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OFFICIALS FOR BOLZANO PROVINCE
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whether proposed nominations should be submitted to AC, that I knew of no stipulations in the bondover documents which provided for a different procedure for Dolgano.

Ch. Temple, neg.

6 Feb. 46

(8)

Det. Parente called up after conversation contained in minute (7) above, informing that the following officials had been assigned to Dolgano:

Det. VALENTI, Ralpho - Conigliere

" RIZZO, Pietro - "

" FABBIANI, Giovanni - Vice Secretary

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No last records on them.

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MINUTE SHEET NO. 1

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Wm. L. G. S.

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seen, thank you
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note called Personnel Division (Dr. Parente) to ascertain whether Col. Miller's report that Sig Devilacqua (Comm. for attache at Sals) after Stal. surrender and Sig. Magria (Chief Vice Officer to Prefect Mastroratti of Bologna in 1939, ^{latter} who is mentioned in many reports in connection with the Hitler-Mussolini agreement) were appointed Vice Prefects and a Sig. Curi as Secy. (held similar appointment as Magria). Parente said that the new Prefect (Innocente) had suggested their appointment since they were capable technicians but the matter was dropped after consideration of the circumstances. Informed Parente, in answer to his direct inquiry as to

AC/AS/12/1

SUBJECT : Note of interview.

DATE : 23 January 1946 - 10,00 hrs.

PRESENT : Dott. Silvio INNOCENTI, Consigliere di Stato
Major R.H. Temple, Director Local Government S/O.

1. Dott. INNOCENTI said that he had come to present his compliments and stated that he had been designated by the Italian Government to draw up a report on the Bolzano situation and also to act as Prefect there. He said that he expected to be back in Rome in 3 weeks when he would again visit me and present a copy of the report. He hoped also to be able to meet Brig. Carr then.

2. At his request I have given him a card of introduction to Col. Miller, Chief Liaison Officer in Bolzano.

3. Dott. Innocenti said that it was extremely important that the decree dealing with the citizenship problem be enacted as quickly as possible, also because it served as the basis for much action in dealing with other phases of civil government. He said he had participated in the formulation of the decree. He pointed out that the creation of a special means of dealing with the re-acquisition of Italian citizenship was consistent with the adoption of a special means of losing Italian citizenship, i.e. with the 1939 Law. He pointed out also that the 1912 law on citizenship which might be applicable in cases of loss of citizenship by people in other parts of Italy, for example in the case of all those who went to the States and then returned, was not applicable here because the people in the Upper Adige region denounced their Italian citizenship on political and racial grounds, in order to acquire German citizenship. In the case of people going to the States and elsewhere the purpose was, for the most part, that of economic betterment. Besides there was no special law created to govern their denunciation of the Italian citizenship and the acquisition of another nationality. I told Dott. Innocenti that very likely our observations would be forthcoming very shortly.

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RALPH E. TEMPLER
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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RRT/vw

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AE/W/V/US/10

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Payment of Sindaco.

5 December 1945

TO : AO Venezia Region (with copy for AO Venezia)

1. Reference is made to AO Venezia's letter RUCV/BE/128 dated 26 No. 45, enclosing a letter from the Prefect of Bolzano on the above subject, which is returned herewith.
2. This matter was threshed out some time ago, after a census had been taken. It was decided to take no action within AEC territory, but to leave the decision to the Italian Government.
3. It would be incorrect therefore for AEC to assent to any local alteration of the existing law. It should be noted, however, that the existing law does permit the payment of "out of pocket and special expenses" to Sindaco.


RALPH R. ZIEGLER
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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BOLZANO PROVINCE
VENEZIE REGION

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A. P. O. 394.

SUBJECT: Payment of Sindaci.

DATE: 26 Nov 1945.
SWW/ST.

TO: Local Government Sub-Commission, ✓
Allied Commission, ROME.

REF: R XII/BZ 128.

The attached correspondence is forwarded to you
for the favour of your remarks, please.

I hope you will forgive me for writing to you direct,
but the matter is urgent.

S. W. Miller
S. W. MILLER, Colonel,
Provincial Commissioner.

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Encl's.
Letter of Prefettura N.6661
of 17 Nov 45
Note of P.F.O. of 24 Nov 45.

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Bolzano, the 24th Nov. 1945

To
Provincial Commissioner

I have not come across in any province previously,
any cases of a payment of this nature from "official channels".
As it would create a precedent I suggest the matter
be taken up at a higher level than this, perhaps with Local-
Government -Sub Commission.

DF
D. J. FRASER, Capt.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AG/4/1/178/1E

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Vice Prefect Inspector for Rovigo.

6 November 1945

TO : RE Venezia Region (with copy for RO Rovigo)

1. Reference your signal XIII/025.111 of 3 November, as Dott. RESSO cannot be found, the Ministry have been requested to nominate another official for the post of Vice Prefect Inspector of Rovigo.

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GCRW/peo

RALPH R. TROLE
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

Copy for: AG/4/1/143/1E (Bolsano) ✓

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AO/4/1/178/1A

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Vice Prefect for Rovigo.

8 November 1945

TO : The Minister of the Interior.

1. Reference is made to the Ministry's letter No. 5006/1 (Personale) dated 31 July nominating the First Class Councillor, Dott. MURRO Giulio, thought to be resident in Bolzano for the office of Vice Prefect Inspector of Rovigo.

2. This Sub Commission is now informed that the authorities in Bolzano are unable to trace the present whereabouts of Dott. MURRO. Will the Ministry please, therefore, nominate another official for the vacant post of Rovigo.

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RALPH R. TRIPLE
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Copy for: AO/4/1/148/1A (Bolzano) ✓

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Originator's Reference: **ROLL/025.111**Message Centre No: **G 2829**Date/Time of Origin: **NOV 3/1300A**Date Time Rec'd: **NOV 4/1010A**FROM: **HQ VENEZIA REGION AMG**Precedence: **PRIORITY**TO: **HQ ALCOM**

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Your **AL/4/1/148/LG** dated 22 October.

Doctor **PALERMO** transferred to **SONDRIO** 5 October. Doctor **RUSCO** has not arrived
ROVIGO we are unable trace present whereabouts please signal instructions.
 Will answer re first archivist **CORTESE GIOBANNA** soonest

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ACTION: **LAND GOVT SC**

INFO: **CHIEF COMMISSIONER**
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Copy on 4/1/148 (Rovigo)

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for C.S.O.

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HEADQUARTERS
VALLE D'AOSTA REGIONAllied Military Government 30 OCT 1943
APO 194

28 October, 1943

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission
(Att'n: Executive Commissioner (three copies))

SUBJECT : Bolzano Developments

FILE NO : RAIL/850.12

1. Colonel S. A. Miller, Provincial Commissioner, Bolzano, has sent me a letter dated, Bolzano 26 October, reading:-

"My dear Brigadier,

I send you herewith a criticism of the Prefect of Bolzano and a reply by his Chief of Cabinet.

Neither show a surfeit of dignity.

I had lunch with the Prefect yesterday, and he is coming to see me on Monday, after which date I think there will be some news for you."

2. The criticism referred to appeared in the paper of the Christian Democratic Party and the reply, written by De Angelis, Capo Gabinetto appeared in the daily paper "Alto Adige." I shall not burden you with the full record of the two articles. The attack invited De Angelis to resign, based on an alleged administration by De Angelis at Verona that the relations between Italian and Italians had worsened. The answer was poor polemical stuff, and is weakly written third paragraph the writer, obviously a spokesman of De Angelis, expressed the view that the Prefect would be asked to resign "since it would make him free from the burdens and difficulties (mostly due to the malevolence and absolute lack of co-operation from certain citizens) etc."

3. In view of this letter I sent a manuscript note today up to Colonel Miller in the following terms:-

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3. In view of this letter I sent a manuscript note today up to Colonel Miller in the following terms:-

28 October

My dear Dady,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 16th October with the copy of the Civilth Democratic of the Disa and the Adige of the 15th.

