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PORT REPORT

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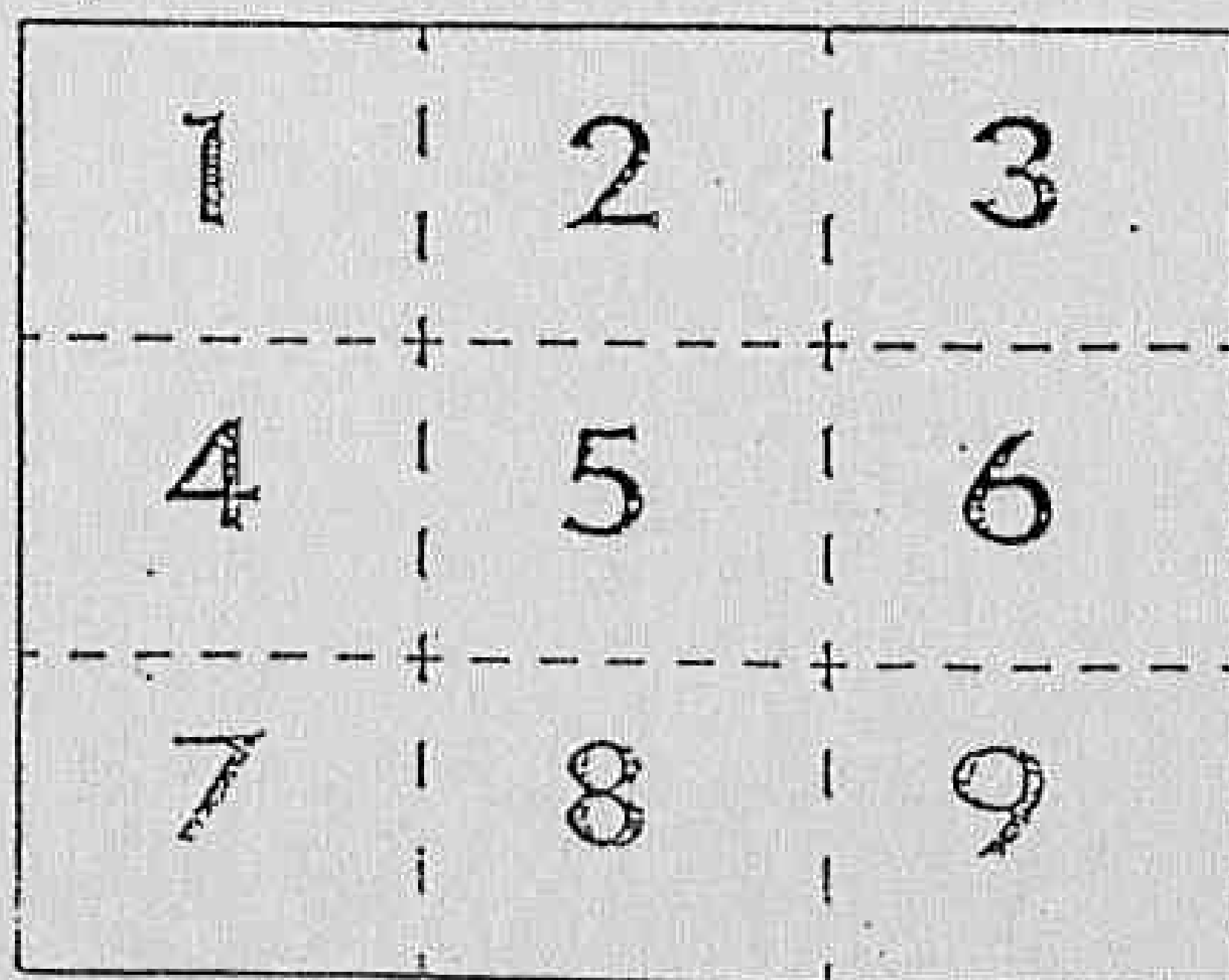
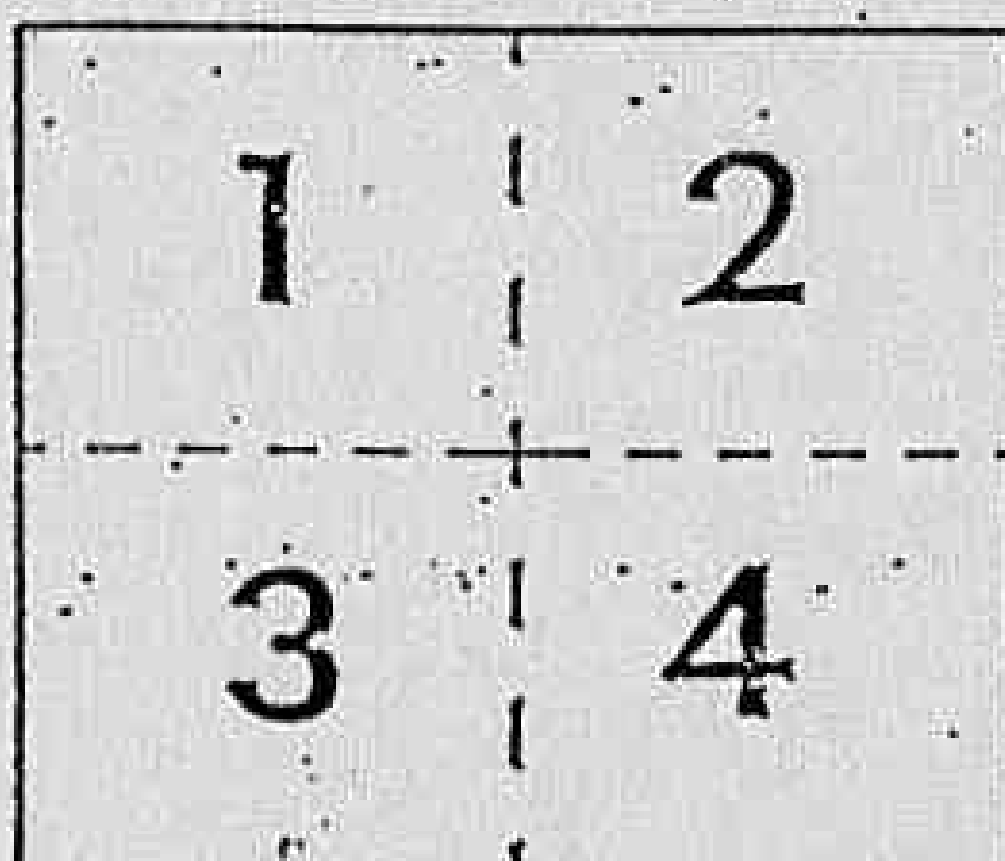
