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REPORTS ON FIRES
OCT. 1943 - SEPT. 1944

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION VIII

FILE : R-VIII/PS/10.1

SUBJECT : Wood Fire in Grosseto Province.

TO : Region Commissioner, HQ. AMG, Region VIII.

7 September 1944.

1. On the afternoon of 1 September 1944 a fire broke out on a wood farm at RAGNOLO, Comune of Civitelle Marittima, Province of Grosseto, the property of Casse Risparmio di Provincie Lombarde - Milano.

2. Despite the intervention of some CC.RR., local woodmen and later officers of Region VIII, by which the fire was checked, the high wind carried sparks and spread the fire in very short time. I visited the scene on the evening of 2 September 1944, on receipt of the information when the fire was going well in all directions and about 25 sq-kilometers were then affected.

3. A very heavy rainstorm during the night however subdued the flames and the situation seemed well under control, but the sun and high wind the following day set the whole thing going again.

4. Regional Headquarters and Provincial officers attended as also did the Grosseto Fire Brigade. Local residents were also ordered in to assist the woodmen and firemen, but they were most apathetic about the whole business and they contributed but little to quelling the conflagration.

5. A variable and strong wind aggravated the situation and the fire eventually spread through the heather and undergrowth and damaged the following properties:

1) IN TENUTA RAGNOLO:

2500 acres of scrub, coppice and small trees damaged or destroyed.
Owned by Casse Risparmio di Provincie Lombarde - Milano.
Est. damage - Lire 3,000,000.

Property of Ettore SPARGLI: Pinewood, raw wood cork and charcoal,
to value of Lire 99,300.

Proprieta Marsilli LADURI: Coppice and forest trees - 300 acres.
Estimated damage Lire 300,000.

11) IN TENUTA S. ANTONIO:

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i) IN TENUTA BACCOLLO:

2500 acres of scrub, coppice and small trees damaged or destroyed.
Owned by Caase Risparmio di Province Lombarde - Milano.
Est. damage - Lire 3,000,000.

Property of Ettore SPARGI: Firewood, raw wood cork and charcoal,
to value of Lire 99,500.

Proprieta Marsilli LAMURE: Coppice and forest trees - 500 acres.
Estimated damage Lire 500,000.

ii) IN TENUTA S. ANTONIO:

Property of COME-VERCELLI, Carlo: Coppice and forest trees -
325 acres, estimated damage Lire 520,000.

iii) IN TENUTA MONTEANTICO AND RADIA ARDENDESCA:

Property of Luigi GABRIELLA: 750 acres of coppice and forest
trees. Estimated damage 700,000.

iv) Other small owners between MONTEANTICO AND S. ANTONIO:- 375
acres. Estimated damage Lire 130,000.

6. The values given appear to be inflated for insurance purposes.



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7. There were no casualties, injury to animals or damage to buildings or crops, etc. The cause of the fire is unknown but these fires are almost an annual event and was probably due to the carelessness of some individual discarding a lighted match or cigarette. It could also have been caused by the action of the sun.

8. Thorough enquiry was made of many persons, but this revealed no evidence of subversive activity. Enquiry is being continued by CO. RR. at the scene where the fire broke out. Motives of incendiarism are always possible.

9. During the fire a considerable quantity of mines, grenades and small arm ammunition abandoned by troops engaged in various places and did much to discourage possible would be helpers.

10. All the above mentioned owners are insured against fires. No valuable timber was destroyed.

11. The fire was finally extinguished by 12 noon on 6/30/44 or 1944.

12. 30 firemen of the Grosseto Station remained in DIVISIONE MANIFERA for the time being as a precautionary measure.

Richardson
A. P. ROYALTY
Ident. Colonel, U. S. A.
Regional Public Safety Officer.

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Month Ending 30th June 44					
DATE	TYPE OF CALL	TIME UNDER CUTOUT	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF BTR, SPR, OR STATION. IF ATTACHED.	District or Sub-District CIVIL OR SERVICES
31st May 44	2343	2134	33 Via Fontegliese Naples	3638	Italian Civ Brigade
29th May 44	Fire out before station, but report as interrupted by 'G' 57 Area	as above lost not exhibited	No. 1, A.I.C. Motor Club, Naples		U.S. Fire
3rd June 44	1433	1325	69 I.A.A. Regt HQ Naples	3638	
4th June 44	0033	0930	No. 5 American a/c Naples	3638	American Fire
5th June 44	1130	1143	No. 2 A.I.C. a/c Naples	3638	American Fire
6th June 44	0910	0918	No. 14 Via Fontegliese Naples	3638	Italian Civil
10th June 44	0933	1030	No. 4 A.I.C. a/c Naples	3638	American Fire
15th June 44	0900	0943	Antoniada Square Naples	3638	
18th June 44	1630	1630	No. 110 A.I.C. Naples	3638	Italian Civil
17th June 44	1530	1505	No. 2 A.I.C. a/c Naples	3638	American Fire
26th June 44	1549	2018	Antoniada Square Naples	3638	

