

Research notes on European Proclamations and Broad­sides (EPAB), Boxes 20-29 (10 July 1793-31 July 1794)

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Abbreviations: if you aren't sure about an abbreviation, a search via CTRL+F will take you to the first occurrence, where the full version is given.

EPAB Box 20 (20 August-26 September 1793)

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Lots of Convention decrees in this box, both centrally printed ones and local copies.

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Army of the Alps, Representatives of the People on Mission (reps du p/rep du p). Punishing National Guard (NG) members who have abandoned their flags (21 August 1793) Saône-et-Loire, Rhône-et-Loire and Aisne departments (depts/dept)

Reps du p, with the Army of the Rhine, vs. alleged war crimes of the Austrian and émigré army (22 Aug)

--another copy of this bilingual with German (22 Aug) **(LUNA R207309)**

Patriotic address by an army volunteer (Pierre Cottin), district Rieux, Haute-Garonne dept (26 Aug). The district and dept authorities are so impressed that they have it printed and disseminated.

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DISSEMINATION. Two Convention decree copies from Rennes have marginalia that state 500 copies of the item are being printed

--and another, dated 24 August, has exactly the same marginalia hand (and 500 also)

--ditto (9 Sep). The marginalia note dates 'du 3 octobre'.

--ditto (11 Sep). The marginalia reads 'Livre le 18bre 500'

--further notes for 500 on 23 September

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Doesn't seem to be anything directly on the revolutionary *journée* of 5 September in Paris, but we do have an address from the Convention on the 6 September which appeals for loyalty from the Midi region which could read as linked (7 Sep)

--there is then Convention order for its DISSEMINATION on 7 September (7 Sep)

Convention, address appealing for loyalty from the Midi region (7 Sep). Possible link to events of revolutionary *journée* of 5 September.

A couple of broadsides from Paris commune (both 19 Sep), a body which haven't seen in action for a while. About modes of dress and decoration.

-including one which specifically *protects* women wearing cocarde nationale (19 Sep)
(LUNA R207310)

Rep du p from Army of the Eastern Pyrenees. Appealing for warm winter clothing (21 Sep) with the argument that 'aucun Citoyen Français ne voudroit être chaudement vêtu, tandis qu'il sauroit ses frères d'armes exposés aux frontières à toute la rigueur des saisons'.

EPAB Box 21 (27 September-17 October 1793)

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Lots of Convention decrees in this box, both centrally printed ones and local copies. Starting to get a lot of material from Lyon.

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Toulouse copy of Law of Suspects (27 Sep)

-and repercussions of, in terms of working out what to do when a public official is deemed to be a 'suspect' (27 Sep)

Rep du p Javogues at work. Address signed and stamped by him, with the handwritten note that 'Lu bon a imprimer'. Also has 'Epreuve' stamped on the document. (27 sep)
(LUNA R207311)

-criticising people in vicinity of Lyon for not contributing 100% to efforts to win back Lyon. This is mainly related to problems with army conscription.

Dept Haute-Garonne, announcement vs. coinage (30 Sep)

Commune Angers, bread-making regulation (1 Oct)

Repercussions of Law of Suspects: implementation via rep du p Paganel in depts. Gironde, Lot and Garonne (7 Oct)

Dept Allier getting and publicising news of Convention's 'Lyon n'est plus' decree (13 Oct)

-and Lyon's own publication of the same (13 Oct) **(LUNA R207312)** note in top left corner re rarity: described as 'très rare'

Dept Lot-et-Garonne. Measures to destroy fortresses etc that are signs of feudalism (14 Oct)

Fold-out Paris revolutionary tribunal (rev trib) judgement of Marie-Antoinette. Includes the indictment. (16 Oct) **(LUNA R207313)**

-I think the first third is one sheet, glued on to the second two thirds which are another single sheet.

-47 cm wide x 100cm long!

-Ornate insignia for the Paris rev trib at top

EPAB Box 22 (18 October-6 November 1793)

Lyon material continues in the box. For example:

-set up of revolutionary committee (comm rev) system with oversight by a seven-member Comité général de Surveillance for the whole commune (19 Oct) **(LUNA R207314)**.

