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EMILIA REGION - REPORTS

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
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1 August 1945

Subject: Monthly Report for July '45.

To : Labor Sub-Commission, HQ AC.
: Regional Commissioner Emilia Region

1. General Organization and Functioning of Labor Offices.

a. During the month of July steady progress was made towards the efficient functioning of both the Regional and Provincial Labor Offices.

b. After many discussions and difficulties the Uffici di Collocamento run and controlled by the Camera del Lavoro were handed over to the respective Provincial Labor Offices of Parma and Piacenza.

c. All the provincial offices are suitably furnished and are staffed with personnel politically and technically adapted for the requisite functions. They are generally well looked upon.

2. Wage Developments During the Month of July.

a. In every field there have been many new wage contracts. The wages called for generally have kept to a given line except in the province of Ravenna where special agricultural conditions prevail. Only one contract was submitted for approval where wages asked for were notably above those permitted and in this particular instance the interested parties were instructed to agree on wages closer to the general wage level.

b. There have been continuous complaints by Allied Force workers relative the disparity in wages between private industry workers and Allied Force workers. Their complaints are justified and this Office has done what is possible to have their wages equalized with those of private industry.

c. Developments, generally, in this field have been favorable. It has been noted that accords are arrived at between employers and workers without excessive difficulties. At the

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present time there is a tendency for wages to remain steady although following the Milan agreement a rise may be expected. New contracts will probably anticipate extension of this agreement with the insertion of an appropriately covering clause.

3. Cost of Living.

a. The weekly cost of living in the Province of Bologna has been calculated at £2,844 for a family composed of husband, wife and 3 minors. This compares favorably with the weekly cost of living for the month of June when £3,404 were required for the same type family. The principal reason for the reduction derives from lower prices in the open or free market. These new prices are now general throughout the Region.

4. Problems and Requirements of Industry and Agriculture.

a. The number of farmhouses destroyed or damaged in the Province of Bologna is as follows:

Total number of farmhouses		
prior to war		25,000
Destroyed		7,500
Damaged		<u>3,750</u>
Total destroyed or damaged		11,250

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For the repair of these farmhouses the Institute of Statistics of the University of Bologna has totaled the following needs:

bricks	1,400,000,000
cement	1,100,000 quintals
tiles	62,800,000
lumber	4,850,000 mq

Some 40,000 hectares of farm land has been rendered inoperative as a result of the war and, in addition, the land development schemes have been retarded for an entire year as a result of damages.

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Monthly Report for July '45Agricultural Production:

Item	Normal Prod. quintals	Prod. 1945 quintals	Deficiency	Index of Prod. (normal = 100)
Wheat	1,670,000	900,000	770,000	53.8
Corn	200,000	150,000	50,000	75
Rice	300,000	15,000	285,000	5.
Potatoes	600,000	300,000	300,000	50.
Sugar beets	1,800,000	80,000	1,720,000	4.4
Egg Grapes	640,000	330,000	310,000	51.5
Onions	180,000	90,000	90,000	50.
Peaches	80,000	20,000	60,000	25.
Apples	50,000	40,000	10,000	80.
Pears	35,000	20,000	15,000	57.
Cherries	15,000	10,000	5,000	66.
Tomatoes	95,000	30,000	65,000	31.5

Reasons for these deficiencies in agricultural produce in the Province of Bologna are:

1. Lack of fertilizer.
2. Insufficient cultivation of land.
3. Interruption by war.

There is a grave shortage of farm animals and a lighter shortage in farm machinery. 1103

b. The industrial situation in the Province of Bologna is serious. There has been much destruction of machinery while a large quantity of irreplaceable machinery has been carried off.

In the following table, data furnished by the Association of Industrialists, are indicated the number and category of firms damaged or destroyed in the Province of Bologna:

CATEGORY	Totally destroyed.	Partially destroyed.
1) Clothing industry	18	10
2) Agricultural industries	15	15
3) Paper industry	4	2
4) Chemical industry	7	12
5) Mining industries	2	-
6) Mechanical & metallurgical	24	40
7) Leather industries	4	-

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In addition to the above list there are 15 firms damaged as a result of requisitions, thievery etc.

A partial survey of industry in the Province of Ferrara shows 12 firms completely destroyed. These formerly employed a total of 1500 workers and 10 firms transferred to the North brings the figure to 4000 that must now be placed elsewhere. There is a total lack of fuel and, in smaller measure, of raw materials. The survey shows 26 major firms normally employing 7,000 workers now employing only 1,600.

In the Province of Parma industry, in general, has been found to be in good condition and ready to function. Here, too, there is a lack of fuel and raw materials, however.

5. Unemployment.

It is difficult, considering the actual organization of the Provincial Labor Offices, to secure a precise idea of the number of unemployed in the provinces. From diverse sources it can easily be seen that there is a grave situation in the industrial sector which has suffered, especially in Bologna, to an extreme degree.

6. Industrial Relations.

An important and continuing dispute is that of the mezzadria which also has much significance insofar as the farm manual day laborers are concerned. The question, which is one to be settled at Rome with general rules of application, drags on and has degenerated to the point of much talk, personalities, insults and accusations.

There was one strike in Ferrara which lasted one day. This was the only reported strike although there have been many orderly demonstrations and parades which usually wind up with a transmission of demands to the authorities through the CLN.

It has been noted that there is an increasing tendency in general to revert to the labor offices for the purposes of arranging contracts, settling disputes etc., being now convinced

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-the disputing parties- of the essential neutrality of the labor offices especially in cases of mediation and conciliation.

7. Formation of Unions.

The process of setting up unions continues although very few have arranged for regular laws and by-laws. Others, in addition to be defective from a legal standpoint, lack something from a social viewpoint. In illustration, it has been necessary to ask the Farmers Association of Bologna why it includes both employers and workers (country agents and similar functionaries); also why the Farmers Association of Ravenna does not permit the assembly to be formed of all its members rather than only by the delegates of communes. In this latter situation where the requisite number of members do not appear in any particular commune to select a delegate, those members have no voice in the assembly general nor in the assembly of their particular district. It does not appear that any of the above regulations were drawn up under correct notarial rules.

The Camera del Lavoro are fully functioning. Relations between them and the labor offices are growing more cordial to the degree that they understand the essential non-political nature of the labor offices, their aims and functions.

There are few cooperatives, many less than could be used. At Bologna there is being organized a Consumers Cooperative for foodstuffs which intends to absorb all other similar cooperatives.

8. Social Institutions.

All the major social security organizations are now functioning and are looking forward to the new and central organization as the medium for simplifying and unifying all social laws and regulations.

9. Ispettorato del Lavoro.

The Ispettorato del Lavoro has not yet commenced functioning. Its director has been asked to turn over to the

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Regional Labor Office all functions pertaining to inspections.

10. The Milan Agreement.

a. The Milan agreement will be applicable in all of Northern Italy and will be embodied in the form of an Italian government decree to be implemented in all of North Italy with approval of AC/AMG. This decree will take the place of General Order N°48 and will be in effect until September 30, 1945. In the meantime agreements already reached and approved will be considered to continue in effect. New accords may be based on the Milan agreement with differentials determined by cost of living in various provinces and areas within provinces. These differentials will be established on a percentage basis. The labor office has received a copy of the Milan agreement as have the Provincial Commissioners of the 6 provinces of the region north of the economic line.

b. Up to the time of the Milan agreement the ceilings of 150, 165 and 180 lire were laid down for daily wages in private industry. However, the Milan agreement exceeds those rates, and we shall have to take a more liberal view in approving future accords. Note that all increases formerly authorized are to be absorbed in applying the Milan agreement.

c. White collar workers receive parallel increases with industrial workers. The original increase provided that.

11. Recruitment of Labor for the Far East.

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The provincial labor offices have been instructed to accept applications from men who desire to be recruited for Italian labor in Ceylon. They are to give their names, addresses and qualifications. Thus far, no instructions have been received from Rome regarding disposition of these applicants. From information received in Rome it is the intention to send 1500 Italian volunteer workers per month to the Far East. This will continue for 10 months and each region will receive a quota of the 15,000 desired. Until such time, however, as instructions are received, no further information is available.

Murray L. Schnee
MURRAY L. SCHNEE
Capt., Inf.
Regional Labor Officer.

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cc Provincial Commissioner
Bologna.

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SECRETHEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
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REFERENCE: RIM/HQ/SE/R/1/6

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for July 1945
Emilia Region

TO:	HQ Allied Commission	R. C. Lombardy Region
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	AMS 5th Army	R. C. Liguria Region
	R. C. Venezia Region	SCAO Venezia Region

LABOUR.Unemployment.

The unemployment figures of last month have been considerably reduced by the speed-up in the Public Works Programme.

Wages.

In every section there have been many new wage contracts. Generally, the wages called for have been kept to the agreed level, except in the Province of Ravenna where special agricultural conditions prevail.

Cost of Living.

The weekly cost of living in Bologna Province has been calculated at 2,844 Lire for a family composed of a husband, wife and 3 children. This compares favourably with the weekly cost of living for the month of June when 3,400 Lire were required for the same type of family. The principal reason for this reduction is the fall in open market prices, which is general throughout the Region.

Strikes.

