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b) The political future of this country is less stable today than it ever has been. There are numerous minority (regional or provincial), opposition to authority in absence of tradition under the Italian Government as it is today. The uncertainty, combined with the fact that the system is lacking of democracy has not yet been published, is causing a social division throughout the country.

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c) Prices have risen during the past month and a Northern Italian Price Committee has recently assembled in Milan to fix prices for merchandises in the future. I understand in Milan most of the merchandises disappeared from the shops immediately when fixed prices were issued by the Chamber of Commerce. The same thing would probably happen in Bologna when prices are published.

4.) INDUSTRIAL.

No change from the last report.

5.) FOOD.

- a) There is plenty of food in the Province and the distribution of rationed food is satisfactory.
- b) Milk is no longer rationed.

6.) ADMINISTRATIVE.

No change from the last report.

7.) LABOUR.

Unemployment is steadily increasing and there are about 3500 unemployed persons registered with the Labour Bureau.

8.) Public Health.

Public health was good during the past month.

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10.) DISPLACED PERSONS.

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SUBJECT: Monthly Report - July 1946.

TO : HQ, Allied Commission, GMP.

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- c) The option decree is anxiously awaited, though the majority of the German speaking people know that their interests in this respect have been safeguarded.
- d) Prefect Innocenti has been in Rome for the greater part of the month.
- e) Orders have come in to close this Liaison Group on the 31st July, to the regret both of the Allied Officers and of the whole Province. Much work still remains to be done, and though a start has been made, it would have been well if British policy had enabled us to see it through to the end. There is misgiving in the hearts of many, that on our departure some of the promises made may not be kept.

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from Milan direct to England and from Bologna to Stockholm have already been run satisfactorily. A regular service of fruit trains has now been organized and will run throughout August.

b) Wine will be exported next year.

c) There is an abundance of fruit in the Province this year and everything looks well for an excellent wine harvest.

4. INDUSTRY

There is little change and industry is hampered by the lack of coal and raw materials. Unless solid or liquid fuel is forthcoming, some of the factories in this area will be compelled to close down.

5. FOOD

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A special report has been forwarded to the Food Sub-Commission on the subject. Insecticides are in short supply but otherwise the farmers had little to grumble about and much to be thankful for.

7. LABOUR

The Swiss Authorities have set up a Bureau in Merano for the enrolment of carvants, barmen, waiters, hotel attendants etc, thus giving employment to a number of specialists released from employment by the Allies. There is not in fact an unemployment problem in this Province.

8. RURAL HEALTH

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Italy by clandestine means as reported to Executive Commissioner in my letter AGIC/BA/17 of 12 August.

10. DISPLACED PERSONS

- a) The camp was handed over to the Italian authorities on 31 July. Capt. Dawson and Miss Kemilly have been permitted to remain for liaison duties.
- b) A telegram has been received that GAK are doing their utmost to force Zone Commanders in Germany to accept their quota of displaced persons, but ~~as yet with the result~~ that none can be accepted at present.

11. G.E.M.

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- b) Property and vehicles have been handed over to the Italian Government in bulk, which is apparently policy of the Economic Section so to do. The possibilities of repatriation are too obvious to need enlargement by me.

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S. W. HILLER, Colonel,
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10 July 1946.
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SUBJECT : Monthly Report - June 1946.

TO : HQ, Allied Commission, CHF.

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1. GENERAL.

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- b) The decision to leave the South Tyrol with Italy was expected and received with dignity by both sides.
- c) The German speaking people now realize their future lies within the frame work of Italy and to this end the powerful S.V.P. (Sudtiroler Volkspartei) has agreed to cooperate unreservedly with the Italian Government to frame rules for autonomy. This cooperation has been confirmed in writing by the President and the Secretary General of the S.V.P.
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- f) The Opinion Commission has admitted its recommendations to the Italian Government and it is hoped a decree will shortly be published defining the various categories of citizenship. The recommendations are :

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- a) Those who opted for Germany but did not receive actual form of citizenship :
 { Unless this category confirm their option within two months of the publication of the decree, they will automatically become Italian citizens.
- b) Those who opted for Germany and received form of citizenship, but did not remove themselves to Germany :
 { This category must renounce their option within two months of the publication of the decree, in writing. Otherwise their option will be enforced and they will automatically become aliens.
- c) Those already in Germany :
 { This category must apply in writing to the Ministry of the Interior within two years of the signing of the peace treaty with Italy. Each individual application will be examined by a Committee formed of one Judge and six German speaking and six Italian speaking members in Bolzano.
- e) Much work has been done to further the interests of the German speaking people during the last six months. For example:
 - 1) Autonomy
 - 2) Regularisation of citizenship
 - 3) Authorisation of the dual language
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2.) SECURITY.