There seems to me to be a conglomeration of errors. I read the original Merano speech made by De Angelis, and thought it an unnecessary adventure. The attack of the 1st is unfair, but really does not go beyond the sort of criticism that would be reasonable comment in England. The reply of the 25th is a very feeble effort.

The truth is that the situation has deteriorated, we know that, and we have so reported to Rome.

The causes of the deterioration are many but three are outstanding:-

(1) The foolishly provocative behaviour of the Bolzano Division;

(2) The failure, on the part of the Italian Government, to make a bold statement as to a "Charter of Liberties" for Bolzano;

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(3) The feeling that, at the London Conference, the future of the Alto Adige did come up for discussion and that the question still remains open. On none of these grounds can De Angelis himself be accused.

I do think that De Angelis has played politics too much and has not given the attention that he should to the regular administration of the Province.

I note that you expect developments. A resignation by De Angelis would be a thing requiring very careful handling. His succession by another local man obviously raises very serious problems. So would the appointment of a career officer from the South. In any case we should have to keep A.C. exceedingly well in the picture.

I received your telephone message about General Heydemann's visit to Bolzano. Unfortunately I have tours in Vicenza and Verona fixed for tomorrow, 29 and Tuesday 30. I did think that I should have to go to Trieste on Wednesday 31st but that is off. I have to visit Treviso and Belluno on the 1st and plan to reach you on the 2nd Nov.

If, however, the situation does develop quickly I could drive up and back on Wednesday if that would be any help to you.

I have great confidence in your ability to handle the situation. If possible keep De Angelis from making speeches or rushing into print.

Yours,

J.F. "

4. That is where the matter stands at present. De Angelis has been a sick man for some time and he may quite possibly resign. In that case a situation will arise requiring careful handling.

I shall continue to keep you informed.

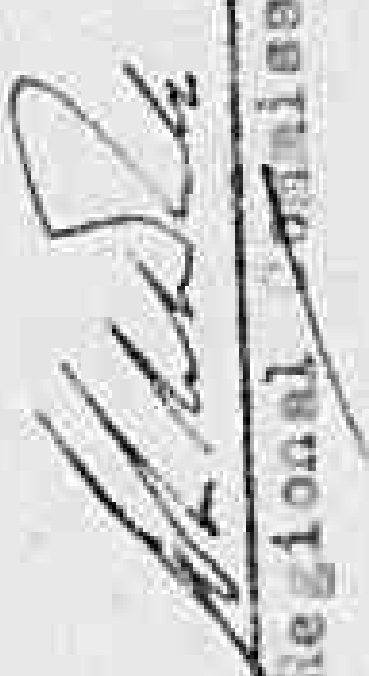
Regional Commissioner

Yours,

J.K.

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I shall continue to keep you informed.


Regional Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

P/O

AC/4/1/161/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Transfer of officials from Trento
Prefecture to Bolzano.

22 October 1945

TO : The Minister of the Interior.

1. Reference is made to the Ministry's Letter No. 5178/1.3 (Personale), dated 15 October 1945. Copies of this have been passed to the Provincial Commissioners of Trento and Bolzano through the Regional Commissioner of Venetia Region: and the Provincial Commissioners have been requested to give instructions to their Prefects to carry out the transfers recommended by the Ministry.

2. If occasion should arise for any further correspondence with the Prefectures as to this transfer, the Ministry may address their letters to the Prefects direct and pass them through this office in the usual way. Allied Military Government have been informed of this so that the Prefects may do likewise.

C. G. H. S.

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/161/LG

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Transfer of officials from Trento
Prefecture to Bolzano.

22 October 1945

TO : RC Venezia Region (with copies for PC Trento
PC Bolzano)

1. The Ministry of the Interior have drawn the attention of this Sub Commission to the under-staffing of the Accountancy Office ("Ragioneria") of the Prefecture of Bolzano, where they state there are only 5 Accountants and 2 clerks. On the other hand, they say that the corresponding office in the Prefecture of Trento is staffed by 10 Accountants and 10 clerks. They suggest this is more than Trento needs and that the position should be evened up by the transfer of some of the surplus to Bolzano.

2. The proposal appears to be eminently reasonable and desirable especially as, from reports submitted by officers of this Sub Commission who have visited the provinces, the organization of Bolzano Prefecture gives cause for some concern.

3. Herewith are sent accordingly copies in English and Italian of the Ministry's further letter to this Sub Commission, No. 5178/1.3 (Personale), dated 15 October 1945, in which the Ministry specify the individual officials whom they recommend for transfer from Trento to Bolzano. May the Italian copy please be handed to the Prefects and instructions given to them to carry out the transfer.

4. If any further question arises which might require reference to the Ministry of the Interior, it could best be dealt with by direct correspondence between the Prefects and the Ministry, the papers being, of course, passed through AC/AMG channels: and the Ministry of the Interior have been so informed.

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Encls. as in (3) above.

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/14/1/DAS/10

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Transfer of Italian officials.

22 October 1945

TO : R. Venetia Region (with copy for R. Bolzano)

1. This Sub Commission appears to have had no replies to the following letters bearing this office reference as above:—

- (a) 8 August ¹⁰1945, as to the transfer of Dott. RISSO to Rovigo and Dott. FALZANO to Sondrio
- (b) 27 September ²²1945, as to taking into employment at Bolzano Prefecture of First Archivist GOTTSCHE Gim.

2. May this office please be informed of the situation in each case immediately.



RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/48/LG

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Ist Archivist CORTESE, Gina

27 September 1945

TO : RC Venezie Region (with copy for PC Bolzano)

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1. Thank you for your letter RXII/020.1 of 20 Sept, forwarding letter
RXII/EZ/115 of 17 Sept, from PC Bolzano.

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2. Please inform this Sub Commission in due course of the ultimate decision
as to the above.

C.R.

R. R. CRIPPS
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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HEADQUARTERS
VENETIAN REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

20 September 1945.

TO : HQ., AC., Local Government, Sub-Commission.
SUBJECT : Ist Archivist CORTESE Giovanna.
FILE NO : RXII/020.1

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Reference your tracer of 7 September referring to
your letter of 27 August, subject Ist Archivist Cortese Giovan-
na. The attached letter from Provincial Commissioner Bolzano
is submitted in response.


Regional Commissioner.

JKD/lcc

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BOLZANO PROVINCE
VENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A. P. O. 394.

SUBJECT: Archivista Cortese G.

DATE: 17 Sept. 1945
WHC/as

TO: Magra Venezia Region A.M.G.

REF: R XII/BZ/ 115

Ref. your CCG.1 3 and 12th Sept. 1945.
The Prefettura of Bolzano is agreeable to considering the
p/a person for archivista but wishes to interview her
before concluding an agreement.

HQ. VENEZIA REGION

Doc. No. 9103C
Data Rec'd 15 SEP 1945.

William E. McQuatney
WILLIAM E. McQUATNEY
Lt. Col., S.R.,
Provincial Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 304
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/4/1/100/10

Tel : 478190

SUBJECT : 1st Archivist CORTESI Giovanni

27 August 1945

TO : BG. VENEZIA (with copy for PG. BOLZANO)

1. Herewith copy in English and Italian of letter No. 5000/-1-G dated 13 August, Ministry of the Interior to this Sub Commission as to the above mentioned civil servant.

2. The request for her transfer to Trieste cannot be entertained but if the Prefect can make use of her in the Prefecture (or any other public office in the province) he should do so.

3. As the Ministry have asked to be informed what decision is taken, please inform this Sub Commission whether or not it is possible to employ her in Bolzano.

FOR THE DIRECTOR :

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Encls. n. 2 as above

RRT
RALPH. R. TAMPLE,
Major,
Deputy Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

Reminder sent 7/9/45

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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
Direzione Generale Amministrazione Civile
File No. 5000/1-G

Rome, 13 August 1945

SUBJECT : Proposal of transfer employees formerly attached to the
Delegazione Economico Finanziaria for the transfer of the
aliens and german citizens.