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Month Ending: 30th June 44

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DATE	DATE OF SALE	DATE OF PURCHASE	LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF STOCK	STOCK VALUE IN POUNDS, SHILLINGS, AND PENCE	STOCK VALUE IN POUNDS, SHILLINGS, AND PENCE
1st	2250	2300	Store(civil) Via Pigna 45, Afragosa	35.78	

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NAME OF STORE	STOCK NO. OR S.E. NO. OR S.E. NO. IN STOCK	DATE OF STOCK SERVICES IN STOCK	REMARKS AND GENERAL REMARKS WHICH SUPPORTED CAUSE OF FIRE
Store(civil) Via Bigna 45, Afragha	35.78		Bales of hemp and Fertiliser burnt out. Cause-Careless Smoking.

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District or Sub-District.

DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER CONTROL	ADDRESS AND DESCRIPTION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF ENG., ETC., OR EQUIPMENT IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR SERVICES TO
5th	2308	2316	557 ACD, Portici	35177	
8th	1607	1630	41 Kinema Section Torre Annunziata	35177	
12th	2055	2113	Garrison Theatre Torre Annunziata	35177	
16th	0448	0715	428 GTC, Nola.	35177	
24th	1800	1815	557 ACD, Portici	35177	
27th	1504	1532	1051st Eng Coy Docks, Torre Annun.	35177	Civilian Port under supervi American

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UNIT	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, EXP. OR SERV. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND OTHER REMARKS
	557 AOD, Portici	3577		3 Bales of tentage destroyed. Cig. and thrown down
	41 Kinema Section Torre Annunziata	3577		Kitchen utensils and two glass doors damaged. Clothes left drying near fire by Italian cook.
	Garrison Theatre Torre Annunziata	3577		One film destroyed. Projector damaged slightly. Short circuit on projector
	428 GTC, Nola.	3577		Oil leaking from burner seep- ed through floor onto joists Concentrated heat ignited same. Floor damaged reaching seat of fire.
	557 AOD, Portici	3577		54 gals of petrol destroyed Rubber hose on 30/34 gal Foam Extinguisher damaged. Cause- Unknown.
	1051st Eng Coy Docks, Torre Annun.	3577	Civilian Port Fire Bde under supervision of Americans	150 gals petrol and 25 gals of oil destroyed. Cig thrown down near petrol container

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DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER CONTROL	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	STATION NO. OF FIRE, ETC., OR STATION IN ATTENDANCE.	UNIT OR OTHER SERVICES IN A
1st	1450		N. of Trezzano Map Ref 064090	2280	
2nd	0315	Rescue	No.3 Largo San Patrillo, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire Bd
3rd	1555	2030	Junc Route 6 and Pontecorvo Road	2280	
4th	0940	0943	Salerno Rest Camp Mercatello	2280	
4th	2034		71 HAA W/S Section REME, Fratte.	2280	3 Italian Fire
5th	1640	1715	H.M.Minesweeper 48 West Docks, Salerno	2280	U.S.Navy Fire B
8th	1707	1713	Naafi, Salerno	2280	US Navy & Ital
10th	0733	0900	127 Salvage Unit Mignano	2280	
10th	1145	1148	WD Motor Cycle 557 ACD, Ponticagnano	9227(att 2280)	
12th	0535	0645	St Da Marcus, Salerno	2280	US Navy & Ital Brigade
13th	0925	0950	167 Rly Bdg Coy. Rte 6 M.R.O.5096	2280	

