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Political - The right wing Concentrazione Nazionale Democrazia Liberale and its Youth Organization, the Fronte Monarchico Giovanile.

The following information was received from several reliable Italian sources. The Concentrazione is of strong rightist tendencies. Its leader is Senatore Bergamini, a prominent anti-Fascist who was imprisoned during the Nazi-Fascist occupation and who is well-known author. Also interested in the organization is Dr. Senatore Ubaldo Pisacco a prominent citizen of Trieste who was made Minister of State in 1939 but who is not believed to have been a Fascist Party man. Long before the last annexation of Trieste was active in local politics in Trieste. He served as Podesta of that city from 1928 to 1935.

The Concentrazione is in close touch with the Partito Democratico Italiano, (Monarchist) and with the latter's leader Selvaggi, who is the director of the newspaper "L'Italia Nuova". The group has no press organ of its own. It recently absorbed the group "Comitato per la ricostruzione Nazionale" which is authorized to publish a semi-monthly magazine "Lavoro", which ceased to appear after its fourth number. The Concentrazione is therefore in a position to have a publication of its own, the lavoro which it can publish under that or under another name, whenever the group so desires. The group, as well as its youth movement, for the present supports and uses as its main propaganda press organ "L'Opinione" which is a weekly paper directed by Armando Zamboni and run by Bergamini. Early in April 1945 the Concentrazione held a congress which was attended by Sen. Pisacco, and others. It has organized a Youth Movement, the Fronte Monarchico Giovanile, which also uses "L'Opinione" for its propaganda. The Fronte is said to be planning an organization which is to be active in the north after liberation. It states in its propaganda that it owes its origin to a fusion of several monarchist youth movements.

According to a leaflet published by the Fronte, the following are its policies and programme: It recognizes the Catholic Church - the inextinguishable core of Christian brotherhood of peoples -- as one of the principal safeguards of the inviolable moral forces of humanity and of the sanctity of family ties.

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It hopes that, freely united in spirits and in a atmosphere of democratic liberty, our country will rapidly be reborn and will recover its dignity as a great nation and as a leader of civilization. .

IT PURPOSES:

1° - To unite in a common effort the activities of all young men and women who have faith in the monarchist principle and who firmly believe in the foregoing ideals.

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2. - To develop an active propaganda to keep alive the ideas which will lead to the unity of our country.
3. - To combat separatist tendencies, which we consider to be disintegrating and anti-nationalist forces.
4. - To organize, culture, artistic and athletic association to further the moral, physical and intellectual rehabilitation of the younger generation and to prepare it for its future responsibilities.

At the recent congress of the Concentrazione Nazionale Democratica Liberale, the "Fronte" presented the following order of the day.

"The Fronte Monarchico Giovanile", having reviewed the present political situation, expresses the hope for the union, in a renewed atmosphere of liberty, of all liberal forces in a single bloc in order to oppose all attempts to undermine law and order in the country: reaffirms its faith in the monarchical institution which to-day gives a sure guarantee of democratic development and, through administrative decentralization, constitutes the indispensable safeguard of national unity: condemns all attempts against the integrity of the country's frontiers which have been determined by nature and history: reaffirms the necessity of not disturbing the religious peace of the Italian people which is the foundation of the moral rehabilitation of the nation.

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