZZARO Udine. These arms are taken to ISTRIA where Slav elements are said to pay for them a very good price.

(d) It has been known from reliable source that --- communists of PRELETTO UMBERTO(Udine) and CORMONS(Gorizia) are supposed to receive a monthly compensation of 3000 lire each for the supply of political-military informations.

(e) PERLICHER Pia of SCRUTO DI S.LEONARDO, Pro Yugoslav who is in touch with Slav emissaries coming from the other side of the demarcation line is supposed to be also in communication with some elements of the auxiliary police of CIVIDALE.

(f) BIASUTTIG Luciano, resident in the fraction VERNASSINO DI S.PIETRO AL NATISONE is said to have collected the voting papers for the annexation into Yugoslavia among the population of the VAL NATISONE receiving from the Slav emissaries 500 lire for each paper.

(g) Almost every night armed Slav patrols come down to the suburb SCRUTO (S.LEONARDO) in order to get in touch with the fiduciaries of the place.

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(h) During the last time a more intense traffic of Slav couriers in the VAL NATISONE and in the valleys of the JUDRIO have been observed. The service is carried out by men as well as by women.

(i) The following are said to be members of the "OZNA":
CEDERMAZ Pasquale of PULFERO — SANTIC Lodovico of SAN GIOVANNI
MACORETTI Antonio of CIVIDALE — SCARABETTI Giuseppe of CIVIDALE.

(j) Through TARVISIO(Udine) are often passing loads of wheat directed to YUGOSLAVIA. Some of the organizers of these transports are supposed to reside at POVOLETTO, fraction of the commune of NIMIS.

(k) At North-East of the zone of SELLA DI ROSAZZO-CORNO DI ROSAZZO (Udine) for some time already during the evening and night up to three or four o'clock in the morning, the presence of armed Slav patrols is noticed, each group composed of 5 or 6 men. They come from the zone of CORNIO(Gorizia) and are in touch with pro Slav elements of the above mentioned area.

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(l) On 30/12/45 at DOMEGNA DEL COLLIO(Gorizia) during a dance at which some allied soldiers of the garrison took also part, four armed individuals appeared inviting the present persons to raise their arms. The American soldiers succeeded in disarming three of them and taking them to their command; the fourth man escaped in a motor car which had been parking nearby. Various arrests of persons who were in the vicinity of the place and could not justify their presence have been carried out.

(m) During the night 30-31 December,1945 a group of Slav elements rushed in the built up area of CAMPOLA, fraction of the commune of FAEDIS(Udine) and started to shoot carrying on for much time. The habitants of the place did not react and remained in their houses.

In the zone of Tarvisio nightly meetings are often held. These meetings occur usually at CAVE DEL PREDIL or in FUSINE CALROMANA due to the initiative of Slav elements of the place or to immigrants from the near Slovenia. These conferences take place between 2000 and 2200 hrs. in isolated houses outside the built up area and a few trustworthy persons only are taking part. The leader seems to be an ex Yugoslav officer who immigrated or a woman.

The problems dealt with during these meetings relate to more frequently the conduct of the Italian armed forces in that zone, i.e. the Carabinieri the activity of our institutions; eventual measures taken against citizens of Slav origin or nationality. Another problem is that of the Slav propaganda to be performed in that zone and the manners and systems which are to be adopted. Such propaganda is said to be particularly active among the mineworkers of the CAVE DEL PREDIL and among the workers of the steel plants of Weissenfels(Fusine Valromana).

Besides the presence of Slav emissaries also the infiltration of Russian elements has been noticed in the zone of Tarvisio and in the VAL CANALE. These Russians - in addition to their normal task of observation - are guiding and advising their Yugoslav satellites.

It results that the Slovene emissaries and propagandists of the zone and from the other side of the demarcation line meet at CAVE DEL PREDIL where the leaders assign tasks and establish the areas which are to be visited.

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Slav officer who [illegible]

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As a confirmation of above it is deemed opportune to notify the following episodes:-

American soldiers stopped recently at CAVE DEL PREDIL two persons named SULLER Vittorio fu Giuseppe, born at CAVE DEL PREDIL in 1919 and at present residing at PREZZO and IVANOVIC Ivan di Ivan, born in 1923, at present commander of a platoon in the rank of Lieutenant at KARNIZZA (Yugoslavia), ex partisan officer on Russian territory and since 1941 residing at MOSCA. They were riding on a motorcycle, armed with pistol, wearing plain dresses and on questioning by American soldiers they declared to be on a trip to Tarvisio. They were taken to the PSS Command at TARVISIO, but they had only to protest against their being stopped although Allied military and were immediately put in liberty so that they could return to the place of origin. The two Slavs were left in possession of motorcycle and arms.

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The economic situation is still serious, not only, but during the last weeks a remarkable getting worse has been noticed.

In order to protest against such situation several public meetings and other manifestations, especially in centres of the Province, have been arranged which were largely supported by the population.

