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ALLIED COMMISSION FOR SARDINIA  
TRADE & INDUSTRY DIVISION

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HQ/2120 Ref.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report on Labour for November 44.

TO: HQ. A C - Labour Sub-Commission.

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3. SOCIAL INSURANCES - BENEFITS - TRAINING

Nothing new to report.

4. STATISTICS - MANPOWER - REGISTRATION PROBLEMS

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5/11/44

Reference: HQ/2120  
Subject: Monthly Report  
To: HQ. A C C, Labor Sub-Commissioner

Enclosed please find copies of the Monthly Report on  
Labor and Wages in Sardinia for the month of October.

For the Regional Commissioner

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LABOUR - LAWS - DIRECTIVES

We know that during the present month of October a Decree was issued granting to all Italian workers a cost of living allowance. This allowance varies 15 to 30 lire per day according to the sex, age, and gross wages of the workers.

As the agreement on the cost of living grant, stipulated between the Industrial Owners Union and the Industrial Workers Union of the Island and the agreement stipulated between the Commerce Owners Union and the Commerce Workers Union for the bakers, in the Province of Cagliari, to begin on the 25th July last, granting an allowance of lire 2,50 per hour up to a maximum of 20 lire per day for the men, and of 1,50 lire per hour up to a maximum of 12 lire per day for women and minors, contemplated the absorption of the above grant by the eventual economic increases decided by the law, the result is that the mass of the Sardinian workers on account of the above decree will only get a real increase of 10 lire per day.

We point out that up to now, the official text of the above decree has not reached us and the firms - therefore - have not yet complied with it. At the beginning of October we had in Cagliari some strikes against the new rationing system which was started on the 1st of October.

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WAGES - HOURS - WORKING CONDITIONS

No changes have taken place during this month as regards to wages. As regards to working hours no notable changes have taken place except amongst building workers who, on account of the rainy season, have been compelled to reduce their working hours.

Work conditions have become harder on account of food, clothing, lodging and transports shortage.

The above deficiencies will be even more seriously felt in the near future on account of the winter and we foresee serious repercussions on the health of the people in general and of the workers in particular.

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It has been communicated by the Press that by the same Decree (see para 1) each worker entitled to a family allowance, will receive a supplementary cost of living grant of 5 lire for every working day and for every dependent member of his family.

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4) STATISTICS - MANPOWER - REGISTRATION PROBLEMS

Nothing new to report as regards statistics. Unemployment, which - up to now - was localised almost entirely in the commercial field, is now spreading.



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In the Agricultural sector, we are having the seasonal unemployment, and the same applies to the building industry. Several mines such as the SAPEZ, the MONTEPONI and the AMMI have been compelled to dismiss part of their workers for lack of materials such as explosives, fuses and imported coal.

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Reference: HQ/2120

Subject: Monthly Report

To: HQ. A C C, Labor SubCommission.

1. LABOR RELATIONS-LAWS-REGULATIONS.

During this last year, neither laws nor regulations have been issued to modify the pre-existent legislation on labour-relations. There is nothing to be said as regard to labour legislation in Sardinia, where the present institutions continue to function regularly as far as organization, legislation and administrative control are concerned. Free syndicates are slowly but steadily being formed. A few strikes have taken place due to the food situation, but nothing serious.

2. WAGES-WORKINGHOURS-LABOR CONDITIONS.

Wages. Official wages ought to be, according to present regulations, equal to those of 1942, ~~increased~~ <sup>of</sup> 70%, plus the following additional allowances:

- a) Attendance-indemnity, from 3 to 10 lire per day, according to sex, age and locality.
  - b) Food-indemnity, from 1,50 lire to 2,50 lire per hour, up to a maximum of 20 lire per day according to sex and age.
  - c) Diligence bonus for miners, 125 lire per month.
- The latter allowance is paid regularly, while the first two are meeting with all sorts of difficulties.

As regard to the 70% increase on 1942 wages, the High Commissioner has ordered that this increase be put into effect from the first of November 1943. The smaller firms are objecting to the payment of arrears from November 1943, on account of their economic situation.

Working hours. Almost everywhere the 48 hrs a week is in force. Few firms work 60 hrs. The workers who don't attain the minimum of 40 hrs per week, receive a special indemnity by the Istituto Previdenza Sociale. Labor conditions, work is not proceeding satisfactorily due to lack of

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Labor conditions. Work is not proceeding satisfactorily due to lack of food, clothing and lodging. (Cagliari, Olbia, Alghero). Bread is the basic food for the workers in Sardinia and great concern is felt since the abolition of extra-rations for various categories of workers. Riots and strikes are foreseen.

3. SOCIAL INSURANCES-BENEFITS-TRAINING.

In spite of general difficulties, insurance and assistance to workers are proceeding quite regularly. The family-allowance has become quite an important retribution, for the workers of Sardinia who have large families, and the High Commissioner is trying to have this allowance increased <sup>by</sup> 50%.

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4. STATISTICS-RECORDS-MANPOWER. The statistical work is being resumed. The largest part of population is agricultural. There are about 40,000 industrial workers. At present unemployment exists only in the commercial field. If the mines ~~will~~ further reduce their production, we foresee bad times for the industrial workers.

For the Regional Commissioner

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