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SUBJECT: Notes for Monthly Report November 4 December 1945
1945.

TO : Chief Rail Division.

1.

Output of Rail Cars from Private Firms.(a) Cecchetti Works, at Civitanova Marche.

Repairs carried during the month were:

Heavy	52
Medium	17
Light	7
<u>Total</u>	<u>86</u>

(b) Bonbrini-Parodi-Belfino at Colliferro

repairs carried out during the month were:

Heavy	51
Medium	13
Light	6
<u>Total</u>	<u>70</u>

(c) Wagon-Lite Rome

repairs carried out during the month were:

Medium	2
Light	8
<u>Total</u>	<u>10</u>

2.

I.S.R. Rialzo Shop at Rome Salsomaggiore (1)

Repairs carried out during the month were:

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Heavy	62
Medium	17
Light	7
Total	86

(b) Bombrini-Parodi-Lelfino et Collesferro
repairs carried out during the month were :

Heavy	51
Medium	13
Light	6
Total	70

(c) Regio-Lits Rome
repairs carried out during the month were :

Medium	2
Light	8
Total	10

2. I.G.R. Rialzo Shop at Rome Sniamento (1)
Repairs carried out during the month were :

Medium	15
Light	182
Running repairs	173
Total	370

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3. Locomotive repairs Calabria and Sicily for month ended
15 October 1945.

<u>Reggio Compartimento</u>	
Loco Depots	14
Steam	5
Electric	5
Total	19

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Palermo Compartimento

Loco depots.	—
Steam	—
Main shops	22
(Navy Yard)	—
Total	22
Narrow Gauge 2	

4. Carriage and wagon repairs Calabria and Sicily Nov. 45.Reggio Compartimento. (1)

	COACHES	BAGGAGE CARS	WAGONS
Lifting Shop (Running repairs)	—	—	734
Repaired	22	4	107
Recovered	—	—	9
Total	22	4	850

Palermo Compartimento

(Running repairs)	—	—	320
Main shops	14	17	103
Lifting shops (1)	13	9	117
Recovered	—	—	—
Total	27	26	540

5. Locomotive situation. Compartimento of Reggio as at 15 Nov. 45.

	Service	Under & waiting repair	Scrap	Total
M. Line	57	23	3	83
Shunting	11	5	46	46
Electric	34	5	—	39
Total	102	33	3	138

6. Locomotive situation Compartimento of Palermo as at 15 Nov. 45.

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	<u>Service</u>	<u>Under & Waiting repair</u>	<u>Scrap</u>	<u>Total</u>
M.Line	154	121	---	275
Shunting	21	21	---	42
Electric	---	---	---	---
Total	175	142	---	317
narrow gauge	30	30	---	60

(1) These figures are concerning the month from 1st to 30th October 45.

G. S. Barnes
G. S. BARNES
Major, R.E.

INTER-OFFICE MINUTES

SUBJECT: Notes for Monthly Report October 45.

TO Chief Rail Division.

1. Output of Rail Cars from Privata Firms.
- (a) Cicchetti Works, at Civitanova Marche.
Repairs carried during the month were:
Heavy 33
Medium 23
Light 12

Total 68
- (b) Bombrini-Parodi-Delfino at Colleferro
Repairs carried out during the month were:
Heavy 47
Medium 13
Light 1

Total 61
- (c) Wagon Lits Rome--
Repairs carried out during the month were:
Medium 1
Light 2

Total 10
2. I.B.R. Rialto Shop at Rome Smistamento (1)
Repairs carried out during the month were:
Medium 15
Light 178
Running repairs 156

Total 349.
3. Locomotive repairs Calabria and Sicily for month ended
15 Oct. 1945.
Regio Compartimento.
Loco Depots.

Repairs carried out during the month were:

Heavy	47
Medium	13
Light	1
<u>Total</u>	<u>61</u>

(3) Wagon Litter Room-

Repairs carried out during the month were:

Medium	1
Light	9
<u>Total</u>	<u>10</u>

2. I.B.M. Riello Shop at Nove Sestante (1)
Repairs carried out during the month were:

Medium	15
Light	178
Running repairs	156
<u>Total</u>	<u>349</u>

Locomotive repairs Calabria and Sicily for month ended

3. 15 Oct. 1945.

Reggio Conventimento.

Loco Depots.	
Steam	8
Electric	2
<u>Total</u>	<u>10</u>

Palermo Conventimento.