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3. ECONOMIC.

- a) Contracts for the export to Switzerland of South Tyrolian wine for 200 millions of lire have been made whilst difficulties are foreseen for the export of summer fruit. Switzerland has a fairly good fruit crop this year.
- b) Austria is very interested in import of fruit, but has to arrange for the import of first necessity items.
- c) Arrangements for export to Sweden have been made, but those with Germany and Czechoslovakia are still pending.
- d) Local Chamber of Commerce intends to export fruit and wine to Allied Troops.

4. INDUSTRY.

The main difficulty is always the shortage of raw materials and solid as well as liquid fuel. Part of the factories in this area will be compelled to close down.

5. FOOD.

Food situation in the Province is satisfactory.

6. AGRICULTURE.

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- a) Unemployment is increasing, there are 3,200 inscribed in the Chamber of labour who have no job at present.
- b) The Director of the Chamber of labour has arranged with Swiss Authorities that a number of these will go into Switzerland for work in hotels. The conditions of salary etc. are favourable.

8.) PUBLIC HEALTH.

General situation is good. There are some twenty cases of children paralysis and some of diphtheria. Supply with medicine is excellent. UNRRA is sending penicillin etc.

9.) DISPLACED PERSONS.

Order has come that the D.P. Camp No. 19 is to be handed over to the Italian authorities by the 21st of July. There are at present 1,188 D.P.'s in the Camp of whom 1,161 Germans. Discussion about their return to Germany are in progress and it is urged that GRX in Germany will accept them without delay.

John Lee

A. H. MILLER, Colonel,
Chief Liaison Officer
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URGENT: Monthly Report - May 1946.

TO: HQ, Allied Commission, CIG.

7 June 1946.
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1. SUMMARY.

a) An every Sunday during May the South Tyrol Party held meetings in various centers either demanding the annexation of the South Tyrol to Austria or protesting against the decision of the Big Four not to discuss their question.

All meetings were orderly and the three speakers were usually

- a) Baron von BERNHARD
- b) Dr. F. VOLLMER
- c) Dr. W. SCHNEIDER

and the meetings were so arranged that the speakers could address each meeting in turn.

b) The first shock came when the Austrian Government asked for a "light modification" of their frontier to include the UNTER- and OBER- (Brunico area) and LIAISON VALLEY (Arco and Brennero area) in order to join the North and South Tyrol by rail.

The S. S. V. replied at once by sending a telegram to Paris protesting against the proposed frontier modification and asking that representatives of their party might be heard to plead for the complete annexation of the South Tyrol to Austria.

c) The dwindling hopes of the German speaking population were, however, revived by the speech of Field Marshal GYM and the support of their plea by the "Times". Now that GYM had supported them in Parliament by suggesting a plebiscite, their fading hopes of annexation have again revived.

d) The report of the Option Commission to decide the laws of citizenship was sent by the Prefect to the Italian Government.

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d) The report of the Italian Commission to decide the issue of citizenship has been sent by the Prefect to the Italian Government.

e) The S.T.P. still remains outside the Italian Commission and the Prefect has endeavored to prevent certain members of the party from leaving without success.

It seems clear to me that all attempts in this connection will fail until the future of the South Tyrol is decided. Today the position is as uncertain as ever it was.

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f) Signer of GASTNER's speech in Trieste in which he blamed the German speaking population for non-cooperation and lived the same comment in the Trieste line of attack being that it was easy to discern principles of democracy and freedom when it affected the Italian Government, but when it affected the South Tyrol, no action was made of the incorporation into the Province against their will of the 11 German speaking communities of the "South Tyrol" etc.

g) On the 24th of May officers of this Italian Group attended the ceremony celebrating Italy's entry into the great war against Austria.

h) The Prince Bishop of Bolzano has now returned from his visit to his Holiness the Pope.

