

World War I

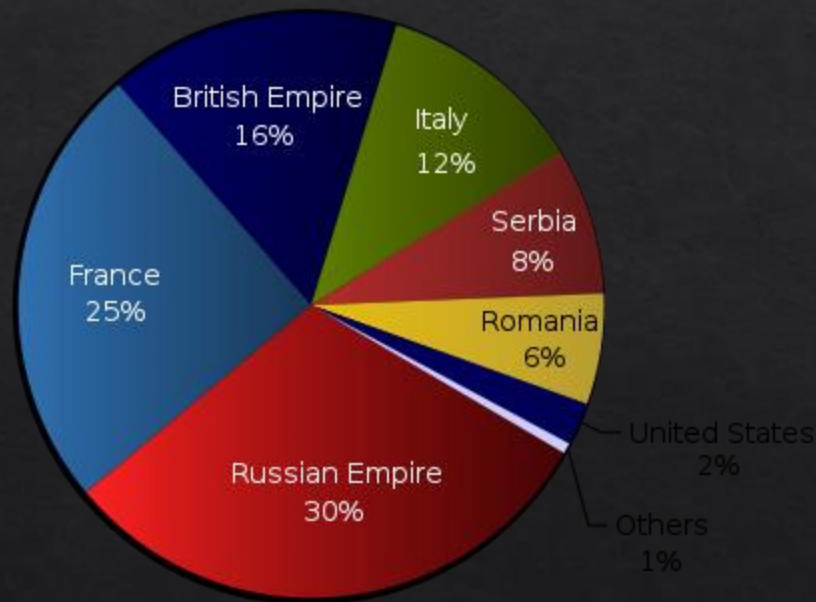
Soldiers and Orphans



THE HUMAN COST OF THE WAR

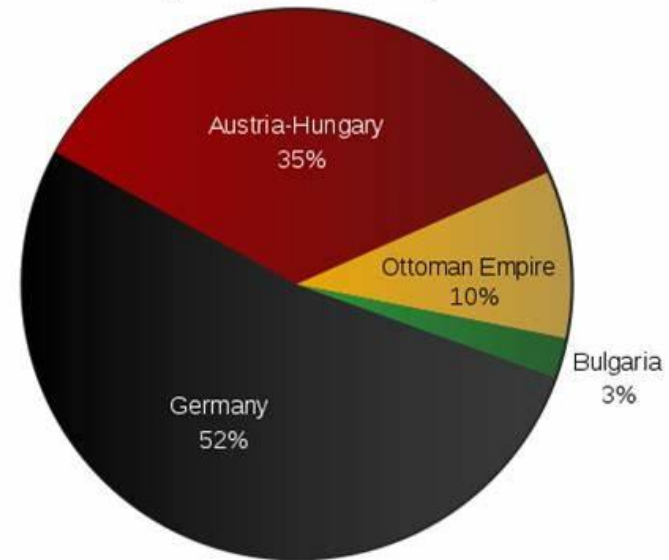
- ❑ 65 million people around the world fought in the war.
- ❑ More than 20 million deaths and 21 million wounded.

World War I Military Deaths
(Entente Powers)



The Entente Powers (the Allies) lost about 5.7 million soldiers

World War I Military Deaths
(Central Powers)



The Central Powers lost about 4 million soldiers.

Deaths

The total number of deaths included:

- ❑ 9.7 million military personnel
- ❑ About 13 million civilians.