There was one strike in Ferrara during June, this lasted one day only. Numerous demonstrations and parades however were reported, but these were of an orderly nature, and as usual ended with the presentation of demands to the authorities through the C.I.L.

Camera del Lavoro.

After considerable observation it is now apparent that the Camera del Lavoro is without doubt the most corrupt organization of its kind in Italy. The Communists are using the C.D.L. as a cloak for their continuous interference in the affairs of nearly every other department. Notably in the subtle game of engineering the dismissal of certain non-Communist officials, and replacing them with officials chosen by the Communist party.

FLOYD E. THOMAS
Colonel, Infantry
Regional Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LABOR DIVISION
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10 July 1945

Subject : Transmittal of documents.

To : Labor Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

1. Enclosed herewith report on Regional Italian Advisory Committees and on the Establishment of Labor Offices.

2. It is hoped that all labor offices in the region will be completely organized in regard to personnel and functioning by the end of July.

Murray L. Schnee

MURRAY L. SCHNEE
Capt. Inf.
Regional Labor Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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LABOUR SUB-COMMISSION

IS/PM

REF. LSC/910

2 July 1945

SUBJECT: Regional Italian Joint Advisory Committees.

TO : Regional Commissioners
(for Attention Regional Labour Officer)

1. Will you please furnish the following information in respect of your Region and return one copy of this form to Labour Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

W. H. H. H.
Director
Labour Sub-Commission

Region EMILIA

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No. of Meetings of R.I.J.A.C. up to 30.6.45

Date of Each
MeetingBrief Summary of business considered and
Committees Recommendation

17 May '45 Wages in private industry. New
wage scale recommended for Bologna Prov.
for 3 categories of workers (unskilled, semi-
skilled & skilled) - 150 - 165 - 180.
21 June '45 - Liberation bonus clarified, public
wages discussed - June Indemnity - Agricultural
wage discussion hindered because of
question of Patti Colonici
wages discussed

1. Will you please furnish the following information in respect of your Region and return one copy of this form to Labour Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

W. H. H. H. H.
Director

Labour Sub-Commission

Region SMILIA

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No. of Meetings of B.L.I.L.L. up to 30.6.45

Date of Each Meeting

Brief Summary of business considered and Committee's Recommendation

17 May '45 Wages in private industry. New wage scale recommended for Bologna Prov. for 3 categories of workers (unskilled, semi-skilled & skilled) - 150 - 165 - 180.

21 June '45 - Libération bonus clarified, public wages discussed - June Indemnity - Agricultural wage discussion hindered because of question of Patti Colonici.

28 June '45 - Unemployment problem discussed. New work projects, return of machinery from North were recommended. Problem of transportation lack of coal & raw materials aised. Immediate outlook not encouraging.

Capt. M. L. Schner ^{Signed}
7 July '45 ^{Date.}

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LABOUR SUB-COMMISSION

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2 July 1945

REF : ISC/1105

SUBJECT : Establishment of Labour Offices

TO : Regional Commissioners
(For attention Regional Labour Officers)

1. Will you please furnish the following information in respect of your region and return one copy of this form to Labour Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

W. E. R. R. R.

Director
Labour Sub-Commission

1. EMILIA
Regional Labour Office BOLOGNA

1.

- (a) Address
(b) Name of Director
(c) Whether
(i) Sent forward to R. Italy
by arrangement with Rome
(ii) Engaged locally, if so, on
whose recommendation
(d) Date of opening
(e) Total number of staff

(a) Strada Maggiore 29. - Bologna
(b) Verenine Grazia
(c) (i)
(ii) Employed locally-recommended
by the C.I.N. Northern Italy.
8 May 45
(d) 25
(e) 25

2. Provincial Labour Office at Bologna?

- (a) Address
(b) Name of Director
(c) Whether
(i) Sent forward to R. Italy
by arrangement with Rome
(ii) Engaged locally, if so,
on whose recommendation
(d) Date of opening
(e) Total number of staff
(f) Whether subsidiary offices
opened in communes, if so,
state localities

(a) Strada Maggiore 29. - Bologna
(b) Leo Collina
(c) (i) Yes
(ii) -
(d) 7 June 45
(e) 26
(f) Lollano

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1. Will you please furnish the following information in respect of your region and return one copy of this form to Labour Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

W. F. Smith

W. F. SMITH
Director
Labour Sub-Commission

1. <u>REGIONAL Labour Office BOLOGNA</u>		1093
(a) Address	(a) Strada Maggiore 29 - Bologna	
(b) Name of Director	(b) Verenine Grazia	
(c) Whether	(c) (i) <u>---</u>	
(i) Sent forward to N. Italy		
by arrangement with Rome		
(ii) Engaged locally, if so, on	(ii) Employed locally-recommended	
whose recommendation	by the C.I.N. Northern Italy.	
(d) Date of opening	8 May '45	
(e) Total number of staff	25	
2. <u>Provincial Labour Office at Bologna</u>		
(a) Address	(a) Strada Maggiore 29 - Bologna	
(b) Name of Director	(b) Leo Collina	
(c) Whether	(c) (i) Yes	
(i) Sent forward to N. Italy		
by arrangement with Rome		
(ii) Engaged locally, if so,	(ii) <u>---</u>	
on whose recommendation		
(d) Date of opening	7 June '45	
(e) Total number of staff	26	
(f) Whether subsidiary offices	(f) Lollano	
opened in communes, if so,		
state localities		
3. <u>Provincial Labour Office at Ferrara</u>		
(a) Address	(a) Viale Cavour 45	
(b) Name of Director	(b) Tito Gentile	
(c) Whether	(c) (i) No	
(i) Sent forward to N. Italy		
by arrangement with Rome		
(ii) Engaged locally, if so,	(ii) Yes. Recommended by the	
on whose recommendation	C.I.N. Northern Italy.	
(d) Date of opening	15 June '45	
(e) Total number of staff	8	
(f) Whether subsidiary offices	(f) No	
opened in communes, if so,		
state localities		

4. Provincial Labour Office at Forli B.

(a) Address Piazza Saffi
 (b) Name of Director Giuseppe Ruffa
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

5. Provincial Labour Office at Ravenna 5.

(a) Address Piazza San Francesco
 (b) Name of Director Riccardo Migliozzi
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

6. Provincial Labour Office at Modena 6.

(a) Address Viale Rizzi 22
 (b) Name of Director Vincenzo Chiocci
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

7. Provincial Labour Office at Reggio E.

(a) Address Via Emilia a S. Stefano 41
 (b) Name of Director Giacomo Iari
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff

5. Provincial Labour Office at Ravenna 5.

state localities

(a) Address Piazza San Francesco
 (b) Name of Director Riccardo Migliorzi
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

6. Provincial Labour Office at Modena 6.

(a) Address Viale Rizzi, 22
 (b) Name of Director Vincenzo Chiocci
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

7. Provincial Labour Office at Reggio E.

(a) Address Via Emilia a. S. Stefano, 41
 (b) Name of Director Giacomo Lari
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

8. Provincial Labour Office at Parma 8.

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (1) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (11) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

(a) (a) Piezzale Verdi
 (b) Guido Belli
 (c) (1) No
 (11) Yes. Recommended by the
 Mayor of Parma, ...
 May 15, 1945
 (d) 20
 (e) Longhirano - Pidenza
 (f)

9. Provincial Labour Office at Piacenza

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (1) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (11) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

(a) Via della Croce 2
 (b) Carlo Granda
 (c) (1) No
 (11) Yes. Recommended by the
 Mayor of Northern Italy, ...
 18 June 1945
 (d) 8
 (e) No
 (f)

10. Provincial Labour Office at 10.

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (1) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (11) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

(a)
 (b)
 (c) (1)
 (11)
 (d)
 (e)
 (f)

11. Provincial Labour Office at 11.

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (1) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (11) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation

(a)
 (b)
 (c) (1)
 (11)
 (d)
 (e)
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on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

9. Provincial Labour Office at Piacenza

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

(a) Via della Croce. 2.
 (b) Carlo Granda
 (c) (i) No
 (ii) Yes. Recommended by the
 S. L. of Northern Italy.
 18 June 45
 (d) No
 (e) No
 (f) No

10. Provincial Labour Office at _____ 10.

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
 (e) Total number of staff
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 opened in communes, if so,
 state localities

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 (b)
 (c) (i)
 (ii)
 (d)
 (e)
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11. Provincial Labour Office at _____ 11.

(a) Address
 (b) Name of Director
 (c) Whether
 (i) Sent forward to N. Italy
 by arrangement with Rome
 (ii) Engaged locally, if so,
 on whose recommendation
 (d) Date of opening
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 (f) Whether subsidiary offices
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 (c) (i)
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4 June 1945

FILE

Reference: RIX/HQ/SD/R/6

Subject : Monthly Report

To : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Attn. Labor Sub-Commission)

Herewith the Monthly Report of the Labor Division, Emilia Region,
for the month of May, 1945.

For the Regional Commissioner:

H. H-S. HARTLEY

H. H-S. HARTLEY
Lieut Colonel
Deputy Regional Commissioner

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Labor Report for May

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

31 May 1945

MONTHLY LABOR REPORT--May 1945

I - Regional Office Administration.