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DATE	LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO., OR FIRE, REG. OR FIRE NO. IN SECTION.	NAME OF OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN AREA.	REMARKS AND OTHER INFO. RELATIVE TO FIRE
	N. of Prezenzano Map Ref 064090	2280		Brush Fire on Hillside. Beaten out by personnel of nearby Unit.
	No. 3 Largo San Patrillo, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire Bde	3 floors of building collapsed contents of rooms damaged
	Junc Route 6 and Pontecorvo Road	2280		Sgts & Offs Messes gutted (Tents Enemy ammo under stacks explo- ded. Cause - Civ. lighting bonfire.
	Salerno Rest Camp Mercatello	2280		Oil from Oil and Water burner overflowed and ignited
	71 HAA W/S Section RAME, Fratte.	2280	3 Italian Firemen	Transformer struch by lightning during storm. Insulators damaged.
	H.M. Minesweeper 48 West Docks, Salerno	2280	U.S. Navy Fire Bde	Floorboards & Generator damaged Cause - Sulphur blocks
	Naafi, Salerno	2280	US Navy & Italian Fire Bdes	Hole in chimney stack set fire to floorboards in room above.
	127 Salvage Unit Mignano	2280		Stack of empty charge cylinders burnt out - Italian soldiers lighting fires near dump
	WD Motor Cycle 557 ACD, Ponticarno	9227 (att 2280)		WD Motor Cycle collided with truck. D/R injured.
	St Da Mareous, Salerno	2280	US Navy & Italian Fire Brigades	Contents of sawmill and wood- store damaged, Cause not known.
	167 Rly Bdg Coy. Rte 6 M.R.O. 5096	2280		1 tent, 3 Cam.nets, personal kit and Ammn destroyed. Cause fire on hillside lit by Italian

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Month Ending: 30th June 44

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DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER C. 1770	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF RZ, PZ, OR SUBST. BY ATTENDANCE.	UNIT OR SERVICES TO WHICH
13th	1950	2025	Half mile from Mignano on Rte 6 towards Capua M.R., 093007	2280	
14th	0348	0442	6 Piazza Ferrovia Salerno	2280	US Navy and Brigade
15th	0741		650 GTC, RASC, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire
15th	1505	1630	Italian Farm near Campozillone	2280	
21st	0925	1005	14th L. of C Sigs Mignano	2280	
21st	1300	1530	Rly siding along Rte 6. Map Ref 996106	2280 35178 36268	2 American Tender

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3 District or Sub-District. 94 Sub-Area

LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE REPORT, OR OTHER IDENTIFICATION	NAME OF FIRE SERVICE OR ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION
Half mile from Mignano on Rte 6 towards Capua M.R., 093007	2280		Bren Carrier gutted. Cause flashback in Carburettor. On charge to Cape Breton HLNDRS
6 Piazza Ferrovia Salerno	2280	US Navy and Italian Fire Brigades	Contents of civilian shop almost burnt out. Careless use of cooking utensils
650 GTC, RASC, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire Brigade	Flashback in Cooker in cook-house. Wooden frame and netting damaged
Italian Farm near Campo Zillone	2280		Ceiling of first floor and roof badly damaged, Cause Unknown
14th L. of C Sigs Mignano	2280		Rubbish pit on fire, Extinguished on account of nearby amm. Cig end thrown down by Italian.
Rly siding along Rte 6. Map Ref 996106	2280 35178 36268	2 American Federal Fire Tenders	2 Trains collided. One burnt out other damaged. 12 waggons carrying petrol and oil destroyed. Petrol pipeline fractured and Rly track damaged. One engine Dvr seriously burnt. Cause- Collision

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ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	DISTRICT OR SUB-DISTRICT NO. OF FIRE, ETC., OR CAUSE OF FIRE	DAMAGE AND CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND GENERAL INCIDENTS CAUSE OF FIRE
57 A.D. Portici	35177	NIL	3 bales of tentage destroyed Cigarette thrown from
Autostrada- 30 km N. of T. Anagni	35177	NIL	Vehicle fire. Sidescreens, 2 tyres, bodywork, tarpaulin and timber load damaged. Ground.
In Carlo Fortini 64 Atterio Venerelli	35177	NIL	Furniture and papers destroyed under state burglar responsibility.
57 A.D. Portici	35177	NIL	7,465 gals of oil destroyed. Heavy action
Outside entrance to 57 A.D., Portici	35177	NIL	Smoke Generator Vehicle des- troyed. Two American soldiers killed. - Heavy action