Includes interesting definition of who members of the comm revs. in each of the 32 arrondissements should be (the sections have been abolished). All about who to release, and how to judge correctly.

-List of rebels who died in siege, along with their social status and dept origin (27 Oct) **(LUNA R207317)**

-post electoral address of new administration team for dept Rhône-et-Loire. Threatening Terror, loyalty to Paris, and arrest for anyone not wearing a cockade (31 Oct)

-Judgement by *Commission de justice populaire* (2 Nov) **(LUNA R207319)**

Paris Commune, deliberations (20 Oct) vs. shopkeepers still shutting on what formerly known as 'Sunday'. Threatened with being put on list of suspects.

Rep du p Paganel, on mission to Haute-Garonne and elsewhere (23 Oct) **(LUNA R207315)** Presenting the patriotic, republican case for donating hard currency to the Nation – and threatening repercussions if such 'voluntary' contributions are not forthcoming.

-looks like another copy too (2 Nov)

Aux Laboureurs, fermiers et meuniers...(23 Oct) **(LUNA R207316)**. An appeal for their support, signed by Paré (newly appointed Minister of Interior) and printed at the Imprimerie nationale. It looks unusual: starts with a bargaining list of 'what the Republic has done for you...'

Paris Commune, deliberations (27 Oct) approve request from the Sans-culottes section to be allowed to arrest suspects on their territory who are from outside their section, as long as they inform the home section

Quite a few documents about equipping the armies, in terms of turning ordinary possessions over to soldiers (e.g. clothing). E.g. *Arrêté des Représentans du peuple* in depts Bouches-du-Rhône and Var (Barras, Fréron) (30 Oct) **(LUNA R207318)**. Inviting citizens to make shirts for the soldiers in the Army of Italy.

Sonthonax decree (4 Nov), printed by François Lamote (np). Setting out his actions in carrying out orders to seize goods bound for Europe in environs of St-Marc (Saint-Domingue).

EPAB Box 23 (6 November-29 November 1793)

On Lyon, documents include:

-Lyon municipality, organising festival in memory of Joseph Chalier (6 Nov) **(LUNA R207320)**. Double-sided, with overleaf giving instructions for processions etc on the day

-Rep du p Collot d'Herbois-approved 'épreuve' for announcement (15 Nov) for commission to be established at Feurs, to judge rebels

-*Commission temporaire de surveillance républicaine*, Proclamation 'relative aux Journaux et Papiers publics qui circulent dans Commune-Affranchie' (28 Nov) **(LUNA R207322)**. Banning: Journal Perlet; Courrier François; Journal des Loix

Encouraging people to read: Journal des Hommes libres de tous les pays/Le Républicain; Le Journal universel; Le Batave/Le Sans-Culottes; L'Anti-Fédéraliste

Judgement, military commission in Liborne (10 Nov)

Judgement rev trib Paris (13 Nov) Conviction and death sentence vs. Dodet

Reps du p with the army and depts of the Midi (Fréron is only one signing), vs. stealing from the officially-sealed property of counter-revolutionaries (17 Nov) **(LUNA R207321)**

-Those who do this are labeled: 'des gens assez faibles, assez aveugles, pour se prêter aux dilapidations & aux détournemens'.

Starting to get material re dechristianization in Paris.

-eg. Paris Commune announcement re conversion of St Antoine church to temple of liberty (21 Nov)

-Paris Commune measures re shutting of all churches and 'temples des différents cultes', plus measures vs. priests (23 Nov).

Montauban, district administrators. Re obedience to rep du p Lakanal's demands for requisitioning of horses (23 Nov). The announcement warns that those municipalities not cooperating 'seront dénoncées au Comité de Salut public, & envoyées au Tribunal

révolutionnaire par le Représentant Lakanal.' I think the inference here is that will be straight to Paris.

Convention decree, 8 frimaire (29 Nov), annulling all past punishments and current or future prosecutions 'relatifs aux Insurrections populaires, occasionnées à raison de l'accapement & du surhaussement du prix des Denrées' (29 Nov) **(LUNA R207323)**
-in response to a petition by Marie-Josephe Carré, who had been imprisoned for six years of hard labour by the Criminal Tribunal of the Seine-et-Oise dept for her part in the 25 February 1793 rioting.