The Regional Labor Office with premises at 29 Strada Maggiore is now in the process of being established. Dr. Grazia has been appointed as Director and Dr. Maturazzo as Vice Director. Ten positions have been filled thus far, with interviews proceeding for the purpose of finding suitable candidates for the remaining positions.

The present low public salary scale renders difficult the task of finding capable individuals for these positions. However, it is contemplated that recommendations will soon be submitted and approved, implementing Italian government laws in this region which provide for increases in public salaries and allowances. This will greatly facilitate the quest for suitable personnel for both the regional and the provincial labor offices.

A budget for the months of May and June has been submitted for the Regional labor office.

The arrival of Dr. Collina from Rome is awaited. He will receive consideration for the position of Provincial Labor Director, Bologna Province.

The former Ispettorato del Lavoro has been liquidated but a new one has not as yet been established to take its place.

II - Provincial Labor Offices.

A trip through the provinces is planned in a short time for the purpose of establishing provincial labor offices where they do not already exist. Directives have been prepared setting forth in full the duties, functions, powers, organizations, etc. of these offices for the guidance of the directors to be selected. The provincial labor office of Bologna will occupy the same building as the Regional Labor office for the time being.

III - Regional Summary.

a- The cost of living throughout the region is steadily rising and an upward adjustment of wages for workers of all categories is indicated to meet the situation. This is particularly true in the Province of Bologna, where prices have risen sharply in the past month, and the trend continues upward.

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The first general retreat from General Order #41 has already been approved with the establishment of a new private wage scale for Bologna Province. These rates have been set at L.150, L.165, and L.180 daily for three categories of workers (unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled, respectively) and include all indemnities and family allowances for a notional family of worker, wife and two children.

At a meeting held 29 May 1945, at which the prefect, the regional labor director, the vice director, representatives of industry and of the Camera del Lavoro, and the labor officer were present, these new rates were made known. The industrial representatives were in accord, but the Camera del Lavoro felt that these were not adequate to meet the present situation. In fact, they claimed, wages in private industry already exceed these figures, and to adhere to these newly established rates, would be retrogression. When informed about the provisions of General Order #41 which froze wages and prices at the April 3 level, and which rendered illegal any increases not specifically authorized, Mr. Malaguti, one of the Secretariat of the Camera del Lavoro, simply shrugged his shoulders and declared that the workers could not obtain the necessities of life in a rising market at salaries presently established and so increases were mandatory whether authorized or not. He was instructed that recommendations for upward adjustment of wages to meet the situation in various areas could be submitted for approval to the labor office, together with statistics and pertinent information justifying such recommendations. These would receive full consideration and if found just, would be approved by proper authority. Until specific approval was granted, however, no wage increases could be put into effect by unilateral action or from unauthorized sources. There the matter rested, but the problem was not solved.

The Camera del Lavoro in Bologna is aggressive in character and jealous of functions which it regards as its own, such as registration and placement of workers. It resents the advent of the labor offices. An article written by Dr. Maturazzo concerning the general duties and functions of the labor office was published in the local newspaper. The Camera reacted sharply, feeling that it was being deprived of its own rightful functions by the newly arrived "interloper."

Soon after the liberation of Bologna the prefect had authorized the Camera to take furniture, archives, records, typewriters, etc. which were located in the building used by the Germans as a colloca-mento office. These are now in its possession, and it will be very reluctant to relinquish them for the purposes of the Provincial labor office. It has already expressed strong opposition to any such contemplated measure.

b-Workers employed by Army units through the Civil Labor Unit are now receiving their base wage plus 50% of the cost of living bonus, but AMG employees have not received any cost of living bonus for the last two weeks of May. Neither the Regional Labor Office nor the Regional Finance Office has received authorization to pay any part of the cost of living bonus. This situation must be clarified. No. 1 District (British) and PBS (American) are expected to come into this area shortly. Local sub-committees will then be established to study the private wage situation in order to make necessary adjust-

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ments in the Armed Force wage scale in accordance with AFHQ Memorandum #25, 18 April 1945.

c-The social insurance agencies (Previdenza, Infortuni and Casa Mutua) have been informed that they will follow instructions from their central seats in Rome rather than from Milan.

d-There have been no new strikes reported, but the general labor situation is far from serene.

e-Scarcity of raw materials, fuel, coal, and transportation prevents many industries from operating at normal capacity, if they can operate at all, and gainful employment is greatly reduced as a result.

Statistics on the various subjects mentioned above will be submitted in a later report.

f-The report on North Italy made by the Director of the Labor Sub-Commission has been read with interest. The observations on the situation there coincide with those of the Labor officer.

With many industries hampered by a scarcity of raw materials, coal, etc., large scale work schemes should be prepared and put into effect at once, in order to reduce unemployment. The influx of refugees, ex-prisoners and repatriated workers into the region aggravates the unemployment situation.

There has been no agitation for the payment of a liberation bonus in Bologna, though one query was received based on an article published in the Milan newspapers, concerning the bonus

IV- Summary

In brief these are the salient points:

- 1-The cost of living in the region is continually rising.
- 2-Wages in private industry have been increased, and continue to increase despite General Order #41.
- 3-Public employees must also be favored by wage increases.
- 4-Industries must obtain necessary raw materials coal, etc. if they are to function and reduce unemployment. This is a serious problem.
- 5-The presence of the active CLN and the aggressiveness of the Camera del Lavoro make for an uneasy labor situation in general which will be difficult to control without the willing cooperation of all elements (Italian and Allied) concerned to solve the weighty problems at hand. It remains to be seen whether the spirit of collaboration is sufficiently strong to surmount the difficulties.

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5th ARMY

27 April, 1945

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To : Senior Labor Officer
AMG - 5th ARMY

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CHART No. 1	PAY IN LIRE		Private Industry	Statat	German Army & MODT	Port & Airs under other work
OCCUPATION	GROUP 1	GROUP 2				
Highly skilled (operat spec.)	114.05	103.45	96.33		(Capo Squadra	none
Skilled labor (qualificat)	106.05	95.85	?		171.05	
Helpers						
(man. speciali)	98.85	89.05	88.16		131.05	?
MANOVALLI	95.65	86.25	91.00		131.05	87.05
+Women 1st Grade	77.35	68.35			non-employed-on record	
+Women 2nd Grade	73.35	64.35	34.4		Non on record	
Vice prefect Grade V			231			
Office Manager			178			
Section Chief			143			
Chf Engineer-Province			280			
Doctors			128			
Sanitary Assts			94.4			
Nurses-MAP			87.1			
Steno++			127			
Typist ++			78			
Clerk-male			94			
Bookkeeper			112			
Engineer-Civil			156			
Tax Collector			90			
City Police			103			
Police Brigadiere			110			
Police Vice Brig.			105.50			

+ Female-3 Children
++ Single Female

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The following items were furnished to employees of the German Army working on the road and fortifications under fire or in danger of being under fire:

DAILY RATION:

Flour: 400 gr
Ration: 450 gr

WEEKLY RATION

BUTTER SUBSTITUTES: 20 gr
JAM 20 gr
CHOCOLATE 20 gr
SALT 7 gr
SUGAR 10 gr
CIGARETTE SUBSTITUTES 10 gr
FRESH MEAT 150 gr

4. CIGARETTES PER DAY

It is reported that in the Bologna area the actual issue was spotty, flour being issued regularly and cigarettes faithfully. The other items were more often not available. In Modena salt and cigarettes only were given.

(Source of Information: Lt. Col. LUDWIG - German Army (in Corps, captured, by Lt. Centilli and two workers, in Modena)

5. COST OF LIVING

Following is a schedule showing both legal and Black Market prices of the food commodities available in each Province.

Generally the cost of living seems to be below that of Italy south of the line on 1 April, however food is becoming less plentiful day by day which will increase cost in Black Market.

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FOOD PRICES IN LIRE

COMMODITY	UNIT	BOLOGNA			MODENA		
		RATION	PRICE		RATION		
			LEGAL B.M.				
read	Kilo	150 gr 350 HW	6	30	250 gr 450 HW		
asta	"	None	None	50	130 gr		
ll	Litre	None	None	1100	3 Litres in 8 mos		
atter	Kilo	None	None	1200	None in 4 mos.		
ard	"	None	None	None	100 gr in Dec.		
omato Paste	"	100 gr for winter	30	200	300 gr in 6 mos		
eeese	"	None	None	None	1 Kilo in 6 mos.		
elt	"	200 gr for winter	36	400	None		
agar	"	None	None	750	250 gr per mo for old sick & children		
armalede	"	None	None	300	170 gr per mo for old sick & child.		
eat-Fresh	"	None	36	400	100gr wk		
egg	Each	FREE MARKET	23-30		2 in last 6 mos		
ine	Litre	FREE MARKET	28-56		FREE MARKET	12.50	
atoes	Kilo	FREE MARKET	7 --		None	FREE MARKET	
vegetables	Kilo	" " "	50-70		" "		
reens	"	" " "	70		" "		
ilk	Litre	" " "	30		None		
pples	Kilo	" " "	50-70		None		
irewood	Quintal	" " "	500		8 Cu. per Family for winter		
arcoal	"	UNKNOWN			FREE MARKET		
Soap	Kilo Fresh	None	300		145 gr when available		
Rental Av. Fan. Yearly	--	2500			XXXX	X X X X	
Light-Average Monthly	--	50			X X X X	X X X X	
Shoes-Working man pair	--				1pr per year		
Candles					5 per mo.		