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Month Ending 31 May 44			District or Sub-District		
DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER CUSTODY	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF BFE, SEC, OR SUBST. IN ATTENDANCE	CIVIL OR SERVICES
2 May 44	2125 hrs	2140 hrs	Chiata Mone, R. Navy, N.O.I.C.	36268	Royal Navy
7th May 44	1005 hrs	1033 hrs	Piazza Della Borsa Naples.	36268	Civil and
7th May 44	1305 hrs	Nil	RAF House, Bella Vista, Portici.	36268	Civil Fir
8th May 44	2145 hrs	2145 hrs	194 Corso Ercolano Resina	36268	Civil Fir
12th May 44	1940 hrs	2000 hrs	55 Strada Nuova Di Joggioreale	36268	Nil
18th May 44	1342 hrs	1410 hrs	3 Base HQ, RAF, Bella Vista.	36268	Nil
16th May 44	Nil	1915 hrs	67 Gen Hosp, Naples	36268	Nil
27th May 44	1740 hrs		USA, ASF, Anzio	36268	Nil
28th May 44	0724 hrs	0746 hrs	Piedmonte Bks, Piazza Trevico, Naples	36268	Civil Fi
29th May 44	2000 hrs	2008 hrs	37 BSD, Anzio	36268	Nil
29th May 44	2224 hrs	2225 hrs	No 4 Gate, Via Marella, Naples.	35178	U.S.A. Fir

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ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, SEC. OR SUB-SEC. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND GENERAL REMARKS INCL. SUSPECTED CAUSE OF FIRE
Chiata Mone, R. Navy, N.O.I.C.	36268	Royal Navy Fire Section	Roof supports slightly dam- aged. Cause, Stove pipe thru through roof
Piazza Della Borsa Naples.	36268	Civil and US Fire Services	Petrol veh. and Stationery shop damaged. Fuse in Pet. ump.
RAF House, Bella Vista, Portici.	36268	Civil Fire Brigade.	Rescue of ACI Hannigan. (RAF)
194 Corso Ercolano Regina	36268	Civil Fire Brigade	Small outhouse damaged Cause - Not known
55 Strada Nuova Di Joggioreale	36268	Nil	Civilian Pakehouse. Cause - Not known
3 Base HQ, RAF, Bella Vista.	36268	Nil	W.D. Car No. RT2060 - Cause Not known
67 Gen Hosp, Naples	36268	Nil	One Tent destroyed - Cause - Careless smoking.
USA, ASF, Anzio	36268	Nil	200 tons u/s Ammo. damaged. Cause - Not known.
Piedmonte Bks, Piazza Trevice, Naples	36268	Civil Fire Brigade	Food preparation room damaged Cause - Not known.
37 BSD, Anzio	36268	Nil	Personal kit of one soldier and dugout damaged. Cause - candle left in dugout whilst occupant went outside.
No 4 Gate, Via Marella, Naples.	35178	U.S.A. Fire Service.	Lorry No. C 602 - Cause - Collision between train and vehicle.

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Month Ending 31st May 44				District or Sub-District.	
DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER CONTROL	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF PNE, SEC, OR SUB'STC. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER SERVICES IN A
1 May 44	1510 hrs	-	West Berth, East Docks, Salerno	2280	2 Firemen from Fire Brigade
2 May 44	0215 hrs	0250 hrs	233 Via Passedonia Pastena.	2280	Italian Fire B
15th May 44	1220 hrs	-	46 Corso Umberto, Palazzo S. Mazio, Salerno	2280	Italian Fire B Salerno.
15th May 44	2145 hrs	2155 hrs	W.D., M/C on fire, Corso Garibaldi, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire B Salerno.
30 May 44	1530 hrs	-	Salerno - Carva Rd, Nr Carva.	2280	Italian Fire Br Salerno
31st May 44	1200 hrs	1209 hrs	Italian M/C on fire opposite 10 Pautouva, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire
26 May 44	1245 hrs	1255 hrs	82nd Bridging Dump, S.A.E.C.	2280	NIL

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District or Sub-District. 94 Sub Area, 3 District

DATE AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, ETC. OR SUB'S NO. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND GENERAL REMARKS INCL. SUSPECTED CAUSE OF FIRE
East Berth, East docks, Salerno	2280	2 Firemen from Italian Fire Brigade	Smoke Bomb ignited by children on Rocket Boat.
33 Via Iassedonia Pastena.	2280	Italian Fire Bde, Salerno	Charcoal stored in back room. Spontaneous ignition
6 Corso Umberto, Palazzo S. Nazio, Salerno	2280	Italian Fire Brigade Salerno.	Woman's hand burnt and front door scorched. Careless use of petrol
M.D., M/C on fire, Corso Garibaldi, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire Brigade Salerno	Extensively damaged. Flash back in Carburettor
Salerno - Carva d, Mr Carva.	2280	Italian Fire Brigade Salerno.	Short circuit on wiring on Italian Omnibus. Wiring, fan belt and Engine casing damaged.
Italian M/C on fire opposite 10 Autouva, Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire Brigade.	Italian M/C (Guzzi) almost burnt out. Nearby shopfront damaged. Electrical sign damaged.
32nd Bridging Dump, S.A.E.C.	2280	NIL	3 Camouflage nets completely destroyed and 2 pontoons slightly damaged.