The manifestations finished almost always with the sending of a deputation to the relative local authorities who have been asked to take measures which will allow the population to live.

The authorities, of course, promised in every case to support the rightful requests of the population and that, because on the one hand their intervention was an official duty and this behaviour was necessary in many cases in order to calm some excited spirit and to avoid the commitance of acts of violence. on the other hand

But it should be borne in mind that because of the present limited conditions, the difficulties of which cannot be overcome by good intentions or by simple acts of faith, the above mentioned authorities non will always be able to obtain the means, even the smallest part of it, to satisfy the necessities claimed by the population. It is therefore quite likely that in a more or less near future the population, exasperated by too many hardships, might pass to acts of violence or other thoughtless decisions.

It would be extremely advisable to start with works of public usefulness in order to give a job to the big mass of unemployed persons who exist in the province and to provide the necessary means for many families who are at present in misery.

In spite of the above mentioned conditions the calm and public order have been maintained in the whole Province.

II. Public Safety.

The criminal situation of the Province continues to cause anxiety also because no symptom of improvement can be noticed in this field. The peculiarity of the serious crimes which have been committed during the month in this Province make almost think at the existance of a very organized delinquency which disposes largely of modern arms and of means of transport.

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In locality ARZENE DI VALVASONE, police agents arrested one NUT Luigi fu Felice and CASTELLAN Ireneo for illegal detention of the following arms and ammunition:-

Pistol "Mauser"	1
Empty clips for above	2
Clips for the same arm with 32 rds.	1
Automatic musket	1
Clips with 7 rds.	2
Clip box for pistol Maxim	1

In locality COLOSOMANO DI BUIA, a search had been carried out in the habitations of BERNARDINIS Amadio fi Enrico, aged 28 and ALESSIO Tarcisio fu Valentino, aged 33, where the following arms have been found:-

Automatic rifle "Breda" mod.30	1
Cartridges for above arm	230
" " heavy machine-gun	240
Handbombs	7

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transmitter set		1
Mortars 45 mm, type "Brixia"		1
Grenades for above		35
Ammunition box		1
Musket mod.38 with cartridges		1

Police organs arrested and denounced to the judiciary authorities one FAGGIANI Antonio fu Angelo, born at Latisana on 9/8/1896 and his son Cesare, aged 22, for illegal detention of the following arms and ammunition:

Automatic muskets "Breda"		1
Automatic pistol, Polish type, make "Vis"		1
Military German rifle		1
Clip for automatic rifle with 40 rds		1
" " " " " 20 " each		5
" " " " " 10 " "		2
" " pistol "Marin" with 32 rds each		4
English handbombs		3
Italian "		1
Cartridges for automatic rifle		330
" " German rifle		78

and several clips

An ammunition dump has been discovered near FARLA DI MALANO by police organs where the following explosives have been found:-

Anti-Tank mines		7
Incendiary bombs		12
Bombs type "Sipe"		39
Detonating wire	metres	100
Various explosives	kg.	40
Detonators		34

The following material have been recovered from a dump in the open country between PASSONS AND MARTIGNACCO:-

musket mod.1891	1
" " 38 cal.6,5 mm	4
rifles mod.1891	4
Carabine mod.1891	13
German rifles	6
machine-gun cal.6,5 "Breda"	2
Automatic muskets "Breda" cal.6,5	2
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Automatic muskets "Breda" cal.6,5		2
Muskets mod.1891		1
Various headbeams		53
Ammunition boxes for machine-gun "Breda"	rds	4000
Boxes with clips		2
German handbombs		11
Handbombs S.C.R.		13
" for practice "Breda"		7
" Breda for war use		5
" O.T.		1
Various handbombs		11
Anti-Tank mines		21
Various cartridges	kg.	5

In the area of TORVISCOSA, police agents carried out a search in the habitation of GILLI Aurelio and brother Renzo where the following have been found:-

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Muskets		4
Gunpowder	kg.	6
Handbombs		2

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Cartridges for pistol 90
Few other explosives

P.S. agents arrested and denounced at CIVIDALE the following persons for illegal possession of property of the Italian Military Administration:

AUTERE ANTONIO, POZZO RENATO and ARIS BRUNO.

It results that a good part of these arms and the above mentioned Italian Army property have been concealed with the purpose of granting it on the first occasion to Slav emissaries who are paying fr it ~~so~~ high prices and are arranging for the conveyance into Yugoslavia. The emissaries pay for a pair of new military boots up to 20000, for a rucksack up to 4000 lire.

State of Public Morale.

State of public morale in this Province is very depressed for the following reasons:-

Unestablished political situation of the Province, especially relating to the claims of territory by TITO;

Propagandistic actions of TITO's emissaries which keep the population in a continuous emergency state;

Unemployment and the consequent economic crisis for the not wealthy families and those who have no other possibility of earning money;

Shortage of accommodation due to the destruction by war actions;

Preoccupying public safety situation as no citizen can consider safe himself or his property;

Still failing morale and material reconstruction of the Province;

Crisis of rationed foodstuffs and failed measures which should have helped the population who practically do not receive anything against the rationcards, whilst food of any kind to impossible prices can be seen in the shops but can be bought only by whom is wealthy or lives through illegal means.