FOOD PRICES IN LIRE

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RATION		PRICE		RATION		PRICE	
		LEGAL	B.M.			LEGAL	B.M.
150 gr		6	30	250 gr			
350 HW				450 HW		2.40	15-20
None	None	None	50	130 gr		3.80	20-25
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for winter	30		200	100 gr in		29.	600
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for winter	36		400	6 Mos			
None	None	None	750	1 Kilo in		30	300
None	None	None	300	6 Mos.			
None	56		400	None		32	400
FREE MARKET 23-30				250 gr per mo			
FREE MARKET 28-56				for old sick & children	32.40		700
FREE MARKET 7 --				170 gr per mo			
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" " " 30				2 in last 6 mos	10		11
" " " 50-70				FREE MARKET 12.50-30			
" " " 600				None FREE MARKET 6-----			
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				" " 15-20			
				None			
				None			
				8 cu.per family for			
				winter	148		600
				FREE MARKET 750			
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				available	40		300
Early -- 2500				XXXXX	XX XX XX XX XX XX		
Monthly -- 50				XX XX XX XX XX XX XX XX XX			
Pair --				1 pr per year	200		450
				5 per mo.	6		25

Item	Unit	FREE MARKET 23-30	FREE MARKET 28-56	FREE MARKET 12.50
Wine	Litre	FREE MARKET 28-56		
potatoes	Kilo	FREE MARKET 7 --		
vegetables	Kilo	" " " 50-70		
beans	"	" " " 70		
milk	Litre	" " " 30		
apples	Kilo	" " " 50-70		
firewood	Quintal	" " " 600		8 cu. per Family for winter
lumber	"	UNKNOWN		FREE MARKET

Item	Unit	Free	None	100	125 or when available	40
Rental Av. Fam.	Yearly	--	2500		XXXXX	X X X X
Light-Average	Monthly	--	50		X X X X	X X X
Shoes-Working man pair	--				1 pr per year	20
Candles					5 per mo.	6

KEY: B.M. ::: Black Market
 HW ::: Heavy Workers

Note: On Sept. 1, 1944 each person in Modena Province received 1 1/2 quintals of Flour at 160 Lire per quintal. 1 years ration for home parts.

SEE NEXT SHEET
 FOR PROV of MANTOVA

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Province of Mantova Feed Prices in Lire

Commodity	Unit	Legal Price	Black Market Price	Ration
Bread	Kilo	4. to 5.	None	Daily Normal 200 gr. Heavy Worker 250 gr. Very H Worker 325 gr. 3 kilo a month
Pasta	Kilo	4.50	None	
Oil	Litre	25.	500-600	New ration/pt/200/gr in a month (enough)
Butter	Kilo	70.	600.	100 gr. in 10 months 150 gr. per mo.
Lard	"	30	600	Choice of this or butter. Amt. same.
Tomato Paste	Kilo	50.	150	50 gr. for 3 Mos.
Cheese-hard	"	40	400.	50 Gr. a Mo.
Cheese cream	"	40.	150.	100 grs. Mo.
Salt	"	1.4	500.	New ration 300gr. mo. (now enough)
Sugar	"	24.	300	250 grs. a mos. for old, sick & children.
Meat, fresh	"	50.	150.	150 gr. week
Wine	Litre	25.	50.	none for 3 mos. New 4 litres a month
Potatoes	Kilo	none	15.	None 100 gr
Greens	"	30.	free mkt	none
Milk	Litre	5.	"	" 1/4 litre a day to old sick and children
Beans	kilo	40.	Free mkt	free mkt.
Salami	"	80-120	500	30 grs. a Week

4. RECOMMENDATIONS ON ARMED FORCE WAGE RATES.

It is recommended that one-third of the Carevita be added to the basic armed force wage rate and that such rate be published as a standard rate for northern Italy. This would produce a rate of 105 Lire per 8 hour day for Common Labor.

It is further recommended that the system of bonuses such as Carevita and carapane be abandoned and that a new rate be authorized and published increasing the current basic rate by 20 Lire. It is further recommended that consideration be given to the suggested revision contained in the attached letter.

TODR and the German army are no longer a factor in the labor market. Wages paid by them under hazardous conditions should no longer cause us to pay like wages under peaceful conditions.

It is believed that the Army must offer some premium in order to attract workers to temporary employment.


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Labor Division

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REPORT ON ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT DURING
THE MONTH OF MAY 1945 BY THE REGIONAL
LABOUR OFFICE EMILIA-ROMAGNA

1. On 10 May 1945, according to Regional Order n.28 issued by A.M.G., the Regional Labour Office for Emilia-Romagna region has been established.
2. Following designation of Regional Liberation Committee Mr. Verenine Grazia has been appointed Director of the Regional Labour Office by the Allied Regional Commissioner.
3. Since the day of its establishment the Office is located in the premises of the ex Unione degli Agricoltori. Though this building has been slightly damaged by bombs the premises are in good conditions but there is a lack of furniture and office equipment, particularly typewriters. Infact the Regional Labour Office has only three typewriters of which only one is in good condition.
 The Provincial Labour Office of Bologna will have to be soon established and it will be very hard to equip the Office with typewriters and furniture. However the direction of the Regional Labour Office will do its best in order to have the Labour Offices functioning properly.
4. On 22 May the Allied Commission and Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Labour sent Dr. Matarazzo Arnaldo here as General Secretary of the Regional Labour Office.
5. During the last ten days of May the internal organization of the Regional Labour Office has been completed. New personnel has been employed according to the necessities of the Office.
 Written instructions have been prepared on the nature, organization and functions of the Labour Offices. These instructions will be sent to the attached Labour Offices of the Region.
 Operational funds have been requested.
6. First meetings with local authorities and workers' Association have taken place.
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7. Owing to the lack of data, it is impossible to give exact information on the economic and unemployment situation of the Region.

However the Province of Bologna is the most devastated by war. Air raids and the establishment of the war front for over six months in the Bologna area have caused the destruction of many towns. The great number of mines laid by the Germans have rendered entire areas inhabitable.

Almost all the factories are inoperative owing to the lack of raw materials and to the fact that many factories are occupied by Allied troops.

8. Since many workers are actually employed for the re-activation and repair of roads and railways unemployment is not so widespread as believed. But if in the near future factories will still be inoperative there is going to be plenty unemployment.

This Office is not in the possibility however to handle the unemployment question because the Employment Office has not been established yet.

9. The Regional Labour Office has asked the Allies to be interested in the reactivation of the factories in the Bologna Province.

10. Owing to the arrival of the Allied troops as well as to the lack of the bare necessities of life prices have increased notably and therefore the freezing of wages is not in harmony with the situation anymore.

The rising of prices and the inadequate wages have promoted agitations in some categories of workers.

The Regional Labour Office has succeeded in avoiding a strike and in calling a meeting with the intervention of A.M.G., Camera del Lavoro, Employers representatives. The aforementioned have decided to increase wages in the following amount:

non-skilled workers	L. 150 per day	1082
semi-skilled workers	L. 165 per day	
skilled workers	L. 180 per day.	

The above amounts refer to a family composed of mother, father and two children as per Allied Commission's order. This has not satisfied the single worker who would have been content if wages were fixed for the single worker. The same employers agree on this point.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR
/s/ V. GRAZIA

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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15 June 1945

Subject : Monthly Report of Ufficio Regionale Del Lavoro.

To : Labor Sub-Commission , ALLIED COMMISSION.

1. Submitted herewith is the May report of the Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro.

Robert M. Albright

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Major, AUS
Labor officer.

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MINISTERO INDUSTRIA, COMMERCIO E LAVORO

**UFFICIO REGIONALE DEL LAVORO
BOLOGNA**

Bologna, 5 Maggio 1949
Strada Maggiore 10 - Tel.

AL GOVERNO MILITARE
MILITATO-SUBSISTENZIALE
REGIONALE DEL LAVORO
IN SEDE

Ufficio: DIREZIONE
Prot. 97 Alleg. N. I
Risposta al foglio N. 11
del 11/5/49

OGGETTO: Relazione mese di maggio 1949.

Si invia la relazione sull'attività svolta durante il mese di maggio 1949 da questo Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro.

IL DIRETTORE REGIONALE
(V. Grazia)

Si prega citare nella risposta Ufficio e N. protocollo.

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RELAZIONE SULL'ATTIVITA' SVOLTA DURANTE IL CORSO DI LAVORO 1945 DALL'UFFICIO REGIONALE DEL LATOPO PER L'EMILIA-ROMAGNA.