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a) A certain number of South Tyrolians recently escaped from prison in Trento and reached their homes. In instruction from Rome they are now being arrested and languishing in the local jails as transport is not available to send them to the camp at Bolzano (Brunico). I do not know the truth, but I understand they are to go to Bolzano to receive an official discharge and their retention in prison here is not appreciated either by them or their relatives. If the above reason for their transfer to Bolzano is true, could not some form of bail be permitted pending the procurement of transport?

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4. FOOD.

Food situation in this Province is satisfactory.

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Fertilizers and insecticides are required, but on the whole the agricultural situation is above the average.

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There are 2,685 unemployed in the Province. Arrangements are being made to send Hotel servants to Switzerland. Small groups of labourers have been sent to the south for work in the rice fields.

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- a) General health is satisfactory except for T.B.
- b) The Hospital authorities have asked if Public Health can supply a certain amount of penicillin to combat this disease.

8. DAMAGED EQUIPMENT.

- a) There are 1,122 P.P.'s in the Camp No. 19 (formerly No. 23) of whom 1,080 are Germans awaiting repatriation.
- b) The Camp Commandant has received orders from Bonn not to accept more P.P.'s.

9. POWER WORKS AND UTILITIES.

- a) Conditions in hydro-electric works are very satisfactory with abundance of water.
- b) The industrial zone is handicapped for lack of raw materials and its output is only some 30%. I cannot see such possibility of improvement for some time to come as coal is scarce and shipping is required for other purposes than the conveyance of raw materials.

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SUBJECT : Monthly Report - April 1946.

TO : HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, CMP.

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e) A Commission under the Judge Dell'Alba appointed to draw up judicially proceedings in Germany, has submitted a report to the Prefect.

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- f) On the 25th of April Liberation day was celebrated quietly throughout the Province.
- g) On the 5th of April the South Tyrol Party held a meeting at Brunico during which there were slight incidents. One South Tyrolian died from over-excitement.
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Plwy workers	15	32
Communists officials	7	20
Teachers	3	0
Forestry officials	4	10
Lawyers	3	15
Minor Civil Servants	7	14
Merchants	2	-
Loafers	6	-
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- j) A home-made bomb weighing some 12 kg was placed in the Prefettura during the night of the 2nd/3rd of May. The culprits were, however, disturbed before the fuse could be lighted. They took to their heels and escaped.
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l) The HUK-files are packed ready for despatch to Rome as soon as rail transport is available. 767 cases of Gramophone records are to be despatched to the Army Broadcasting Station in Milan. There are some 14-20 complete sets of music. The metal matrices (or negatives) from which the above records were made, are contained in 21 separate cases. Owing to their cultural and commercial value special disposal instructions for these matrices have been requested.

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m) General CADOREA, Chief of Staff of the Italian Army, visited Bolzano on the 26th of April. Military parades were held and General BISSONI gave a dinner in his honour.

n) Recommendations have been made for the extension of the Air Service to Bolzano in which the Italian Army and the Prefect join.

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a) Security throughout the Province is satisfactory.

b) The GURR are working well and apart from two murders there has been little crime.

c) I attach a report from the PGO which shows the situation in detail. (One original for Executive Commissioner only).

d) Frontier control has not been satisfactory during the month as the French authorities have been rather light-hearted in the issue of passes into Italy.

I have taken up this matter with Col. AUDIEN, head of French Security, who has again promised to abide by the regulations.

The Prefect visited Innsbruck to discuss this matter and it is hoped this control will now be more satisfactory.

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- a) Grain and flour only to the middle of May. This is being rectified by Lt. Col. SULLIVAN-FLETCHER, the provincial UNRRA representative, who has borrowed grain from other Provinces to make up the deficiency in Bolzano.
- b) Apart from this the food situation throughout the Province is most satisfactory.

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5. AGRICULTURE.

- a) Fertilizers and insecticides are urgently required.
- b) The Italian Army Commission formed to reassess the value of horses handed over to farmers and others during the early days of the occupation has finished its work. There have been complaints regarding the assessment as was to be expected.
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6. LABOUR.