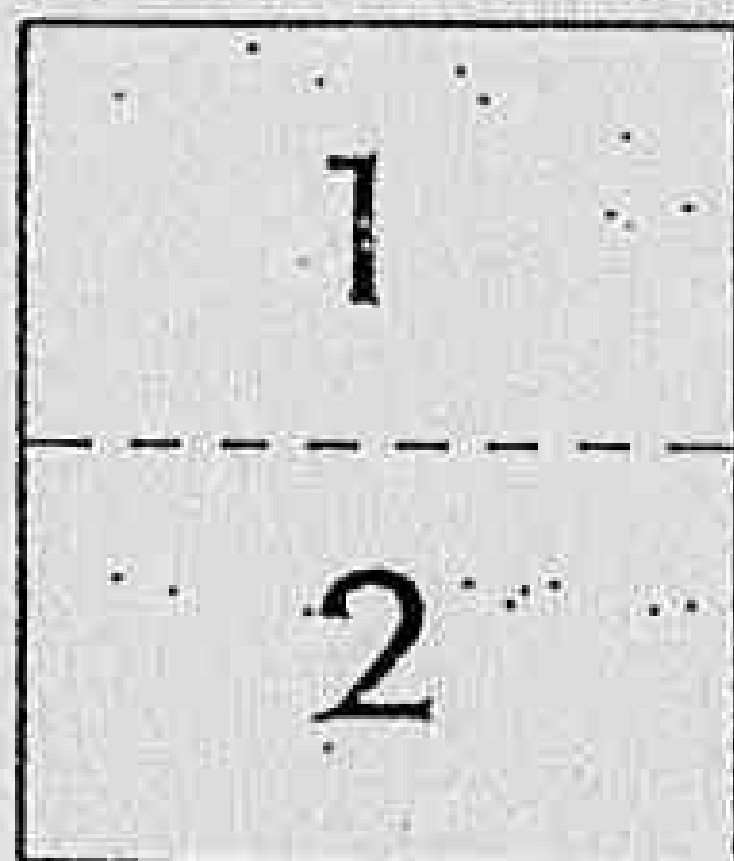
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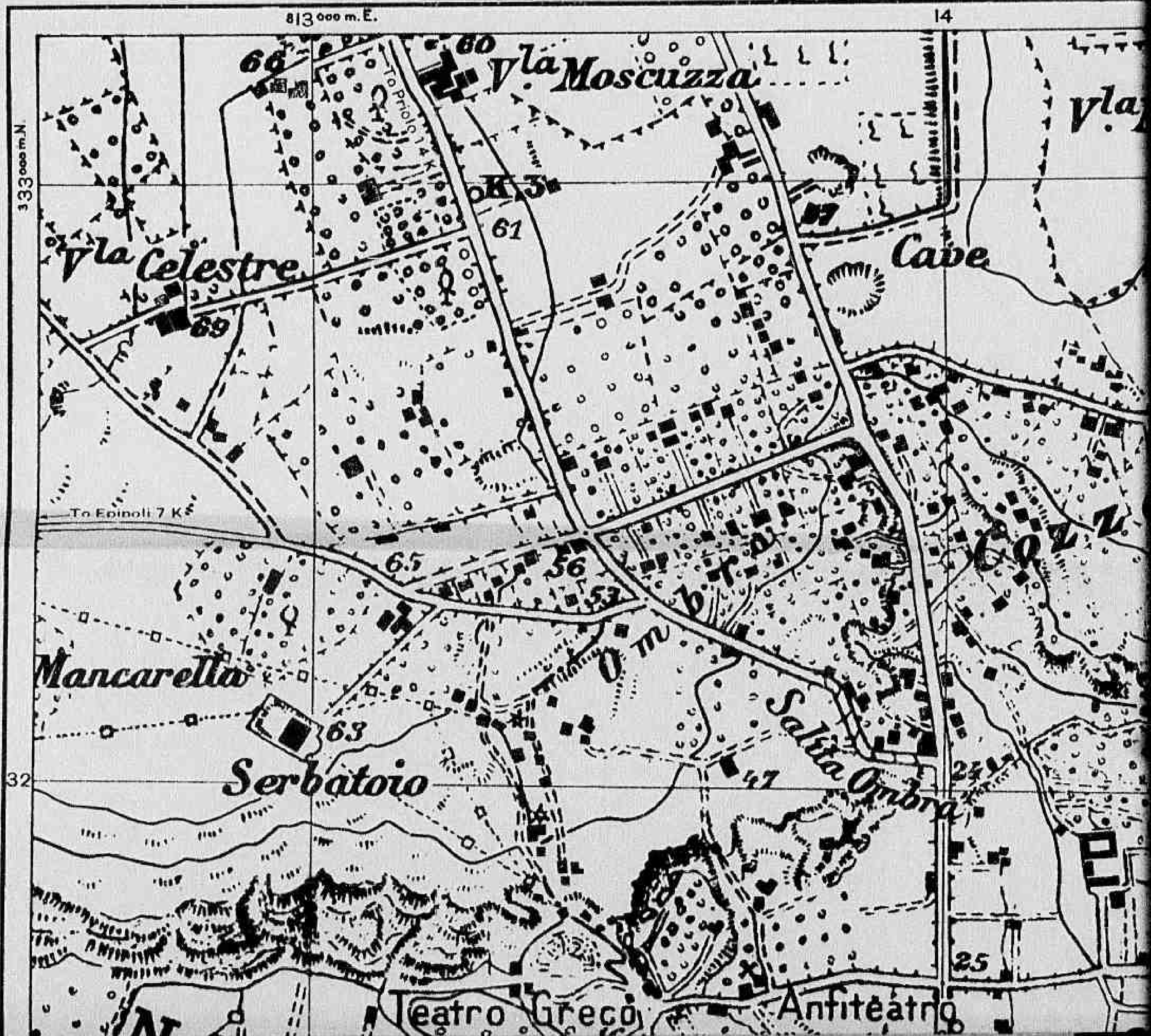