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P. Safety (for Maj. Mason)

MONTHLY FIRE REPORT

Month Ending 30th April 44

DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER GUNFIRE	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF BOMBS, ETC., OR SUBJECTS IN ATTENDANCE.	District or Sub-District. CIVIL OR OF SERVICES IN
5 April 44	0539 hrs.	0547 hrs.	Via Porto Catano, Salerno.	2280	2 Italian Fire
9th April 44	0100 hrs	Rescue	Via St Agostino No. 1 Salerno.	2280	U.S. Navy Amb
10th April 44	2050 hrs	2100 hrs	East Dock, Salerno.	2280	U.S. Navy and
22nd April 44	2043 hrs	0030 hrs, 23rd April 44	Del Galzo, Scafati.	35177 2280	Italian Fire
25th April 44	1149 hrs	1156 hrs.	Traversa Egidio Salerno	2280	Italian Fire
29th April 44	2234 hrs	2244 hrs	Corsi Garibaldi Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire
30th April 44	2158 hrs	2230 hrs	Via Torriano, Salerno.	2280	3 Italian Fi

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Via Porto Catone, Salerno.	2280	2 Italian Firemen.		Burnt wood joists caused floor to collapse. Cause:- Heat from fires in room used as cookhouse. Deceased:- Clemente Lombardi (Male)
Via St Agostino No. 1 Salerno.	2280	U.S. Navy Ambulance.		Second floor collapsed. Deceased:- Lanzara Giuseppe (Child). Injured:- Lanzara Elisa. This was a bomb damaged building.
East Dock, Salerno.	2280	U.S. Navy and Army Fire Bldg		Jib of crane crashed onto 'Highlow' tower, petrol driven- Tank burst- petrol set alight. U.S. vehicles
Del Gaio, Scafati.	35177 2280	Italian Fire Brigade.		One section of this Bldg. turned out but not required See No. 14 Bldg report.
Travone Egidio Salerno	2280	Italian Fire Brigade.		Chair on fire in rear of Dr. Lorry. Damage to lorry- Nil. Cause - Not known.
Corsi Garibaldi Salerno.	2280	Italian Fire Brigade.		Bundles of books belonging to Welfare Officer burning. Cause - Not known.
Via Torricone, Salerno.	2280	3 Italian Firemen		Italian store shed burnt out paint, oil, glass and electrical equipment damaged, two sheep burnt to death in pen. Cause not known.

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Capt. (P.E)

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Month Ending 30th April 44			District or Sub-District		
DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER CONTROL	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, SEC. OR SUBSEC. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE.
22nd April 44	2005 hrs	0030 hrs 23 April 44	Jam Factory, S.S.A., Del Calzo, Via Sledon, Scafati.	35177. 3 Sections, of No. 14 First Class Fire Brigade. (1 Section of No. 1 First Class Fire Brigade in attend- ance, but not re- quired)	Italian C Brigade in att Not required.

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ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	District or Sub-District SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, OR SERIAL NO. IN ATTENDANCE	CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND GENERAL REMARKS INCL. SUSPECTED CAUSE OF FIRE
Jan Factory, S.I.A., Del Gaizo, Via Sledon, Scafati.	35177. 3 Sections, of No. 14 First Class Fire Brigade. (1 Section of No. 1 First Class Fire Brigade in attend- ance, but not re- quired)	Italian Civil Fire Brigade in attendance, but Not required.	One lean to shed completely destroyed, two stacks of timber partly destroyed, 100 barrels and stacks of empty boxes des- troyed. Spark from railway engine nearby.

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District or Sub-District. 57 AREA, 3 DISTRICT.

ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, ETC., OR SUB'NO. IN ATTENDANCE	CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND GENERAL REMARKS INCL. SUSPECTED CAUSE OF FIRE
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S.S. 3/c No. Marquesa, I. V.
Cmd. 101 Fire Fighting Div. (P.O.)