Loco Depots.	
Steam	--
Main shops	8
(Mavy Yard)	
<u>Total</u>	<u>8</u>

Narrow Gauge 5

4. Carriage and Wagon repairs Calabria and Sicily Oct. 45

(1) These figures are correct
the month from 1st to 30
September 45

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Heggin Compartmento. (1)

	<u>COACHES</u>	<u>BAGGAGE CARS</u>	<u>WAGONS</u>
Lifting shops (running repairs)	—	—	650
Repaired	43	6	233
Total	43	6	883

Palermo Compartmento.

Running repairs	—	—	998
Main shops	66	—	24
Lifting shops	24	23	708 (1)
Recovered	100	23	1730

5. Locomotive situation Compartmento of Heggin as at 15 October 1945.

	<u>Service</u>	<u>Under & waiting repair</u>	<u>Scrap</u>	<u>Total</u>
M. Line	50	67	2	119
Shunting	10	8	1	19
Electric	29	5	—	34
Total	89	80	3	172

6. Locomotive situation Compartmento of Palermo as at 15 October 1945.

	<u>Service</u>	<u>Under & waiting repair</u>	<u>Scrap</u>	<u>Total</u>
M. Line	153	115	3	271
Shunting	22	20	1	43
Electric	—	—	—	—
Total	175	135	4	314
Narrow Gauge	30	36	46	66

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INTER-OFFICE MINUTE

Ref. AC/221/MR/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Monthly Report Mechanical Section Rail Division.
TO : Chief, Rail Division.

1. The following report is submitted for the month of September covering data on shops and compartments under Allied Commission jurisdiction.

2. Private workshops are functioning as follows :

(a) Wagon-Lits - Rome

The Wagon Lits shop in Rome has under repair several heavy repair jobs requiring from 1000-1500 man hours. This accounts for a slight drop from 9 coaches in August to 5 in September. They are at present repairing 1 sleeping car of which there is need. They will continue to run a sleeping car per month through the shop during the next three months.

At present there are awaiting shop several units from a British Ambulance train. These will be given priority and should all be in service during the next 15 days.

(b) Bombrini - Parodi - Delfino - Colleferro

This plant is doing an excellent job considering the continued shortage of materials and supplies.

The output of this shop is entirely war damaged equipment constituting heavy repairs and is for the most part, new in service, equipment when outshopped.

An effort has been made to increase the box car production but as a result of lumber shortage other types of equipment such as flats, gondolas, etc. have had to be substituted.

The output for the last period was as follows: 77 wagons.

Special mention, should I believe, be made of the initiative displayed in use of scrap and rough manufacture to fill in material shortages. For example they are making nails, bolts, screws etc. for which they have very crude equipment in order to get by. They are doing a fine job under the handicaps they are experiencing.

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(c) Cecchetti Works at Civitanova Marche :

The Cecchetti Works have had an average repair month turning out 79 cars. This plant as have other private Industries been experiencing severe material shortages. Timber, sheet iron, coke etc. necessary to their output have been very difficult to supply.

The electric power situation as mentioned in previous reports is undergoing a gradual improvement. It is as yet not up to normal and this necessarily retards production.

(d) ISR Rialzo Shop - Rome Smlstamento.

This shop is still undergoing a slow rebuilding program. It will be ./.

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some months before this phase has progressed sufficiently to permit maximum output.

Rialzo Shops have put out for the period 15 medium and 178 light repairs.

3. The locomotive and car situation in the Compartimentos of Calabria and Sicily are as follows :

(a) Reggio Calabria (Locomotive)

<u>TYPE OF LOCOMOTIVE</u>	<u>IN SERVICE</u>	<u>WAITING REPAIR</u>	<u>UNDER REPAIR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
ROAD LOCOMOTIVE	47	71	2	120
SWITCH LOCOMOTIVE	12	7	1	20
ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE	26	4	-	30
Total	85	82	3	170

During the period August 15 to September 15 3 Electric and 11 Steam locomotives were outshopped in this Compartimento.

(b) Reggio Calabria (cars)

During the month 45 units of passenger train equipment were given medium or heavy repairs. In addition to the above 15 units were recovered from previously inaccessible areas and either placed in service or moved to shops for light repairs.

The freight cars repaired in the area were 84 medium repairs and 11,17 light repairs. This does not include the 1893 running repairs which were handled during the period.