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION - Local Government Sub Commission

1. With reference to letter of the 31st July, same number, we beg
to inform you that owing to the dissolution of the Delegazione Economico
Finanziaria for the transfer of the aliens and german citizens, which had
seat in Bolzano, the first archivist, CORTESE Giovanna, formerly attached
to said office, is also at disposal, now.

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2. We kindly request the Hon. Commission to examine the possibility
of returning Miss CORTESE to the office in Trieste or to employ her in another
office nearby.

3. We are awaiting to know any decision you will kindly adopt.

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FOR THE MINISTER
s/ Micali

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Ministero dell'Interno

DIREZIONE GENERALE

UFFICIO AFFARI ECONOMICI E DEL PERSONALE

Divisione Pers.

Prot. N. 5000/1-E. Allegato

ALLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Sottocommissione Interni

22 AUG 1945
R O M A

Rapporto al f. del
In In N°

Oggetto: Proposte di trasferimento di impiegati
già addetti alla Delegazione Economico Finanzia
ria per il trasferimento di allogeni e cittadi
ni germanici.

Di seguito alla nota del 31 luglio u.s.,
pari numero, si comunica che in dipendenza del
lo scioglimento della Delegazione Economico Fi
nanziaria per il trasferimento di allogeni e
cittadini germanici, con sede in Bolzano, si è
resa disponibile anche la prima archivista, già
addetta a quell'Ufficio, Cortese Giovanna.

Si prega codesta On. Commissione di volere
esaminare cortesemente la possibilità di resti
tuire la Cortese alla sede di Trieste, da lei
desiderata, o di utilizzarla in altra viciniore.

Si rimane in attesa di conoscere le deter-

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minazioni che verranno adottate.-

PEL MINISTRO



Fr./Sc.

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIA REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

24 SEP 1945

20 Sept 1945.

TO : H.Q., A.C., (Attn: Civil Affairs Section).

SUBJECT : Report Bolzano.

File No : RXII/850.12

In order to keep you informed of developments,
I send you herewith copy of a Report received from Provincial
Commissioner Bolzano.


Regional Commissioner.

Encl. (1)

JKD/lcc

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L. G. Lec

For any action necessary

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BOLZANO PROVINCE
VENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A. P. O. 394.

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HQ. VENEZIE REGION
Doc. No. 9056 c
Date Rec'd SEP 10 1945

SUBJECT: Report Bolzano.

DATE: 17 Sept. 1945.
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TO: Hqtrs Venezia Region A.M.G., Padova.

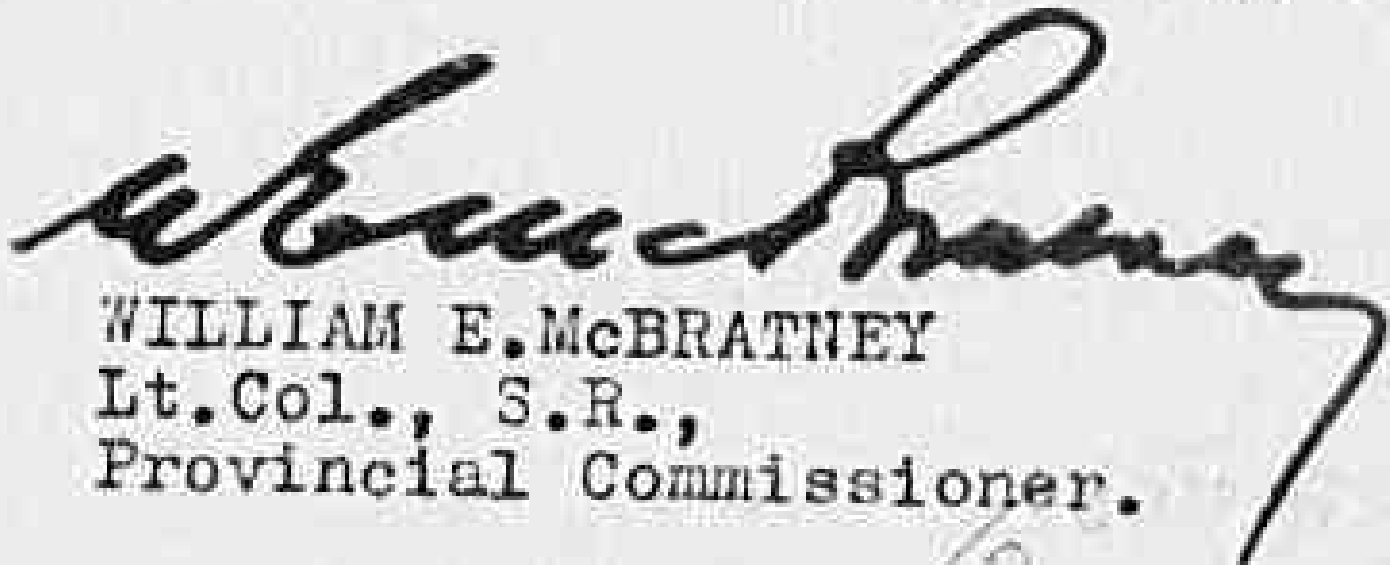
REF: R XII/BZ/ 135.

As a result of the Prefect of Bolzano's visit to Rome Prime Minister Parri will make an official declaration as to the policy and aims of the Rome Government respecting Alto-Adige.

Already the matter of a bi-lingual school system has been officially agreed upon and it is indicated that the other necessary steps to be taken will be ensured.

It is interesting to know also that the Communist Party (Central administration) has agreed that as far as they are concerned - the Brenner line is and should be the frontier.

As to De Angelis, his party and the Rome Government wishes him to remain in position for a few more months. He himself, however, while agreeing to this - only wishes to continue in office for the emergency period and has suggested to Rome the desirability of either electing a Prefect or appointing a suitable South Tyrolian.


WILLIAM E. McBRATNEY
Lt. Col., S.R.,
Provincial Commissioner.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AD/4/1/161/10

Tel : 478190

SUBJECT : Officials at Bolzano and Trento

17 September 1945

TO : The Ministry of the Interior

1. Reference your No.5000 dated 5 September 1945.
2. Please advise this Sub Commission of the names of those officials whom the Ministry suggest should be transferred from Trento to the Prefecture of Bolzano.

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R. H. CRIPS,
Colonel,
Director,
Local Government Sub Commission.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

Rome, 5 September 45

Prot.N. 5000

TO : ALLIED COMMISSION
Local Govt Sub-Commission

SUBJECT : Accountants and employees of the Prefectures of Bolzano and Trento.

The personnel of the accountancy office of the Prefecture of Bolzano (5 accountants and 2 employees) is not in proportion with the exigencies of that office.

Now, at the Prefecture of Trento the number of personnel of group B and C is respectively 10 and 10 - more than actually necessary. This is being brought to the attention of the Hon. Allied Commission so as to examine the possibility of meeting the needs of Bolzano by transferring there part of the employees serving at Trento.

FOR THE MINISTER

Translated by: Jc.
13 September 1945

*Copy of this letter
on Trento file
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MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
Dir. Gen. AA. GG. e Pers.

Roma, 5 settembre 1945

Prot. No. 5000

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
Settecommissione Interni

ROMA

OGGETTO: Personale di ragioneria e d'ordine addetto
alla Prefettura di Bolzano e Trento.

Risulta che il personale di ragioneria e d'ordine addetto alla Prefettura di Bolzano (rispettivamente composto di 5 e di 2 elementi) si dimostra inadeguato, per il numero, a far fronte ai servizi facenti capo al predetto ufficio.

Perche' risulta, d'altra parte, che presso la limitrofa Prefettura di Trento e' attualmente addetto un numero esuberante di impiegati di Gruppo B e C (rispettivamente 10 e 10), se ne riferisce a codesta Om. Commissione perche' esamini se non sia il caso di sopperire alla necessita' di personale palesemente presso la Prefettura di Bolzano mediante il trasferimento dela' di un congruo numero di impiegati attualmente addetti alla Prefettura di Trento.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

23 August 1945

Reference : 806/A/80

SUBJECT : Notes on Executive Commissioner's
TOUR - BOLZANO

TO : Distribution below.