Military Chaplains



Don Giovanni Minozzi

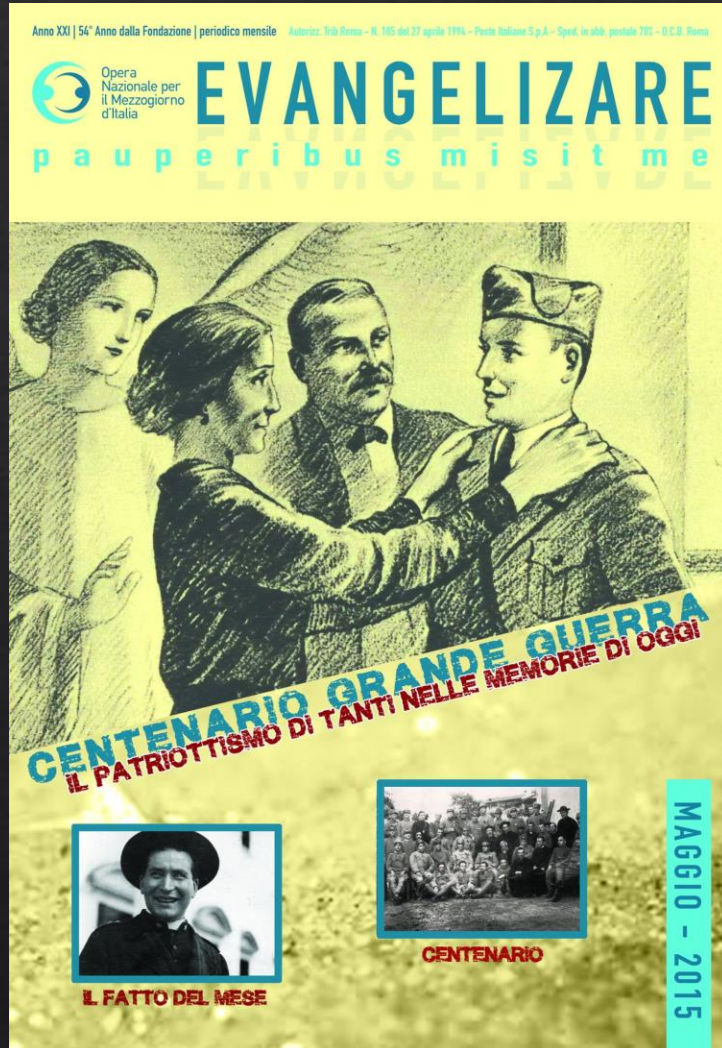
Preta di Amatrice 19/10/1884
Roma 11/11/1959



Padre Giovanni Semeria

Coldirodi 26/9/1867
Sparanise 15/3/1931

Propaganda vs Reality



- ◆ Death
- ◆ Suffering
- ◆ Cold
- ◆ Lack of appropriate equipment and clothes
- ◆ Hunger
- ◆ Fear and Discouragement
- ◆ Boredom when out of combat
- ◆ Homesickness
- ◆ Worry for the family

Case del Soldato alla Fronte

- ◊ Recreational centres
- ◊ Libraries
- ◊ Schools for illiterates soldiers
- ◊ Cinemas
- ◊ Music rooms
- ◊ Board games
- ◊ Rest and recuperation oasis







**At the end of the war
there were more than
500 functioning
Soldiers Houses**



> Le Case del Soldato



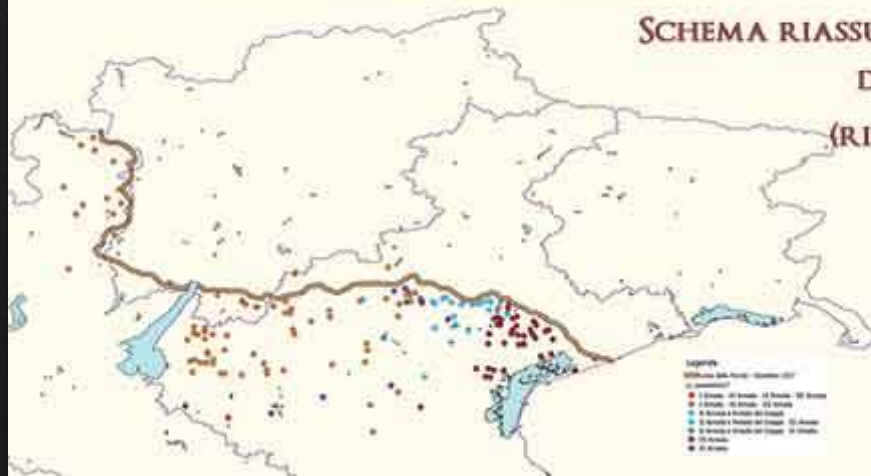
Case del Soldato alla Fronte al 15 Maggio 1917