(c) Sicily (Locomotives)

<u>TYPE OF LOCOMOTIVE</u>	<u>IN SERVICE</u>	<u>WAITING REPAIR</u>	<u>UNDER REPAIR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
ROAD LOCOMOTIVE (Standard Gauge)	152	114	3	269
ROAD LOCOMOTIVE (Narrow Gauge)	31	28	-	59
SWITCH LOCOMOTIVE (	25	24	1	50
Total	208	166	4	378

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(d) Sicily (cars)

During this period 62 units of passenger equipment were given light and medium repair.

The freight equipment was handled through the shops at the rate of 45 heavy 48 medium and 690 light repairs. In addition 1031 units were given running repairs.

4. General :

A new private workshop has requested material aid from the Allied Commission. Officine di Casaralta at Bologna through the MRS submitted material requisitions which were handled through the Rail Division stores section.

It seems that this shop is the only one of its kind undamaged in the Bologna area. The 163 Railway Workshop Company (Br) is billeted in the shop area and have been giving such supply help as they were able.

It is suggested that the Company vacate the area making their barrack space available for normal shop purposes and supply requisitions be handled in the future through this Office to ISR or to ISR direct. It seems reasonable to believe they should be in the same category as Colleferro and Cecchetti for supply and materials aid.

5. Inspection trips

During the month inspection trips were made to Colleferro, Wagon Lits and to the Steel Mill at Magnoli (Ilva).

The first shops named are covered previously in this report.

The purpose of the inspection to the steel mill was to determine their state of rehabilitation and when it could be expected to produce steel rail of which there is a serious shortage. This inspection was the subject of a report at that time.

As an overall picture, however, steel rail may be expected from this plant shortly after November 15 at the rate of 100-150 tons per day. This to be made from materials already in stock. On or about December 15 the furnaces should start and be able to supply billet material for the rolls at the rate of 250-300 tons per day. This later depends on the supply of a coking coal at rate of 10,000 tons per month. This is I understand under advisement at the present time. Failure to furnish coal in the proper quantity will delay operatives of the furnace until a supply is furnished.

6. The above report is submitted for your information.

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Major T.C.
Mechanical Section.

INTER-OFFICE MINUTE

Ref: AC/246/9/Tn 4

SUBJECT : Notes for Monthly Report, August 1945.TO : Chief,
Rail Division.

1. The following sections show the out put of cars from the private shops doing contract work for I.S.R.

- (a) Wagons-Lats, Rome - During the period August 1 through 26th this shop was able to put out 9 coaches with heavy repairs and 1 light repair. This shows an increase of a considerable amount over July, when only 8 were outshopped for entire month.
- (b) Bombrini-Parodi-Delfino at Colleferro - This plant working under serious material handicaps has done an excellent job. They are forced by lack of supply into a production of such items as nails, bolts etc. which is slow and expensive for a firm not specifically equipped for their manufacture. All repairs from this shop are classed as heavy being war demolished equipment for the most part. The general condition at this plant is subject for another report. The supply problem is under discussion with the ISR.
Production for the period from August 1 to August 31, 85 cars were repaired. This shows excellent out put under a handicap of materials.
- (c) Cocchetti Works at Civitanova Marche : This plant while not personally visited during the period of this report have had reliable indications that they are suffering from the same material and supply difficulties as other private shops. Their out put has also been curtailed by a shortage of electric power in the area. In spite of these handicaps a very creditable showing was made during the period of August 1 through 31.
During the period August 1 through 31 a number of 79 cars were repaired and 3 cars were constructed new.
- (d) ISR - Rialzo Shop - Rome Smlstamento - This shop is handicapped on its repair out put to some extent by reconstruction of buildings. These are progressing but not too rapidly. The out put in this shop for August was 30 heavy, 78 medium and 230 light repairs. All the above are in freight type of equipment.

2. Repairs to Locomotives and Cars in Compartimento, Reggio Calabria and Sicily.
period July 15 to August 15, 1945.

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(a) Cars :

<u>REGGIO CALABRIA</u>	<u>Carriages</u>	<u>Vans</u>	<u>Cars</u>	<u>Total</u>
(1) Heavy & Medium Repairs	18	27	453	498
(2) Light Repairs & Inspect.				734

(Note) of Item(1) 2 cars are recovered.