1. Electoral. I spoke to Lt Col. McBratney in the question of electoral lists and he seemed quite satisfied with the decision made in Rome. He was, however, anxious that whatever order should be made regarding the setting up of an Italian Commission should be in the form of an Italian decree and not, as the Prefect had suggested, a Regional or AC order.

2. Alien Registration Order. Regional Order No. 17 has just been posted and Col. McBratney hopes to trace a number of Germans by this system. He assumes that non-resident Germans, i.e., those who have entered Italy since the war and particularly since the armistice, will be regarded as displaced persons and transferred to Germany. I told him that I agreed with him assumption and would confirm after consultation in Rome. We want to get quite clear in our minds as to what to do with Germans who are non-residents. In this connection the closing up of No. 23 Displaced Persons Camp may have to be delayed. Col. McBratney suggested that it may be necessary to arrange for AIC officers to carry on with the registration of these Germans if it was not finished by the turnover. He personally thought it would take two months.

4. Prefect. I spoke to the PC. about the Prefect DE ANGELIS. Col. McBratney said that the man wanted to relinquish his job as soon as possible but he thought it would be politic if the Italian Government retained him for at least 2 months after the turnover. DE ANGELIS he thought was aspiring to some ambassadorial appointment. Obviously the choice of the new Prefect will have to be made very carefully and if some form of regional autonomy is to be given, it might include the freedom to elect a Prefect.

M. S. LUSH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/1/12/14

Tel: 478190

SUBJECT: Survey of Bolzano, Trento and Verona
Provinces.

22 August 1945

TO : EC Venezia Region.

1. Herewith copies in duplicate of Major Williams' reports of his recent visit to these provinces: the additional copy is for forwarding to the EC if you think fit.
2. BOLZANO. The major point in this province seems to be the organization of the Prefecture. The provincial report form which has now been received indicates the Prefecture is adequately staffed. I have written you separately about the Deputazioni Provinciali.
3. Paras 13 to 21 of this report are Major Williams' personal observations as to the reaction of the minority problem on the preparation of the electoral lists which I think you should see, although discussions on the point are still going on between this HQ and the Italian Government, and the ultimate decision may differ from the views indicated in these paragraphs. They are not, therefore, to be taken as an indication of AG policy.
4. TRENTO. The province appears to be in good shape.
5. VERONA. No particular point arises in this province either to which attention should be called. The line taken by the EC with respect to his 2 political Vice Prefects has been noted with interest. The treatment of this GLR device is one on which no general rule is laid down, as local circumstances must govern the decision whether it is best to retain it or not.

R. R. Griggs
R. R. GRIGGS
Colonel
Director

Local Government Sub Commission

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Encls. as in (1) above.

ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: *Medical Report on Prof.*
of Hqs. Army.
TO: *Civil Affairs Section*
(Ch. Kelly).

FILE NO. *18 AGO 1943*
16 E. Aug. 1945

It is suggested that this report
might be entered with you.

A. S. Halford

(A. S. HALFORD)
Asst. Political Adviser (66.)

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Mr. Kalford.

These notes on de Angelen
should perhaps be kept in A.C.
files. (C.A. Section) SECRET.

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[Signature] - Aug. 14

6 August, 1945

Subject: Political Report.

To: Mr. Hopkinson.

Herewith SIM(CS) report on the Prefect
of Alto Adige.

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[Signature]

Captain
SCI Unit (Merano)

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785021

Subject: Political Report.

To: Mr. Hopkinson.

Herewith SIM(CS) report on the Prefect
of Alto Adige.

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Captain
SCI Unit (Merano)

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MEMORANDUM FOR CAPT. WELBORE

From various investigations carried out by me, it does not appear that Finze former Nazi Prefect of Bolzano has been questioned by officers of Allied Commission and Italian Officials as to the amount of 20 millions of which the Prefecture would be short.

It would appear that Finze himself donated the sum of about 6,000,000, --- Lire to Assistance and Welfare organization, soon after the liberation of the Province.

It also appears as certain that on 29.3.1945, that is a month before liberation, he has issued an order of payment No. 3173 for Lire 48,000,000, --- in favor of the High Commissioner. This amount being so conspicuous makes believe it has been paid for propaganda purposes.

As far as Prefect De Angelis is concerned it is stated from many sources:

That as President and Deputy Councillor of the "Saterra", a big industrial trust in Milan and in Italy, during the period prior to 22 April 1945 when he came to Meran by order of the central CLN. to act as military delegate for the Alto Adige, he collaborated for his own interest with the German Authorities making enormous profits in dealing of supplies (his profits are thought to have been as high as several millions),

That in spite of the fact that it was almost impossible for an Italian to stay during the German occupation in the province of Bolzano and particularly in Meran, the De Angelis family had been residing in the last named city for more than a year in its own villa, which though it consisted of as many as 15 rooms, never was partially occupied by the German authorities.,

That notwithstanding to the fact that the wives of Italian Officers interned in Germany were ordered by the Nazis to perform the lowest and heaviest works, Prefect De Angelis was allowed to keep unmolested several servants,

That in the home of De Angelis during the Nazi occupation many banquets were held attended by officers of the Wehrmacht and even Officers of the S.S.,

That insistent rumours are circulating that De Angelis has white washed with the sum of one million his collaboration with the Germans obtaining in this manner by the "Corpo Volontari della Liberta'" the post of Prefect of the Province of Bolzano.,

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That on 3 May 1945 at the CLN. of Bolzano to which he belonged as a military delegate and President, he proposed himself as Prefect, while at the same time he was sending a message to the 15 Group Allied Army Hq. and to the Italian Government whereby on the latter's behalf he was officially re-annexing the territory of Alto Adige to Italy.,

That two or three days afterwards, with the arrival of the partisan forces coming from the Lombard provinces, being violently attacked by them who knew of his former not clear and interested Nazi-activity, he appears to have handed a million lire to the partisan division "Piemme Verdi" which was more adverse to him, in order they should keep quite.,

That the predilection of Prefect De Angelis to Bolzano is exclusively due to his personal interests tied up with industries of the Zone.,

That too openly, though claiming his intentions to lead such a policy as to avoid clashes between the two ethnic groups, he favors and protects the aliens to the detriment of the Italian population.

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As regards Tinze, some reports however state he did not give 20,000,000 to french emissaries, but had received from them the sum 24,000,000,-- for propaganda in favor of the annexation of Alto Adige to Austria.

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MEMORIA per il signor Capitano WILFORD

M E M O R I A

Da vari accertamenti da me espletati, non è risultato che Tinci ex prefetto nazista di Bolzano, sia stato interrogato da ufficiali dell'A.C. e italiani in merito alla somma di 20 milioni che mancherebbe dalla prefettura.

Risulterebbe però che lo stesso Tinci pare abbia elargito la somma di circa 6.000.000 di Lire per opere assistenziali subito dopo la liberazione della provincia.

Risulta ancora in modo preciso che in data 29.3.1945 cioè un mese prima della liberazione ha emesso un mandato di pagamento numero 3173 per la somma di L. 48.000.000 a favore del Commissario Supremo, somma che per essere così rilevante lascia pensare sia stata pagata per scopi propagandistici.