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DATE	TIME OF CALL	TIME UNDER CONTROL	ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF BDE, ETC, OR SUB'Y. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER SERVICES IN A
6 April 44	2255 hrs	2337 hrs	Marx House Via Martenopo, Naples	36268	U.S.A. Fire Ser
14th April 44	1944 hrs	1958 hrs	Strada Marina Napoli.	36268	NIL
14th April 44	2115 hrs	2110 hrs	RSD 557 A.O.D, Strada Nuova, Iggioleale, Naples	36268	U.S.A. Fire Ser
15th April 44	0530 hrs	NIL	R.A.F. Station, Bella Vista, Portici.	36268	Italian Civil
23rd April 44	1911 hrs	1950 hrs.	Piazzale Eligio, No.9., Naples.	36268	Italian Civil
24th April 44	2203 hrs	NIL	Strada Vecchia, Di Iggioleale, Naples.	36268	U.S.A. Fire Ser
24th April 44	NIL	2350 hrs	855 USA Petrol Dump, Cato '5' 'F' Pier, Naples.	36268	U.S.A. Fire Ser
26th April 44	1425 hrs	1430 hrs	854 Petrol Install. AGII, BPSO, Naples	9188	NIL
27th April 44	2040 hrs	2100 hrs	USA Ordnance Dump 450 Annex 'D' Naples	9188	17 Bde, and Ita ion Fire Service
30th April 44	1820 hrs	1937 hrs	Salvatore Rosa, Naples.	36268	Italian Fire S

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April 44

District or Sub-District. 57 Area, 3 District

ADDRESS AND LOCATION OF FIRE	SERIAL NO. OF FIRE, ETC., OR SUB-SEC. IN ATTENDANCE.	CIVIL OR OTHER FIRE SERVICES IN ATTENDANCE	DAMAGE AND GENERAL REMARKS INCL. SUPPOSED CAUSE OF FIRE
Navy House Via Martenope, Naples	36268	U.S.A. Fire Services	Rubbish in Boiler House ignited owing to hot ashes thrown on rubbish.
Strada Marina Napoli.	36268	NIL	Waste rags, paper, etc., fire Cause not known.
RED 557 A.O.D., Strada Nuova, Poggioreale, Naples	36268	U.S.A. Fire Services	133' x 31' Canvas roofed fitters Shop completely gutted. Cause not known.
R.A.F. Station, Della Vista, Portici.	36268	Italian Civil Fire Brigade.	NIL, Rescue with Troop RA.
Piazzas Eligio, No. 9., Naples.	36268	Italian Civil Fire Brigade.	Civilian Hardware Shop Shelves and fittings destroyed. Cause not known.
Strada Vecchia, Di Poggioreale, Naples.	36268	U.S.A. Fire Services.	Three 2 1/2 ton lorries. One Italian lorry destroyed. Cause - Enemy Bombing.
855 USA Petrol Pump, Gate '5' F' Pier, Naples.	36268	U.S.A. Fire Services.	13,577 gals Petrol. Cause Enemy Bombing.
854 Petrol Install. AGIP, BISC, Naples	9188	NIL	2 rubber hoses, 1 electric cable, 30 gals petrol, Cause not known.
USA Ordnance Dump 450 Annex 'D' Naples	9188	17 Bde, and Ital. installation Fire Service.	Rubbish in store dump - NIL. Cause - carelessness in extinguishing watchman's fire.
Salvatore Rosa, Naples.	36268	Italian Fire Service.	Occupied civilian flat completely gutted. Cause - Not known.

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U.S.M. i/c No. 17.....Brigade.

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Major Mason: File 1903/PS ~~1954~~
Major Hickinbotham contacted
on this matter. 5A

Major H. will cause the arrest of
the persons responsible for the
storage of petrol in both cases.
He advises no publication on these
cases until offenders have been
prosecuted.

Results of the above cases will
be published in paper. This in
turn will notify the citizens of
what to expect should they be
caught storing such petrol without
permission.

The local police have been
instructed to be on the lookout
for unauthorized storage of petrol

Capt. Brannigan
Lieut. Bellersen.

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 Maj. Mason

I have arranged
 with SCAPo Palermo
 province to keep in
 touch over this. There
 must be some local
 ordinance covering
 the storage of petrol
 but it is now, in
 effect, prohibited
 by General Order
 No 5.

You might also
 keep in touch with
 Major Hickinbotham

Reidy

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Capt. Brennan - Lt. Hallam

intended Major H. 2/10

Commander asked for copy of Italian law
 & Regulation in case is possible

2/10

Reidy

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REMARKS_____
DATE_____
C. S. O.

Subject - Danger of stool fires
in Palermo

~~3A~~

TO D.C.R.S.