- 1) - In data 10 maggio 1949, sulla base dell'Ordine Regionale N.28 del Comando Militare Allentato, è stato istituito l'Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro per l'Emilia-Romagna.
- 2) - Nominato il Direttore dietro designazione del Comitato Regionale di Liberazione Nazionale, la parte del Commissario Regionale Allentato, nella persona del sig. Verina Pravia, segretario del partito C.R.I.M., questi ha proceduto ad una prima scelta di locali e adatti collaboratori per l'ufficio dell'attività dell'ufficio.
- 3) - Dopo aver visto, inoltre, dal giorno della costituzione, l'ufficio si è locato nella ex sede dell'Unione degli Agricoltori. Quest'ufficio in sede sia in un palazzo per una piccola parte amministrato, ed è sufficiente in buono stato, che con un inventario di mobili e arredi sufficienti alle necessità dell'ufficio. In proposito occorre rilevare che all'atto della liberazione, tutto il materiale appartenente alla locale organizzazione provinciale fascista è stato preso in consegna dalla locale Intendenza di Finanze e che, purtroppo, al momento della costituzione dell'Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro non sono stati rimossi, per la distribuzione di più avvenute e data veri e propri del Comando Allentato, e disposizione dell'Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro.
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- Tale decisione si è verificata nel momento della costituzione del Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro, che ha consentito di cui soltanto una in buona condizione. Aggiungasi che, dovendosi procedere quanto prima alla costituzione dell'Ufficio Provinciale del Lavoro di Bologna, si nota che attualmente la situazione mobili e macchine in possesso degli uffici del lavoro è stata fornita per la costituzione.

2) - Comitato il Direttore dietro insistenza del Comitato Regionale di Libertariano Nazionale, in parte del Comitato Reconsolidamento, della persona del sig. Verina Pravia, segretario del citato C.R.N.I., questi ha procurato ad una prima audizione pochi e eletti collaboratori per l'istituzione dell'attività dell'istituto.

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zione dell'Ufficio nazionale del lavoro.
Delle difficoltà che si presentano nell'attuazione delle
re. L'Ufficio Nazionale del lavoro presiede, inoltre, alle
tutto che malgrado le difficoltà che si presentano nel
dell'Ufficio Nazionale del lavoro, si nota che attualmente
tutto che malgrado le difficoltà che si presentano nel
lavoro sono state prese alcune decisioni.

L'interdittato a'stelle parte delle diavole e all'ultimo Re monale
del lavoro di ovviare nel migliore dei modi si lamentato il loro mento
e io ci manteneva un'azione misero più possibile per far che si opere

toro per l'Ente-Comune.

- 2) - Nominato il Direttore dietro designazione del Comitato Regionale di
Libera Università ~~Libera Università~~ Libera Università, da parte del Comitato
 di Re della Alleanza, nella persona del sig. Veronica Veronica, Veronica
 del Citato C.H.L., questi ha proceduto ad una prima scelta di posti
 e adetti collaboratori per l'ufficio dell'attività dell'ufficio.
- 3) - Presi subito, inoltre, del giorno della Costituzione, l'ufficio si è la-
 cato nelle ex sede dell'Unione degli Agronomi. Quantunque la sede
 sia in un palazzo per una piccola parte rinviata, gli ambienti sono
 in buono stato, ma con un quantitativo di mobili non a sufficienza
 alle necessità dell'ufficio. In proposito occorre rilevare che all'atto
 della liberazione, tutto il materiale su parte parte delle disposte orga-
 nizzazioni fasciste è stato preso in consegna dalla locale Intendenza
 di Finanze e che, purtroppo, al momento della costituzione dell'ufficio
 ciò legione del lavoro del poco se era rimasto, per la distruzione
 di più avvenuta e altri vari e uffici del Comandato Alleanza, e dispo-
 sizione dell'ufficio razionale del lavoro.

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Tale decisione si è ritenuta per la natura delle attività da svol-
 gere. L'ufficio Razionale del lavoro pensava, infatti, allo stato, sol-
 tanto tre macchine da scrivere di cui soltanto una in buona condizione.
 Aggiungendo che, dovendosi procedere quanto prima alla organizzazione
 dell'ufficio Provinciale del lavoro in Bologna, si poterà che attual-
 mente la situazione mobiliare e materiale di cui si parla negli uffici del
 lavoro è stata ridotta proporzionalmente.

L'intenzione è l'altro parte della Direzione dell'ufficio Razionale
 del lavoro di ovviare nel migliore dei modi al lamentato inconveniente
 e di si ripromette un'unione quanto più possibile rapida che al punto

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Si è proceduto, a mezzo di un primo comitato - sempre a cura una
breve illustrazione degli Usi del Lavoro, e così, dopo per di
fatto si non essere ancora ben conosciuto nelle organizzazioni, inco-
ndare *le* costituite da parte di rappresentanti dei lavoratori.
Di si essere che con questa opera e con quello fatto a fianco a

- 4) - Il giorno 22 nel 1910, inviavo delle Commissioni Allende e del Ministero Industria, Commercio e Lavoro è giunto in sede il Dr. Arnaldo Magarino che ha sempre e invariabilmente la carica di segretario generale dell'Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro.
- 5) - Nell'ultimo decennio di cui io mi occupavo l'azione letteraria dell'Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro: si è orientata verso l'esaminazione di nuove perenni per la costituzione dei nuclei dell'ufficio, e questa cosa, nell'ambito dell'ufficio, veniva previsto, sarà ultimata entro meno che si possa fermare la necessità di lavoro e di sviluppo dell'attività dell'ufficio stesso.
- Sono state preparate, inoltre, istruzioni scritte, il più possibile esaurienti, sulle norme, l'organizzazione e il lavoro durante negli uffici del Lavoro.
- Queste istruzioni saranno trasmesse ai funzionari della del Lavoro della Regione via via che escono o sostituirli, come con gli altri dirigenti. Sul corso del corso non è da seguire.
- Si è proceduto inoltre a richiedere uno stabilimento di lavoro in spese di primo impianto, per spese di cancelleria e per altre esigenze di primo impianto, per spese di cancelleria e per altre esigenze di primo impianto.
- 6) - Sono state prese i primi contatti con le Autorità locali e con le associazioni dei lavoratori.
- Si è proceduto, a meno di un primo sommario - stampa a loro una breve illustrazione degli uffici del Lavoro, i quali, forse per il fatto di non essere ancora ben conosciuti dalle maggiori del, hanno avuto qualche ostilità da parte di rappresentanti dei lavoratori. Ci si sapeva che con buona opera e con debito fatto di ricerca e per si che la parte interessata, lavoratori e datori di lavoro, trovino nei nostri uffici quello che la istituzione di essi si premeva esser sieno: degli uffici ingovernabili i quali, ed in sopra delle persone di parte quelli, e con realistica visione delle cose, contribu-

scopo, al raggiungimento dell'accordo nell'interesse personale di tutto e in quello generale della ricostruzione, dell'economia, delle rinascite del Paese.

7) - Sulla situazione economica e delle disoccupazione della regione non è possibile, per mancanza degli elementi necessari, fornire che informazioni di carattere generale. Mancano ancora i contatti con la altre provincia e si opera di poterli stabilire al più presto; manca allo stesso Ufficio Regionale l'attrezzatura necessaria e sufficiente allo scopo essendo ancora agli inizi del suo funzionamento.

In linea generale si può senz'altro dire che la provincia di Bologna è quella che risulta maggiormente provata dalle azioni. I bombardamenti aerei e la stabilizzazione del fronte, per oltre sei mesi, hanno creato gravi danni alla abitazioni rurali, e interi villaggi. Agriguglia, a ciò, in numero grandissimo di anni (presentava la fedeltà) che hanno reso insostituibili e irrecuperabili in un intero, prima fortissima.

Anche le industrie sono state tutte ineluttabilmente, molte per la totale distruzione, altre per l'assoluta mancanza di materie prime ¹⁹⁴² e per il riattamento e il conseguente smarrimento di esso, l'altro parzialmente temporaneamente occupate da reparti di truppe alleate.

8) - Dato che molte industrie sono attualmente assorbiti da lavori di manutenzione di strade e ferrovie, la disoccupazione, in qualunque modo, non si può eliminare sia gravemente preoccupante. Ora, però, non si dovesse provvedere al più presto alla ripresa in efficienza delle industrie, molti lavoratori si troverebbero, in un prossimo futuro, nell'impossibilità di procurarsi il indispensabile per il sostentamento.

Questo ufficio non è ancora in grado, comunque, di potere avere il polso della situazione nel campo delle disoccupazione non es-

9) - L'Ufficio è già intervenuto presso gli alleati affinché meglio prestino il loro interessamento alla riattivazione di alcune industrie delle provincie di Bologna e altre pratiche sono in corso.

10) - Il costo della vita, con l'aumento delle tabelle Alleate per la mancata di generati prima necessità, ha subito un notevole rialzo e quindi il blocco dei salari non consente a chi vive di solo lavoro normale di potersi procurare il necessario per vivere in modo pressoché bastevole.

Tale rialzo del costo della vita, e la conseguente insufficienza dei salari, ha provocato una certa agitazione in alcune categorie del lavoratore. L'Ufficio Nazionale del Lavoro è riuscito ad evitare una sospensione del lavoro che si profilava e a indurre una riunione con l'intervento del Prefetto reggente delle Provincie, del rappresentante del movimento militare Alleato, della Camera del Lavoro, dei rappresentanti dei datori di lavoro. Con l'accordo delle parti intervenute si è deciso di apporre un aumento ai salari giornalieri la cui misura, preventivamente approvata dalle autorità Alleate centrali in Roma, è stata letta dal ministro delle seguenti cifre:

operai non specializzati....." 150=
operai semi-specializzati....." 155=
operai specializzati....." 180=

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Esse cifre, per disposizione della Commissione Alleata, sono riferite ad una famiglia di padre, madre e due figli, come ipotesi che, per il vero, non ha soddisfatto i lavoratori e neppure che i salari venissero stabiliti per il lavoratore singolo; indipendentemente quindi dal numero dei figli per i quali sarebbe più consono parlare di esenzioni di famiglia e parte del salario in sé stesso. E in cui sono stati trovati consenzienti gli stessi rappresentanti dei datori di lavoro.