Sul conto del prefetto De Angelis, molte fonti affermano:

-Quale presidente e consigliere delegato della "Soterna" grosso trust industriale milanese e dell'Italim, nel periodo precedente all'22 Aprile 1945, giunse a Merano incaricato dal Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale Centrale a fare il delegato militare per l'Alto Adige, ha cooperato intensamente con le autorità tedesche consegnando guadagni favolosi in forniture (si fanno ascondere i suoi guadagni a diversi milioni).-

-Nonostante che fosse pressoché impossibile per un italiano soggiornare durante l'occupazione tedesca nella provincia di Bolzano e particolarmente a Merano, la famiglia De Angelis ha risieduto in quest'ultima città per più di un anno nella villa di sua proprietà, la quale, pure essendo composta di ben 15 stanze, non fu mai occupata neppure parzialmente dalle autorità germaniche.-

-Nonostante che le mogli di ufficiali italiani internati in Germania venissero comandate dai parigini a compiere i più umili servizi di fatica, al prefetto De Angelis veniva consentito di tenere più persone di servizio senza che queste venissero disturbate.-

-Che spesso nella casa De Angelis durante l'occupazione nazista si davano banchetti cui partecipavano ufficiali della Wehrmacht e perfino ufficiali della SS.-

-Che molti voci accusano il De Angelis di aver riscattato con un milione la sua cooperazione coi tedeschi ottenendo

prima della liberazione ha emesso un mandato di pagamento numero 1173 per la somma di L. 48.000.000 a favore del Commissario Supremo, somma che per essere così rilevante lascia pensare sia stata pagata per scopi prebendistici.

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-Che il giorno 3 Maggio 1945 presso il Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale di Bolzano di cui faceva parte quale delegato militare e presidente si è autoproposto Prefetto, facendo nello stesso pervenire un messaggio al comando del 15.mo Gruppo armato alleato ed al Governo Italiano i cui, a nome di quest'ultimo, ^{26.5.45} metteva ufficialmente all'Italia il territorio Alto Adige.

-Che due o tre giorni dopo, con l'arrivo delle forze partigiane provenienti dalla provincia lombarda, avvenne violentemente da queste che conoscevano la sua precedente poco chiara ed interessata attività nazista, pare abbia versato un milione di lire alla Divisione Partigiana "Fiamme Verdi", che le era più ferocemente avversa, mettendola così a tacere.-

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-Che l'attacco a Bolzano del prefetto De Angelis è dovuto esclusivamente ai suoi interessi personali legati alla industria della zona.

-Che troppo apertamente, pur adducendo di voler condurre una politica tale da evitare urti fra i due gruppi ~~etnici~~ etnici, aggrava e protegge gli alligenti ai danni delle popolazioni italiane.

Relativamente al Tirolo, alcune notizie precisano però che egli non abbia versato 20.000.000 ai emigrati francesi, ma abbia da questi ricevuto, per scopi propagandistici, una concessione dell'Alto Adige all'Austria la somma di 24.000.000.-

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il che viene all'Assemblea la somma di 24.000.000.-

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Dr. DE ANGELIS Bruno

He is very keen and a man with broad ideas who at the present moment may be useful in this region on account of his policy which is in line with the necessities of the province.

That he was and is an opportunist cannot be denied for the following facts:

- a) - on 25 July 1945 he was about to be appointed as special secretary of Mussolini, so much so that his daughter complained, speaking to a girl friend of hers, ~~that~~ that the fall of the government had just to happen when the good fortune of father was about to yield its best fruits.
- b) - during the period of nazi-fascist occupation he remained here, while no one would bother him or touch his numerous servants.
- c) - he was employed as head of the food supply at various factories. Through clever maneuvering made possible for him by the position he occupied, he was able to get the ownership of ~~all~~ the Daho' in Milan.
A number of shares in various large buildings among the foremost of which was
- d) - his servants were almost all German. His cook is the one who served in the Brown House.

However in spite of such faults, which are known by the public and give him too considerable annoyance - on these points he has been attacked also by the newspaper "Tempo" of Rome - he is at this moment an useful elements in the province also because he knew to size up well the situation and the necessities of the province itself. Therefore only on the ground of his usefulness, his removal from the zone is not thought advisable.

He is a socialist of recent date. He shows to be against the CLN of Bolzano (he has been attacked by its members in public meetings with the above accusations which he could not deny) which in certain way is pro-Tirol. Also this last activity of his is not thought to be spontaneous but for an opportunistic purpose.

DE ANGELIS dott. Bruno

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E' persona di intelligenza molto acuta, di idee molto vaste ed, in questo momento, può essere utile in questa zona per la sua politica che è aderente alle necessità della provincia.

Che sia stato e sia un opportunista non è possibile negare per i seguenti fatti:

- a) alla data 20 luglio 1943 era in corso la sua nomina a segretario particolare di Mussolini tanto che la figlia ebbe a racconciare, parlando con un'amica, come la caduta del governo fosse avvenuta proprio nel momento in cui la fortuna del padre era sulla via di dare i migliori frutti.
- b) nel periodo di occupazione nazifascista è rimasto qui senza che alcuno gli si sia mai permesso di disturbarlo o toccare la sua numerosa servitù.
- c) era impiegato quale capo delle assegnazioni alimentari alle varie fabbriche. Mediante abili manovre consentì di dal posto occupato egli ha potuto venire in possesso di numerose azioni di varie grosse fabbriche fra cui in prima linea la Dahò di Milano.
- d) il personale della sua servitù è tutto o quasi tedesco. Il suo cuoco è quello della casa bruna di Roma.

Tuttavia malgrado tali pecche che sono conosciute in pubblico e danno soverchia noia anche a lui - su tali punti è stato attaccato anche dal giornale "Tempo" di Roma - è elemento in questo momento utile nella provincia anche perchè ha saputo comprendere bene la situazione e le necessità della provincia stessa. Pertanto a solo titolo di utilità non si ritiene che l'allontanamento suo dalla zona sia consigliabile.

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TRANSLATION

WHERE ARE WE?

from *Civiltà Democratica* 1341
(Christian Dem. Party) of 5 Aug 45.

After the speech of the socialist prefect of Bolzano, Dr. Bruno De Angelis, to the workmen of the Industrial Zone.

The workmen, the employees and the managers of the Industrial Zone, all the citizens of the Province of Bolzano, have not yet recovered from the amazement produced by the unprecedented spectacle of a prefect, who in his quality as a representative of the Government has held a propaganda meeting for the party to which he belongs. We will overlook the fact that the stage-mounting has re-membered to ~~the~~ present the past fascist and Nazi ceremonies, and that the speaker had himself introduced first by his companion Bonafini, provincial secretary to the Socialist Party, in the same way the ill famed Dr. Goebbels used to do with the Führer, and that in some parts of the speech the same tone was heard as the one used by the high fascists officials in other times; we will also overlook some interesting evidences of personal character. We can however not keep silent the justified amazement and the deep disappointment roused in the mind of all those who have heard or read, in the extraordinary edition of the "Avanti!" (Alto Aterno) of the 28th ult. the "green" speech of the Prefect De Angelis.

We all had anticipated, from the highest authority of the Province, representative of the Government, something more substantial, as e.g. the statement of his programs about the reconstruction of the town and the Province of Bolzano; a statement over the work done during the three months of his leadership; the initiatives which were taken in order to solve the problems of the Industrial Zone. We were anticipating to hear something of what has been done to solve the problem of the lodgings, to give the workmen and all the population a possibility to buy at a moderate price some clothes or some shoes. We were also anticipating a relation about his long recent visit to Rome.

Or does the prefect De Angelis believe, that the present position can be cleared with the simple enunciation - more or less faithful - of abstract political theories and with the promise of the "socialist republic"?

No Minister prefect!

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No Mister prefect!

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The Italian people does not any more need that his government loose themselves in demagogical declamations about the most best fitted formula to regulate social life, but claims men conscious of their own responsibilities and of the gravity of the hour in which we live, and who after a serious and competent personal solve the problems essential problems of its existence: industry, commerce, agriculture, artisans, schools, feeding, clothing, lodging, raw materials, value of the money, integrity of the national soil, etc.