There appears to be a great quantity of petrol being held by civilians & presumably sold on the Black Market in Palermo.

Attached is a ^{copy of} report from the Commandante of the Fire Brigade to the Prefetto & other bodies, in which he asks for action to be taken in the case of a fire on 30/9 in which one firm was severely burned & 3 others slightly burned when ^{some} drums of petrol kept in a small room with a number of others, exploded.

The premises are totally unsuited for petrol storage both by nature & location & it is felt that drastic action should be taken against the owner.

If the firm dies it will almost amount to manslaughter.

Warning should be put in the Press & the Police should prosecute anyone holding stock of petrol unless in an authorized place.

1/10.

Stephenson

P.S. A second report of similar fire is also attached.



58° Corpo Vigili del Fuoco

PALERMO

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Al. _____

Palermo, 1 OTTOBRE 1943

AL PREFETTO DI PALERMO

AL SIG. MAGGIOR NICKINBORNE

Al SIG. MAGGIOR NASON

ALL'UFFICIO DI POLIZIA URBANA

PALERMO

OGGETTO: INCENDIO E SCOPPIO DI CARBURANTE IN PRIZIONE PIANO DI NIGANO
VIA CASALINI N°69 PIANO TERRENO.

Alle ore 21,30 di sera 4 vigili del fuoco accorrevano in frizione
Piazza di Nigano Via Casalini n°69 piano terreno dove erano sviluppati un
incendio nel subbricato di certo Nigano condotto dall'ingegner Noto
Antonino.

Durante la manovra di estinzione in collaborazione con una squadra di
vigili del governo alleate si verificava lo scoppio di alcuni bidoni di
benzina circa 15 detriti abusivamente da certo Nigano salvatore demolito
nel Cortile Nigano n°1 piano terreno.

L'incendio distruggeva massicce e provocando il crollo dell'intero tetto
di copertura.

I danni si aggirano sulle L.80.000.

Si invita l'Ufficio di Polizia Urbana a contravvenire al nominato Nigano

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OGGETTO: INCENDIO A SECCO DI CARDUANTE IN FRAZIONE PARCO DI RIGANO
VIA CASALINI N°69 PRATO FORNIO.

Alle ore 21,30 di ieri sera a Vigilia del Fuoco accorrevano in frazione
Rasca di Rigano Via Casalini n°69 piano terreno dove erasi sviluppato un
incendio nel fabbricato di certo Regia Gestone condotto dall'ingegnere Asta
Antonino.

Durante la manovra di estinzione in collaborazione con una squadra di
Vigilia del Governo Allente si verificava lo scoppio di alcuni bidoni di
benzina circa 15 detenuti abusivamente da certo maniera salvatore domiciliato
nel Cortile Regia n°4 piano terreno.

L'incendio distruggeva masserizie e provocando il crollo dell'intero tetto
di copertura.

I danni ed aggravi nullo L.60.000.

Si invita l'Ufficio di Polizia Urbana a contravvenire al nome **4677**
salvatore per detenzione abusiva di carburante.

IL COMANDANTE
OPT. ING. LUIGI BERTI



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Objct: Fire and explosion of petrol at Sasso di Bigano
Via Caschini n° 69 ground floor -

At 9.30 PM yesterday evening the fireman
went in Sasso di Bigano, Via Caschini n° 69
ground floor ~~next~~ where there was a fire in
the building of belonging to Messrs Gaetano
rented by Dott. Antonino -

During the course of extinguishing the fire
in which was helping a detachment of Allied
firemen, there was an explosion due to petrol
contained in 15 tanks of petrol abundantly
kept by Massera Salvatore whose address ⁴⁶⁷⁶
is Cortile Megra n° 1 ground floor -
The fire destroyed furniture and caused
the falling of the entire roof -
but by 80.000

the building of belonging to Negro Gaetano sented by Doctor Antonio-

During the course of extinguishing the fire in which was helping a detachment of Allied firemen, there was an explosion due to petrol contained in 15 tanks of petrol abundantly kept by Mappera Salvatore whose address ⁴⁵⁷⁸ is Cortile Negra n° 1 ground floor-

The fire destroyed furniture and caused the falling of the entire & roof-

The damages are estimated to about lire 80.000.

It is asked to the Police to deal with Mappera ^{WRONGFUL} ~~abundantly~~

Salvatore, according to the law for ^{STORAGE} ~~detention~~ of Petrol

The Commissioner
L. B.