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- 11- Con l'entrante mese di giugno l'Ufficio del Lavoro provvederà all'adempimento dell'effettivo costo della vita sulla base dell'intervento con alcuni dati di fatto nella divergenza che dovessero eventualmente presentarsi in futuro tra lavoratori e datori di lavoro.

IL DIRETTORE REGIONALE

(V. Grezia)

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BOLOGNA

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EXTRACT

Ref : C/BOL/LO/P/5
Subject : Monthly Report for September 1945
Liaison Officer, Bologna
To : HQ Allied Commission
Commander, 217 Area.

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Labour.

The unemployment problem increased during the month and is a source of danger. Some of the figures given are Ravenna Province 15,000, Modena Province 20,000 to 25,000, Bologna Province 52,000, Ferli Province 30,000.

In Ferrara there has been wild talk of blowing up factories occupied by Allied troops. Efforts are being made to get such places de-requisitioned.

Finance.

Banks still have an excess of deposits over withdrawals. There is no doubt that the public is fast losing confidence in the lire. Prices for manufactured goods are fantastic, and farmers particularly are reverting to barter, their complaint being that they cannot buy anything for the crops they grow and sell at controlled prices.

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T.W.J. WALTERS.
Lieut. Colonel
Liaison Officer.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
LIAISON OFFICE
BOLOGNA

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Ref: Ref : AC/BOL/LO/R/5
Subject : Monthly Report for August 1945,
To : H.Q. Allied Commission
Commander, 217 Area.

E X T R A C T

Labour.

Unemployment is still a problem; at the moment not a serious one but it will become increasingly serious due to farm work decreasing, more labourers returning from Germany, lack of coal for industry and the fact that employers will not be continuing to pay employees who are not working after 30 Sept.

Finance.

Banks still report an excess of deposits over withdrawals; ample funds are available for investment.

The response to the National Loan has been very good.

The financial operations of the Post Office remain about the same.

T.W.J. WALTERS
Lieut. Colonel,
Liaison Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LABOR DIVISION
APO 394

20 July 1945

Subject : Weekly Report - July 13 to 19.

To : Deputy Regional Commissioner.

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3. 6 Industrial and bank contracts in the provinces of Modena, Ferrara and Parma have been approved by this office during the week.

4. All Previdenza offices are being notified to prepare for operation of Cassa Integrazione in accordance with Milan wage agreement.

5. Statistics on cost of living throughout the region are now being examined by the Regional Labor Office to determine the differential in the Milan agreement to be applied in the various provinces.

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7. The full cost of living bonus, for Allied Force workers (75 lire) has been approved by District #2 which covers the provinces of Parma and Piacenza in this region. District #1, under which fall the remaining provinces of the region, have not as yet increased the cost of living bonus above 50 lire, but it is likely that it too, will shortly follow the lead of #2 District.

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Labor Sub-Commission

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MURRAY L. SCHNEE
Capt. Inf.
Regional Labor Officer.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 334

11 July 1945

SECRETSUBJECT: Monthly report for June 1945
EMILIA REGIONTO : HQ Allied Commission
USCIB 15th Army Group
ASG 5th Army
R. C. Venetia RegionR. C. Lombardy Region
R. C. Piedmont Region
R. C. Liguria Region
SCAC Venezia GiuliaPART IIVINAYONA

17. a. Nearly all banks report an excess of deposits over withdrawals.
b. Currency movements during the month of June were:

30,000,000 lire transferred from Banca d'Italia Torino to Banca
28,000,000 " " Banca d'Italia Bologna to Banca

18. The Bank of Italy, Torino, stated that 128,000,000 lire previously held as reserve for the North, has now been transferred to Venetia Region.

EMPLOYMENT CONTROL

39. An additional list of 21 provinces belonging to British nationals was received from the Intendente di Finanza, Bologna Province. This makes an up-to-date total of 632 apprehended prostitution, and the blocked accounts of various types in Emilia Region.

LABOR

39. Labor Offices are now established in all provinces.

40. Unemployment - Unemployment is widespread throughout the Region, and the estimated numbers in four of the Provinces are as follows:

Torino	-	35,000
Parma	40	80,000
Reggio	30	35,000
Piacenza	-	15,000
Modena	-	20,000
Solo	70	181,000
Parma	-	18,000
Modena	-	15,000

41. Wages and cost of living - In Bologna Province, industrial wages increases are based on the 186,181,196 levels approved in the first annual increase recommended by the Regional Italian Joint Advisory Committee. Regional approval has also been given to all Provincial Commissioners to approve without Regional clearance any agreements which do not exceed 180,185,100 lire including family allowance of 15.40 lire for a notional family of husband and wife with two

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17. a. Nearly all banks report an excess of deposits over withdrawals.
 b. Currency movements during the month of June were:

30,000,000 lire transferred from Banca d'Italia to Banca di Ravenna
 25,000,000 " " Banca d'Italia Bologna to Banca

18. The Bank of Italy, Forlì, stated that 100,000,000 lire previously held as reserves for the month, has now been transferred to Venetian Region.

PROPERTY CONTROL

38. An additional list of 21 properties belonging to British Nationals was received from the Intendenza di Finanza, Bologna Province. This makes an up-to-date total of 555 sequestered properties, and 54 blocked accounts of various types in Emilia Region.

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World	-	-	35,000
Bologna	-	40	10,000
Ravenna	-	50	25,000
Parma	-	-	10,000
Modena	-	70	20,000
	-	-	100,000
	-	-	15,000
	-	-	15,000

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42. Strikes - Demonstrations in the form of pickets and short work stoppages have been frequent, in nearly all provinces, but no actual strikes occurred during the month.

43. Camera del Lavoro - In some instances the Camera del Lavoro have shown themselves not averse to spontaneous agitation and instigating demonstrations.

/s/ Mervin E. Thomas
 Colonel, Inf.
 Regional Commissioner

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LABOR DIVISION
APO 394

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8 July 1945

Subject : Regional Labor Office Report (Italian).
To : Labor Sub-Commission

1. Forwarded herewith is monthly report for June 1945
of the Emilia Ufficio Regionale Del Lavoro.

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Capt. Inf.
Regional Labor Officer

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REGIONAL LABOUR OFFICE

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Bologna, 7/6/1945

Serv. Secretariat
Social Ass.To the MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY,
COMMERCE AND LABOUR

- Direction General of Labour -

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R O M E
Via Lucullo, 10SUBJECT: SOCIAL ASSISTANCE AND INSURANCE.

This Regional Labour Office is in possession of a copy of circular letter N° 16 of the Ministry - Prot. N° 496/117/ of 9/12/44 - on the above subject.

It is thought convenient, furthermore, to describe the situation existing in Bologna Province.

In a meeting held on 25 April 1945, the local Council of the Chamber of Labour authorized the re-opening of the "Social Assistance and Insurance Office" of the dissolved "Confederazione (repubblicana) Generale del Lavoro, della Tecnica, delle Arti" giving them the old name of "Patronato Nazionale per l'Assistenza ai Lavoratori".

We are informed that this "Patronato" is functioning and that it comprises the following services:

- (a) Office for accidents and sicknesses arising out of work (for agricultural and industrial workers);
- (b) Family allowances (for agricultural and industrial workers);
- (c) Social assistance (all the benefits of social insurance: pensions, invalidity, old age, death, requests for birth and marriage premiums, sea-side & thermal (balneotermale) treatment and pre-hospital (pre-sanatoriale) treatment, tuberculosis, prothesis, etc.);
- (d) Mutual Assistance - assistance to employees - Various forms of assistance - Assistance to Workers abroad and Miscellaneous;
- (e) Factory assistance.

The above office is directed by Mr. Fetzmann Sintoni (his political precedents should be revised by the Authorities concerned), who has taken all administrative expenses on his own charge.

The expenses seem to be not too small, and at present the office staff, consisting of 20 officials and employees, have received an advance payment on the April salary, nothing for the month of May, and it is not known what they will receive at the end of the current month of June .

The said Mr. Sintoni has addressed himself to this office asking whether or not he is to be considered under the direct control or assisted anyway by this office and to clarify the position of the "Patronato nazionale Assistenza Lavoratori".

We ask, therefore, the Ministry to assist this office in determining the tasks of the "Assistenza for the Workers", as well in connection with the ^{referred} circular of the Ministry, as in connection with the situation actually existing in Bologna Province.

THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR:
(sgd.) V. Grazia.

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DEL COMMERCIO E DEL LAVORO

-Direzione generale del lavoro -

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OGGETTO : ASSISTENZA E PREVIDENZA SOCIALE -

Quest'ufficio regionale del lavoro è in possesso di una copia della circolare M. 16 di codesto Ministero con il numero di protocollo 490/117 in data 9 dicembre 1944, avente per oggetto : Assistenza e previdenza sociale .

Si ritiene opportuno, d'altra parte, prospettare la situazione in atto nella provincia di Bologna .