Once that these problems will have been brought to a correct solution, the difficulties of the cohabitation will solve themselves automatically, and the Italian people, which to day seems to be destituted to live always in dissension and in struggle with itself, will also give proof to have, with its traditions of civilization, with its moral and religious traditions, the necessary rules to reconstruct on the just foundations its own national life. The Italian people does not need to borrow from foreign countries, to which it has always been inferior and still is, owing to his natural sentimental gifts, to his supreme intelligence, its capacity and will - ideologies in contrast to its culture, to its story, to its disposition, and to its true interests; social doctrines

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conformed by common sense, by science, by religion and by universal morality. We would like that the Prefect had really the possibilities to change today the Industrial Zone of Orleans in a marvellous example of socialism or communism, so that everybody could admire the marvellous results of this interesting experiment; this would be very instructive, especially for the workers. But for the moment we ask Dr. De Angelis if he feels himself authorized, even in his quality as a prefect, to make promises of alteration in the running of concerns, which no living law and no constitution has yet approved.

We will overlook the critic to the doctrinal part and the comparison between the programs of the several parties. As christian democrats we reserve ourselves the right to do this later, because the method used by Dr. De Angelis in the polemic examination of our program and of those of the others, has been so.....unconstrained, that it is worth while to give a proper answer.

We like to state that we did not speak as christian democrats, but simply as Italians, as persons of common sense, preoccupied with the future of our nation. As such we felt it our duty to ask, if under the actual circumstances it would not be better that in the factories there were less talk ~~efficiency~~ about politics and more talk about production and work, if it would not be better if the same political authorities started to give the good example in this regard, so that they themselves would not be the ~~same~~ very cause of lack of trust, both from the managers and from the workers.

Moreover we feel it our duty to ask ^{that} our administrations should be put in hands of people less preoccupied about their own personal position and about the interests of their party, but only think to improve as quick as possible a ~~six~~ position full of unknown things, and which threatens to develop itself in disorder, in misery and dishonour.

As Italians, we have spoken! ~~two~~ things which happened as Italians we cannot overlook ~~in~~ things which happened during the last days and which ~~have~~ humiliated us very strongly. The first thing was the speech of Col. Stevens from Radio London with which he told us: "everywhere else work has started, but in Italy they speak about politics and they dance, they dance and they dance." The second thing has been in listening or reading the speech of the prefect De Angelis.

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who speaks in a public place

answer.

We like to state that we did not speak as christian-democratic, but simply as italians, as persons of common sense, preoccupied with the future of our nation. As such we felt it our duty to ask, if under the actual circumstances it would not be better that in teh factories there were less ~~being~~ ~~administrative~~ about politics and more talk about production and work, if it would not be better if the same political authorities started to give the good example in this regard, so that they themselves would not be the ~~xxxx~~ very cause of lack of trust, both from the managers and from the workmen.

Moreover we feel it our duty to ask ^{the} ~~in~~ our administrations should be put in hands of people less preoccupied about their own personal position and about the interests of their party, but only think to improve as quick as possible a ~~xxxx~~ position full of unknown things, and which threatens to develop itself in disorder, in misery and dishonor.

As italians, we have spoken! ~~two~~ things which happened during the last days and which ~~have~~ ~~united~~ us very strongly. The first thing was the speech of Col. Stevens from Radio London with which he told us: "everywhere else work has started, but in Italy they speak about politics and they dance, they dance and they dance." The second thing has been in listening or reading the speech of the prefect De Angelis.

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It is sure that ~~if~~ ^{who} a prefect speaks in a public place where one has only to work and to speak about politics, permits himself to say formally that if the socialist republic will not be attained in a democratic way, his party will start to organize itself in a military way. In order to reach this purpose, then it is one's duty to ask this prefect in the first place, what his aims are, if he works for the reconstruction of the Province, or if it is his intention to prepare ~~xxx~~ fresh tragedies, fresh disorders, and fresh mourning. And finally, if a prefect, head of an important ~~xxxxxx~~ frontier-province as ours, permits himself to speak in this ~~present~~ delicate moment as the socialist De Angelis has dared to do, exposing himself to public view with a mentality so less impartial and so less becoming to the office he holds, that it is obvious that everybody asks himself if the fascist period has really finished, or if the Italian people continues to be ~~xxxxxx~~ ruled with the same systems who did so much harm to the nation and its dignity.

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But still we have the complete confidence, in spite of everything, in the healthy powers of revival of the Italian people. We clearly know that it needs capable men in the first place, and men who are able to maintain themselves in their function, above the party and personal interests, and who work in complete clearness and honesty of views, ~~taxing~~ for the reconstruction of their nation.

