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MAIL TRAIN SERVICES (B) MAR. 1945 - JUNE 1945

MAR. - MAY 1945

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MINISTERO DELLE POSTE E DELLE TELECOMUNICAZIONI

Ministero Generale
Movimento Postale
Divis. I Sez. I
N. ~~474586~~ / 474587 3/4
CORTECCI
Servizio postale

Roma, li - 4 GIU 1945

Risp. al N. P. 41.145.03
del 14.5.45

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Si è presa cognizione - con compiacimento - delle notizie date con la nota a riferimento.

In relazione al punto 1 si fa presente che se l'attuazione dei treni giornalieri Ancona Bari ed Ancona Pescara andrà in vigore alla fine del corrente mese, non v'è tempo sufficiente per prendere accordi preliminari con i nostri organi periferici del movimento.

Eppertanto, in relazione all'invito di cui al n. 2 della nota a cui si risponde si elencano, di seguito, le condizioni alle quali le comunicazioni postali potrebbero svolgersi nel modo più soddisfacente.

1) Assegnare ai ~~giornalieri~~ istituendi treni giornalieri Ancona Bari e Bari Ancona le fermate (della durata massima di dieci minuti) nelle stazioni di Civitanova Marche, S. Benedetto del Tronto (o Porto di Ascoli) Giulianova, Pescara Centrale, S. Vito Chietino, Termoli, Foggia, Barletta, Bari. Per le esigenze del servizio postale è indifferente che i treni viaggino di giorno o di notte.

2) Assegnare ai treni anzidetti un veicolo (carrozza o bagagliaio postale) per l'uso esclusivo della posta, in previsione che il volume degli effetti postali sarà ragguardevole; e in previsione di poter attuare, con gli stessi treni, un servizio giornaliero di ambulante postale.

3) Gli istituendi treni giornalieri locali sul tratto di linea Ancona - Pescara e viceversa riuscirebbero di grande utilità per lo scambio delle comunicazioni postali tra i paesi delle Marche e degli Abruzzi, fra loro e da e per la zone dell'Italia centrale e meridionale.

4) I due treni dovrebbero, possibilmente, viaggiare ^{26.2} in ore diurne.

Per le necessità della posta, le soste del convoglio si prevedono della durata massima di cinque minuti nelle stazioni principali

C.A.
Posts And Telecommunications
Via Veneto
Roma
e p.n.
Commissario Regionale
L.T. Allen
*più tardi P.B.
Franca*

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Stamp box containing the number 41 and a date field.

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(Civitanova, S. Benedetto, Giulianova) e di due minuti negli altri scali.

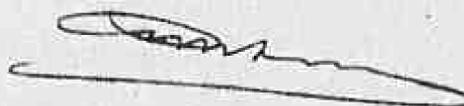
5) Dare tempestiva comunicazione dell'orario che sarà stabilito per i convogli, almeno cinque giorni dalla loro attuazione, affinché possano predisporre ^{il movimento} al movimento dei dispacci ed al servizio di procacciato.

6) Già, attualmente, i treni militari Roma Forlì sono utilizzati per il trasporto della posta in Alta Italia; e l'utilizzazione del treno viaggiatori trisettimanale Roma Ancona dal 4 giugno p.v. al trasporto degli effetti postali assicurano convenientemente lo scambio delle corrispondenze su dette linee.

7) Con riferimento alla nota N. 517 del 7 corrente firmata dal Commissario Regionale Ten. Allen, tornerebbe gradito di conoscere se i treni su Bologna saranno attuati sull'itinerario Ancona Bologna o su quello della direttissima Firenze - Bologna.

Ad ogni buon fine, copia della presente viene inviata anche ai nostri organi periferici del Movimento per lo studio preliminare dell'organizzazione dello scambio dei dispacci e dei servizi di procacciato.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE



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Translation.

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Ref. No. 474586/474587 8/4.

4th June 1945.

Subject: Postal service.

We have taken due note, with pleasure, of the news favoured with your P.41.145 of the 14th ult.

Referring to para 1 of your above letter, we beg to advise that if the actuation of the daily trains Ancona-Bari and Ancona-Pescara will be brought into effect at the end of this month, there is not sufficient time to make preliminary arrangements with our peripheric movement organs.

Therefore, in accordance with your request, as per para 2 of your above letter, we list herewith the conditions on which the postal communications could be most satisfactorily carried out.

1. Have the forming daily Ancona-Bari and Bari-Ancona trains stop (for a maximum of 10 minutes) at the stations of Civitanova Marche, S. Benedetto del Tronto (or Porto di Ascoli), Giulianova, Pescara Centrale, S. Vito Chietino, Teroli, Foggia, Barletta and Bari. For the postal services, it is indifferent whether the trains travel by day or by night.
 2. Assign to the said trains a vehicle (railway carriage or postal van) to be used exclusively for the postal services, foreseeing that the volume of postal effects will be considerable, and foreseeing the possibility of being able to actuate, with the same trains a daily postal "ambulante" service.
 3. The forming local daily trains on the stretch Ancona Pescara and vice-versa, would be of great service for the exchange of postal communications between the towns of the Marche and Abruzzi Provinces; between these Provinces and for and from Central and Southern Italy.
 4. The two trains should, possibly, travel during day time.
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- For the postal necessities, the stops of the trains are foreseen to be of the maximum duration of 5 minutes in the principal stations (Civitanova, S. Benedetto, Giulianova) and of 2 minutes in the others.
5. Give immediate communication of the timetables which will be established for the trains at least 5 days ~~from~~ ^{before} their actuation, so as to pre-arrange alterations to the movement of despatches and to the "procacciato" services.
 6. Already the Rome-Forli military trains are used for the conveyance of mails to Northern Italy, and the use of the thrice

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weekly passenger train between Rome and Ancona, from the 4th of June, for the transport of postal effects conveniently assure the exchange of correspondence on that line.

7. Referring to letter NO.517 of the 7th inst. signed by the Regional Commissioner, Lt. Allen, we should be pleased to learn if the trains for Bologna will be activated on the Ancona-Bologna itinerary or on the direct Florence-Bologna line.

For every good purpose, a copy of the present is being sent to our peripheric organs of the Movement for the preliminary examination of the organisation of the exchange of despatches and of the "procacciato" services.

Il Direttore Generale.

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Communications file

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 311.1

27 May 1945

SUBJECT: Conveyance of Civil Mail.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

Your P.41.124/CS 28 April 45 is reference.

Information is received that in the near future civilian services will be introduced between Rome and Florence and Rome and Ancona which will have space available for mail. No arrangements have been made for civilian passenger services north of Florence and Ancona.

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS
30 MAY 1945
A. S. G.

C. J. MacNamara
C. J. MACNAMARA
Major, P.C.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Communications

Originator's Reference: 474552 1/2
Date/Time of Origin: MAY 29

Message Centre No: E/2865
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 300830
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: ROMA
TO: POSTE ROMA FERROVIA POSTMOV ROMA FERROVIA DIRPOSTEL AREZZO CTA
PO C A POSTS AND TELCS SURC VIA VENETO ROMA

IN CLEAR.

PINO ATTUAZIONE COMUNICAZIONE FERROVIARIA TRISETTANALE ROMA
AREZZO CEDESTO UFFICIO MANTENGASI CONTATTO DIRIGENTI STAZIONE LOCALE
PER UTILIZZARE TRENI MERCI SPESSE ITINERARIO IN PARTENZA DA ROMA
DOMENICA MERCOLEDI DA AREZZO LUNEDI PUNTO DETTI CONVOGLI DOVRANNO
ESSER PREFERIBILMENTE UTILIZZATI PER INVIO EFFETTI VOLUNTOSI PERME
RESTANDO DISPOSIZIONI INVII DISPAOCI CONTENENTI CORRISPONDENZE
ANCHE TRENI MILITARI ROMA LIVORNO.

until
you ~~On scope~~ actuation railway communication thrice weekly Rome Arezzo
this office must keep in touch with directors local station to use
goods train same route in departure, from Rome Sunday Wednesday from
Arezzo Monday. Said convoys will be used preferably ~~for~~ to forward
bulky items instructions concerning despatches of correspondence
remain the same ~~also~~ *also* military train Rome Leghorn.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Communications

Originator's Reference:

Message Centre No: E/2729Date/Time of Origin: MAY 28 1930Date Time Rec'd: MAY 29 0830Precedence: ROUTINEFROM: ROMATO : C A POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUB COMM ROMA, UFFICIALE POSTALE REGIONALE
PRESSO DIRPOSTEL FIRENZE CTA PGCA POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATION SUB COMM ROME, POSTE
ROMA FERRPOSTMOV ROME FERR DIRPOSTEL LIVORNO PISA AREZZO PISTOLA SIENA FIRENZE

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IN CLEAR.

ISPM 1/1 NR 474601 1/2 PUNTO CAUSA SOPPRESSIONE TRENI MILITARI ROMA AREZZO ET
ATTESA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA COMUNICHI QUALI MEZZI POSSANO UTILIZZARSI IN SOSTITUZIONE
DISPONESI EFFETTO IMMEDIATO CHE UFFICIO POSTE ROMA FERROVIA INOLTRE DISPACCI VIRGOLA
EXCLUSE ASSICURATE VOLUMINOSE VIRGOLA PER FIRENZE AREZZO SIENA PISTOLA CON TRENI ROMA
LIVORNO PER PROSECUZIONE CON AUTOMEZZI LIVORNO PISA FIRENZE PUNTO STESSO UFFICIO
AVVALGASI AL MASSIMO AUTO CORRIERA ROMA GROSSETO ET ROMA FIRENZE PER INOLTRO
CORRISPONDENZE AT SIENA FIRENZE AREZZO DRE GLE MUSUMECI

1/2 Owing to suppression of military trains Rome-Arezzo and awaiting
communication from A.C. which means of conveyance may be used to
substitute above we have instructed with immediate effect P.O. Rome
Ferregia to forward despatches, not including bulky insured items, to
Florence, Arezzo; Siena, Pistoia, on Rome-Leghorn trains to be then
forwarded by means of motor vehicles Livorno, Pisa, Florence. Same
Office can use at utmost courier Rome-Grosseto and Rome-Florence
for forwarding of mails to Siena, Florence, Arezzo.