- a) 2,500 unemployed are shown in April as compared to 2000 in March.

b) Reports have been received that public appointments are filled by Italians to the detriment of the South Tyrolians. The following list shows the difference of balance as in May 1945 and April 1946:

Comune of Brennero

	1 May 1945	1 April 1946
	S. Tyrolians	Italians
President	5	3
Chancery	3	2
Records Office	2	1
Registry Office	1	1
Licenses Office	1	1
Rationing Office	10	7
Voting	-	3
Communal Police	-	3
Servants & Cleaners	2	3
Forestry Office	3	1
Building Dept	3	1
Housing Dept	2	1
Technical Dept	6	26
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Chancery	3		2
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Registry Office	1		1
Licences Office	1		1
Rationing Office	10		7
Voting	-		2
Communal Police	-		1
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Forestry Office	3		1
Building Dept	3		1
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Technical Dept	6		10
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7. PUBLIC HEALTH.

a) General health is satisfactory.

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b) A wagon full with medicines has arrived yesterday in Dolzano. The medico provinciale expects an UNRRA-officer to come and supervise the distribution.

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8. DISPLACED PERSONS.

a) Displaced Persons from Camp No. 23 have been moved into the Luigi Cadorna - Casserna Bolzano. Authority to repatriate them is urgently awaited and to-day their numbers are:

814	Germans
27	Austrians
38	Others
<u>879.</u>	

b) Maj. Gen. HALBIG of the Italian Red Cross repatriated some 47 families to Germany in the Red Cross train which left Merano on the 26th of April. These families were selected by the Medical Officers on the grounds that further detention was detrimental to their health.

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TO

Monthly Report - March 1946.

HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, CMP.

5 April 1946

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1. GENERAL.

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- c) The South Tyrol Volkspartei still refuses to furnish members on a Commission formed to discuss autonomy embracing Bolzano and Trento.
- d) Preliminary discussions on this subject, however, have begun between the Prefect and influential South Tyrolians outside of the South Tyrol Party.
- e) The Prefect has had meetings with the judiciary in order to prepare for the use of the German language in the Courts and in judicial procedure.
- f) A Commission to discuss the subject of citizenship has already met and heard views from both ethnical groups. Other meetings will take place from time to time.
- g) The number of signatures collected by the South Tyrol Party for annexation to Austria is believed to be in neighborhood of 120,000. It is understood the lists have been sent to the "Landesstelle für Kultur" at Innsbruck and photographic copies are to be forwarded to London.

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feel they should combine and form a solid block as the South Tyrol Volkspartei.

- 1) 60 Sub-Area was disbanded on the 15th of March and the Military administration now devolves on 217 Area at Bologna.
- 2) The Questore has taken up his duties (Dr. PIZZUTTO) and the retiring Questore Dr. Radnich has been promoted to the rank of Commendatore and is now a judge in the Province.

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- c) A few small strikes have taken place for increase of wages, but all strikers have returned to work pending a decision from Rome.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH.

- a) No. 35 Reception Centre has closed down.
- b) General health is satisfactory.
- c) There are still 6 hospitals in the Merano Hospital Centre which will shortly be reduced to 4.

8. DISPLACED PERSONS.

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5 March 1946.

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Subj: Monthly Report - February 1946.

TO : HQ, ALLIED COMBINATION, GMP.

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1. GENERAL.

a) The general political situation is closely followed in Bolzano and opinion is rife that unless the Italian Government soon obtains agreement between the various parties, another Cabinet crisis may ensue and a new Government.

b) The South Tyrol Volkspartei is active collecting signatures for annexation to Austria. They are to be mimeographed and copies handed to the various Commissions due shortly.

c) The Volkspartei has detailed representatives for the Commission to study the laws of citizenship, but has refused similar representatives on a Commission to study the possibilities of autonomy embracing BOLENO and TRENTO Province.

d) Autonomist movements are increasing, namely :

I. Movimento Autonomista Regionale (M.A.R.) has a policy of autonomy to include BOLZANO, TRENTO and three German speaking communes of Belluno.

II. Associazione Studi Autonomistici Regionali (A.S.A.R.) has a membership of some 60 000 and declares its policy to be autonomy within the Italian State, but its activities point to other aspects, namely :

A total independence and
Annexation to Austria.

e) The local Press has become aggressive during February. The "Alto Adige", which on the Italian side was moderate, is harsh in its arguments with the German paper "Dolomiten" which in turn has not published a "soft answer which turneth away wrath".

Y) The Prince Bishop of Bressanone has been the subject of attacks in the "Alto Adige" on several occasions during February.