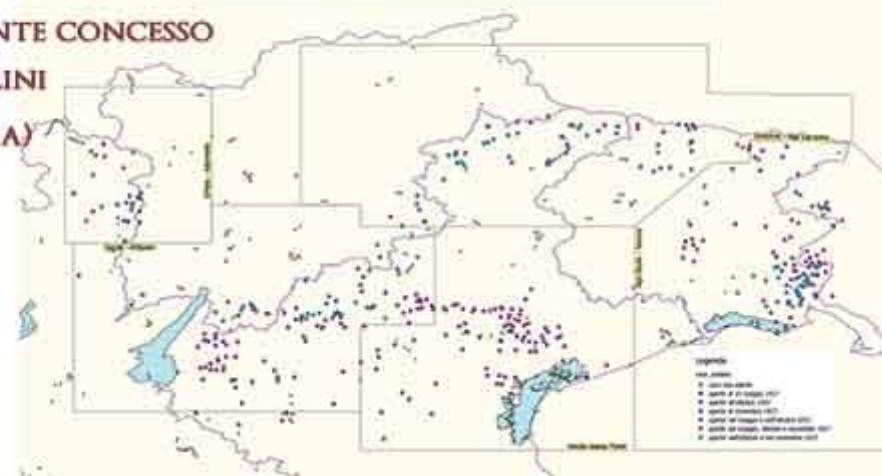
Case del Soldato alla Fronte all'Ottobre 1917



Case del Soldato alla Fronte - Novembre 1917-Novembre 1918

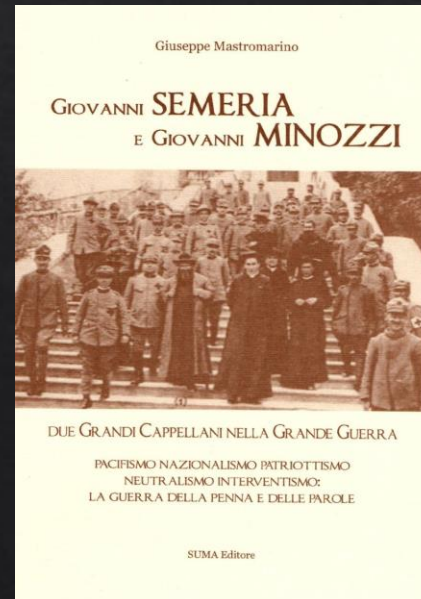
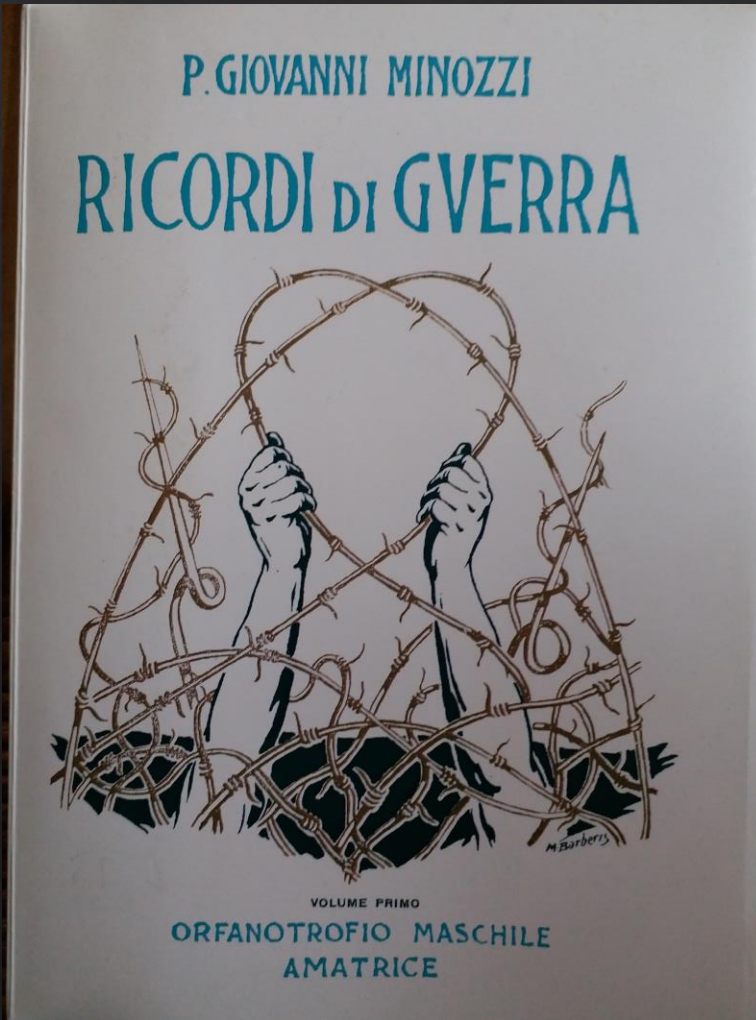