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Note: will be ineffective from Date.....
4 June when new passenger see
begins

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 396
Communications Sub-Commission

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P. 41.171/CS

29 May 1945

Subject: Civilian Passenger Trains-
Rome - Ancona
Rome - Ancona
Rome - Florence
Provision for Civilian Mails.

To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telegrams.

1. Copies are enclosed of details issued by the Military Railway Service regarding the above mentioned services commencing on 4th June.
2. It will be seen that a mail van has been provided on the Ancona and Florence trains and mails for Ancona should be loaded into the appropriate luggage van at Rome. No doubt you will discuss the details with the Italian Railway Officials.

WHL
J.L. BRIDGEMAN
Colonel,
Director.

2 Inc.: Copies of circulars 531.7 of 4 June.

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Copies to: R.C. Toscana Region (attention Postal Officer)
R.C. Emilia Region " " "
R.C. Liguria Region (attention Postal Officer)
R.C. Lombardia Region " " "
R.C. Venetia Region " " "

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Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni

ISPELT. GEN. MOV. POSTALE

Sezione I. I. I.

Let. N° 474557 8/2 R

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Roma, 24 ~~1945~~ 194

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Sezione Movimento
FF. SS. Rep. Ciro. Veicoli
Viale Regina Elena

Roma

Supplemento N°

del

OGGETTO: Itinerario veicoli postali.=

Lezioni

Pregasi voler cortesemente disporre affinché ai treni militari Roma - Jesi - Forlì nei giorni di loro attuazione, siano messi in composizione una carrozza postale tipo U M o, in difetto, un bagagliaio posta, indispensabili per il trasporto per la posta diretta in Alta Italia.=

Tornerà gradito un cortese cenno di assistenza.=

Please arrange that ^{on the} military train Rome-Jesi-Forlì be attached a postal van Type U M o, or a postal baggage van for the transport of mail directed to Northern Italy. Acknowledgement will be appreciated.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

F. Rossi

*Trans asked by
Phone for Rome - Forlì
van at least 3 times
a week
Sig Rossi informed.*

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Indice di urgenza		Micro. 0		29		Per circolare N.	
ora		1105		M...		Ricevuto	
Qualifica	Destinazione	Provenienza	Num.	Parole	Data della presentazione		
					Giorno e mese Ore e minuti		



= 35 DD ROMA FIRENZE 103 34 23 1110
 ===== ROME AREZZO MAIL TRAIN HAS BEEN CANCELLED
 STOP MOST ROUTE MAIL FOR SIENA ARREZZO FLORENCE
 AND PISTOIA VIA LEGHORN PENDING A ROME FLORENCE

MAIL TRAIN = LT A J. A. GREEN POSTAL OFFICER

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Qualifica	Destinazione		
= 35 DD ROM		SUBCOMMISSION ROME	
===== ROME			CANCELLED
STOP MOST ROUTE MAIL FOR SIENA ARREZZO FLORENCE			
AND PISTOIA VIA LEGHORN PENDING A ROME FLORENCE			
MAIL TRAIN		= LT A J. ALLEN POSTAL OFFICER	
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Fatevi correntisti postali.

Pagamenti e riscossioni in tutte le località del Regno. Fra correntisti i pagamenti e le riscossioni mediante postagiro sono eseguiti senza limitazione di somma ed in eccezioni da qualsiasi tasso.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
C.M.F.

26 May 1945

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Civilian Mail Rome-Arezzo.
TO : Communications Sub-Commission HQ AC

1. Arrangements have been made to handle a Mail Van on freight trains Rome-Arezzo sundays and wednesdays and Arezzo-Rome Mondays and thursdays.
2. It is intended that a tri-weekly civilian passenger service be established on or about 4 June and request has been made for a mail van on each train.

J. Matson Major
for Director 2812

*Address Ministry &
to allow by
Phone (Florence)
1601*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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F.41.166.CS

24th May 1945

SUBJECT: Rome-Arezzo Train Service.

TO : The Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

The Rome-Arezzo leave train, which leaves Rome on Wednesday and Sunday and returns from Arezzo on Monday and Thursday, and carries civil mails, will be cancelled on May 25th 1945.

Enquiries are being made as to whether approximately the same service could be arranged in connection with present freight services.

Any information obtained will be communicated to you without delay.

J.L.H.
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
 (RAIL DIVISION)
 c/o Transportation (Br) Main
 C.M.F.

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Tel. 843238
 Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

22 May 1945

SUBJECT : Civilian Mail - Rome-Arezzo.

TO : MRS (Bldg). (Attention Major Wilson).

1. On account of the Rome-Arezzo leave train being cancelled from 25 May, will it be possible to handle a mail van on freight trains twice per week.
2. Mail at present leaves Rome on Wednesday and Sunday returning leaves Arezzo on Monday and Thursday.
3. It would be appreciated if approximately the same service could be arranged in connection with present freight services.

For the Chief Commissioner :

P.G. MATSON, Major

Copy to: ✓ Communications Sub-Comm. HQ AC ←
 " " Capt. Gray L.O. with MRS-Bldg.
 " " Movements Rail Tn Sub-Comm. HQ AC

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Roma

Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni
Isp/to Gen/le Mov/to Pos/le

C.A. Post And
Telecommunications
Sub Commission
Via Veneto ROMA

Lettera
Prot. 474184/I/2
Allegato 1

Supplemento N. 1

OGGETTO: Treni orario libero Roma Napoli

A seguito della richiesta - in via breve - di cotesta C.A. di esaminare la possibilità della soppressione del servizio postale con i treni ad orario libero tra Roma e Napoli e viceversa, furono fatte proposte alle Sezioni Tecniche del Movimento Poste di Roma e di Napoli.

L'una e l'altra hanno addotto buone ragioni per giustificare l'utilizzazione dei treni in oggetto.

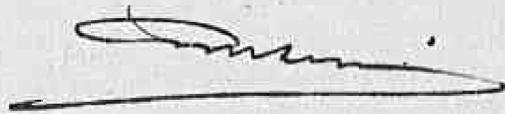
La Sezione Tecnica di Napoli, a conforto della sua richiesta, ha presentato una statistica degli effetti postali in arrivo.

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vo a Napoli col treno 04, della quale, per
opportuna intelligenza, si allega copia.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE



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Dal.....

*File we can leave it to
Post Office to raise any
further question re additional
facilities Rome - Naples
with*

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ISPETTORATO GENERALE MOVIMENTO POSTALE

STATISTICA DEGLI EFFETTI IN ARRIVO DA ROMA COL TRENO O.L.

DATA	SPECIALI	BIS.	ASSICURATE A PARTE	DISPACCI ROSSI	CARTE VALORI	ESTERI	DISPACCI BIANCHI	ORDIN. STAMPE
24/4	7	18	21					
25/4	6	19	147	12				
26/4	7	15	151		7			
27/4	6	13	82				16	
28/4	7	14	142	2	8			
29/4	9	19	141	5				
30/4	10	15	40	6				
1/5	2	2	9					
2/5	12	3	2					
3/5	10	18	64			23		
4/5	10	19	135	6	15	1		
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6/5	10	21	47	2	44			
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In media dai 4 agli 8 carretti al giorno

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

BAOR/m

P.41.163.GS

22nd May 1945.

SUBJECT: Location of Postal Vans.
TO : Transportation Sub-Commission, A.C.

1. It has come to light that a Postal Van No.1308 is at present situated in the Locomotive Depot at San Lorenzo, and is being used as a workshop by Allied Military.

2. As there is a shortage of postal vans for the Italian postal service is it please possible to find out whether the release of the above mentioned van can be obtained.

J.L.H.
J.L. HENDERSON,
Colonel,
Director.

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Date.....

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
C.M.F.

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Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

21 May 1945

SUBJECT : Civilian Mail on Military Trains - Florence-Bologna.

TO : Communications Sub-Comm. HQ AC

1. Reference your file P.41 - 152/CS of 16 May 1945.
2. When thru service is established it will be possible to transport civilian mail in both directions daily.
3. If postal vans are not available space in other available equipment will be furnished.

Proton
Director

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Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni
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* Commissione Alleata
Poste and Telecommuni-
cations SUB Commission
Via Veneto Roma
e ~~Ministero~~ Roma-Ferr.

OGGETTO
Ricerca carrozze postali

L'ufficio postale di Roma Ferro-
via ha segnalato che la carrozza postale di-
stinta col numero 1308 trovasi presso il De-
posito Locomotive di S.Lorenzo, adibita ad
officina del Comando Alleato.

Considerata l'attuale penuria di
tali veicoli, si prega di interessarsi af-
finchè il veicolo stesso venga, al più pre-
sto, restituito a questi servizi.

Sarà gradito un cenno di conferma.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

[Handwritten signature]

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Re-search of Postal Vans

Rome Ferraria P.O. has notified that the Postal Van No 1308 is at the Locomotive Depot at Sae Lorengo, used as work shop ~~of the~~ by the Allied Command.