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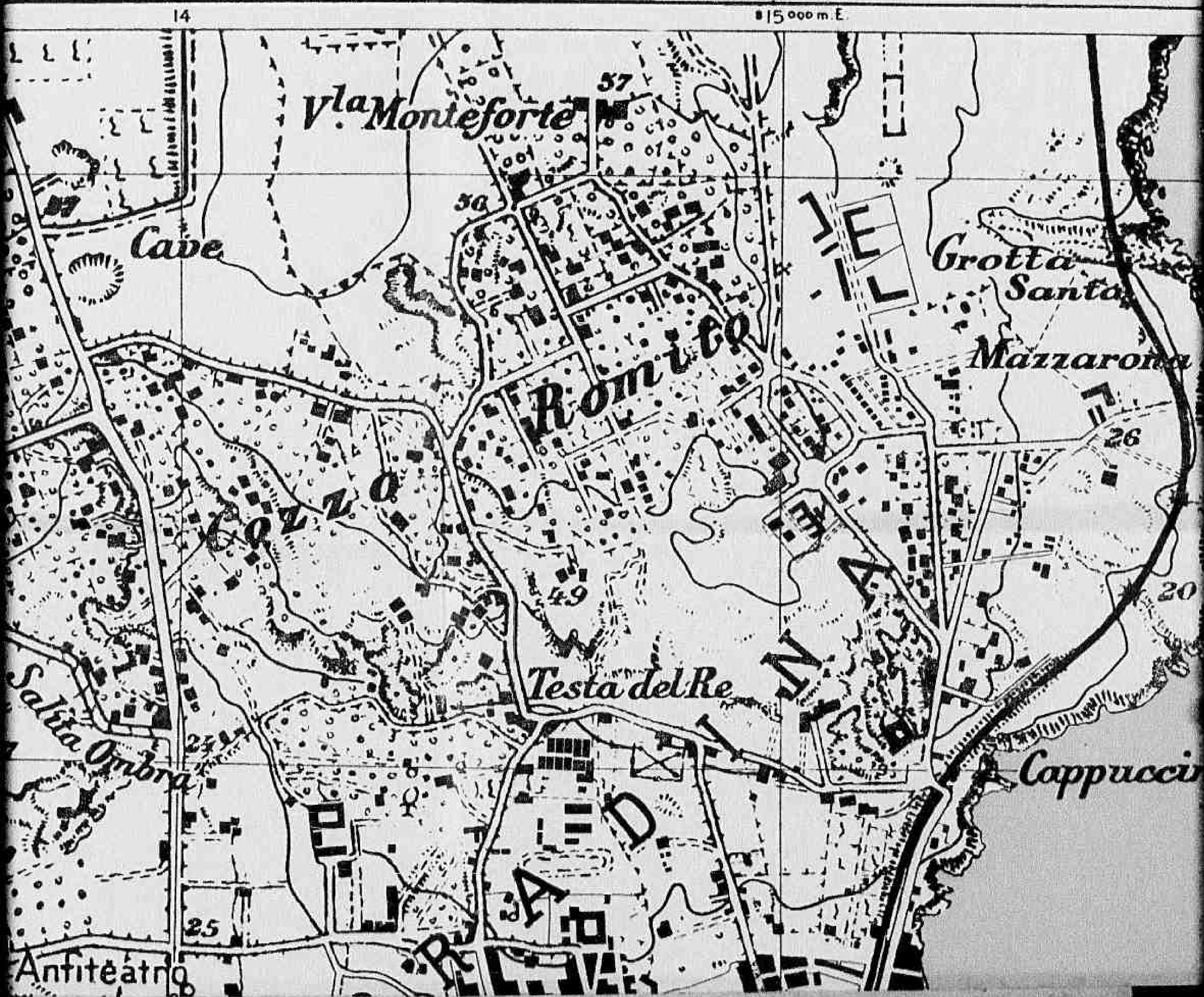