EPAB Box 24 (6 November-29 November 1793)

Judgement by the Revolutionary Military Commission at Tours (1 Dec) **(LUNA R207324)** Conviction and death sentence for Alexandre Chartier.

Judgement by the Military Commission of Bordeaux (1 Dec) **(LUNA R207325)**
Conviction and death sentence for Pierre Lavaissiere
-ditto 'Detention until Peacetime' for Pierre Pacary (5 Dec)

Instruction pour tous les citoyens qui voudront exploiter eux-mêmes du salpêtre (4 Dec)
-see also Committee of Public Safety (CPS) handbill below on 12 December

Judgement, Paris rev trib vs. Rabaut Saint-Etienne (5 Dec)

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There are numerous other 'revolutionary' legal judgements in this box which I have not made specific notes on.

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CPS handbill (12 Dec)

-re saltpetre industry. Following representations, workers to be exempt from army call-up because of disruption being caused to this important industry for the war effort
-see earlier poster of 4 December above

Convention decree, 5 nivôse/25 December vs. those involved with Dumouriez and Custine etc (26 Dec) **(LUNA R207326)**

Convention decree, limiting its hearing of petitioners to the fifth and tenth days of the *décadi*/week (27 Dec)

Anon. rep du p (publication in Cantal dept, but a rep du p with wider responsibilities, so should be Claude Javogues rather than Jean-Guillaume Taillefer), announcing anti-religion purge of the countryside (31 Dec) **(LUNA R207327)**
-republished by a local popular society at Saint-Flour, with a manuscript confirmation signature at the bottom

Municipal authorities, Namur. Appeal for Catholic Church to stay loyal to the Republic. Signed Tassin, Bexon and Quevrex, and printed in Namur at the Imprimeur des Administrateurs Nationaux (1793)

-and an address by the same to 'Citoyens Namurois' (1793). This one announces local decision to take orphans of soldiers into state care, and also celebrates sacrifice of soldiers

Defence by Rabaut Saint-Etienne: *Précis trace à la hâte par le Citoyen R-S-E, chargé du Rapport...* (?1793) **(LUNA R207329)**. Reprinted in Lyon, 22 - [ripped] -, after being read and approved at Section Porte-Froc. Seems likely that written soon after purge of the Girondins, but possibly only printed in Lyon at the start of Year II.

Minister Bouchotte, announcing the tender of contracts for the making of rifle parts (1793) **(LUNA R207328)**. See EPAB Box 17 (15 May) for possible date within that year.

Jean-Baptiste Palloy, *Les XVI commandemens patriotiques, par un vrai républicain* (n.d.). This item is undated, but it seems likely that Palloy produced this while under arrest during the Terror and, given the rhetoric re the Supreme Being, probably in the first half of 1794.

The first commandment is: 'Aime ton Dieu par dessus toutes choses, & la Patrie comme toi-même; ta vie n'est qu'un passage: elle n'appartient qu'à eux. Souviens-toi que tu es venu en ce monde nud, et que tu t'en ira de même.'

A coda explains the rationale behind the list: 'Citoyen, bénis l'Être suprême de t'avoir fait recouvrer la liberté, et sois convaincu que si tu n' observes pas ces Commandemens, tu rentreras sous le joug du despotisme...'

EPAB Box 25 (1 January-16 February 1794)

First document is an extract from CPS deliberations (1 Jan), calling for named individuals (involved in supply to the armies) to be denounced by their respective section comm revs.

Paris municipality, an announcement of an investigation into the demolition of the Bastille amid allegations of 'dilapidations' (2 Jan) **(LUNA R207330)**

Aix Commune, action vs. playing card makers (because signs of royalty): need to change over to republican symbols (4 Jan) **(LUNA R207331)**

Convention decree, 11 nivôse, setting up an appeals system for *lettre de cachet* victims and other victims of arbitrary justice pre-14 July 1789 (4 Jan)

Rep du P Paganel, measures to prevent arbitrary arrest and to release the innocent (7 Jan) **(LUNA R207332)**

- This decree is signed by Paganel, but is intended to be enacted simultaneously by the Representatives of the People in the departments of Lot, Lot-et-Garonne, Haute-Garonne and other neighbouring ones, following a meeting in Toulouse.