Considering the shortage of such vehicles we beg you to take an interest so that the said vehicle be returned as soon as possible for these ²⁹⁰² services.

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Communications

Originator's Reference:
 Date/Time of Origin: MAY 15 1615B
 Message Centre No: E/872
 Date Time Rec'd: MAY 15 2025B
 Precedence: ROUTINE
 FROM: FLORENCE SIGNED A. J. ALLEN 1st Lt Cav
 TO: HQ ALCON COMMUNICATIONS SC 158

IN CLEAR

FLORENCE BOLOGNA rail line to be completed about end of the month. Suggest a bid of 5 tons a day for this line MRS E M V FLORENCE have no objections.

ACTION

Dist

- Action - Communications SC
- Info - A/President
- Chief Commissioner
- Econ Sec
- Tn SC 2
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See 152 & 162

HEADQUARTERS
 16 MAY 1945
 A. C.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Communications

Originator's Reference:
Date/Time of Origin: MAY 15 1615B

Message Centre No: E/873
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 15 2025B
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: FIRENZE
TO: COMMUNICATIONS SUBCOMMISSION VIA VENETO ROMA

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IN CLEAR.

Civil passenger train with a mail car leaving FLORENCE 1745 arriving ROME 0745 ROME 1800 arriving 0800 proposed to start 20 of May if cleared by all thrice weekly. Can handle this end with 2 days notice. If cleared suggest reroute mail FLORENCE PISTOIA and BOLOGNA via FLORENCE this should come to 5 tons or more a day and satisfy requirement for a daily train - A J ALLEN 1st Lt Cav.

DIST

ACTION: Communications S/C
INFO: A/President
Chief Commissioner
Econ Sec
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ACTION

*Spoke to Major King
15.25 hrs 18 May. He
will inform me when
this business will start -
20 May optimistic - mail
van will be provided.*

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Date 16 MAY 1945

INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Communications

Originator's Reference:
Date Time of Origin: MAY 15/1435B

Message Centre No: E/857
Date Time Rec'd: MAY 15/1700B
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: FIRENZE
TO: COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSION VIA VENETO ROME

CONFIDENTIAL ACTION

CONFIDENTIAL.

Mrs E MO FLORENCE have no objections to a daily train ROME FLORENCE. No difficulty for trains south possibly some for those north bound due to lack of volume. Major BLAIR has called or tried to call Major PING concerning same. Must be cleared in ROME first.

A J ALLEN, 1st Lt, CAV

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- ACTION : COMMUNICATIONS SC
- INFO : A/PRESIDENT
CHIEF COMMISSIONER
TN SC (2)
FILE (2)
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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
C.M.F.

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Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

15 May 1945

SUBJECT : Civilian Mail on Military trains.

TO : Communications Sub-Comm. HQ AC ←

1. Reference yours P.41 CS., 6th May 1945.
2. Attached is a copy of MRS circular 531.7 T for your information.
3. Schedule of Rome-Forlì leave train is as follows :

Leaves Rome & Forlì

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Thursday, Friday.

Time beyond Jesi :

1940	Falconara	0300
1830	Fano	0420
1700	Pesaro	0600
1535	Rimini	0715
1400	Forlì	0900

4. Under the changed conditions it is possible that more mail service is desired than quoted in your request for only one daily bag beyond Jesi.

5. Will you kindly submit your full requirements on the Rome-Forlì train and am sure that your request will be favourably considered by the Military Railway Service.

Major
For Director

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Copy to: Movements L.O. c/o MRS - Eldg.
" " " Rail Tn S/C HQ AC

Date 16 MAR 1945

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Allied Force
MILITARY RAILWAY SERVICE
Office of Director - Italy

A.P.O. 512
9 May 1945

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SUBJECT : Leave and Reinforcement Trains
Rome - Forl - Roma -
Rome - Arezzo - Rome -

TO : Joint Railway Control, Rome

ROME - FORLI - ROME Leave and Reinforcement Trains:

The schedules for this service will be as follows:- upon the introduction of the additional trains-FORLI to ROME Wed.9 May - ROME to FORLI Thurs.17 May - FORLI to ROME Fri. 18 May:-

SCHEDULE N.2

<u>Day</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Type</u>
SUN	FORLI	1400	ROME	MON	0615	IL
MON	ROME	1735	FORLI	TUE	0900	IL
TUE	FORLI	1400	ROME	WED	0615	IL
WED	ROME	1735	FORLI	THU	0900	IL
THU	FORLI	1400	ROME	FRI	0615	IL
FRI	ROME	1735	FORLI	SAT	0900	IL

SCHEDULE N.5

SUN	ROME	1735	FORLI	MON	0900	LR
MON	FORLI	1400	ROME	TUE	0615	IL
TUE	ROME	1735	FORLI	WED	0900	IL
WED	FORLI	1400	ROME	THU	0615	IL
THU	ROME	1735	FORLI	FRI	0900	IL
FRI	FORLI	1400	ROME	SAT	0615	ES

ROME - AREZZO - ROME Leave and Reinforcement Trains:-

<u>ES</u>	<u>LR</u>	<u>CANCELLATIONS</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
		AREZZO - ROME	MON 14 MAY 1945
		ROME - AREZZO	TUE 15 MAY 1945

Equipment departing ROME on Sundays (effective 13 May) will lay over at AREZZO until departure of IL Wednesdays.

SCHEDULE N.3 - will be as follows, effective 13 May 1945.

SUN	ROME	2130	AREZZO	MON	0615	LR
WED	AREZZO	2215	ROME	THU	0700	IL
THU	ROME	2130	AREZZO	FRI	0615	IL
FRI	AREZZO	1015	ROME	FRI	1900	ES
FRI	ROME	2130	AREZZO	SAT	0615	LR
SAT	AREZZO	1015	ROME	SAT	1900	ES

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FOR THE DIRECTOR :

S.E.LONDON
Major, TC
Supt. Transportation

Maj. Howes, LO bldg
DAD Tn 3 (O) Bldg
AD Tn 3 (M) Bldg.

15 Army Gp For CAS

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ROUTINE

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PARA ONE PD SUBJECT IS RESTORATION OF INTERNAL CIVIL POSTAL
COMMUNICATION ACROSS ECONOMIC LINE PD
PAREN TO HEADQUARTERS ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP FOR CHARLIE ABLE SUGAR FROM
HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT PAREN

PARA TWO PD IT IS SUGGESTED THAT A REGULAR SERVICE OF ONE TWO TONS
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PARA THREE PD CAN YOU PROVIDE ONE TRUCK FROM FIRST TRUCK BN CMA ABLE
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PARA FIVE PD CONFIRM YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION TO PARA TWO PD

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15 ARMY GROUP
ALCOM.

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1. Reference your 7973.
2. Confirming conversation HARRIS/HENDERSON it is agreed to wait till HARRIS before starting north to south service unless ALCOM can supply vehicles.
3. If ALCOM can supply trucks matter will be placed before 5th and 8th ARMY.
4. Recommend Regional Postal Officers contact Regional Transportation Officers who have been briefed in handling this. Overall north south movement can then be handled by Transportation Sub Commission advance echelon through routine channels.

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ACTION - TO 2/3 2
 INFO - A/PRESIDENT 2896
 CHIEF COMMISSIONER
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Chief Telecoms
Chief Postal
Asst. Chief Postal
Chief Clerk

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MEMO

41.153.US

SUBJECT: Civil Mails on Trains.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Att: Major Ping)

Reference telephone conversation of this afternoon
(Major Ping - Lt. Col. Routh).

The Regional Postal Officer, Toscana Region, reports:-

"MRS B'NO Florence have no objections to a daily train
ROME FLORENCE. No difficulty for trains south possibly some
for those north bound due to lack of volume. Major BLAIR
has called or tried to call Major PING concerning same.
Must be cleared in ROME first".

J.L.H.

J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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Communications S/C
Ext: 444

17th May 1945

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MEMO

P.41.152/CS

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Subject: Civil Mails on Trains.

To : Transportation Sub-Commission. (att Major Ping)

Reference telephone conversation of this afternoon
(Major Ping-Lt. Col. Routh).

It is understood that the Florence to Bologna railway
line may be completed by 31 May 45.

May provision be made for mails to be conveyed on trains
travelling between Florence and Bologna (estimated weight 5 tons a day)
in both directions, please?

MRS and MOV at Florence have been consulted by the Regional
Postal Officer and raise no objections.

J.L.
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Communications Sub-Commission
Extn 444

16th May, 1945

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Via Veneto R O M A

Divisione I
Aut. N° 474249/8/2R

Reg. A.P. 41/121/CS
25.4.45

Allegati

OGGETTO Veicoli Postali col treno Roma Livorno

In riferimento al foglio sopradistinto, informasi che, sulle tratte Roma Livorno, non si sono più verificati incidenti analoghi a quelli in precedenza segnalati; e che, anzi, l'utilizzazione dello stesso veicolo, per le esigenze, in giusta proporzione, del servizio postale e delle truppe in viaggio con lo stesso convoglio, non reca intralcio al trasporto della posta, mentre assicura l'aggancio della corriera postale ai treni militari.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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Translation

Subject: Postal Vehicle with Rome-Leghorn Train.

Ref. P.41.121/CS, we inform you ~~that~~ ^{the} that on ~~train~~ Rome-Leghorn train, no other ~~analogous~~ incidents ~~have occurred~~ ^{have occurred} of the kind as those pointed out previously, have occurred; ~~and~~ and that on the contrary, the use of the same vehicle, for the necessity, in right proportion of the postal service and of ~~travelling~~ ^{travelling} troops travelling ~~in~~ on the same convoy, does not interfere ~~with the conveyance~~ ^{with the conveyance} of mails, while it assures the connection of the postal van to the military train.