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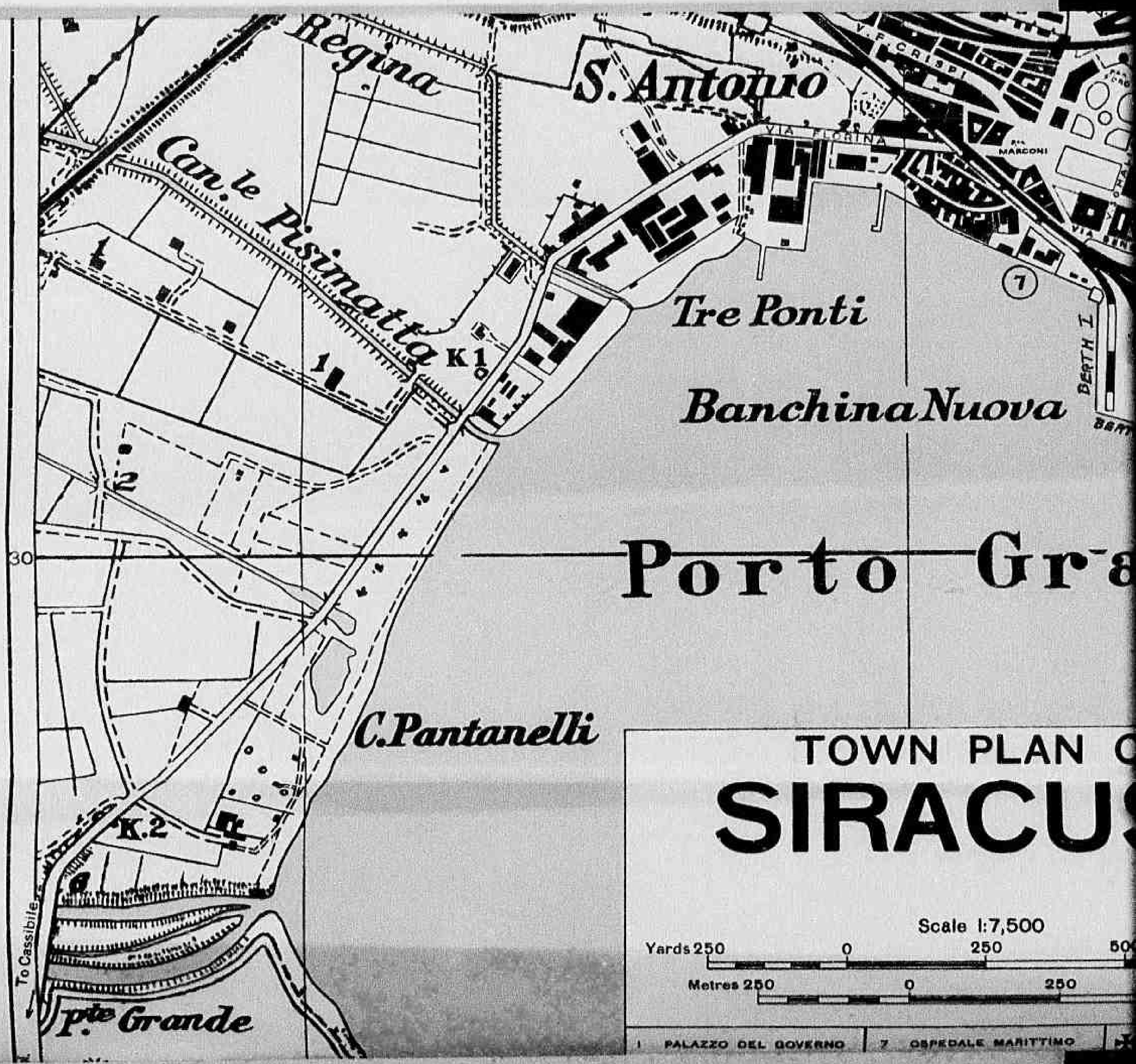