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- g) The names of streets, shops, noticeboards etc. are to be written in both German and Italian language.
- h) On the 20 Feb an unsuccessful attempt was made by unknown persons to blow up the Andreas Hofer memorial at Merano.
- i) 60 Sub-Area is to be disbanded on the 15 March 1946.
- j) Dr. PERZUTTO has been appointed Questore of Bolzano.
- k) The Medical Stores and Equipment of Sanitätspark Merano have been handed over to the Italian Government.
- l) Seven highly placed Italian officials have been arrested in connection with the discovery of 4750 qts of sugar at Merano.
- m) The Court of Appeal of Venice has instituted inquiries of a political nature regarding Signor DELL'ANTONIO, Procuratore del Regno of this Province. It is possible that this official will shortly leave Bolzano.

2. LEGAL

- a) The Tribunale is in arrears with its work chiefly owing to the shortage in personell. Of 52 civil cases only 11 and of 62 penal cases 24 have been tried.
- b) There are 42 persons in prison awaiting trial before the Court of Assize.

3. SECURITY.

- a) Owing to numerous changes in CORR, it is experiencing difficulties with clothing. During February there were 293 arrivals and 157 discharges.
- b) The Questore Dr. RABRIG has been replaced by the Questore of Trento, Dr. A. PERZUTTO.
- c) The control of the Brenner Pass is now in the hands of the Italian authorities as decided at a meeting in CIO's office on 18 Feb at which representatives of the French Military Government in Austria, the Prefect, the Questore of Bolzano and other officials were present.
- d) Four murders and several armed robberies took place during February, but on the whole the state of public safety is satisfactory.
- e) The 8 Road-Blocks left in this Province are controlled by CORR.

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4. ECONOMIC.

- a) The export of wine to Austria and Switzerland continues.
- b) Wood due to be imported from Austria in exchange for fruit, has been blocked by French Military Government. There is evidently a shortage of wood throughout Austria.
- c) Fixed prices for fruit and vegetables have been abolished and there are now a free market.

5. FOOD.

- a) Grain is scarce causing a shortage of pasta. 50 tons of grain are required daily, but only half of this quantity arrives.
- b) Meat is plentiful as cattle are being slaughtered owing to the lack of forage.
- c) Salt ration has been increased to 500 g monthly.
- d) General food situation is satisfactory.

6. AGRICULTURE.

- a) Fertilizers are badly needed.
- b) Agricultural labour is in short supply and requests for the release of POW's have been received from all sources.

7. LABOUR.

- a) There are 2050 unemployed registered as on 28 Feb 46.
- b) Persons returning from Army Service must be re-employed by industries and firms employing them prior to their war service.
- c) Instructions have been issued that one out of every twenty employees will be an ex-service man.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH.

Health is satisfactory. -

9. EDUCATION.

- a) 27 528 children are enrolled in German speaking schools and 9 214 in the Italian schools.
- b) Much progress has been made by students at the school of art at Ortisei and Selva di Gardena where, under efficient direction, excellent work is being turned out.

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10. DISPLACED PERSONS.

a) D.P. Camp No. 23 is experiencing difficulties in obtaining trains. On 11 Feb the long expected ghost train eventually arrived and moved 350 Germans to Munich.

b) There are 210 Displaced persons in the camp of whom 151 are Germans awaiting deportation. The train expected daily has not yet arrived, but the possibility of another one on or about the 15 March has been notified.

11. PUBLIC WORKS and UTILITIES.

a) Snow ploughs have done excellent work throughout this Province. Except for the Brenner and the Resia, other passes remain snow bound.

b) Plans for reducing the consumption of electricity have worked satisfactorily.

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8th, February, 1946

SUBJECT : Monthly Report for January, 1946.

TO : HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION, CMF.

1. GENERAL.

(a) The change over from AMG to Liaison has worked smoothly.

(b) The Prefect Dr. Bruno De ANGELIS resigned from 31st December, 1945 and his successor Dr. Silvio INNOCENTI has arrived in BOLZANO.

Discussions between the C.L.O. and the new Prefect have been friendly and satisfactory.

(c) The recent speech of the Italian Prime Minister was not received with enthusiasm by the German speaking population. "Action" not "words" was their reply, and there is perhaps some justification for their attitude.

(d) A Boundary Commission is expected in BOLZANO in the near future.

(e) The Prefect reports that commissions to decide "citizenship" will shortly arrive in BOLZANO.

(f) There is no change in the declared policy of the South Tyrolian Volkspartei, which is openly that of a return of the Province to AUSTRIA.