-in a later document (11 Jan) he lists administrative and judicial structures as they look after a comprehensive purge

Plenty of judgements again in this box, for eg. Criminal Tribunal Bas-Rhin dept. A bilingual one which has the tricolor painted down the middle (15 Jan) **(LUNA R207333)**

Dept Gard, address to its citizens. Talking up *assignats* and warning of impact of fake ones. The start of a publicity campaign showing different examples of the fake ones (17 Jan)

Declaration of renaming of Marseille as 'Sans Nom', with a long explicatory diatribe (18 Jan) **(LUNA R207334)**. Published in Sans Nom.

Rep du p Albitte on a dechristianization drive in Aisne and Mont-Blanc depts (26 Jan)
-this is the first dechristianization item in this particular box

Reps du p Milhaud and Soubrany, introducing new measures to enforce the General Maximum (2 Feb) **(LUNA R207335)**. This includes the authorisation of Perpignan's surveillance committee and popular society to run secret agents to investigate its observance in the local area, and effectively initiates a surveillance system for markets, inns, gates and all public places.

Convention decree, ordering a 'coupe extraordinaire de bois dans les forêts de la République' (5 Feb). To be used for military purposes, for example feeding forges.

Nantes (on which there has been nothing noteworthy in boxes up until now), Proclamation by General Turreau, announcing the success of his military operations against the Vendée rebels (16 Feb) **(LUNA R207336)**.

EPAB Box 26 (17 February-31 March 1794)

Rep du p Maignet, on mission in depts Bouches-du-Rhône and Vaucluse, is highly visible in this box:

- trying to control street cries (23 Feb) **(LUNA R207337)**
- in a later item (5 Mar) he is trying to keep watch on boulangeries
- another proclamation sets up further security measures in great detail (19 Mar)
- arrêté (29 Mar) installing dechristianisation, including article III that where people choose to bury themselves will be called 'le champ du repos'
- copy of his speech at the Temple of Reason (Mar 1794)

Rep du p Dartigoeyte, on mission to depts Gers and Haute-Garonne, purging the administration in the district of Mont-Unité (25 Feb)

Convention decree organising teaching of French in areas where dialects dominate (1 Mar) printed at Feurs (dept Loire)

Convention decree, putting teachers on ships with 20 canons and above (6 March)

Municipality of Vicq (dept Allier), émigré property sale. The usual table setting out property and estimated value (9 March)

Rep du p Albitte (Aisne and Mont-Blanc depts) crackdown vs. wealth and property of detained former nobles (13 March)

Paris dept, property sale of one citizen Mauduit, who has been convicted and sentenced to death at the Paris rev trib (15 March) **(LUNA R198409)**

- there is another announcement for the Mauduit property sale which looks the same but has a different date (6 Germinal/26 March)

Paris dept, sale of émigré femme Lugeauc's property (18 March)

VENTÔSE LEGISLATION. Aix general council is announcing on 3 Germinal/23 March that indigent of the commune are going to be provided for by proceeds of 'ennemis de la Révolution'. People need to start applying by notifying the commune of their circumstances (23 March) **(LUNA R207338)**. See also **LUNA R207343** below.

Rep du p Dartigoeyte (Gers and Haute-Garonne depts), sending a case involving a priest called Gros to the Toulouse rev trib and ordering further measures against other refractories etc (29 March) **(LUNA R207339)**

EPAB Box 27 (1-30 April 1794)

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Legal judgements continue to be a regular component in the boxes.