PALERMO, SICILY

(1) Heavy & Medium Repairs	32	22	732	786
(2) Heavy Repairs	11	5	82	98
(3) Light Rep. & Inspect.				1721

(Note) of Item (2) 1 carriage and 15 cars are recovered.

(b) Locomotives :

<u>CALABRIA</u>	<u>In Service</u>	<u>In Repair or waiting since</u>	<u>Demolished</u>	<u>Total</u>
Road Engines	49	72	3	124
Switch Engines	12	8	1	21
Electric	26	6	-	32

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Road Engines (Standard)	160	110	3	273
Road Engines (Narrow gauge)	32	32	-	64
Switch Engines	20	21	1	42
Electric	---	---	---	---

INSPECTIONS :

During the month of August inspections trips were made to Bari, Piosolino and Collesferro. All these inspections are subject of special reports handed in at time of inspection.

MISCELLANEOUS : On August 29th Major Barnes left for a 30 days furlough in England. The department was temporarily taken over by Major Gill for that period.

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INTER-OFFICE MINUTESUBJECT : Notes for Monthly Report July 45.TO : Chief Rail Division.1. PRIVATE FIRMS FINANCIAL POSITION

The financial position of private firms working for ISR has now been put on a more satisfactory footing. Contract prices have been agreed on and ISR have undertaken to make payments on account of work already done.

2. OUTPUT OF RAIL CARS FROM PRIVATE FIRMS

(a) Cecchetti Works, at Civitanova Marche are still limited by availability of electric supply. It is hoped that the position will have improved by the end of August.

Output for month 60 heavy repairs (all recovered).

(b) Bombrini-Parodi-Delfino, at Colleferro are working satisfactorily but hampered by lack of transport, two Italian military trucks having been withdrawn and ISR having sent only one truck of smaller capacity as replacement. This is in hand with ISR.

Output for month 70 heavy repairs (all-recovered).

This lower figure is accounted for by the exceptionally heavy nature of repairs.

(c) Wagons-Lits, Rome repaired 8 passenger coaches during the month.

3. ISR RIALZO SHOP-AT ROME SMISTAMENTO continues to make progress but structural repairs to shop are not making good headway. In particular-roofing requires to be carried out before winter.

Output during month 3 Baggage cars and 66 wagons of which 12 recovered.

4. LOCOMOTIVE REPAIRS CALABRIA & SICILY MONTH ENDED 15 JULY 45.

REGGIO COMPARTIMENTO

Loco Depot

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4. LOCOMOTIVE REPAIRS CALABRIA & SICILY MONTH ENDED 15 JULY 45.

REGGIO COMPARTIMENTO

Loco Depots-

Steam 7
Electric 1

Total 8

PALESTRO COMPARTIMENTO

Loco Depots-

Steam 14
Main Shops
(Navy Yard) 2

Total 16

Narrow

Gauge 2

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5. CARRIAGE & WAGON REPAIRS CALABRIA AND SICILY JUNE 45REGGIO COMPARTIMENTO

	<u>COACHES</u>	<u>BAGGAGE CARS</u>	<u>WAGONS</u>
Lifting Shops (Running Repairs)	11	17	381
" Recovered	--	--	38
Total	11	17	419

PALERMO COMPARTIMENTO

Main Shops	7	9	83
Lifting Shops	30	31	715
Recovered	6	6	12
Total	43	46	810

6. LOCOMOTIVE SITUATION - COMPARTIMENTO OF REGGIO as at 15 July 45 -

	<u>Service</u>	<u>Under & Waiting Repair</u>	<u>Scrap</u>	<u>Total</u>
M. Line	49	47	14	110
Shunting	19	13	3	35
Electric	26	6	--	32
Totals	94	66	17	177

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Total 43

6. LOCOMOTIVE SITUATION - COMPARTIMENTO OF REGGIO as at 15

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Shunting	19	13	3	35
Electric	26	6	-	32
Totals	94	66	17	177

LOCOMOTIVE SITUATION COMPARTIMENTO OF PALERMO as at July 15th

	1945	Under & Waiting Repair	Scrap	Total
M. Line	160	101	12	273
Shunting	34	22	-	56
Electric	-	-	-	-
Totals	194	123	12	329
Narrow Gauge	32	-	-	64

7. The Mechanical Section was handed over to Major Barnes on 1 August 1945.

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S. L. BAISTER, Major

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