Relations between Allies and Civilians.

No change.

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Civil disturbances.

Although there have been held many public demonstrations throughout the Province during the month, no civil disturbances occurred.

Other points affecting public safety.

The argument which at present is of utmost public interest regards the problems under examination at the U.N.C. Conference, London with the purpose of granting peace and a better political and social order to the whole world.

The hopes of the Italians and especially of this Province for its particular geographic position consist of the faith in a rightful resolution of the various problems under discussion at the peace table where, it is hoped, the morals and material sacrifices of Italy from 1943 in them will be considered accordingly.

It is further deemed necessary to grant a new economic aid to the region so that labourers and employees generally might have the possibility to satisfy the proverbially thrifty needs of the population of TRIESTE.

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III. Strength on 20/1/45.

Effective personnel 206

Marescialli	17
Brigadieri	9
V."	25
Sol.Guards	30
Guards	204

Auxiliary Police 521

Officers	24
NCO's	53
Agents	444

Railway Police 109

Officers	2
NCO's	24
Eff.Agents	7
Aux. "	76

IV. Functionaries of the Questura.

a) General conditions as to morale, efficiency, etc. The functionaries of the Questura are performing their tasks with zeal in spite of the manifold difficulties they are meeting at present.

In order to allow a better functioning of the offices of the Questura, the Ministry of Interior, Rome has been asked for the appointment of other 5 or 6 functionaries, but no decision has been taken yet.

b) Particulars of other officials.

No change.

c) Transport and communications.

The transport services in general are improving although not yet up to efficiency, but it can be said that at least the most urgent and indispensable public exigences can be satisfied at present.

d) Good arrests. NIL. In ~~the~~ Carnia two criminals of war have been arrested due to a warrant of arrest of the Procura del Regno, La Spezia.

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f) Crime.

As to the criminal police the attention is drawn to the serious crimes notified in this report which show clearly the seriousness of the situation of this delicate sector of the public safety.

As already mentioned before, the organised delinquency cannot be faced successfully **unless** the necessary arms and transport means are provided.

V. Arms in possession of civilians.

No change.

VI. Venereal Disease and Prostitution.

During the last month 65 women have been stopped for clandestine prostitution; several of them have been sent back home whilst others have been taken to hospital requiring medical att 258a.
The houses of prostitution are continuously checked.

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VII. Functioning of Courts. NIL

VIII. Other civil police points.

The ex patriot DELLA TORRE has been substituted in these days in his quality as the Commander of the Auxiliary Police by Lt.Col. (Infantery) MAZZONI Giovanni. DELLA TORRE became commander of the Battalion of the Auxiliary Police, Udine in substitution of the arrested ASSALONE FERRUCCIO "Stanius".

IX. Forged AMG Currency.

During the month the following forged AMG Currency have been sequestered:

1000 lire notes		14 =	lire 14000
500 " "		9 =	" 4500
	total		18500

Italian banknotes:

1000 lire notes	21	21000
500 " "	10	5000
		26000

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Inquiries which had been commenced immediately allowed the identification of the unknown person as COPPOLA Teverino Francesco di Achille, born at PONTINICO(Palermo) on 1/6/1922, resident there and to arrest him whilst he was about to re-enter Udine where he had found an accommodation in Via Cavour 10 c/o AMATO Giuseppina.

Besides the 42000 lire(forged) he had tried to give away further 12000 forged lire have been found in his possession, whilst following a search in his temporary habitation at Udine other forged 221000 lire were discovered.

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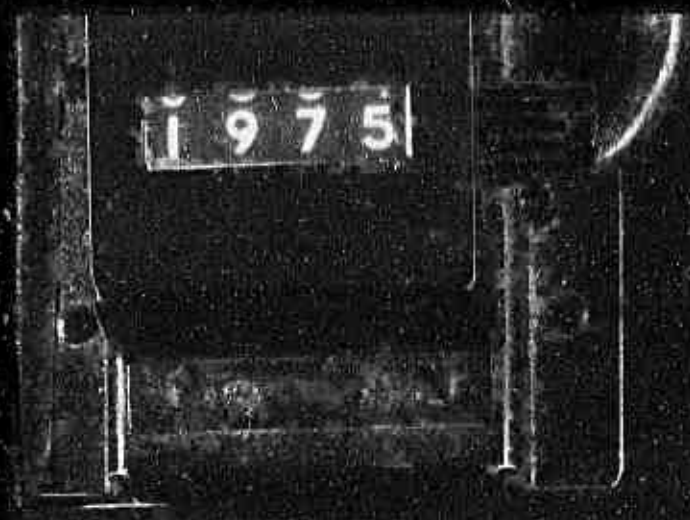
XI. General.

There is no addition to what has been reported under another heading about the public safety situation in general in this relation.

Il Questore
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