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Paris, sale of émigré property as biens nationaux (1 April)

Paris dept, sale of citizen Boucher's property. Boucher has been convicted and sentenced to death by the Paris rev trib (2 April)

Convention decree re false witness. Reprint in Bourges, Cher dept (3 April)

Rep du P Maignet (Bouche-du-Rhône and Vaucluse), sending Bonnet to the military tribunal as a deserter and 'detention until the peace' for two others convicted of giving him false *attestations* (19 April) **(LUNA R207340)**

EPAB Box 28 (1 May-10 June 1794)

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Robespierre, speech of 18 floréal (7 May)

-on four separate sheets

-there is another copy too, different layout and on six sheets. Printed by Imp des administrations nationales (7 May)

Rep du P Monestier (Puy-de-Dôme), intervening in the case of Ducasse-Baratte and Coussau-Barbat, where the Criminal Tribunal of the Hautes-Pyrénées dept claimed it couldn't find any section of the 1791 Penal Code that would allow it to punish two counter-revolutionary suspects. Monestier orders that they be tried *révolutionnairement* in the same court (10 May) **(LUNA R207341)**

-The judgement convicting these same individuals and sentencing them to death (11 May)

Rep du p Chaudron-Rousseau (Ariège, Aude and Pyrénées-Orientales depts). Reorganising the revolutionary justice system within the remit of the army of the Eastern Pyrenees (12 May) **(LUNA R207342)**

Rep du P Maignet (Bouches-du-Rhône) and Vaucluse), organising system of petitioning for compensation vs. federalist attacks (29 May)

Plan for Festival of the Supreme Being (4 June) Bordeaux.

EPAB Box 29 (11 June-31 July 1794)

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Nothing here on the fall of Robespierre on 9 Thermidor, and largely non-Paris publications overall. Even where Paris decrees (especially CPS ones), they appear as reprints from elsewhere.

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Another regular theme is the challenge of getting the harvest in.

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First item: *Extrait des registres du Comité de Salut Public de la Convention nationale* (29 floréal II); reprinted with explanatory text etc by district Toulouse (11 June)

-a drive to get rope requisitioned from across the country, and regulations to stop army requisitioning destroying under-ripe crops (or at least for such destruction to be properly compensated)

Judgement rev trib Nîmes (Gard dept) (24 June) **(LUNA R207344)**

Sentencing Joseph Sage, also known as Brother Bruno, to death for being a refractory priest who had also been actively involved in counter-revolutionary and pro-royalist activity

Commune Aix, implementation of Ventôse decrees (24 June) **(LUNA R207343)**. They interpret this as being a license to confiscate detainee property, and are implementing an order from rep du p Maignet to this effect. See also **LUNA R207338** above.

Rep du p Frecine, in charge of saltpetre production. A revolutionary exhortation to all saltpetre agents (24 June)

Rep du P Maignet, sending two suspects to the Orange Commission (24 June)

Convention address: concerns over getting the harvest in. Reprint in Toulouse (26 June)

District Toulouse, general council. Reacting to an alleged counter-revolutionary conspiracy to destroy the local harvest, and featuring a long speech by the national agent. The latter is a Robespierre-like denunciation speech, but set at local targets (3 July) **(LUNA R207345)**

Rep du P Dartigoeyte (Gers and Haute-Garonne depts), rejecting an appeal from the general council of commune Sainte-Christie for the freeing of Lalanne (there were also depositions from other surveillance committees and administrations that were negative in their assessment of Lalanne's revolutionary credentials) (13 July) **(LUNA R207346)**
-the general council Saint-Christie are then removed from office, 'comme en ayant abusé, pour protéger un aristocratie, & surprendre la confiance du Rep du peuple.' Leaders are placed under arrest

Journal du Peuple français. Avis au public (29 messidor). Announcing new patriotic publication (nd.) (17 July)

-in particular, want to have it published by women, taking up Committee of Public Instruction discussion on this topic from 21 prairial. *See very last paragraph of main text:* To be printed by women (under the direction of citizen Deltuso)

Rep du P Maignet, responding favourably to a petition by citizeness Saiffet, vs. Cocluche and others (accuses them of 'différentes vexations') (21 July) **(LUNA R207347)**

-Cocluche and others are, in Maignet's opinion, false patriots, using influence on local comm rev to extort money from people like Saiffet. Cocluche is therefore sent to the Orange Commission.

District Montauban. Property sale of imprisoned priest Dufau (30 July) **(LUNA R207348).**

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