58° Corpo Vigili del Fuoco



PALERMO

- IN PERICOLO VITA - AGERE -

Palermo, 1 OTTOBRE 1943

AL PREFETTO DI PALERMO
AL MAGGIORE INQUADRI

ALL'UFFICIO DI POLIZIA URBANA

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OGGETTO: INCENDIO E SCOPPIO DI CANTIERE IN UN MAGAZZO DI LEGNE SITO
IN VIA MAGGIORANA N° 2.

Alle ore 16,10 di sera 2 vigili del fuoco accorsero in via Maggiore, nel n° 2 piantarono per l'estinzione di un violento incendio sviluppatosi in un negozio di pesci condotto da certo Mancino Giuseppe sito in subbotto di proprietà comunale.

Durante la manovra di estinzione per la quale entrava in collaborazione anche una squadra di vigili del governo allate al verificarsi improvvisamente uno scoppio di carburante contenuto in ben sei fusti da litri 160 ciascuno molti dei quali parzialmente scoppiati per cui maggiormente pericolosi.

L'incidente causava ustioni di 2° grado al viso e alle mani al vigile Vaccarella Luigi, ustioni meno gravi al vigile Rinaldo Francesco e Algaria Carmo.

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Alle ore 17,15 12 convogli rientrano in Caserma.

OGGETTO: INCENDIO E SOCCORSO DI CARBURANTE IN UN INCENDIO DI FUSCA SITO IN VIA MAGGIORANA N°2.

Alle ore 16,10 di sera a vigilia del fuoco accendevano in Via Maggiore, n°2 piantarono per l'estensione di un violento incendio sviluppatosi in un negozio di pesci condotto da certo Mancino Giuseppe sito in fabbricato di proprietà comunale.

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Durante la manovra di estinzione per la quale entrava in collaborazione.

anche una squadra di vigilia del Governo Allente si verificava improvvisamente uno scoppio di carburante contenuto in ben sei fusti da litri 160 ciascuno molti dei quali parzialmente riempiti per cui maggiormente pericolosa.

L'incidente causava ustioni di 2° grado al viso e alle mani al vigile visaglia Luigi, ustioni meno gravi al vigile Rinaldo Francesco e Algida Campa-
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Alle ore 17,35 il servizio rientrava in Caserma.

I danni potranno ammontare sulle 2.30.000.

Presumendo che il Mancino deteneva la quantità di carburante segnalata senza la prescritta licenza si invita l'Ufficio di Polizia Urbana ad adottare nei confronti del medesimo le sanzioni previste dal regolamento.



To the Prefect of Palermo
 " " Mayor Hickinbottom
 " " Mayor Mason
 Object:- Fire and explosion of Petrol in a ~~shop~~ fish shop

in Via Maccheronai no 2 -

At 4.10 PM of yesterday the firemen went at the ground floor of Via Maccheronai no 2 for the extinguishing of a violent fire lit in a fish shop belonging to Massimo Giuseppe placed in a building belonging to the Commune - extinguishing the fire,

During the course of ~~extinguishing~~ in which was ~~extinguishing~~ helping a ~~fireman~~ detachment of the Allied firemen, there was an explosion due to petrol contained in 5 fire tanks of petrol of 160 liters each, many of them ~~in fact~~ ⁴³⁷ partly crushed, ~~and~~ ^{so} more dangerous -

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At 4.10 PM of yesterday the firemen went at the ground floor of Via Maccheronai no. 2 for the extinguishing of a violent fire lit in a fish shop belonging to Massimo Giuseppe placed in a building belonging to the community -

extinguishing the fire, During the course of ~~extinguishing~~ extinguishing in which was ~~participating~~ helping a ~~special~~ detachment of the Allied firemen, there was an explosion due to petrol contained in 5 fire tanks of petrol of 160 liters each, many of them ~~in part~~ ^{partly} emptied, ~~to~~ ^{and, so} more dangerous.

The accident caused ~~to~~ burns of 2nd degree to the face and the hands of ~~a~~ ^{the} fireman Villa Luigi, and less grave burns to the firemen Riccardo Francesco and Algernon Carmelo -

At 5,35 PM, the service ~~commander~~ returned to the
barrack -

The damages caused could be estimated at
about Lira 30,000 -

Supposing that the Mancino was keeping the
quantity of petrol ^{STATED} requested above without a license,
it is asked to the Officer of the Police to deal
with him according to the law -

The Commandant -

L. Bg.

Quantity of petrol ^{STATED} requested above without a license,
it is asked to the Officer of the Police to deal
with him according to the law

The Commandant

L. B. B.

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