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3 MUNICIPIO	9 TRIBUNALE
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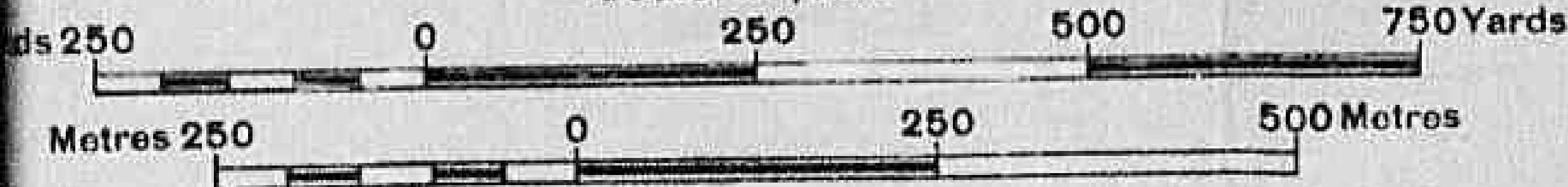
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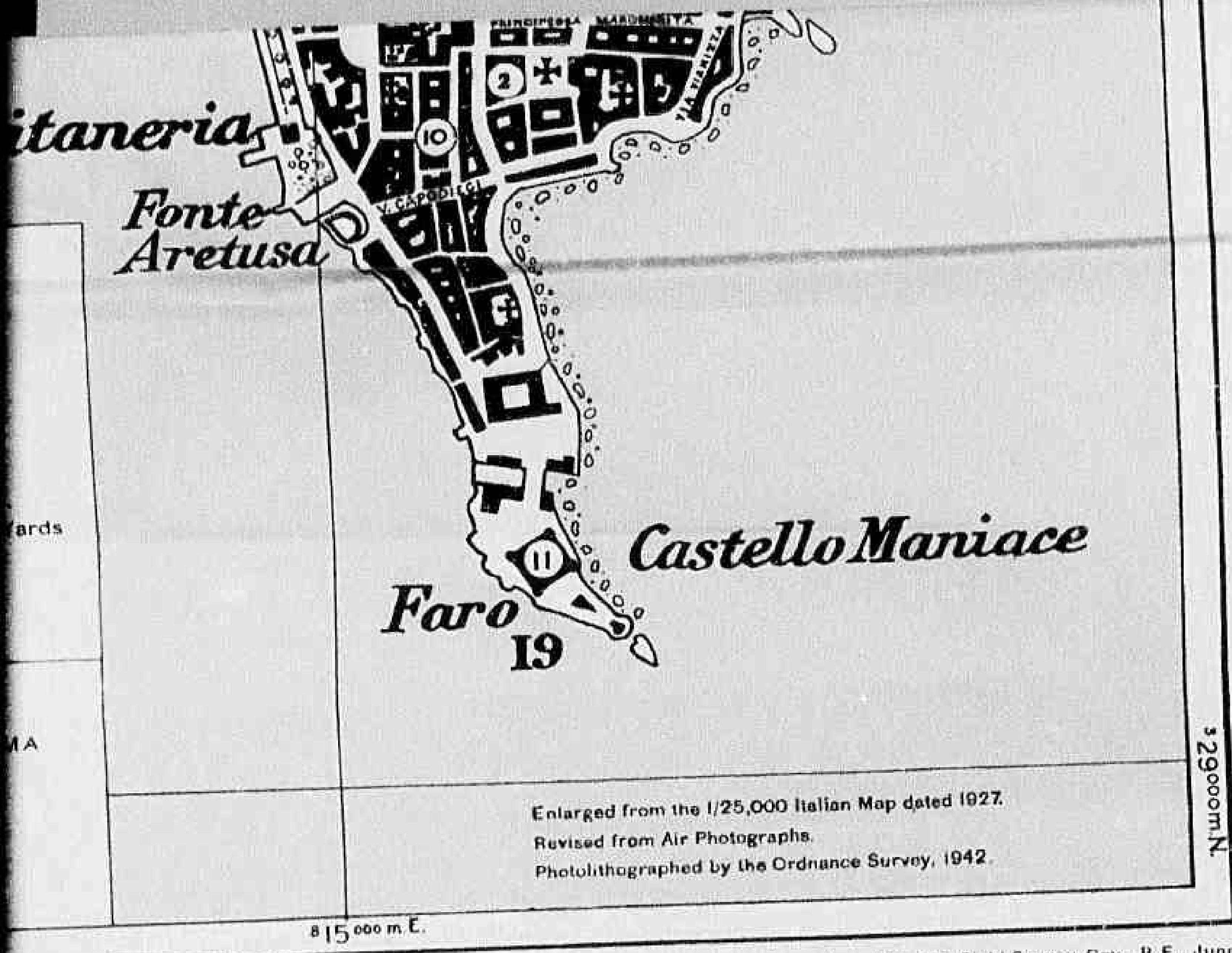
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Port Report

