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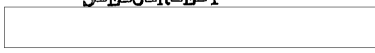
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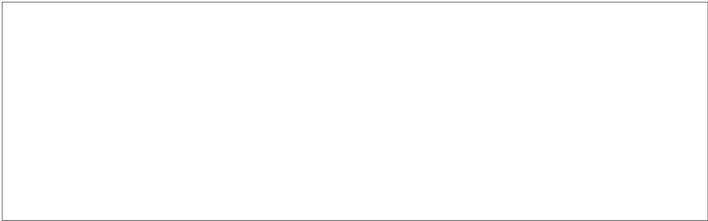
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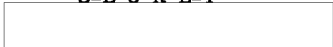
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INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION

STATE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Administrative Division of the Country

a) Administrative Division of the Prefecture of Korce

The prefecture of Korce is divided into the following Rreth(sub-prefecture):
BILISHT, LESKOVIQ, POGRADEC, ERSEKE. The Executive Committee for the QARK of
Korce(prefecture) is in the town of Korce. In the same town is the C.P. Committee
for the prefecture of Korce. In every one of the a/m towns there is an Executi-
ve and a C.P. committee which are subordinate to the Committee of Korce.

2. - Education

a) Elementary School in Shtike

In Shtike operates an elementary school(4 grades) for the pupils of the villages SHTIKE and BUTKE (QM-994357). There are about 40 pupils from both villages. There is only one school-teacher who comes from the village of Shtike. He has graduated the 4-grades Polytechnic of SHKODER. In the a/m Polytechnic are accepted graduates of the UNIKE.

b) UNIKE of Erseke

In Erseke operates a UNIKE.

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3. - Church

a) Village of SHTIKE

In the village of SHTIKE live 68 families. Out of them, 61 are Christians (Orthodox) and 7 Moslem. Since 1954, people are free to express their religious sentiment, but in spite of that only the old-aged used to go to the church. The non Communist youngs who ~~go~~ liked to go to church were scolded by the Communists. For this reason the youngs avoid to go to the church. There is a church in the village and a priests who officiates regularly.

4. - Social Welfare Program

a) Hospitals

State Hospital in ERSEKE

In Erseke there is a State Hospital with 20 beds. The hospital has one doctor 5 nurses(3 females and two males) and a manager in charge of the administrative work. Medical examination is free. For each day of medical treatment in this hospital are required 170 - 190 leks for a person.

Only resourceless persons, furnished with a certificate of poverty signed by the Chairman of the People's council, and approved by the Executive Committee, are entitled to receive free medical treatment in the hospital.

5. - PARTY ACTIVITIES

ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY

a). Organizata Baze in the village of Shtike

- Secretary: Petraq Vangjel XHEKA
- Asst-Secretary: Jorgji Lili CINGO
- Members: Spiro Lili CINGO
Qiriako Vasil BROKA
Guri Ligor LOCI
Thomaidha Ligor SALAVACI
Dhimitrula Qiriako BROKA
Ligor Vasil SALAVACI
Thodhora Dhosi ZHIUTI
Manthi Spiro MARKO.

Democratic Front

-In charge of the Democrati Front organization in SHTIKE is Marko Kosta DEMIRI.

-Secretary: Manthi Spiro MARKO.

-Members: All the inhabitants of he village(males and females) above 16 years of age are obliged to join the Democratic Front.

People's Council of SHTIKE

- Chairman: Spiro Lili CINGO.
- Secretary: Josif Papa ATIANI.
- Members: Llazo Stamul QIRICI.
Pando Janni CINGO.
Koli Sotir BROKA.
Qiriako Vasil BROKA.

YOUTH ORGANIZATION

-Secretary: Petraq Gaço SOLO.



Organization of the Albanian Women

-Head: Dhimitrula Qiriako BROKA

-Secretary: Thomaidha Gligor SALAVACI.

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-People's Commissar: Janni Dhami DEMIRI.

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b) Deviation of the Communist Propaganda favoring TITO

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[redacted] since late in 1955 the Albanian propaganda favors TITO, while before ~~1955~~, the Albanian Communists were against TITO. Thus, the secretary of the Communist Organizata Baze [redacted] spoke to his fellow-villagers and said that TITO returned to Soviet Policy and became again a friend of the Albanian People.

M O R A L E

6.- Morale of the Albanian People

The morale of the Albanian People is very low. The economic misery and the terrorism which the Communist regime has imposed to the People, as well as the fact that they don't see how they can get rid of it, create fear and disappointment, and on the other hand they have accepted the regime with fatalism.

[redacted] the Albanians are not against the declaration of a new war; ^{25X1} on the contrary they consider the war as the only way for them to get rid of the present regime. It is prohibited to listen foreign radio stations except broadcasts of the satellite countries.

7.- Moral Status

The following employees of the government taxation office (in charge of the collection of meat) for the area of Erseke abused 1.800.000 laks in 1952.

-Mitsos (Inu) [redacted]

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-Josif Papa ATIANI, from Shtike

-Qerim (Inu), from VERTENIK.

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The members of the court which took action against them was sent from Korce, and their case was tried in ERSEKE.