This Party is bound together in a single party, and seizes every opportunity for propaganda in the hope of realizing its annexionist aspirations. This is different from the Italian Provincial Administration who, by fighting amongst themselves, and by attending more to individual and personal interests than to the necessity of collective interests, appear to lose some of their respective functions. A new Administration, headed by the new Prefect, will, I think, provide a solution.

(g) The newspaper "Alto Adige" has recently published a letter from the Prince Bishop of BRESSANONE asking his followers to pray "in private" for the future of the South Tyrol and its people.

This plea for separation, on the part of a High Dignitary of the Church, is not well timed. Much political work and propaganda emanates from this South Tyrolian centre of religion, and the influence of Rev. Johannes GEISLER in the political and religious life of this Province is considerable.

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General (cont'd)

(h) A notice has appeared in the local press inviting Austrian citizens to report to the "Austrian Office" of Herr Fritz RIENZNER to obtain identity cards etc.

(i) The Separation Centre interrogates about 50 enemy aliens a day, and its work, on the whole, proceeds satisfactorily. (See para. 11).

(j) Some 4,750 quintals of sugar, 4,000 litres of petrol etc., have been discovered by the CC.RR. hidden on the premises of Messrs MENZ & GASSER, and ZUEGG of MERANO.

Certain responsible Provincial Officials appear to have been aware of this hidden store, yet failed to denounce it.

The C.L.O. has discussed this with the new Prefect Dr. INNOCENTI who is taking action accordingly.

(l) On January, 22nd the Honorary Citizenship of BOLZANO, MERANO, BRESSANONE and BRUNICO was conferred upon Brigadier J. K. DUNLOP and Colonel S. W. MILLER.

2. LEGAL.

(a) The Italian Tribunal is hampered by a shortage of Judges. 236 cases are awaiting trial before the Italian Courts.

(b) Dr. DELAIRA, President of the Court of Assize has been appointed President of the new Epuration Committee.

(c) Many Communal Secretaries, suspended or dismissed by the Epuration Committee, have now been reinstated. This is causing comment.

3. SECURITY.

(a) The situation is good.

(b) The CC.RR. are working satisfactorily.

(c) Relationship between Allied and Italian Police is excellent.

(d) A number of arrests have been made following a murder and some robberies.

(e) The Questura is at present controlling the civilian movement at the Brenner Frontier.

(f) Many forged AMG notes have been discovered 3.1

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4. ECONOMIC.

(a) Restrictions on the export of fruit and potatoes have been cancelled.

(b) The Swiss Authorities have forbidden the import of fruit owing to an infection caused by the cochineal S. José bug.

5. FOOD SITUATION.

(a) The food situation is good.

(b) All rations have been regularly distributed.

(c) Meat, fats, vegetables and fruit are plentiful but available only at high prices.

6. AGRICULTURE.

(a) Flour is in short supply.

(b) Owing to lack of fodder cattle are being slaughtered.

(c) Fertilizers are scarce and insufficient to meet requirements.

(d) 400 tons of insecticides are still required.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH.

Health is good apart from 64 cases of dipateria and 27 cases of typhus which have been dealt with by the Medical authorities.

8. LABOUR.

(a) The general situation is good.

(b) There are about 1,200 unemployed.

(c) The unemployment indemnity of Lire 30 a day will, in future, be given only to registered unemployed. 3.0

9. EDUCATION.

(a) The derequisitioning of part of the building occupied by AMG has eased the problem of school accomodation.

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Education (Cont'd)

(b) The provision of text books for the German speaking schools is still unsatisfactory. This will be taken up with the Director, Education Sub-Commission, when he comes in mid February.

10. ELECTIONS.

(a) The preparation of Electoral Lists has been impeded owing to a reversal of the original instructions received late in December.

(b) Some 59 of the 91 Communes had submitted their lists, and all are now busy with amendments.

A comprehensive report about this will follow.

11. DISPLACED PERSONS.

(a) The Officer i/c No. 23 Displaced Persons Camp is harassed owing to the non arrival of promised Hospital Trains.

(b) At the moment (8th February) some 420 enemy aliens have been sitting on their boxes since 31st January waiting for a train to GERMANY.

The promised train has not yet arrived. Meanwhile the Camp is still accepting deportees from the Separation Centre.

I have telephoned this state of affairs to Colonel Fothergill to-day.

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