Situazione complessiva delle 381 Case del Soldato georeferenziate



SCHEMA RIASSUNTIVO GENTILMENTE CONCESSO
DAL DOTT. PAOLO PLINI
(RICERCATORI CNR-IIA)

Books

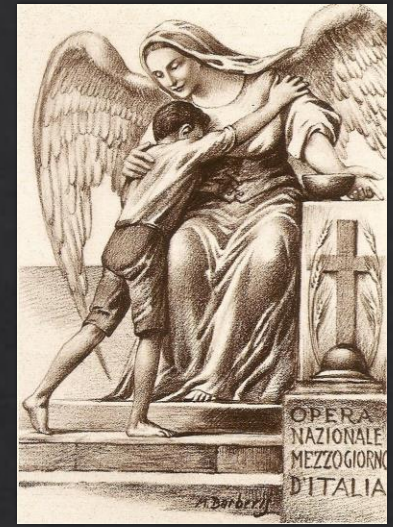
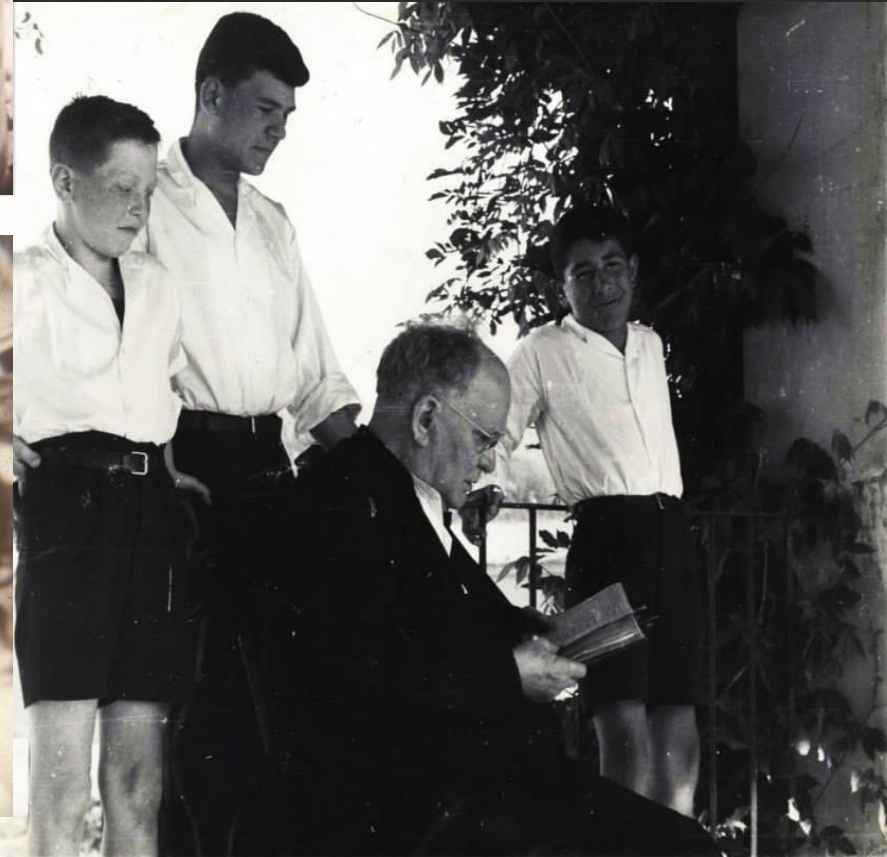
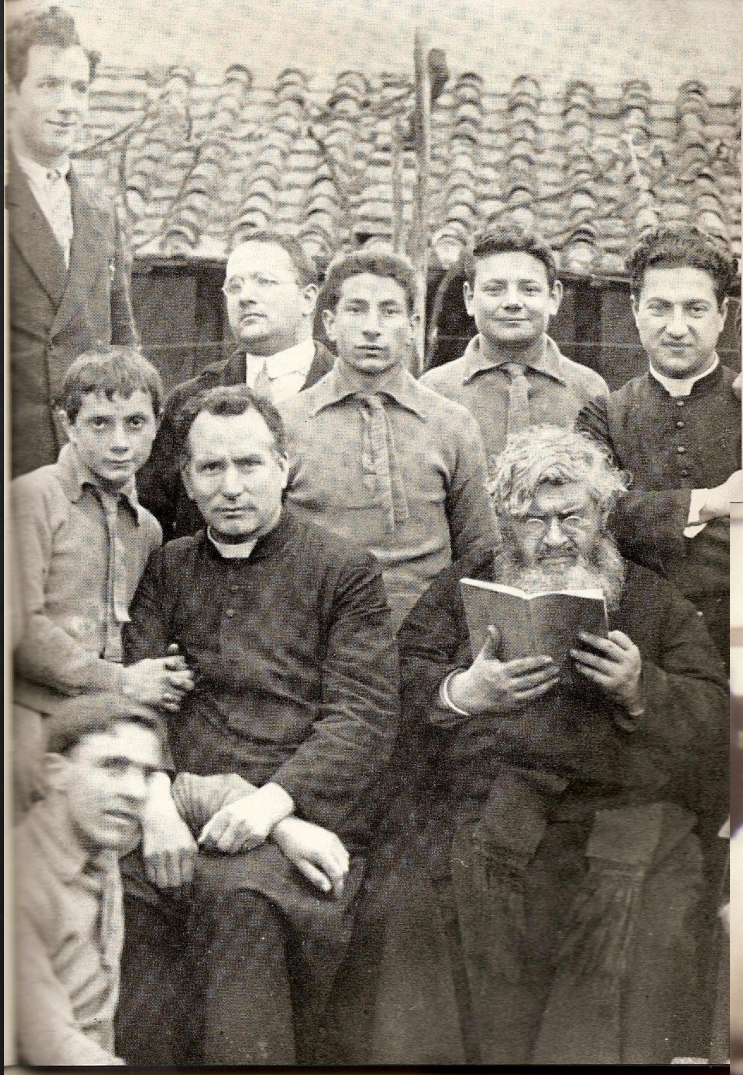