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Detto Patronato risulta essere in efficienza e suddiviso nei seguenti servizi :

- a) ufficio Infortunio e Malattie - Professionali (per agricoltori e industriali) ;
- b) Assegni familiari (per gli operai agricoli e industriali) ;
- c) Assistenza Sociale (tutte le prestazioni della Previdenza Sociale : pensioni, invalidità, vecchiaia, morte, domande di natalità, nuzialità, cure balneari, pre-sanatoriali, ricoveri tbc., protesi, ecc.) ;
- d) Assistenza Mutualistica - Assistenza Impiegati - Assistenza varia - Assistenza operai all'estero e varie ;
- e) Assistenza di fabbrica .

L'ufficio in argomento è di retto dal sig. FRITZMAN SINTORI (il cui passato politico sembra dovrà essere sottoposto

OGGETTO : ASSISTENZA E PREVIDENZA SOCIALE -

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- e) Assistenza di famiglia .

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Le spese risultano essere non poche e attualmente il personale dell'ufficio costituito di 20 tra funzionari e impiegati, ha ricevuto un acconto sullo stipendio del mese di aprile, ./.

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nulla per il mese di maggio e non si sa quanto riceverà alla fine del corrente mese di giugno .

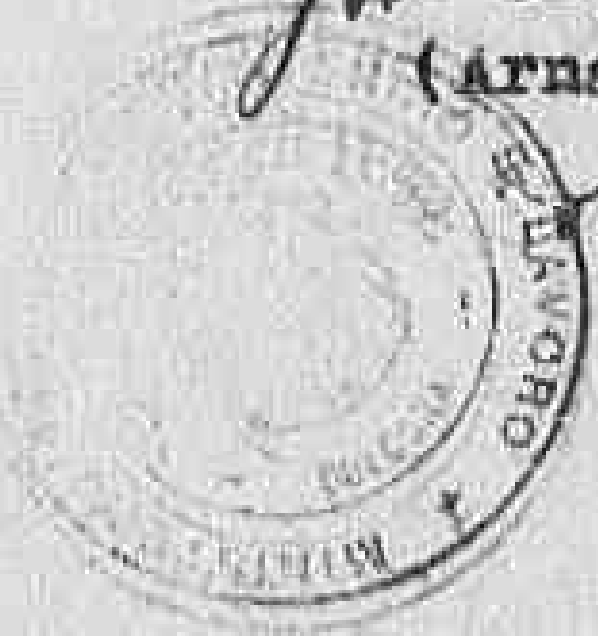
Il citato sig. Sintoni si è rivolto a quest'ufficio chiedendo se egli debba o pur meno considerarsi alle dirette nostre dipendenze e comunque di essere assistito e che venga chiarita la posizione del Patromato nazionale Assistenza Lavoratori .

Nel sottoporre a codesto Ministero tutto quanto sopra detto , si rivolge preghiera a che quest'ufficio sia messo in grado di inquadrare nei debiti limiti il problema dell'Assistenza Lavoratori , sia in relazione alla circolare di codesto Ministero, cui si è fatto riferimento, sia in relazione alla situazione di fatto esistente nella provincia di Bologna .

IL DIRETTORE REGIONALE
P.to v. grazia

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AL SEGRETARIO GENERALE
(Arnaldo Matarazzo)



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20 giugno 1945 *Att. B*

ALL'UFFICIO PROVINCIALE DI

BOLOGNA-FERRARA-FORLI-MODENA-
RAVENNA-REGGIO E.-PARMA-PIACENZA

DIREZIONE

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Allegato 1

OGGETTO: Uffici del Lavoro.

Dopo diversi scambi di idee con la Camera Confederale del Lavoro di Bologna, questo Ufficio Regionale del Lavoro è venuto nella determinazione, d'accordo con la predetta Camera del Lavoro, di fissare sulla carta alcuni punti chiarificatori della sfera di competenza sia degli Uffici del Lavoro che delle Camere del Lavoro.

Si stima opportuno mettere al corrente i dipendenti Uffici Provinciali del Lavoro di quanto sopra, trasmettendo, in allegato, copia della lettera inviata, sull'argomento, alla Camera del Lavoro di Bologna.

Tale copia di lettera potrà, eventualmente, agevolare l'attività degli U.P.L. nei rapporti che gli Uffici stessi debbono mantenere con le locali Camere del Lavoro.

IL DIRETTORE REGIONALE
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IL SEGRETARIO GENERALE

(A. Matarazzo)



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REGIONAL LABOUR OFFICE

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Bologna, 20 June 1945

Direction

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To the PROVINCIAL OFFICES of

Bologna-Ferrara-Forlì-Modena
Ravenna-Reggio-E. - Parma - Piacenza.

Subject: Labour Offices.

After some exchanges of views with the "Confederational Chamber of Labour" of Bologna, this Regional Labour Office has decided, in accordance with the aforesaid Chamber of Labour, to draw up some points for clarifying the tasks pertaining to the Labour Offices, as well as to the Chambers of Labour.

We deem it useful to inform all dependent Provincial Labour Offices of the foregoing, submitting herewith copy of the letter sent on this subject to the Bologna Chamber of Labour.

Such copy may be of assistance to the Provincial Labour Offices in carrying out and facilitate their relations with the local Chambers of Labour.

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THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR
(sgd.) V. Grazia.

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
AFG 394

File LSC/702

27 June, 1945

Subject: LABOR REPORTS, EMILIA REGION
TO : LABOR SUBCOMMISSION, AC HQ

1. In accordance with instructions at Milan conference, the following special reports are submitted herewith :
 - a) Minute of RIJAC
 - b) Organization of Ufficio del Lavoro
 - c) Report of wage adjustments (copy)
2. The Industry Division is compiling a special report on * socialization of Industry and worker-management committees. Labor Division has also requested information from each Province. A combined report will be made as soon as information is received.
3. Other information will be inclosed in monthly report for June.

Robert M. Allington

ROBERT M. ALBRIGHT

Major AUS.

REGIONAL LABOR OFFICER

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

27 June, 1945

Subject : Organization of Uffici del Lavoro, Emilia Region
TO : Labor Subcommittee, AC Hq

1. In Emilia Region the organization of the Regional Labor Office and Provincial Labor Offices in each of the eight Provinces has been completed. Names of Directors and Office addresses are given in the monthly report for June 1945.
2. For internal organization :
 - a) Budgets, as approved by Italian Ministry, have been established in conjunction with Intendente di Finanza and Provincial Finance Officers.
 - b) Organization plans prepared by Regional Office, have been given to each Provincial Director.
 - c) Conferences have been held with Prefects, and Camere del Lavoro and Unione Industriali to clarify position of Labor Offices.
 - d) The Director or General Secty of the Regional Labor Office has visited every Provincial Office to give instructions and assistance in the development of the offices.
3. Regional Italian Joint Advisory Councils have been recommended to Provincial Commissioners.
4. General Order No 28 has been published in every Province. General Order No 41 has been published except in Forlì and Ravenna which were south of the "economic line".

Robert M. Albright
ROBERT M. ALBRIGHT
Major AUS.
Regional Labor Officer

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

15 June 1945

Subject : Wage Increase Approvals.

To : Labor Sub-Commission
Allied Commission--APO 394.

1. Approvals of wage increases in Emilia Region since 1 May 1945 include agriculture increases in Ravenna, Parma, Reggio Emilia; a general industrial increase in Bologna; and a Regional increase of 50% of the Cost-of-Living Bonus for civilian employees of Allied Forces.

In accordance with LCS/116 of 4 May 1945, the following wage increase information is forwarded concerning these actions for your information:

2. Army Wage:

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LABOR DIVISION
APG 39 4

27 June 1945.

Subject : Minutes of June 21 meeting of R.I.J.A.C.

To : Labor Sub-Commission, Allied Commission Hq.

1. The Emilia Regional Italian Joint Advisory Committee held its third formal meeting in Bologna in the office of the Prefect on 21 June 1945 with the following members present:

Gianguido Borghese- Prefect and public representative.
Onorario Malaguta - Labor representative
ING. Alberto Maudente-Unione Industriale-Employer representative.
Regional Labor Director.
Robert M. Albright, major- Regional Labor Officer, AMG

2. Major Albright summarized the labor developments following previous meetings and stated that the purpose of this meeting was to take recommendations from Emilia RIJAC to the Milan Labor Conference.

3. In general discussion, the following points were made:

- a) Wage accords for private workers (166,181,196) were satisfactory to all parties concerned for the present time. Some questions of effective date, but most made retroactive to first of current month. "Spinelli law" (Republican Fascist wage increase from January 1945 made effective previously by a few employers) not to be given recognition now.
- b) Liberation Bonuses in accord with principle of CNL generally, upon but some difficulty in unblocking accounts.
- c) Public Salaries satisfactory for June with "angusto" payment, but further increase needs to be granted and affirmed before 1 July. Agreed that parity with South needed.
- d) Problem of workers receiving pay when no work available was presented by Unione Industriale. Major Albright explained proposed General Order 48.
- e) In Agriculture, there is great need for national settlement of the Patti coloniali. Daily wages are settled locally under CG 41 but under ruling of the Regional Agricultural Officer no change may be approved in the land tenancy contracts.