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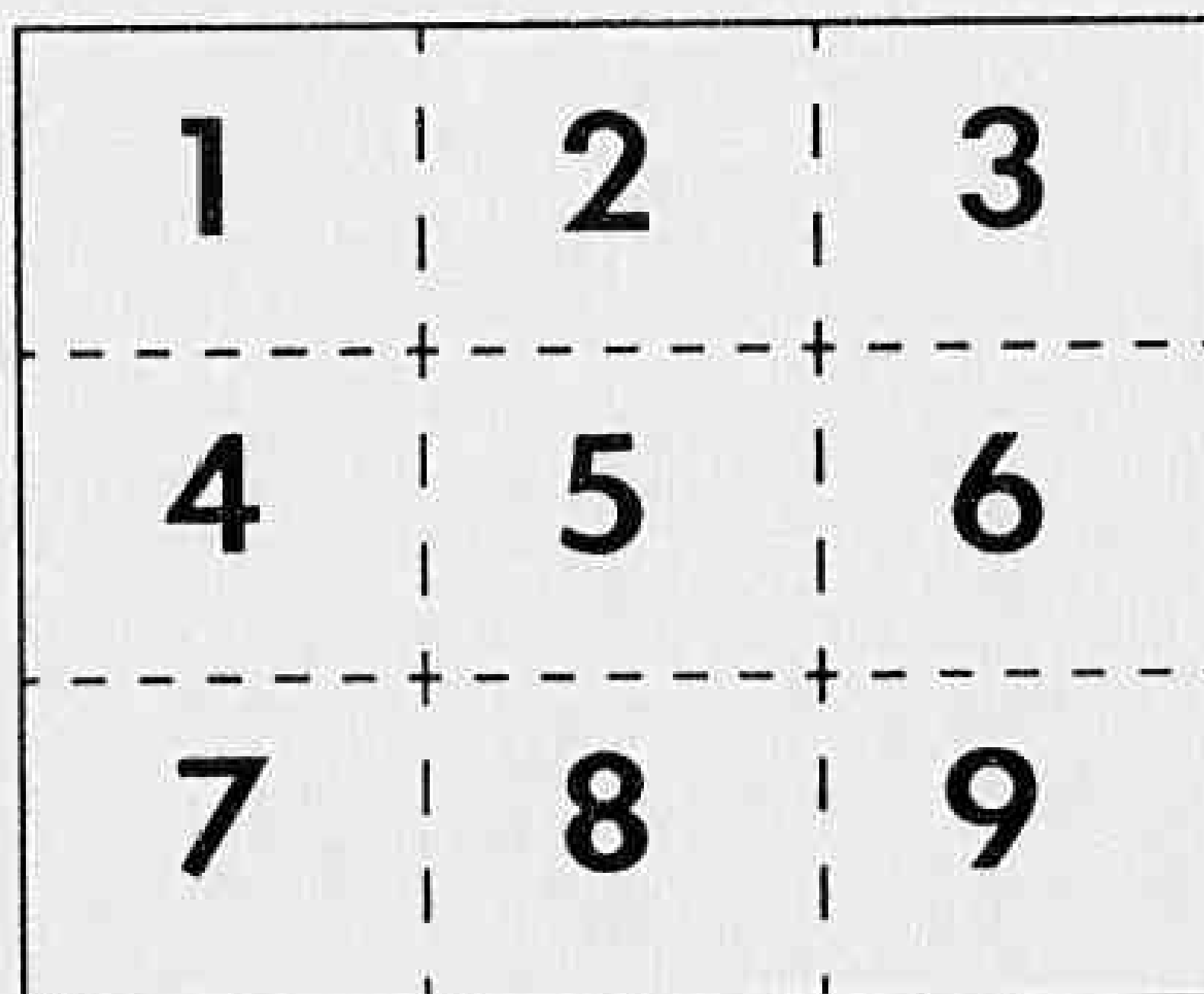
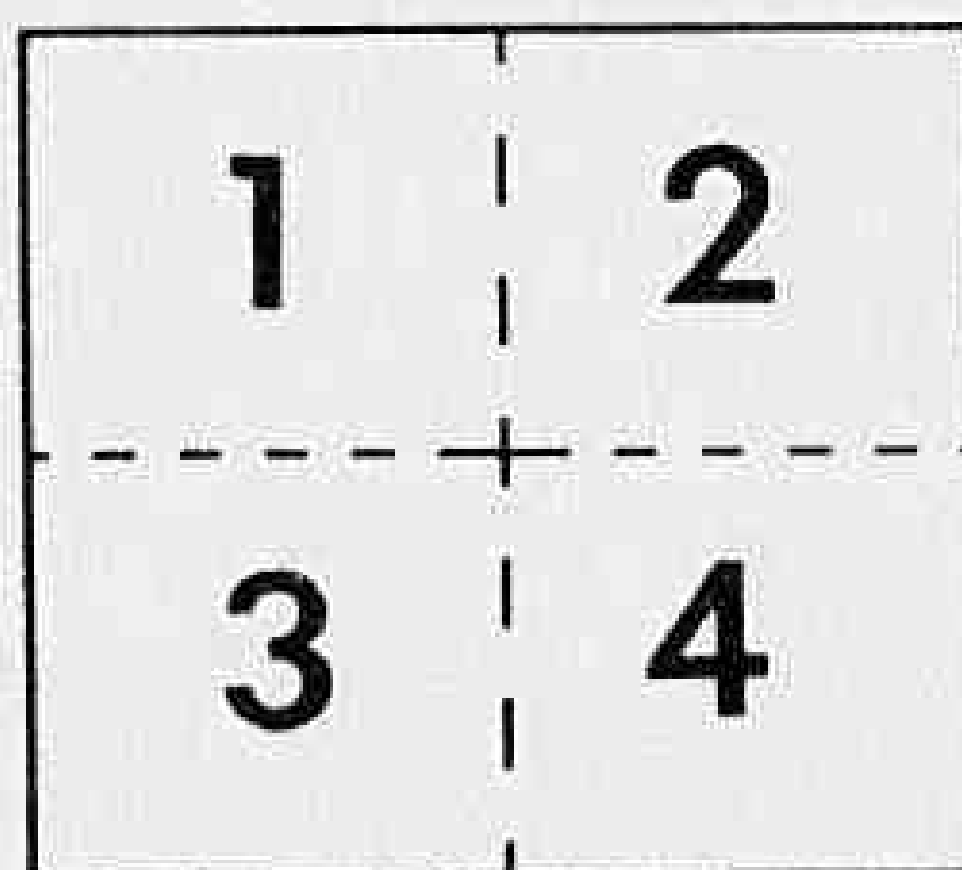
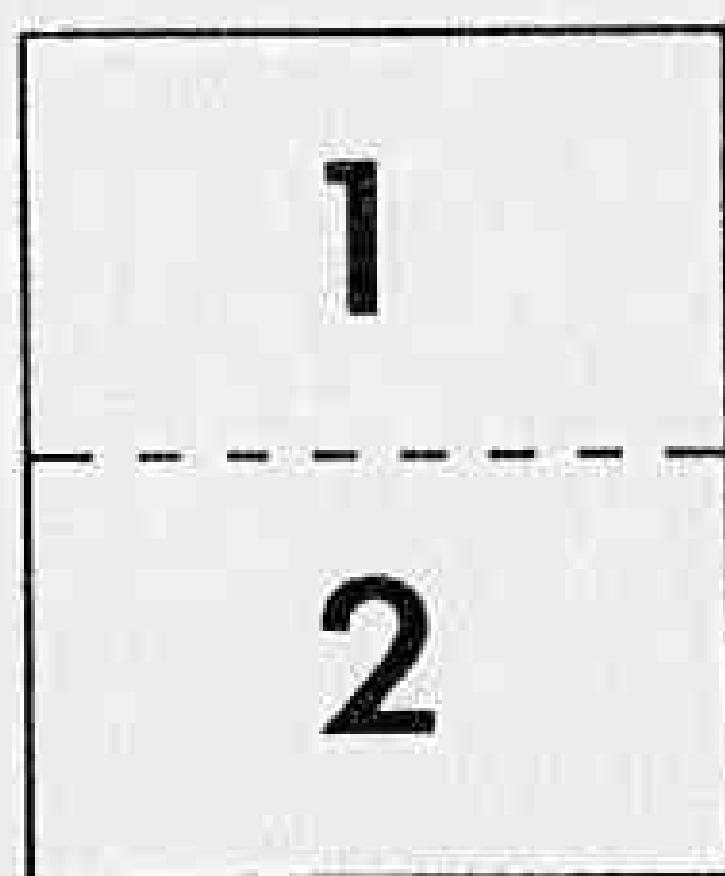
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FORMULARIO A)

RAPPORTO SULLA SITUAZIONE AMMINISTRATIVA

PROVINCIA DI BOLZANO

REGIONE _____

12/11/48

1. PREFETTOII. PREFETTURA(Funzionari di Gruppo A)
1° Viceprefetto Vicario
Politico e con funzioni
ispettive2° Viceprefetto Vicario
Amministrativo3° Viceprefetto Aggiunto4° Viceprefetto Ispettore5° CONSIGLIERI6° PRIMI SEGRETARI
SEGRETARI
VICE SEGRETARI

Data della nomina	COGNOME	NOME e titolo	Qualifica e g att
3.5.1945	de ANGELIS	Dott. Bruno	Prefetto non
3.5.1945	VISCO GILARDI	Ferdinando	Viceprefetto
6.6.1943	MENEGUZZER	Dott. Cornelio	Viceprefett Decreto Min furono conf fetto Vicar
1.6.1945	AMONN	Walther	Viceprefett (non di car
--	V a c a n t e		
1.5.1926	NOCKER	Dott. Francesco	Consigliere
4.7.1940	ROSSI	Dott. Alfonso	Consigliere
30.6.1942	TRINCUCCHI	Dott. Vittorio	Consigliere
16.4.1943	BRUNATI	Dott. Fausto	Consigliere
16.4.1943	GABRIELE	Dott. Silvio	Consigliere
16.3.1941	MAJO	Dott. Giuseppe	Segretario

REPORTO SULLA SITUAZIONE AMMINISTRATIVA

PROVINCIA DI BOLZANO

20 luglio 1945

Indice	COGNOME	NOME e titolo	Qualifica e grado ricoperto attualmente
945	de ANGELIS	Dott. Bruno	Prefetto non di carriera
945	VISCO GILARDI	Ferdinando	Viceprefetto Vicario (non di carriera)
943	MENEGUZZER	Dott. Cornelio	Viceprefetto Ispettore (Grado VI°). Con Decreto Ministeriale 6 giugno 1943 gli furono conferite le funzioni di Viceprefetto Vicario (Grado V°)
945	AMONN	Walther	Viceprefetto Amministrativo Aggiunto (non di carriera)
	V a c a n t e		—
926	NÖCKER	Dott. Francesco	Consigliere di 1ª Classe (grado VII°)
940	ROSSI	Dott. Alfonso	Consigliere di 1ª Classe (grado VII°)
942	TRINCUCI	Dott. Vittorio	Consigliere di 2ª Classe (grado VIII°)
943	BRUNATI	Dott. Fausto	Consigliere di 2ª Classe (grado VIII°)
943	GABRIELE	Dott. Silvio	Consigliere di 2ª Classe (grado VIII°)
941	MAJO	Dott. Giuseppe	Segretario (Grado X°)

SECRETARI
VICE SECRETARI

16.3.1941	MAJO	Dott. Giuseppe	Segretario
16.5.1941	PETERNEL	Dott. Giovanni	Vice Segr
21.1.1942	LO BIANCO	Dott. Filippo	Vice Segr

III. PREFETTURA

(Funzionari di Gruppo B)

1° RACIONIÈRE CAPO

reggente la Ragioneria

2° Altri Rag. Capi, 1° Rag.