Orphans

At the end of the war the estimated number of Italian orphans amounted to 262,535 while children of disabled parents were 17,561 for a total of 280.096 children from needy families, most of which in the South of Italy.

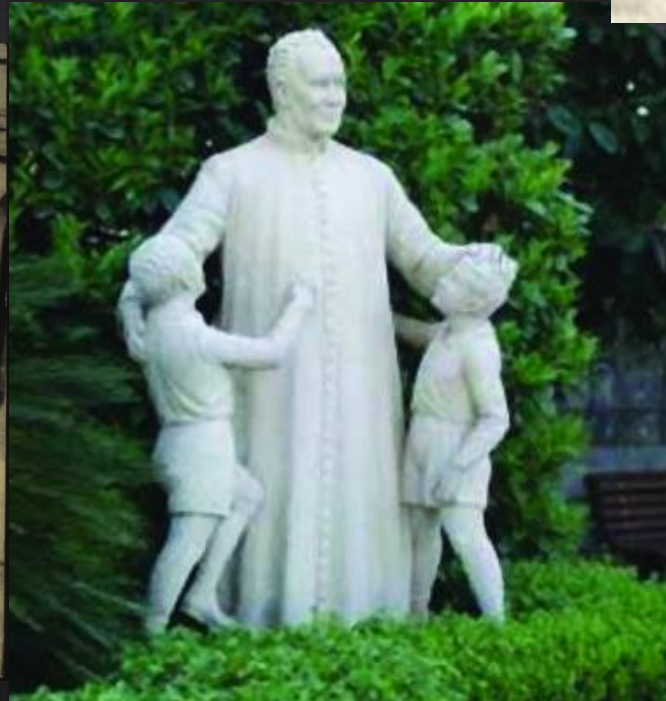


Opera Nazionale per il Mezzogiorno d'Italia

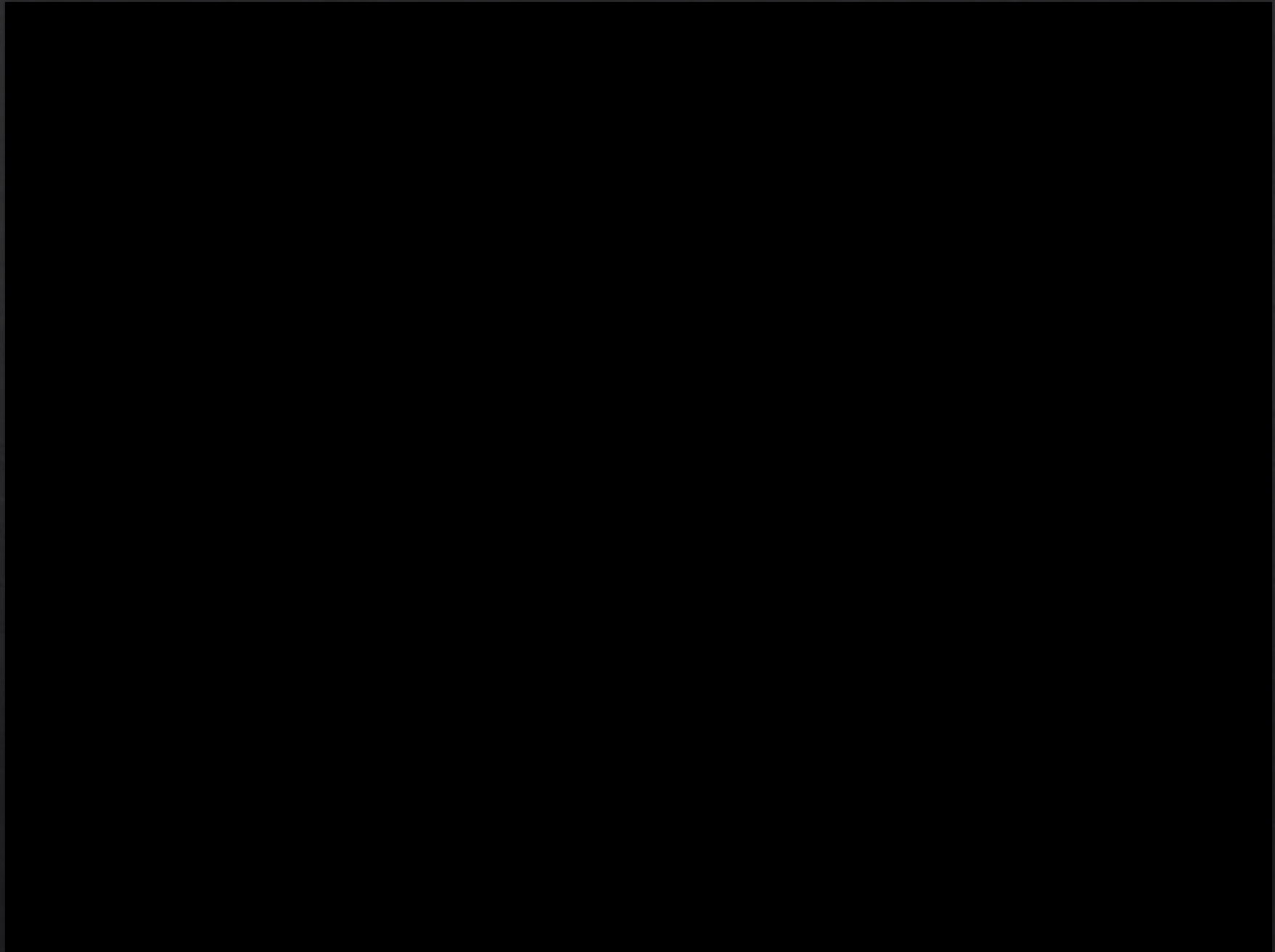


Orphanages and schools

In 1970 the number of orphanages and schools had reached a total of 120



A
short
video





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for listening
to my presentation
ANY
QUESTIONS ?**