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Attached [redacted] is a [redacted] report containing the following information on the province of Nova Gorica:

1. Prices of foods, fuels and clothing;
2. Wages and salaries;
3. Medical conditions;
4. Cooperatives; and
5. Unemployment and subsidies to unemployed.

Enclosures: 5 pages as listed above.

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A) YUGOSLAV ECONOMIC INFORMATION

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refers to the area of the province of **NEW GORIZIA**.


a) Food

Sep 52 For about a year all types of food ~~have been~~ found on the market. Grating cheese which was the only missing item, recently ~~made~~ made its appearance in the shops. This was Italian ^{parmesan} ~~parma~~ cheese.

Prices have continued upward in relation to the purchasing power of wages and salaries even though some foods have lowered ~~in~~ price.

PRICES

The following prices are effective now.

-whole wheat bread	38 -46 dinars per kg
- white bread	60 " " "
-oil	180 " " liter
- butter	340 " " kg
- Italian paste	from 106 -115 " " "
- rice	360 " " "
- sugar	150 " " 
- coffee	1800 - 1900 " " "
- table cheese	280 - 350 " " " 50X1-HUM
- grated cheese	800 " " "
- white wheat flour	76 " " "

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-Whole wheat flour		38 dinars per kg
-Dark wheat flour		33 " " "
- wine		100 " " "
- milk	15 - 20	" " "
- eggs	8 - 10	" " "

- white bread ~~at~~ 60 dinars per kg is no longer produced because it is too high-priced

b) Fuels

~~Fuel~~ wood is an inexpensive commodity for the worker
 In fact, workers purchase this item ^{with} coupons supplementary to their pay, which ^{has a total value of} ~~is worth~~ 3,000 dinars for each child dependent.

With these coupons ^{firewood} ~~fuel~~ wood is bought at ~~from~~ 500 to 600 dinars ~~per cubic meter~~ while it costs from 1800 to 2000 per cubic meter on the free market.

c) Clothing

A worker with his salary is hardly able to make ends meet for the most elementary existence, and clothing prices are too dear to satisfy his barest necessities.

- men's suits from 3000 to 5000 dinars
- men's shoes " 4000 to 4500 "
- sandals 2400 "
- towels 1000 - 1400 - 1600 dinars apiece; these have made their appearance in the shops only during the present year.

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Wages and salaries

^{skilled worker} A specialist gets 18 to 24 dinars per hour (150 dinars per day, approx.), plus 3000 dinars ^{in the form of} coupons and ~~dinars~~ ^{cash} for each dependent child.

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If the worker absents himself from work even for 2 days without a justifiable motive, he loses the right of allowance for his dependent children.

Therefore, ~~in consequence~~ a specialized worker receives about 4,000 dinars per month, plus family allowances.

e) Social conditions

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Medical aid is the thorniest problem of the area.

Only 2 municipal doctors are located in the entire province, and these reside in S. PIETRO di GORIZIA and in SALCANO.

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Furthermore, consider that the area is mountainous, despite the dedication of these doctors to their work, they are by far insufficient.

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Last July, the doctor at S. PIETRO was replaced because he was struck by an extreme case of nervous exhaustion resulting from his constant enervating work carried on day and night.

The doctor can make a house visit only ~~after~~ 2 or 3 days after having received the call and most times only if the request ~~is~~ repeated.

The sick of the area are hospitalized in the hospital of VIPACCO by means of Red Cross ambulances from GORIZIA. Medical and health aid, including medicinals, are completely free for ~~the~~ workers.

Only persons having an annual income above 50,000 dinars have to pay for medical and health assistance.

Most ordinary medicinals are available in the pharmacies; foreign ones are scarce and if sold are quite costly.

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f) Miscellaneous **SECRET CONTROL**

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~~Cooperatives, work~~ **U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY**

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[redacted] after the insufficient results given by the socialization of ^{private} ~~the~~ small and middle-sized ~~labor~~ enterprises ~~converted to~~ ~~establishing with these~~ the agricultural and work cooperatives, for more than 1 year the government authorized the members of the cooperatives and enterprises to become independent once again or to remain ~~in them~~ ^{in them}.

The major part abandoned the cooperatives and work enterprises, in many cases going bankrupt.

Such is the case for example of ZIDGRAD bldg enterprise which was active in the province of NOVA GORIZIA and of the workshops for the repairing of motor vehicles and agricultural tractors of RANZIANO and of VALVOLCIANA in the province of GORIZIA.

The carpenters cooperative which ran a mechanized wood-working shop, ^{established as a result of the} ~~sprung up with the~~ nationalization of the establishment and machinery of one ARCIANI Stanislav, a VALVOLCIANA, was dissolved because the former ^{owner} ~~boss~~ took back his workshop and machinery, working for himself. More than half of the 20 workers were discharged.

The determination of the government to restore private initiative on behalf of the small firms is also due to the fact the nationalized cooperatives continued to present an ever increasing deficit and the government was no longer able to subsidize ^{them} it as it did in the early days of their establishment.

The failure of the major part of the cooperatives and labor ~~work~~ enterprises is then due to the fact that the members have the right to take back their property, ~~machinery~~ machines and tools which were nationalized ~~in the act of~~ ^{in the act of} the establishment of the state ~~enterprises~~ ^{enterprises}.

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The former ~~proprietors/claimed,~~ ^{owners naturally} ~~as the present law provides,~~ ^{under the law demanded} that work tools, etc., be restored to them in the condition they were in at the moment of the nationalization.

The machines (for example, farm tractors, motor vehicles), because of the carelessness or inexperience of the personnel of the cooperative, were rendered almost useless, and the courts, to which the law admits recourse for damages, are steeped in work to settle a great number of these controversies.

Sep 52 Unemployment and subsidies to the unemployed

The failure and dissolution of numerous farm cooperatives and labor enterprises caused an increase in unemployment in the area in question.

The private enterprises which replaced the cooperatives and labor enterprises produce and work more with half the number of workers.

Subsidies are granted the unemployed amounting to 50 % of the ~~final salary~~ ^{rate of pay} received ~~by them.~~ ^{by them.} This is for a period of 3 months.

Before this period elapses, the unemployed receives from the Labor Office an invitation to transfer himself to the interior of YUGOSLAVIA, for the most part into an inaccessible area such as BOSNIA and ERZEGOVINA, under the conditions that cannot be accepted ~~by~~ ^{by} a worker who must provide for his maintenance and that of his distant family with a small salary. Now he is no longer obliged to transfer himself to ~~work~~ ^{in a location} ordered by the authorities ~~as was previously~~ ^{as was previously} the case.

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