Qerim was sentenced to death and was executed (shot). Josif ATIANI was condemned to 2 years, and Mitsos was declared innocent because he worked for the Sigurimi.
Resistance against the Regime

8. Foreign Resistance

On Dec. 29, 1955, at night, an unknown airplane dropped packages containing razors, soap, thread and needles, etc, as well as leaflets of anti-Communist contents, throughout the area of Erseke. After an order of the Sigurimi all the packages and leaflets found by the people were handed over to the Sigurimi.

F O U R T H C H A P T E R

E C O N O M I C S I T U A T I O N

E C O N O M Y

1.- Agriculture

a). Taxation imposed on farming goods

A cooperative has not been created yet in the village of Shtike. 25X1

it will be created in Sept. 1956. The farmers worked privately. 25X1

Lands were confiscated for rich people and were distributed to the farmers who had no land at all. The taxation is as follows:

The following taxes are required for each strema (1/4 of an acre) of cultivated land: Seven kgs of wheat, 2,5 kgs of meat, 2,5 eggs, 275 grams of wool, and 5000 leks (profit tax) for each 25 stremas (this sum is not always the same).

The profit tax is imposed according to the political attitude of each person.

Each farmer is obliged to hand over to the government 60% of his total production in a price fixed by the government. The taxation is the same for ~~all lands~~ lands cultivated for wheat and maize. Early in 1956 the farmers were ordered to stop cultivating maize. In case that some one wants to cultivate maize he will have to pay the same taxes as if he had cultivated wheat. The a/m taxation is imposed

to the villages where the land is considered 4th category.

2.- Food Supplies

a). Insufficiency of Supplies

[] there is a great scarcity of the following items:

Cooking oil, soap, clothing, meat, and shoes.

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b). Cost of first necessity items

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[] The prices listed [] refer to the special shops of the 25X1

government and the free market.

- Wheat : 80 lek per kg
- Rice: 175 " " "
- Soap: 350 " " "
- Eggs: 10 " ea.
- Sugar: 250 " per "
- Butter: 700 " " "
- Meat: 300 " " "
- Shirt (Cotton) 500 " ea
- Suit of clothes: 13000 "
- Pair of shoes(rubber) 1.200 lek

c). Abolition of the ration-cards for clothing

The ration cards for clothing were abolished early in Jan. 1956. Now the people get their clothing from the government shops without ration cards. After the abolition of the ration cards the cost of the clothing is double.

F I F T H C H A P T E R

C O M M U N I C A T I O N S

R O A D C O M M U N I C A T I O N S

1.- C o n s t r u c t i o n o f a n e w r o a d

In Sept. 1952 begun the construction of a road connecting the village of VLOCISHTE (QN-031625) with the village of POJAN(QN-120672).The road follows a direction 300 m. N. of the village CIFLIK(QN-068625), 500 m. W. of the village TEROVE(and E. of the village PENDAVINJ(QN-112648). Theroad is 8 m. wide and it is paved with gravel and sand [redacted] this road was built for the transporta^{25X1} tion of bst-roots frg the plains of DEVOLL and MALIQ to the sugar factory of MA^{25X1} LIQ. [redacted]

[redacted] the road had been constructed ^{25X1} till the village of TEROVE. [redacted] the construction of the said ^{25X1} road was completed late in 1953. Prisoners from the prison of Korce, persons who were subject to forced-labor in order to pay-off their taxes, and salaried laborers, had been used in this construction.

2.- V e h i c l e s

a) C o m m u n i c a t i o n b e t w e e n E r s e k e a n d K o r c e

The Communication between Erseke and Korce is serviced by a government bus. This is a 45 seats ~~Che~~ck bus type SKODA.

B u s s c h e d u l e

Departure from Korce: At 09.00 hrs

Arrival in Erseke: " 11.00 "

Departure from Erseke: " 12.00 "

Arrival in Korce: " 14.00 "

Until late in 1955 the ~~cost~~ cost of the ticket was 45 lek. Early in Jan. 1956 the price went up to 55 lek.

3. - IMPORTANT TECHNICAL CONSTRUCTIONS

Hydro-electric Stations

a). Hydro-electric station in SHTIKE

Early in April 1954 begun the construction of a hydro-electric station at a position located near the water mill(QM-983368). The construction was completed on Nov. 29, 1954. The said station was built to supply the village of Shtike with electricity. Each family of the village was required to give 3,000 leks and 40 days of work. The installation of the machinery was carried out under the supervision of an engineer ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ (name unknown) from the area of Gjinokaster.

SIXTH CHAPTER

GEOGRAPHICAL SITUATION

1. - Info concerning towns and villages

a) Village of SHTIKE

Subject village has about 68 houses and a total of about 380 inhabitants.

Out of the 380 inhabitants, 38 are Moslems and the rest Christians.

A hydro-electric station constructed in 1954 supplies the village with electricity. The payment of the electricity is as follows:

A house with one electric bulb only pays 50 leks per month.

When the house has 2 bulbs(lamps) is required to pay 60 lek per month.

If a house has more than 3 lamps is required to pay 5 lek for every additional lamp.

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