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SUBJECT: Materials available

        Attached hereto please find schedule of
the situation of materials, which shows the quantities
which will probably be left over for the printing of
next year's elementary school books in the Rome zone.

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SITUATIONS FOR MATERIALS FOR THE PRINTING OF
ELEMENTARY TEXT BOOKS IN ROME ZONE

PRINTING PAPER

If all is well, to Rome zone have been assigned 140 tons of printing paper, of which 40 tons must be held as reserve and 100 tons for use.

Of the latter 100 tons, 42 tons have been returned to the firm Aldo Chicca of Tivoli and Angelo Signorelli of Rome, as per letter of 4.3.1945; 1½ tons has been sent to be used for finishing the printing of the coloured sillabario and 10 tons have been assigned for the quaderni.

Therefore, that leaves available, today, for next year's use in the IV and V Regions, 46,5 tons of paper approximately, besides the 40 tons of reserve when they reach Rome: a total of approx. 86,5.

It is to be observed, though, that whilst for the reprint of books for the II and III the remnants of paper left over in the sizes of previous editions have been used, if further reprints should be made to cope with the V Region demand as requested by Lt. Simoni, a demand would have to be made on the 86,5 tons of paper as above mentioned.

COVER PAPER

The quantity of cover paper assigned to Rome is 10 tons.

So far not even one roll has arrived.

This paper will have to be used partly for the covers of the quaderni under preparation and partly for the reprint of books which eventually should be requested. That is approx. 3787 3 tons.

As no cover paper has to be returned to anyone, the approximate quantity left over for next year's printing in the IV and V Regions, would be of 7 tons.

BLACK INK FOR PRINTING

20 quintals of black ink for printing were assigned to Rome. So far nothing as come up from Naples.

We owe 2 quintals to Operaia Romana, 3 quintals to Aldo Chicca, 3 quintals to Poligrafico.   That is a toktal of 8 quintals

Which would leave 12 quintals for next year.

BLACK OFFSET INK AND COLOURED INK

The quantity assigned to Rome, which has not yet arrived from Naples, is 216 lbs each colour, equal to kg.100 each colour.

As the quantities of coloured inks used and to be returned are far superior to the quantities expected, there will be nothing left over for next year.

GLUE

The quantity of glue assigned to Rome zone, which has not arrived, is of 1.957 tons.

Though for the books of the IV and V zones about 2xtxxx 2½ tons have been used, following agreements made, only about 1000 kilos will be returned. Therefore, about 10 quintals will be left for next year's use.

THREAD

3 quintals have been assigned to Rome zone, only not thread but string from local resources.

This could not be used for the book making, in fact the various printers to whom it had been given, had to endevour to change it with real thread as it is far better than string.

Therefore, there is no thread in Rome zone neither for next year nor this one.

I am thinking of having the Florence thread distributed in accordance with present and future needs of the various regions, as soon as I become acquainted with its characteristics, that is title and weight by meters. Only then can I state exactly the quantity of thread which can be left over for the next year in the Rome zone.

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PADS

Most of the pads on the way from America and not yet arrived, must be returned to the Operaia Romana and the Poligrafico dello Sato.

Though I know the weight (1124 lbs), I do not know the numerical quantity.

It is my opinion that no pads will be necessary for next year.

TRANSFER PAPER

The transfer paper, as soon as it arrives in Rome, will remain for next year's use in whatever zones it may be needed.