The General Director.

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*Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni*

ISPETT. GEN. MOV. POSTALE

Spese _____ *Dir.* _____ *Prov.* _____
Post. N. 474203 I/2
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Roma 14 MAG 1945

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A.C.A. Posts And
Telecommunications Sub-
Commission - Via Veneto -

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Repostato di N. _____
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OGGETTO _____

Si fa riferimento alla nota n°P.4I.116/CS del 2I.4.u.s.e si assicura di aver provveduto in conformità, sia per l'avviamento dei dispacci sia per l'attuazione dei turni di messaggere di Ancona e di Roma.=

Ref. P.4I-116/CS

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

*we assure you we
to have taken
measures accordingly
both for the forwarding
of despatches & ~~to~~ into
the to put the ~~the~~ effect
of messengers of
Ancona & Rome*

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Date 14 MAG 1945

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14 MAY 1945

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D.41.146.CB

SUBJECT: Civil Rails on trains.
TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. Authority has now been received for the opening of normal postal services in Anagnina, Ravenna and Veroli Provinces. There is moreover good grounds for assuming that postal services between North and South Italy will very shortly be permitted and that the Armae will assist in the matter of providing some road transport for services northwards from railheads.

2. In these circumstances there will shortly be pressing need for increasing the frequency of postal vans on all the lines northwards from Rome, and of a connection into Florence.

3. It is also desired to have a daily service in each direction on the Ancona-Bari line as soon as this becomes practicable. In the latter case stops at Portocivitanova, Pescara, Teroli and near Poggia. The use of any local trains on this line would also be of advantage.

4. Would you please consider these general requirements in the light of train services available.

J.H.
J. H. HERRINGTON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to:
Undersecretary of State for P.P.II.
Regional Commissioner Toscana Region (Postal Officer)
Regional Commissioner Sicilia Region (Postal Officer)

COMMUNICATIONS SUB-COMMISSION
Ext: 444

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APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

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P.41.145.05

14 May 1945

SUBJECT: Mail services to Marche

TO : Under Secretary of State for PP.TT.

1. As the area concerned has now passed to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government you may wish to have the proposals in the enclosed report by Lt. ALLEN considered by your Movimento Section concerned and discussed with the interested Italian Railway officials.
2. If it is then necessary to seek authority for the use of any of the trains the final proposals can be submitted to this Sub-Commission for reference to Transportation.

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J.L.H.

J.L.HENDERSON
Colonel
Director.

Incl: Copy of 517/6 of 2 May 1945.

Copy to:
Regional Commissioner Toscana Region
(Att: Postal Officer ref 517/6)

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UMBRIA-MARCHE REGION
C.M.F.

7 May 1945

REF : 517/6
SUBJECT : Ancona-Bari train
TO : H Q A C Communications Sub-Commission ←

1. Concerning the a/m these trains should be in operation by the end of May.
2. MOV's Ancona have promised that any reasonable request filed now for the use of this line will be granted.
3. With this in mind it is suggested that a request be filed for the use (1) of a fast thru train (daily in both directions). The following stops would be necessary: Ancona, Portocivitanova, Pescara, Termoli and one Office near Foggia.
(2) A daily local train at least from Ancona to Pescara. It is believed a half a car daily on each train would be ample under present conditions.

For the Regional Commissioner

A. J. Allen
A. J. Allen
1st Lt. Cav.
Postal Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
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UMERIA-MARCHE REGION
C.M.F.

7 May 1945

REF / 517/6
SUBJECT : Roma-Forli mail trains
TO : HQAC (Communications sub-Commission) ←

1. This is to confirm my telegram of 5 May 1945 concerning the a/m.

2. Capt. Smith and I have discussed with M.R.S. and MOV, extending the weekly mail, - car Rome-Desate to Forli; and use of the Rome-Forli leave and reinforcement train throughout it's entire run.

3. Neither M.R.S. or MOV, have any objections to the extensions and will approve any such request originating through channels.

4. Both Officers expressed the opinion that the security line will soon be moved entirely out of this area thus removing any objections security may have had.

5. It is anticipated there will be trains thus at least to Bologna by the end of this month and suggest that a request for their use be filed in Rome now.

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For the Regional Commissioner

A. J. Allen
A. J. Allen
1st Lt. Cav.
Postal Officer

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Date 10 MAY 1945

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Attended conference Brig WASHBURN and MRM and in full possession future policy. Position generally very good. Two lines GENOA - MILAN already open.

(1) ALESSANDRIA - CASALE - VIGEVANO - NOVARA - MILAN

(2) VERCELLI - NOVARA - VERCELLI - MILAN.

ACQUA - TORTONA both lines electrified in 2-3 days.

TORTONA - VOGHERA one line electrified approx same time.

After simultaneous rehabilitation GENOA - TURIN - MILAN connection priorities will be:

- 1 - MILAN EAST and NORTH
- 2 - MILAN WEST and SOUTH to French border
- 3 - GENOA SOUTH

Have ray(9) of all recon already made WNS giving you direct report. Setting up office at Eq Compartimento GENOA address to S.L.C. 57 AREA. Full report to follow in a few days.

Dist

- Action - **TRANS 2**
- Info - **A/President**
- Chief Commissioner**
- Exec Comm**
- ECOM 2**
- Communications**
- File 2**
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MAY 1945
A. C.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

6 May 1945

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Postal Vans
TO : D.M.R.S.I. - Bldg.

1. The undersecretary of State for Posts and Telecommunications is disturbed about the shortage of postal vans.
2. It would be appreciated if the use of such vans for purposes other than mail could be relaxed.
3. Special mention is made of the shortage of mail vans at Naples where box cars have had to be used for mail services recently.

For the Chief Commissioner :

P.G. MASON, Major

Copy to: Communications Sub-Comm. HQ AC (refers P.41-129 C.S.)

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Asst. Director	
Chief Telecoms	
Chief Postal	
Ch. Q. Comm. O.	
Asst. Chief Postal	
Censorship	
Mail Clerk	

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission ENG/epc

P.41.137.CS

6th May, 1945

SUBJECT: Forli Province and San Marino - Introduction of Postal Services.

TO: Transportation Sub-Commission

Reference P.41.118.CS of 23rd April, 1945.

1. The following report has been received from the Postal Officer Umbria - Marche Region.

"Have seen MRS and MOV Ancona. They have no objections to weekly train going to Forli or our using leave train to Forli. Can you clear same in Rome".

2. In these circumstances the Italian Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs is being advised that the postal van on the weekly service may be used through to Forli.

Will you please say whether the proposal in para (b) of P.41.118.CS of 23rd April may also be put into effect and give approximate timings for the service beyond Jesi.

3. With the early prospect of the opening of postal services to the North of Italy there will be a strong need for an increased frequency in the provision of a postal van on the Rome - Forli service and no doubt this will be borne in mind in planning future developments. (P.41.124.CS of 28th April refers).

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Rh.
J. L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to: Regional Commissioner, Umbria-Marche Region
Att: Postal Officer
Regional Commissioner, Emilia Region
Att: Postal Officer

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:
Date/Time of Origin: May 051211B

Message Centre No: D9731
Date Time Rec'd: May 051515
Precedence:

FROM: LT A J ALLEN REG V POSTAL OFFICER (AMS)
TO: COMMUNICATIONS SUB COMMISSION

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CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL.

Have seen MMS and MOV ANCONA. They have no objections to weekly train going to FORLI or our using leave train to FORLI. Can you clear same in ROME. Am sending inspector to FORLI tomorrow. Returning to PERUZIA Sunday.

ACTION

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INF: A/President
Chief Commissioner
S/C (2)
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UMBRIA-MARCHE REGION

C.M.F.

2 May 1945

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REF Date: 517/6

SUBJECT : Proposed Rome--Ancona mail schedule
TO : KQAC Communications sub Commission ←

1. Due to the limited quantities of mail allowed on the Jesi-Rome express train (4bags per day) it is necessary that this be supplemented as soon as possible with trains permitting a greater volume of mail as it will be necessary to use this railway for practically all mail to and from Rome for at least to the provinces of Marche-Umbria Region.

2. At present mail is being transported by truck from Rome to Terni daily and a series of messengers are taking this mail to Ancona and return. (For details note report of 2 May).

3. To help normalize and reduce the cost of operations the following two suggestions are offered: (1) For the near future to greatly reduce the cost of handling mail from Rome to Terni and return. (Present cost 83.000 lire per month).

- a) It is recommended that permission be requested to dispatch a man daily from Rome (Smistamento station) to Orte on train 9630 (same as 5618) leaving Rome aprox. 0440 arrives Orte 0953 (when operating) using train 9626 (same as 5606) as an alternate leaves Rome 0220 arrives Orte 0553. (Leaving times from Rome are not exact for lack of a time table. The RTO advised the trip takes about 4.00 hours).
- b) The said agent to carry mail for Perugia, Terni, Ancona, Pesaro, Macerata and Ascoli Provinces not dispatched on the express train; from Rome to Jesi. The agent is to return to Rome with mail from the same Provinces. On 9641 (same as 5609) 10²³ or the 1st train available ./.
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there after from Orte to Rome (Smistaments Station).