Syracuse, Sicily

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2. Shipping Traffic

There is a present average of 30 schooners per month, mainly discharging timber from Calabria and loading citrus fruits and wine.

There is a present average of three steamers per month.

3. Tides

There is a spring tide variation of 1 ft.

4. Weather

Bad weather causes little or no disturbance to shipping operations.

5. Wharfage and Depths.

Please refer to attached map for locations. 099

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3	715'	6' to 25'
4	550'	25'
5	485'	24' 6"
6	730'	7' 6" to 8'
7	520'	3'
8	340'	8' 4"
9	340'	
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Porto Grande entrance channel depth is 80 ft.

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6. Electric Current

3 Phase, A.C., 50 cycles, 150/160 volts, is available.

7. Water Supply

Piped water is available to major quays.

8. Coal Bunkers

A coal bunker of 200 ton capacity is located at Berths 1, 2 and 3.

9. Oil Bunkers

There is a large oil bunker of undetermined capacity.

10. Railroad Sidings

Railroad sidings serve Berths 1, 2 and 3.

11. Warehouses

There has been no destruction of warehouses and a number of undetermined capacity, are available.

12. Dry Docks

None.

13. Repair facilities.

One plant capable of ordinary repair work.

14. Dredgers

None.

15. Tug Boats

One small tug boat is available.

16. Hoisting facilities

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19. Stevedore Equipment

There is sufficient stevedore gear on hand for present and potential operations, now owned by Companhia Portuale and

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Compagnia S. Sebastiano, Syracuse.
Cargoes are handled with ships gear.

20. Stevedore Contractors.

Compagnia Portuale
Compagnia S. Sebastiano

21. Labor

A dock labor pool of 300 men is available. There is a labor surplus.

22. Port Captain

Lt. Col. Giuseppe Di Maio- Tel.No.1696 Syracuse, Tel.Address
COMPAGNIE, Syracuse

23. Fed. Consorzi Agrari.

Has not operated at this port prior to inspection.

24. I.C.E.

This agency is operating efficiently in the export of citrus fruits destined for British Govt.

25. Military Cargoes

No responsibility on the part of A.C. Military cargoes are not discharged at this port. Should any be discharged in future, the permanent S.M.W.T. Representative will notify, and be governed by the instructions of, the appropriate military authorities at Reggio Cal.

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It is suggested that the feasibility of discharging coal at Syracuse be studied. Coal destined for Ragusa is now being discharged at Catania and transported by rail wagon. The rail haul could be shortened by discharging at Syracuse. Berths 1, 2 and 3 can accommodate vessels drawing up to 24 ft., and discharge can be made direct to rail wagons. If the suggestion is feasible a saving in rail wagon use could be effected and the diversion to Syracuse would tend to keep the dock labor pool there intact.

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Attachments . -

- 1 Town and Port Plan
- 5 Aerial Photos of Syracuse and Harbour

Summary of Recommendations

1. Study Feasibility of diverting coal destined for Ragusa and nearby cities from Catania to Syracuse (Item 26)

PORT OF SIRACUSA

Name of wharves etc.	Length wharves		Wharf Surface	Depth water mt.	BERTHING		USE OF WHARF	REMARKS
	Total linear metres	Rly lines metres			Along- side	stern on		
Foro Vittorio eman.	370			0 at 10 away from the wharf	-	-	Operations forbidden Pleasure and mili- tary boats.	TOTAL WATER Simultaneous unloading:- Alongside
Lanagon Mole								
South side	80		2100	7	2	-	General cargo & passengers	To anchor:
North side								MECHANICAL
Piazza Mazzini	160		4400	8	1	-	General cargo	1 : hand cr tons, proper tion. 2 el lifting pow
Darsena								
South side	200							
North Side	140	120	4500	8	1		General cargo timber and passengers	WAREHOUSE & 2 S. Antoni Uncovered capacity 20
Stazione Porto	200		Only wharf	0 at 5 meters			Passengers	CRAFT 1 in coal 35 lig average for
S. Antonio Mole								
East	214)							
Head	140)	550	40.000	Sides 8	3		Coal, asphalt, cement	Average da which can unloaded :
West	210)			Head 9				