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4. In summarizing the wage situation the RIJAC asked to be reported to AMG as follows:

"The salary situation is temporarily generally satisfactory, but if supplies do not come in July and August the situation will become worse than before present salary adjustments. Without coal and gas and more food, the winter months present a most serious and dangerous situation.

Most important is the problem of jobs. Salaries are unimportant if there is no work. Industrial jobs are blocked by a) lack of transport and petrol

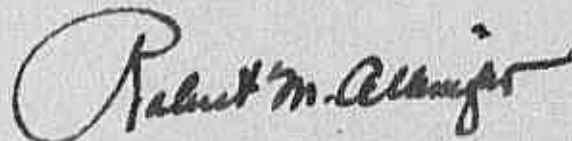
b) lack of gas and coal

c) lack of essential materials

d) occupation of plants by troops.

Local Committees are working on public works programs but national action needed. For example, rebuilding railways is about to be discontinued in Bologna by State railways and Allies (because of completion of basic lines and lack of materials) although much work needs to be done."

5. The Unione Industriale is planning a Regional meeting in Bologna on 15 July.



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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Reference: RDX/SE/R/1/11

23 June 1945

Subject : Monthly Report for May, for the Provinces of Bologna, Modena, Reggio-
Emilia, Parma and Piacenza.

To : S.C.A.O., Fifth Army AME

PART II

EXTRACT

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FINANCE

19. The following currency movements were effected in May from the Banca d'Italia in Bologna:

50,000,000 lire to Banca d'Italia, Parma
100,000,000 lire to Banca d'Italia, Piacenza
25,000,000 lire to Banca d'Italia, Reggio-Emilia

To meet these requirements, an additional 175,000,000 lire was transferred from AFA Headquarters.

20. All banks are now open for business and the deposits are considered satisfactory.

21. An attempt was made by the CLN to interfere with the procedure in regard to the blocked accounts, and the CLN were clearly told that they had no authority to issue orders to the banks.

22. All post offices are open for finance services.

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PROPERTY CONTROL

56. Seven Allied-owned commercial concerns have been taken under the protection of the Allied Military Government.

LABOR

57. Wages and Cost of Living - The cost of living throughout the Region is

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steadily rising, and an upward adjustment of wages for workers of all categories is indicated to meet the situation. This is particularly true in the province of Bologna, where prices have risen sharply in the past month, and the trend continues upward. The first general retreat from General Order No. 41 has already been approved with the establishment of the new private wage scale for Bologna Province. These rates have been set at L. 150, L. 165 and L. 180 daily for three categories of workers (unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled respectively) and include all indemnities and family allowances for a notional family of worker, wife and two children. The industrialists agree with this, but the Camera del Lavoro feels that even these rates are not adequate.

58. Workers employed by Army units through the Civil Labor Unit are now receiving their basic wage plus a 50 per-cent of the cost of living bonus.

59. Camera del Lavoro - the Camera del Lavoro in Bologna is aggressive in character and jealous of the functions which it regards as its own, such as registration and placement of workers. It resents the advent of the Labor offices.

60. Social Insurance - The Social Insurance agencies (Providenza, Infortuni, and Casa Mutua) have been informed that they are to follow instructions from their central seats in Rome, and not from Milan.

61. Strikes - There have been no new strikes reported, but the general labor situation is far from serene.

62. Raw Materials - Scarcity of raw materials, fuel, coal and transportation prevents many industries from operating at normal capacity, if at all, and gainful employment is greatly reduced as a result.

63. In general, the presence of active Committees of Liberation and the aggressiveness of the Camera Del Lavoro make for an uneasy labor situation, which will be difficult to control without the willing cooperation of all parties.

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/s/ Alfred C. Bowman
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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

15 June 1945

Subject : Wage Increase Approvals.

To : Labor Sub-Commission
Allied Commission--APO 394.

1. Approvals of wage increases in Emilia Region since 1 May 1945 include agriculture increases in Ravenna, Parma, Reggio Emilia; a general industrial increase in Bologna; and a regional increase of 50% of the Cost-of-Living Bonus for civilian employees of Allied Forces.

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MONTHLY REPORT FOR MAY 1945
Covering the Provinces of FORLI, RAVENNA and FERRARACopies to: HQ ALLIED COMMISSION
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HQ AMG EIGHTH ARMYRC AMG TOSCANA REGION
RC AMG VENEZIA REGION
C.G., No. 1 DISTRICTEXTRACTFINANCE

31. 75,000,000 lire were transferred during the month from the Banca d'Italia Bologna to the Banca d'Italia, Ferrara.

32. All banks in the Region are now open for business. While deposits are considered satisfactory, most of the Banks of Italy are deficit banks in that the payrolls of industry and agriculture are heavy, while proceeds from the sale of the products are deposited in the large northern centers.

33. The position of the CLN was clearly and unequivocally set forth to all banks of the Region. It was emphasized that the CLN had no authority in ordering the banks to follow any procedure regarding blocked accounts or any other banking matter. Any difficulty between the banks and the CLN is to be referred to the Regional Finance Officer for solution.

34. The question of converting foreign and Allied-issued occupation currencies brought into the area by refugees from internment camps in many countries is a serious one and deserves urgent consideration. The failure to convert this currency is already working grave hardships on the returning refugees and may give rise to speculative profiteering in these currencies.

35. All Post offices are open for finance services, payment of sussidi militari, pensions and wages, and for deposits in and withdrawals from savings accounts.

LABOR

75. No major difficulties occurred during the month. The cost of living in the Region is continually rising. Wages in private industry have been increasing and continue to increase. Before unemployment can be reduced, raw materials and coal must reach the industries.

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Regional CommissionerEC Distribution
Executive Commission
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HEAD QUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NO 394

15 June 1945

subject: sitrep 7-14 June 1945.

to : Deputy Regional Commissioner, Emilia region.

1. Army wages:

- a) Fifth Army approved the payment of 50% of the cost-of-living bonus. Payments may be made effective as of 1 June 1945. All provincial commissioners notified by wire on 14 June.
- b) Local wage committees will not be appointed by Fifth Army but local adjustment may be recommended for Fifth Army approval through Labor officer.

2. Private wages:

- a) Approval for private wage increases to 150-165-180 Lire previously given for Bologna made applicable generally throughout Bologna province.
- b) Agricultural wages for seasonal workers were agreed upon by Camera del Lavoro and agricultural employers in Parma, and accord approved by ALG on 11 June. Rates are 16 to 20 Lire per our, inclusive except for family allowances.
- c) Similar accord approved for Reggio Emilia.
- d) A request, somewhat higher for Bologna Province, is pending for lack of accord between parties. Regional Labor Office (Italian) is serving as mediator.
- e) No formal requests for wage increases received from any provinces except Parma and Bologna but many reports of local demands and unauthorized adjustments.

3. Industrial relations:

- a) One hour strike of public employees in Parma reported by Labor officer.
- b) Strike of public employees handling ration cards in Bologna City checked by Regional Labor officer.
- c) General unrest of public employees and increased demands on part of private workers. Delegations heard from Tobacco workers and state railways.

4. Labor office administration:

- a) Provincial Labor Offices organized in all Provinces except Piacenza and arrangements made for immediate appointment of a Director there. Budgets and organizational plans left with P.C. and discussions held with Prefect and Camera del Lavoro.
- b) Regional Labor office in Bologna functioning fully and Director has conferred with labor offices and labor leaders in 6 other Provinces in the region.

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5. Policy developments:

Policy statements (attached) have been issued from
AO/Italian Government on
a) Surplus workers
b) Liberation Bonus.

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Labor Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

2 June 1945

Subject : Labor Report for week ending 2 June 1945

To : Deputy Regional Commissioner.

1. Fifth Army is still awaiting a signal from A.M.G. permitting the payment of a cost of living bonus for employees of the Armed Forces (including A.M.G. employees). This is expected momentarily according to information received by phone from A.D.L. 5th Army. The Civil Labor Unit in Bologna is paying 50% of the cost of living bonus. This has been sanctioned verbally by #1 District. A.M.G. employees received no cost of living bonus for the last 2 weeks of May. It is hoped that A.M.G. will act promptly in this matter.

2. The liberation bonus payment was a private agreement made between the C.I.N. and the industrialists whereby workers were to receive an indemnity ranging from L. 1500 to L. 5000 determined by their family status. An article in the Milan newspapers stated that this bonus liberation was being paid there. Workers in Bologna desire similar treatment. Labor Sub-Commission frown upon the payment of this bonus as it will aggravate conditions already inflationary in nature. A telegram received on June 2 states that the extent and scope of bonus payments and methods of payment are not clearly defined as yet. It is proposed to join the Italian Government and C.I.N. with A.M.G. in an attempt to regulate payment of the bonus to prescribed classes of workers in Northern Italy. Until such time, however, such payments cannot be officially authorized, even though in some cases they are being paid in fact.

3. Public employee salaries are at the same low level and will remain so until Provincial Commissioners make recommendations to implement Italian laws in this region which provide for pay increases.

4. The trend of private wages continues upward to meet rising cost of living.

5. The property, office furniture and machines and records of the former Fascist Syndicate organizations are reserved specifically and exclusively for the use of the Provincial labor offices established or soon to be established in each Province.

Murray L. Schnee

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Labor Sub-Commission

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Capt. Inf.