4. (2) a) As these arrangements are inadequate the following is proposed to be put in effect; as soon as possible.

b) A daily mail train in each direction to Jesi. The following schedule trains are suggested:

North bound

No	Arrives	leaves
9630 same as 5618	Rome	0440
" " "	0953	Orte 1009
" " "	1133	Terni 1426 (9632)
9632	1639	Foligno 1112
	2302	Jesi

South bound

No	Arrives	Station	leaves
9641	2359	Jesi	0045
"	0550	Foligno	0603
"	0818	Terni	0856
"	1005	Orte	1030 (5609)
5609	1420	Rome	

Please advise the directors of the Provinces in question if or when any of the changes are effective.



For the Regional Commissioner

A.J; Allan
1st Lt. Cav.
Postal Officer

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Copy to: Executive Officer
Umbria - Marche Region

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Commissione Alleata
Post And Telecommunica-
tions Subcommittee
Via Veneto - ROMA -

Representative

OGGETTO Posta civile su treni militari

Si fa riferimento alla nota N. P.41/113/
C.S. del 16/4/45.

In attesa che la Sottocommissione dei trasporti abbia fatto conoscere le proprie determinazioni sulle proposte avanzate da codesta Sottocommissione, si ritiene opportuno far presente, al riguardo, il parere di questa Direzione Generale.

1) E' preferibile intensificare il trasporto dei dispacci per Firenze e Pistoia sulla linea Roma Livorno Montecatini in previsione che, a breve scadenza, possa esser riaperta al transito la linea ferroviaria Livorno - Montecatini - Firenze o Livorno - Empoli - Firenze; mentre è da ritenersi che, per la riapertura al traffico della linea Arezzo - Firenze, occorrerà un tempo ben maggiore;

2) In attesa della riattivazione delle linee ferroviarie Livorno - Empoli - ^{Firenze} Livorno Lucca - Firenze, i dispacci per Pistoia e Firenze sarebbero scalati a Montecatini, ^{Firenze} con diminuzione del percorso stradale, in confronto all'attuale Arezzo - Firenze.

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3) I messaggeri postali dovrebbero prolungare il loro viaggio fino a Montecatini per provvedere alle consegne degli effetti postali.

4) Le consegne degli effetti postali a Livorno, a Pisa (se ciò sarà possibile) ed a Lucca, non danno, per la limitata quantità degli effetti postali, preoccupazioni; e si ha motivo di ritenere che possano esser eseguite entro i limiti della sosta del convoglio.

5) L'intensificazione del trasporto degli effetti postali con i treni della linea Roma - Montecatini, e l'apertura al traffico della linea ferroviaria Livorno - Firenze, offriranno un ottimo mezzo di comunicazione per lo scambio delle comunicazioni postali con Bologna ed oltre, nell'ipotesi che la direttissima Firenze - Prato - Bologna quasi tutta sotterranea, possa presto esser riaperta al traffico.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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Translation

4 May 1945

Subject: Civil Mail on Military Trains.

Ref. your P.41.113/CS of 16 April 45.

While we are waiting for Transportation Sub-Commissions to make known what has been decided concerning the proposals advanced by your ~~Commission~~ sub-Commission, we think it is opportune to ~~point~~ point out the opinion of our Direction.

1. It is preferable to intensify the transportation of despatches for Florence and Pistoia on the Rome Leghorn Montecatini line, foreseeing, that very soon the line Leghorn Montecatini Florence or Leghorn Empoli Firenze may be re-established; while, it is believed, ~~that for the~~ ~~re-establishment~~ ~~Arezzo Florence line~~ ~~before it will be re-opened~~ ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~traffic~~ that much more time will be necessary before the Arezzo Florence line will be re-opened to the traffic.

Liver- 2. Awaiting the re-establishment of the Livorno-Empoli Florence or Livorno Lucca Florence, the despatches for Pistoia and Florence would be unloaded at Montecatini and forwarded at destination by motorvehicles, with ~~the~~ reduction of the route distance in comparison to the actual ~~x~~ Arezzo Florence route.

3. The postal messengers should extend their voyage up to Montecatini so to carry out the delivery of postal items.

4. The delivery of postal items at Leghorn, at Pisa (it this will be possible) and at Lucca, ~~is~~ owing to the restricted quantity does not cause anxiety; and there are good reasons to believe that ~~they~~ it can be carried out within the limits of the stop of the train.

5. The increase of ~~the~~ transport of postal items on the trains of the Rome Montecatini line, and the opening to the traffic of the Leghorn ~~to~~ Florence line, will offer ~~an~~ excellent means of communication for the exchange of postal communications with Bologna and furthermore, in case that the expresstrain Florence Prato Bologna, which is nearly all underground, may soon be re-opened to the traffic.

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Ministero delle Poste
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Spese
Tel. N° 473928.8/9
Riposta P. 41.98.03
del 23.3.45.

LA COMMISSIONE
ALLIATA POSTS AND
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SUBCOMMISSION -V. Veneto
Roma
alla particolare atten-
zione del MAGG. Green

OGGETTO
Carrozze postali

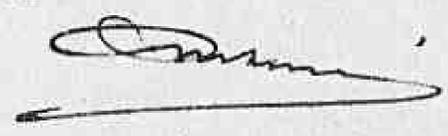
Nel ringraziare cotesta C.A. per l'interessamento dimostrato alla questione dell'uso dei veicoli postali per altro motivo che non sia quello del trasporto di dispacci, si trasmette, per opportuna cognizione, un prospetto dal quale risulta la situazione della consistenza di detti veicoli, al 1° aprile, in tutti i Depositi da Roma a Palermo.

Risulta chiaramente, dai dati in esso esposti, che la consistenza del patrimonio rotabile delle poste è assolutamente ~~insufficiente~~, inadeguata a fronteggiare le necessità del traffico - anche nell'attuale massima contrazione; e che risulterà assolutamente insostenibile, mano a mano che si dovrà provvedere alla circolazione di veicoli postali in altre zone ~~abituate~~; dato che, come è lecito ritenere, i Depositi al nord di Firenze, si troveranno completamente sprovvisti di veicoli postali.

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A tale scopo si avanza la preghiera di dare incarico, agli uffici postali regionali del Comando Alleato, che tra breve si trasferiranno al Nord, di curare - tra le altre adempienze - e d'accordo con gli organi postali italiani locali, il censimento dei veicoli postali italiani e di curarne subito l'assegnazione agli uffici postali di Ferrovia, per l'uso immediato o per la loro custodia; ed a tale proposito si prega di esaminare la possibilità che un funzionario di questa Amministrazione Centrale potesse, nei primi giorni della liberazione delle province settentrionali, affiancarsi ad uno degli uffici postali regionali, col particolare incarico di accertare la consistenza, nelle province settentrionali, dei sacchi e dei veicoli postali.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE



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*Ministero delle Poste
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Scrive *Al* I^a S. I^a
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ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICA-
TIONS Sub Commission
Via Veneto = R O M A
Ripetuto di N. P. 41.109 c.s.
del 12 corr.

Oggetto: Censimento carrozze postali.

Postal van census

Si ringrazia per le premure rivolte alla Sottocommissione dei trasporti con la nota sopra distinta, per quanto in oggetto, e sarà gradito ricevere, con cortese sollecitudine, le notizie che eventualmente codesta On. Commissione potesse comunicarci al riguardo.

We thank you for the pressures made to Transp. S.C. with the above letter, and we should be glad to receive as soon as possible the informations that your Commission could be able to give us on the matter.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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ELenco DELLE CARROZZE POSTALI EFFICIENTI, DA RIPARARE, DISTRUTTE,
ASPORTATE, CONFORME SEGNALEZIONE DEL MOD. 123 B. PERVENUTI ALL'ISPELTO-

RATC GENERALE MOVIMENTO POSTE AL 15 - 4 - 1945.

DEPOSITO	CARROZZE, CARROZZE		PARTITE non più ri- tornate al Deposito	Annotazioni
	in EFFICIENTI, RIPARARE	da DISTRUTTE		
BARI	FERR. 5	-		
FOGGIA	" ;	-		
LECCE	" -	3	4 (I)	(I) nel '43
MESSINA	" 2	-		
NAPOLI	" 7	2		
PALERMO	" 3	1		
ROMA	" 12	13	51 (2)	(2) nel '43
			15 (3)	(3) Per or- dine del Coman- do tedesco.
			2 (4)	(4) Per ordi- ne del Coman- do Alleato.

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AL CARO DIVISIONE

FOGGIA "	4	-				
LECCE "	-	3			4 (1)	(1) nel '43
MESSINA "	2	-				
NAPOLI "	7	2				
PALERMO "	3	1				
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FIL CAPO DIVISIONE

[Signature]

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Translation

3 May 1945

Subject: Postal vans.

question
~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ While we thank your Commission for the interest shown towards the
~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ matter for the use of postal vehicles for reasons other than transport
of despatches, we herewith transmit, for your information, a prospect
which shows the ~~situation of~~ the actual number of such vans available
on April 1st in all the depots from Rome to Palermo.

The attached schedule clearly shows that the number of railway vans
available for postal purposes is absolutely inadequate to meet the
necessities of the traffic - even with the services restricted to a minimum
as at present; and that such position will become definitely impossible
when we will have to provide postal vans for circulation in other
liberated areas; considering, as it seems likely, no postal vans will
be found in the deposits north of Florence.

*See P.4/1204
P.4/138*

Allied Regional

We beg you therefore to instruct the Postal Officers going up to North
to carry out, between other things, and in agreement with the local
Italian post offices, the census of the Italian Postal Vans, and to
take care that they be allotted at once to the Ferrovia Post Offices,
to be held and used immediately; on this purpose we beg you to examine
the possibility that an official of this Central Administration, may
be allowed, in the first days after liberation, to go North with one
of your Regional Postal Officers, with the particular task of ascertaining
the availability, in Northern Provinces, of bags and postal vans.