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Wharf surface	Depth water mt.	BERTHING		USE OF WHARF	REMARKS
		Along- side	Stern on		
	6 at 10 away from the wharf	-	-	Operations for Pleasure and mili- tary boats.	<u>TOTAL WATER SURFACE:</u> m² 60.000 Simultaneous operations of loading and unloading:- Alongside : ships n. 6 schooner n. 5 To anchor: undetermined number <u>MECHANICAL MEANS :-</u> 1 : hand crane with lifting power of 3 tons, property of the Marina Administration. 2 electric cranes (S. Antonio mole) lifting power 5 tons gross and 2,5 net. <u>WAREHOUSE & DEPOTS</u> Anthracite depots n. 2 S. Antonio mole 3.000 m² surface. Uncovered areas : surface 15.000 m² capacity 20.000 tons. <u>CRAFT</u> 1 iron pontoon of 120 tons for coal 35 lighters with deck 20 tons each average for goods 2 small tugs Average daily numbers of rail cars which can be daily loaded and unloaded :- 50-60+
2100	7	2	-	General cargo & passengers	
4400	8	1	-	General cargo	
4500	8	1	-	General cargo timber and passengers	
Only wharf 6 m. wide	6 at 5 meters away from wharf			Passengers	
40.000	Sides 6 Head 9	3		Coal, asphalt, cement	

PORTO DI SIRACUSA

Denominazione	Lungh. - bench. Tot.ml. Servite da bin. calate m ²	Superficie Fondali delle calate m ²	Accosti di fianco-di punta	Destinazione	N	O	T
Foro Vittorio Emanuele	370	-	sola banch. 8 e circa 10 m. dalla banch.	-	-	-	Traffico vietato-Naviglio da diporto e malitere
Molo Zanagon	80	-					Superficie acqua
Lato Sud	70	-	2100	7	2	-	Possano compie commerciali : in eccosto p velie
nord	28	-				-	all'ancora n. Mezzi meccanici
Testate	160	-	4400	8	1	-	1 gru a mano d 3 tonn. 2 gru elettric ta 5 tonn. lon
Piazza Mezzini	200	-				-	Depositi e sta
Darsena	140	120	4500	8	1	-	Deposito carbo
Lato Sud						-	tonio: sup. m ²
" nord						-	Aree scoperte 20.000
Stazione Porto	200	-	Solo banch. 8 larga m.8 e 5m. dalla banch.	1	-	-	passaggeri
Molo S. Antonio						-	Galleggianti 1 pontone in ne.
Levante	214)					-	35 chiatte po di 20 tonn. o
Testate	140)	550	40.000	banch.lat. 3 8, test.9		-	2 piccoli rim
Ponente	210)					-	N° medio di o giornalmente

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ficie Fondali lle e m ²	Accosti di fianco-di punta	Destinazione	N	O	T	E
anch. 8 e circa 10 m. dal- le anch.	-	-				Superficie acque complessive m ² 60.000 Possono compiere contemporaneamente op. commerciali: 2 in accosto pfi n. 8 velier n. 5 all'ancora n. indeterminato. Mezzi meccanici: 1 gru a mano dell'Ammin. Maritt.: portata 3 tonn. 2 gru elettriche (Molo S. Antonio) porta- ta 5 tonn. lorde e 2,5 nette). Depositi e stabilimenti commerciali: Deposito carbon fossile n. 2 - Molo S. An- tonio: sup. m ² 3000 Aree scoperte: sup. m ² 15.000, capac. tonn. 20.000 Galleggianti: 1 pontone in ferro di tonn. 120 per carbo- ne. 35 chiatte pontate della portata media di 20 tonn. ciascuna per merci. 2 piccoli rimorchiatori. No medio di carri ferroviari che possono giornalmente caricare: 50:60.
7	2	-				m.v. e pass.
8	1	-				m.v.
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HEAD HARBOR ADJUTANT COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

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Our Ref :- AC/606/210/Tn.3.

22 October 1945

SUBJECT :- Use of Port of Syracuse.

TO :- Direzione Generale
della Marina Mercantile
Ministero Marina.1. Reference your 3794/2 of 28 September and our
606/203/Tn.3. of 16 October.2. Please note the "Joseph Story" ex USA, carrying
6000 tons of bulk wheat is routed to Palermo and Syracuse.
50% of the cargo will be discharged in each port.3. The Capitano di Porto at Syracuse should keep
in touch with the port authorities at Palermo in order
to know the eventual arrival date of this vessel at
Syracuse. Vessel is due Palermo about 25 October.

4. Bags will be provided for bagging in the hold.

5. It is requested that arrangements be made to
ensure a satisfactory working of this ship in Syracuse,
which has had little work for some time.

For the Director :-

2. Khan
S.P. LARSEN
Major R.S.

Copy to :- Food 3/3

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