The Director General

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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Communications Sub-Commission

2nd May 1945

In reply
refer to : P.44.131/CS

Subject : Rome-Leghorn military train.

To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

1. Confirming telephone conversation, information has been received that as from Saturday 5th May this train service will operate: 0930 from Rome Tuesdays and Saturdays; 1915 from Leghorn Wednesdays and Sundays.

2. Detailed timings are as follows:-

09.30	Rome	06.00	↑
11.40	Civitavecchia	03.43	
11.50		03.33	
14.50	Grosseto	00.40	
15.20		00.10	
18.10	Cecina	21.30	
18.20		21.10	
20.10	Leghorn	19.15	

3. The civil mails will be accommodated in a baggage car and permission is given to use the intermediate stops.

4. Please advise all offices concerned.

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with
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel
Director

Copy to : Transportation Sub-Commission
R.C. Toscana Region (attn Postal Officer)

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MEMO

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P.41.129/CS

Subject: Postal Railway Vans.

To : Transportation Sub-Commission.

Reference P.41.98/CS of 23rd March 1945.

1. Enclosed is a copy of a further letter from the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications relating to the diversion of postal railway vehicles to purposes other than the civil post.

2. It has been confirmed by the Ministry that despite the fact that there is a postal van on the daily passenger train Rome-Naples, the volume of traffic justifies the continued use of a van on the O L train.

WHR
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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1 Inc.:
Copy of 473290/8/9 of 13 April & Translation.

Copy to:
Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

Communications Sub-Commission
Bxtn 444.

2 May, 1945

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9) SUBJECT:- Civilian Travel on Military

Allied Force Headquarters,
G-4 Mov & Tn
Tele: Freedom 320 127

Mov 3/312/3

10 April 45

1. Reference Minute 13 of the Allied Railway Board, regarding movements of civilians by military trains where no civilian train service is available, the following principles are laid down as a guide to Mov Areas in the issue of passes in response to AC requests-

(a) The number of civilians conveyed by military trains should be kept to a minimum and confined to those engaged on essential work.

(b) No civilian travel by rail north of Ancona and Leghorn.

(c) No civilian travel by military train over lines where civilian passenger services are available.

2. A standard form of pass as per pro forma attached will be used, made out in triplicate, one copy to be kept by issuing office, one copy to be retained by RTO at entraining station, or Station Master if there is no RTO, and one to be retained by the passenger and given up on completion of the journey. Each pass will bear the rubber stamp of the issuing office.

3. No civilians to travel on military troop trains, except ISR officials travelling on duty. These passengers will be in possession of the pink card pass issued by MRS. ISR officials of "officer" status will be accommodated in compartments when space permits. In such cases the entraining RTO will inform OC Train and TCO of the arrangements, to avoid the passengers being turned off during the journey. Other ISR officials will travel in the brake van.

F.L. JAGGER, Lt. Col.
for Brigadier,
DQMG (mov & Tn).

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*copy obtained by the alien from
Movements.*

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APPENDIX "B"

NOT TRANSFERABLE
Non trasferibile

PERMIT

(Deve essere sempre portato
dal lavoratore)

NAME.....
(Nome e cognome)

ADDRESS
(Abitazione)

IDENTITY CARD No.
(No Carta d'identita')

REGISTRATION No.

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT

Valid between.....Rly Stations

TRAVEL PERMIT

Permesso di viaggio
AUTHORISED FOR PERIODS
SHOWN HEREUNDER ONLY

Vedere sotto autorizzazione
periodica

Valid until

AC ATAMP

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P.41.125/CS

SUBJECT: Civilian Mail on Military train.
TO : Undersecretary of State for PP.TT.

Reference my P.41.123/CS of 26 April as stated by telephone the Rome-Montecatini military train (departing Rome 1500 hrs Monday-Wednesday-Friday) will continue to run until further notice.

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J.I. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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P. 41.124/63

28 April 45

Subject : Conveyance of Civil Mails by Military Trains and Vehicles.

To : G-5, A.F.H.Q.

1. In view of present developments a demand for the rapid expansion of civil postal services into the newly liberated provinces can be foreseen, and it will be very desirable that such facilities should be provided as soon as Security permits. If a postal service of reasonable frequency and speed can be introduced at an early date, the problem of unnecessary movement of individuals and illicit conveyance of uncensored correspondence will be greatly diminished.

2. A civil postal service from Rome northwards will be mainly dependant on permission to make use of military trains for mails purposes and it would be very helpful if a directive could be issued from A.F.H.Q. approving in principle the conveyance of civil mails and mail messengers by military trains where adequate civil transport facilities are not available. It is, of course, appreciated that normal mail train facilities cannot be expected at this stage of events, but it is thought that on the basis of such a directive it might be possible, without unduly affecting the operation of military trains, to afford reasonable postal facilities.

3. The requirements of a wartime postal service are essentially different from the mere conveyance of goods and may be summarized as follows:-

- (a) Frequency rather than large capacity
- (b) Intermediate stops at the most important places at points suitable for the prompt discharge and loading of despatches
- (c) Timings sufficiently stable to permit proper arrangements to be made for mail messengers' duties both on the train and at the authorized stopping places.
- (d) Reasonable security for the conveyance of valuables, such as stamp supplies, Bonds and other carte valori from Rome to the Provinces. The satisfactory operation of Post Office mail and financial services depends on the regular flow of insured mail of this type.
- (e) Arrangements for the treatment of Post Office personnel employed on mail messenger duties on a similar footing to railway workers in the matter of passes to travel on the trains and to proceed into northern areas. In large postal centers such as Rome it is very difficult to make proper arrangements for the operation of duty rosters and for emergencies of travelling personnel have to be provided for under the ordinary civilian travel regulations. This has caused much inconvenience in the the past .

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P.41.124/03 of 28 April 1945

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4. As stated in 3 (a), frequency rather than capacity is a primary consideration and on many services the part use of a baggage car for the mails and their escort (normally two men) would suffice. The main trunk services are however likely to justify the exclusive use of a mail van and in this connection it would be very helpful if it could be laid down that the special postal railway carriages (of which only a small number remain in usable condition) could be reserved for civil postal purposes.

5. A general authority for the conveyance of civil mails and postal passengers by military road transport travelling with space available would also be useful in certain circumstances although the postal system could not be developed on the basis of such transport.

For the Chief Commissioner.

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copies to:
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In reply
refer to: P.41.123/CS

26 April 1945

SUBJECT : Civilian Mail on Military Trains.

TO : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

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The Rome-Montecatini leave and reinforcement train will
be discontinued on 27th April, 1945.

On or about 29th April some further service will be
inaugurated and as soon as details are known they will be furnished
to you so that mail services can be arranged on the new schedules.

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J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.,
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

Tel.: 843238
Ref.: AC/36/Tn.4

24 April 1945

SUBJECT: Civilian Mail on Military Trains.

TO : Communication Sub-Commission
(Attention Major Green)

1. Reference your letter file P.41.113/C.S. of 16 April.
2. M.R.S. has informed us that the Rome-Montecatini leave and reinforcement train will be discontinued as of 27 April.
3. On or about 29 April some further service will be inaugurated and as soon as details are known they will be forwarded to yours Sub-Commission so that Mail services can be arranged on the new schedules.

Information major
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Director.

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Chief Clerk

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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In reply
refer to : P.41.121/CS

25 April, 1945

Subject : Livorno-Rome Baggage Van used for Mails Purposes.
To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomm.

In your letter No. 473776/8/2.R of the 20th of April, 1945, you confirm that the postal messengers on duty were unable to use the postal van, No. 1317, attached to the military train which left Leghorn on the 6th of March, 1945, because it had been occupied by numerous Allied soldiers.

Will you please say whether the messengers who performed subsequent trips had any difficulty in finding and occupying the accommodation allocated.

J.L.
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

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In reply
refer to: P.44.120/CS

24 April 1945

Subject : Census of Postal Vans.

To : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.

With reference to my letter P.44.109/CS, dated 12th April, 1945
addressed to the Transportation Sub-Commission, copy of which was sent to
you for information.

M.R.S. say they are not agreeable to having I.S.R. furnish a
census of Postal Vans in forward areas.

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Copy to:

R.C. Toscana Region
(infn. Postal Officer)

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J.L. Henderson
J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Date _____

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TRANSLATION

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20 April 1945

Subject : Postal vans on the military train Rome-Fesaro.

Ref. your P.41.96/CS of 31.3.45.

In defect of suitable shelter for postal messengers in the Pesaro station, and in the impossibility of obtaining ~~back~~ again in use the accommodation previously reserved for the mail in the above station, it has been arranged, in agreement with the Pesaro Prov. Direction, that the postal items addressed to that provincial capital be ~~collected~~ collected at the passage of the train and carried to the central Post Office; and that the two messengers during the night hours, be allowed to stay in the said office.

THE GENERAL DIRECTOR

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MEMO -

URGENT

P.41.118/CS

23 April 1945

Subject : Forli Province and San Marino - Introduction of Postal Services.

To : Transportation Sub-Commission

Reference telephone conversation Major Green-Major Ping.

1. Authority has been given for the opening of postal services in Forli Province and the Republic of San Marino and the date fixed is 1st May.
2. It would be appreciated if the use of a military train to provide the necessary service from Rome could be arranged. The amount of correspondence for the area is not likely to be very great (say) one or two bags per day but there will be the usual arrears to clear and occasional despatches of stores.
3. The best arrangement would be
 - (a) to allow the weekly postal van on the Rome-Rimini train (which at present operates as far as Pesaro) to work through to Rimini, and
 - (b) to allow the Rome-Forli leave and reinforcement train to be used through to Forli instead of to JESI, under the arrangement detailed in your AG/36/In.4 of 19 April 1945. Permission would be needed to increase from four to five the number of bags permitted in the Capotreno's compartment.

WJH
 J.L. HENDERSON
 Colonel
 Director

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.,
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

Tel.: 843236

20 April 1945

Ref.: AC/36/Tn.4

SUBJECT: Census of postal Vans.

TO : Communications Sub-Commission. ←

1. Reference yours P41-109/CS of April 12.
2. M.R.S. are not agreeable to having I.S.R. furnish a census of Postal Vans in forward areas.

W. J. Hamilton
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Director.

*Not very helpful but I don't think that
we can fight on this*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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21 April 1945

P.M. 116/CS

SUBJECT : Mail Services Rome-Jesi.

TO : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telegrams.

1. I am glad to inform you that it has been possible to obtain authority for the use for Postal purposes of the Rome-Ferri military train subject to the following conditions which have been explained verbally to your representative:-

- a Only one postal messenger will be allowed to travel on the train.
- b He will travel with the mail in the Capo treno's compartment. He will not be allowed to proceed beyond JESI.
- c Only four bags of mail will be conveyed in each direction. These will be from Rome:-

- (a) To Terni to be put out at Terni.
- (b) To Perugia to be put out at Foligno.
- (c) To Ancona to be put out at Jesi (two bags; one to include correspondence for Ancona and Pesaro, the other for Ascoli and Macerata).

2. At the outset no insured or registered letters will be sent by this service. Arrangements will no doubt be made to ensure that advantage is taken of the four bags of mail permitted to give the fairest possible service for the most urgent classes of correspondence for the six provinces concerned.

3. The trains to be used are as follows:-

Depart JESI 2050	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.
Depart ROME 17.35	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

Approximate timings are as follows:-

↓	17.35	Rome	06.15	↑
	22.13	Terni	02.00	
	23.50	Foligno	00.42	
	03.09	Jesi	20.56	

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4. This will mean that messengers will need to be supplied from Rome and Jesi offices as indicated below

Rome Messenger
Jesi Messenger

Leaving Rome Sundays and Tuesdays.

Leaving Jesi Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

5. The Postal Officer ^{March Umbria Region} is making the necessary arrangements with the Ancona, Terzi and Perugia Directorates on the assumption that the service will commence from both ends tomorrow Sunday 22nd April.

WHL

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director.

Copy to:

Transportation Sub-Commission.

R.C. Marche-Umbria Region (atta Postal Officer).

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.,
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment,
C.M.F.

Tele : 843238
Our ref: AG/36/Tn.4.

v19 April 1945

TO : Communication Sub-Commission
(Attention Major Green)

SUBJECT: Carriage of Mail Rome-Jesi.

1. Reference conversation recent date regarding above subject.
2. Permission has been granted for one postal clerk to travel in Capotreno's compartment on the Rome-Forli leave and reinforcement train as follows:
 Leave Jesi 2050 Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu }
 Leave Rome 1735 Sun Mon Tue Wed Fri }
3. The postal clerk will carry four bags of mail, one each for Terni and Foligno, and two for Jesi. He is not granted permission to travel north of Jesi.

Perugino
} *in accordance with*
Perugino

Major Green
Director.

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Director
D/Director
Chief, Telecoms
Chief Postal
H. U. Coms O.
Asst. Chief Postal

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(Attention Major Green)

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*Major Green
 Director.*

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Director
D/Director
Chief, Telecoms
Chief, Postal
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Asst. Chief Postal
Chief Clerk

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30 April 1945 Transportation Sub-Commission (Major Ping) states that Rome-Montecatini train will continue to operate., Monday-Wednesday-Friday until further notice. Ministry informed by Telephone.

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Roma 20 APR 1945

Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni

Sp. Quot. Mor. Postale di I I
Bol. N. 4137/68.8/2.R.
Allegati

Alia Commissione
Alleata POSTS AND
TELECOMMUNICATIONS H.A.C.
Via Veneto - ROMA -

Reparto di N. 41-97/CS
del 23.3.

OGGETTO:

Vettura postale Livorno Roma

Si conferma che al treno C.L.
del 6 marzo u.s. in partenza dalla stazio-
ne di Livorno era già stata agganciata la
vettura postale n. 1317.

I messaggeri di servizio non vi
poterono prendere posto per il semplice
fatto che essa era già stata occupata da
numerosi militari Alleati, i quali non in-
tesero scendere, nè permisero l'accesso
degli agenti in vettura.

Gli agenti postali disimpegnarono
il proprio servizio nel bagagliaio del
Capotreno.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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SEE 121

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TRANSLATION

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SUBJECT : Postal Van Leghorn - Rome

Ref. your P.41.97/CS of 23 March 1945

It is confirmed that the postal van N. 1317 had been attached to the Military train leaving Leghorn station on 6 March ~~last~~ 1945.

The messengers on duty could not enter the van only because it had already been occupied by numerous Allied soldiers, who did not intend to leave the van, ~~and they~~ nor permitted the messengers to get into it.

The postal messengers carried out their service in the luggage van with the C apotreno.

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THE GENERAL DIRECTOR

MEMO

F.41.113/CS

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SUBJECT: Civilian Mail on Military Trains.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission (attn Major Matson).

Reference your AG/36/In 4 of 13th April, 1945.

1. The present position as regards the civilian mail service is as follows:-

(a) Mails for Arezzo, Siena, Florence and Pistoia are sent by the Rome-Arezzo train Sunday and Wednesday. There is a postal van on this train. The Florence and Pistoia mails have to be taken from Arezzo to Florence by a Post Office road service which is difficult to maintain in service. The load varies considerably being up to 120 bags (including bags of Post Office stores; stamps, forms, etc.,) on some occasions. On 15th April there were about 75 bags.

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Lucca	to be unloaded at Montecatini and ^{at} Pisa
Florence	to be taken by road to Florence
Pistoia	

3. It will be seen that under the proposals ^{the} bulk of the mail work will be transferred from the Arezzo train on which it would then suffice if a suitable baggage van could be shared by the postal messengers. On the other hand the load on the Montecatini train would be increased considerably varying up to say 150 bags and it is suggested that a postal van should be restored on this train. If this is not possible, however, at least half a big baggage van should normally suffice.

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Copies to: Under Secretary of State for P.T. J.L. HENDERSON, Director, R.C. Toscana Region (attn Postal Officer)

Communications Sub-Commission
Extn 444
16 April, 1945.

FILE NO.	134
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Date

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Napoli e Roma, con i quali, per mancanza di
veicoli, gli effetti postali ed i messaggeri
viaggiano in Carri bestiane.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO

M. PANO

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'M. Pano', is written over the typed name 'M. PANO'. The signature is somewhat stylized and slanted.

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T R A N S L A T I O N

473290/8/9

13.4.45

Subject : Postal Vans N. 1240 - 1255.

Further to our letter, file as above, of 6 March 1945 we inform you that the postal vans under notice, belonging to the Naples Deposit, are still being used by the Allied Forces in composition to the military passenger train Naples Foggia Bari, by which, as you are aware, the civil passenger and postal services have been discontinued.

We beg you again therefore, to interpose your good offices in order to obtain that the above vans be returned to the Naples Ferrovia P.O., which would use them, at once, for the transport of mail by the military train Rome-Naples, by which trains, in lack of postal vans, the postal items and the messengers travel in a cattle van.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC.
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

Tel. 843238
Ref: AC/36/Tn 4

13 April 1945

SUBJECT : Civilian Mail on Military Trains:

TO : Communications Sub-Commission
Attn: Chief Postal Officer

1. Effective Monday 16 April 5 Army leave train will run as follows:

Leave Rome Terminal	1500 hours	Mon-Wed-Fri.
arr. Montecatini	0630 "	Tues-Thurs-Sat.
DepArt Montecatini	1500 "	Tues-Thurs-Sat.
arr. Rome Terminal	0600 "	Sun-Wed-Fri.

2. Arrange to handle mail north on Monday and Friday and south on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

3. Mail to Florence can be handled two days per week, Monday-Wednesday or Friday.

4. Advise date and amount of mail expected for Florence.

5. It is understood the mail for Florence will be in charge of a postal clerk.

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Priority mail Rome
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MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Communications Sub-Commission

12 April 1945

In reply
refer to : P.A. 109/CS

Subject : Census of Postal Vans.

To : Transportation Sub-Commission (attn Major Ping)

1. Enclosed for your information are copies of an instruction issued by the Ministry of Posts and Telecomms. to certain Provincial Directorates in Military Government territory asking for action to be taken to obtain statistics as to the whereabouts etc. of Postal Vans.

2. It would be appreciated if M.R.S. could be asked to allow the Post Office the necessary facilities for obtaining the desired information.

WJH

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel,
Director

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Inc: 1 Two copies of 395319 of 10 April and translations

Copy to : Under Secretary of State for Posts and Telecomms.
R.O., Toscana Region (inform. Postal Officer)

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation Increment
G.M.P.

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

10 April 1945

TO : DMH Bldg (Attention Major London)

SUBJECT : Postal Van Rome-Rimini Train.

1. On March the 19th the Mail Van was detached from train 5635 at Rome Termini and postal clerks were asked to transfer their mail to the baggage van occupied by the Capo Trone.
2. We would like to know if the postal people were in anyway at fault so that we may handle with them for correction.

P.G. WATSON, Major T.C.

Copy to: Movements Rail Tn Sub-Comm. (ref. file 207/7/Tn 2)
" " Communications Sub-Comm. HQ AC /

Director
D/Director
Chief Telecoms
Chief Postal
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Asst. Chief Postal
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Chief Clerk

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Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni

10 APR 1945
Direz. n. 2 Prov. li F.T. A
- FIRENZE
- ANCONA
- PISA

Spett. Gen. Post. Roma 1 1
Tel. N. 899319 - 8-9
Allegati

P.c.
Commissione Alleata Posts
and Telecommunications Sub
Commission - Via Veneto
ROMA

OGGETTO Censimento carrozze Postali

A questa Direzione Generale occorre conoscere quante e quali carrozze postali siano attualmente nelle stazioni ferroviarie del Compartimento di Firenze e di Ancona; quali delle medesime siano idonee al servizio postale, oppure abbisognino di riparazioni od eventualmente già proposte per essere demolite.

Si pregano le Direzioni di Firenze e di Ancona, ciascuna per quanto di competenza, di prendere accordi col locale Rappresentante della Commissione Alleata, al fine di interessare le competenti Autorità ferroviarie per la raccolta delle notizie stesse, che, poi, a cura delle Direzioni postali, dovranno essere inviate alla scrivente, insieme ai relativi modelli 128 D, regolarmente compilati.

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Con l'occasione, rammentasi che i modelli suddetti debbono qui rinviarsi, anche se negativi, ogni 1° e 15 di ogni mese, da tutti gli uffici che hanno in dotazione carrozze postali.

Si raccomanda la maggiore sollecitudine nell'adempimento di quanto sopra ed intanto si resta in attesa di assicurazione al riguardo

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

C. S.	
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Date 10 APR 1945

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SUBJECT: Census of Postal Vans.

TO : Provincial Directorate of FIRENZE, ANCONA, PISA and
for information.
A.C. Communications

This General Direction needs to know how many and which postal vans are at present in the railway stations of the Compartimenti of Florence and Ancona; which of them can be used for postal service, and which need repairs or have already been chosen for demolition.

The Provincial Directions of Florence and Ancona, each to their competence, will make arrangements with the local representative of the Allied Commission, in order to interest the competent railway authorities for the collection of the above information which the said Directions will forward to this Office, with the relative Models 128D, regularly filled.

With the occasion we remind that these Forms should be sent here also if negative, on the 1st and 15th of each month, by all the offices to which postal vans are allotted.

We recommend the maximum diligence in carrying out the above and we are waiting your acknowledgement.

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INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

8 April 1945

Tele : 478704

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SUBJECT : Postal Van - Rome/Rimini Train.

TO : Rail Division, Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. The attached correspondence from Communications Sub-Commission is forwarded for your information and necessary action.
2. Please let Movements Division, Rail have a copy of your reply to Communications Sub-Commission.

for *CPDootenple*
 M.B. THOMAS, Colonel
 Deputy Director,
 Transportation Sub-Commission.

Copy to : Communications Sub-Commission.
 HQ Movements Sub-Area, Rome

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Date 9 APR 1945

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Subject : Postal Van on Rome-Rimini Train

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

Representations by the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs concerning the elimination of the postal van from train 5638 on 19th March are enclosed for enquiry please.

J.L. HENDERSON
Colonel
Director

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1 Inc:
473869/8/2/R of 5 April 1945 and Translation

Communications Sub-Commission
Ext 444

6 April 1945

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P.44.106/CS
MEMO

Subject: Postal Van on Rome-Rimini Train.
To : Transportation Sub-Commission.

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Isp/to Gen/le Mov. Io/. Post and Telecommunications
Gen. I^ Sub. Commission - Via Veneto
Tel. 1.473869/3/2/R
R O M A

Oggetto Carrozza postale del treno 5638

Viene segnalato che il giorno 19 marzo, per disposizione di un sottufficiale alleato, addetto ai servizi di stazione di Roma Termini, non venne messa in composizione al treno N° 5638 Roma - Rimini, la carrozza postale N° 1050, quantunque sembri non vi fossero difficoltà per il tonnellaggio del convoglio e per la manovra di aggancio.

Tutti i sacchi con la corrispondenza, e gli agenti postali di scorta, dovettero prendere posto nel bagagliaio del Capotreno, con grave disagio dei due servizi.

See 104-105-108.1. p.4

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Pregasi, pertanto, compiacersi di interessare le competenti Autorità Alleate affinché incidenti analoghi non abbiano a verificarsi, salvo il caso di inderogabili necessità.

IL DIRETTORE GENERALE

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MINISTERO DELLE POSTE
E DELLE TELECOMUNICAZIONI

Isp/to Gen/le Mov.to/
Prot. no. 473869/3/2/R

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Posts and Telecommunications.

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IL DIRETTORE GENERALE.

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Translation

Subject: Postal Van on Train 5638.

We have been informed that on March 19th, by order of an Allied non-commissioned officer attached to the Roma-Termini station service, the postal van n.5638, although apparently there were no difficulties as regards the tonnage of the train or in connection with attaching the van to the train.

All the bags containing correspondence and the escorting postal agents had to get into the baggage van of the Capotreno, with serious discomfort to both the services.

We therefore beg you to interest the competent Allied Authorities to the matter so that similar incidents do not occur, except in case of absolute necessity.

THE GENERAL DIRECTOR.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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30 March 1945

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/36/Tn 4

TO : ✓ Communication Sub-Commission HQ AC

SUBJECT : Mail Traffic Rome-Rimini.

1. Attached correspondence reveals a very serious position, liable to lead to withdrawal of mail facilities on military trains.
2. It is requested action be taken to ensure such an incident is not repeated, and that disciplinary steps are taken against the employees concerned.

Merritt H. Taylor
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director.

Copy to: Public Safety Sub-Comm. HQ AC
" " Movements Rome

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Director
D/Director
Chief Telecoms
Chief Postal
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Chief Clerk

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Date: 2 APR 1945

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SUBJECT : Italian Mail Cars

D.A.Q.M.G. (M)
H.Q. Movements Sub Area
Rome Area C.M.F.R.T.O. Office
Rome Termini
G/RT/53

21 March '45

1. For some time it has been suspected that Italian Mail Cars attached to Military trains were carrying Blackmarket commodities.
 2. This morning at 0545 hrs when the Rimini leave train arrived, Fl/Sgt Masgrove had occasion to look in the mail car. He noticed two mail bags which by their shape did not appear to be carrying mail. Further investigation revealed that one bag was filled with flour and the other with beans. Both bags were removed from the train and placed in this office.
 3. S.I.B. were informed and requested to investigate the matter.
 4. The mail car attendants were :
Mascarini Censerico
Bellomo Alfredo
Both employed by the Italian Post Office
- two of the three who are being processed for the Rimini area*
- 2840

(Sgd) G.R.G. Tonks Capt R.E.
R.T.O. Rome Termini Station

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Roma 29 MAR 1945

Ministero delle Poste
e delle Telecomunicazioni
ISPGENOVPOST

Commissione Alleata
Posts And Telecommunica-
tions Subcommittee
Via Veneto ROMA

Invia: Dir. I Tav. I
Let. N. 478844 1/2
Allegati

Resp. al f. N.
del

OGGETTO: Servizio Postale Roma-Livorno-Pisa

- Si fa riferimento alla nota P.41.89/C S. del 16 corrente .
- 1) Si resta in attesa della risposta che la rappresentanza del 719 battaglione avrà dato al Capitano Drummond.
 - 2) Mancano alla scrivente gli elementi di giudizio per risolvere la questione dello scarico della posta per Pisa, in quello scalo ferroviario, piuttosto che a Livorno.
 - 3) e 4) A parere della scrivente nulla osta che, in considerazione delle difficoltà che si incontrano per lo scarico della posta di Pisa - a Pisa Stazione - la stessa sia scalata, come attualmente si pratica, a Livorno per indi proseguire su Pisa con l'autorezzo Pisa- Livorno- Pisa .

Una migliore soluzione potrà esser trovata quando potrà esser nuovamente ristabilita la comunicazione ferroviaria Livorno- Pisa - Firenze

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per cui riuscirebbe conveniente istradare
via Roma - Livorno - Pisa - Firenze anche
la posta per Firenze, eliminandone il
trasporto, difficoltoso, con automezzo da A-
rezzo a Firenze.

IL SOTTOSEGRETARIO DI STATO
M. FANO

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CROSS. REFS.	
FILE P.27	b/fwd.

Date 29 MAR 1945

TRANSLATION

473844 1/2

29 March 1945

Subject : Postal service Rome-Leghorn-Pisa.

Ref. your note P.41.89/CS of 16 March.

1. We will wait for the reply which the representative of the 719 Battalion will have given to Capt. Drummond.
2. The writer does not have elements to ~~judge~~ be able to judge the question of discharging the mail for Pisa, rather than at Leghorn.

3 & 4 The writers opinion is that he does not have any objection in consideration of the difficulties that are met for the unloading of the post at Pisa (at Pisa Station) the same be unloaded as it is actually done at Leghorn to be then continued to Pisa by means of the motor vehicle Pisa-Leghorn-Pisa.

A better solution could be found when the Leghorn-Pisa-Florence railway communications has been re-established, for which it would be convenient to forward the ~~Post~~ mail for Florence via Rome-Leghorn-Pisa eliminating the difficult transport by motor vehicle from Arezzo to Florence.

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