Rag. e Vice Ragionieri

4.7.1940	FRANGIPANE	Rag. Ugo	Ragione
1.12.1938	MINERVINI	Rag. Domenico	Ragione Dirigente
1.8.1941	CASTELLANI	Rag. Giovanni	Vice Ra

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(2) Nell'ultima colonna, si richiede il numero e il titolo del grado (VIII°).

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941	MAJO	Dott. Giuseppe	Segretario (Grado X°)
941	PETERNEL	Dott. Giovanni	Vice Segretario (Grado XI°)-avventizio Gruppo A
942	LO BIANCO	Dott. Filippo	Vice Segretario (Grado XI°)-avventizio Gruppo A
940	FRANCIPANE	Rag. Ugo	Ragioniere Capo di 2° Classe (Grado VIII°)
938	MINERVINI	Rag. Domenico	Ragioniere Capo di 1° Classe (Grado VII°) Dirigente l'Ufficio Culti
941	CASTELLANI	Rag. Giovanni	Vice Ragioniere (Grado XI°)-avventizio Gruppo B

II e III si richiedono i particolari del grado tenuto all'epoca della ultima
del Governo italiano. Questo non è necessariamente il grado relativo all'uf-
ualmente, vale a dire un Consigliere di grado VIII° potrebbe agire come Vice
ore (grado VI°). Omettere le promozioni conferite dagli Alleati o dal C.I.N.
onna, si richiede il numero e il titolo del grado, per es. Consigliere di 2° Clas-

IV. AMMINISTRAZIONE PROVINCIALE

1°-Presidente o
Capo dell'Ammini-
strazione Provin-
ciale

31.5.1945

MENEGUZZER

Dott. Cornelio

Com
pro

2° Segretario Gene-
rale o Provinciale

23.1.1944

NESSLER

Dott. Augusto

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3. E' stata costituita una Deputazione Provinciale?

NUMERO TOTALE:--- MEMERI SUPPLENTI

V. GIUNTA PROVINCIALE AMMINISTRATIVA 4645

1. Sono stati nominati i 4 membri elettivi della
Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa?

VI. COMUNI

1° Numero totale dei Comuni

2° Numero dei Comuni con una Giunta Comunale

3° Numero dei Comuni con un Sindaco

4° Numero dei Comuni con un Commissario Prefettizio

MENEGUZZER

Dott. Cornelio

Commissario Prefettizio per la
provvisoria gestione

NESSLER

Dott. Augusto

Vice Segretario Generale. In
data 26.1.1944 nominato Vice Se-
gretario Generale con funzioni
di Segretario Generale

Provinciale?

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- 3° Numero dei Comuni con un Sindaco
4° Numero dei Comuni con un Commissario Prefettizio
5° (i) " dei Comuni con un Segretario Comunale di carriera
6° (ii) " dei Comuni con un Segretario Comunale non di carriera



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PROVINCIA BOLZANO
 FUNZIONARIO di PREFETTURA

Cognome	Nome	Titolo	Attuale residenza
AMONN	Walther	---	Viceprefetto Aggiunto non di carriera

Data di nascita:

28 giugno 1898

luogo di nascita:

Bolzano

Educazione:

8 classi del Reform Real - Gmnasium di Bolzano
 Inscrizione per tre anni all'Universit  di Lipsia e di Monaco
 (facolt  filosofia) e della Scuola Superiore di Commercio di dette Citt 

Carriere:

Data di nomina	Carica	Grado	Luogo
1� giugno 1945	Viceprefetto Aggiunto non di carriera	---	BOLZANO

Servizio militare: Ha prestato servizio militare quale ex Ufficiale austriaco nella guerra 1915-1918. Non ha pi  prestato servizio militare.

Pubblicazioni , ricompense, decorazioni: 1 libro intitolato "Nelle Dolomiti"
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PROVINCIA BOLZANO
 FUNZIONARIO di PREFETTURA

Cognome	Nome	Titolo	Attuale posizione
VISCO GILARDI	Ferdinando	Ragioniere	Viceprefetto Politico con funzioni ispettive, non di carriera

Data di nascita:
20 giugno 1904

Luogo di nascita:
Londra

Educazione: Licenza Istituto Tecnico e frequenza 3° anno Università
Bocconi Milano

Carriera:

Data di nomina	Carica	Grado	Luogo
3 maggio 1945	Viceprefetto Politico con funzioni ispettive, non di carriera	---	BOLZANO

Servizio militare:

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VISCO GILARDI

Perdinando

Ragioniere

Viceprefetto Politico con
funzioni ispettive, non di
carriera

Data di nascita:
20 giugno 1904

luogo di nascita:
Londra

Educazione: Licenza Istituto Tecnico e frequenza 3° anno Università
Bocconi Milano

Carriera:

<u>Data di nomina</u>	<u>Carica</u>	<u>Grado</u>	<u>Luogo</u>
3 maggio 1945	Viceprefetto Politico con funzioni ispettive, non di carriera	--	BOLZANO
Servizio militare:			

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Pubblicazioni, ricompense, decorazioni:

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PROVINCIA di BOLZANO
FUNZIONARIO di PREFETTURA

Cognome	Nome	Titolo	Attuale Posizione
MENEGUZZER	Cornelio	Dottore	Viceprefetto Vicario di carriera ff.
Data di nascita:		Luogo di nascita:	
27.1.1894		Condino (Trento)	
Educazione :	Laurea in giurisprudenza		
Data di nomina	Carica	Grado	Luogo
6 giugno 1943	Viceprefetto Vicario ff.	VI°	BOLZANO

Servizio militare: Ha prestato servizio come caporale durante la guerra 1915-1918. Non ha quindi più prestato servizio militare.

Pubblicazioni, Ricompense, denominazioni: Nessuna pubblicazione - nessuna decorazione militare. E' insignito della Commenda dell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia.

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Data di nascita:

27.1.189+

di carriera ff.

Luogo di nascita:

Condino (Trento)

Educazione : Laurea in giurisprudenza

<u>Data di nomina</u>	<u>Carica</u>	<u>Grado</u>	<u>Luogo</u>
6 giugno 1943	Viceprefetto Vicario ff.	Vic	BOLZANO

Servizio militare: Ha prestato servizio come caporale durante la guerra 1915-1918. Non ha quindi più prestato servizio militare.

Pubblicazioni , Ricompense, denominazioni : Nessuna pubblicazione - nessuna decorazione militare. E' insignito della Commenda dell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia.

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PROVINCIA BOLZANO
FUNZIONARIO di PREFETTURA

Cognome	Nome	Titolo	Attuale Residenza
de ANGELIS	Bruno	Dottore	Prefetto non di carriera

Data di nascita:
5 giugno 1906

Luogo di nascita:
Roma

Educazione : Laurea in scienze economiche e politiche

Data di nomina	Carica	Grado	Luogo
3 maggio 1945	Prefetto non di carriera	---	BOLZANO

Servizio militare: Ha prestato servizio di leva.

Pubblicazioni , Ricompense, denominazioni :

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Osservazioni:

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REPORT NO. 193

SUBJECT: Report of visit to Bologna Province--1 and 2 August 1945

TO : Director, Local Government Sub Commission

FROM : Major G.C.R. Williams, Executive Officer, Local Government V/O

1. I saw the IC (Lt. Col. J. A. McIntyre (A)), the PLO (Major B. Backhouse (B)) and the Prefect in Antonio Rizzo. Most of my time was taken up in discussion of the relationship of the minority problem to the preparation of electoral lists so that I could only make superficial inquiries as to the organization of local government and the actual programs that is being made with the lists.
2. Out of 22 Communes, the German-appointed "Mayor" still exists in 70. Inquiries about these are in progress and the Prefect said he would be able to confirm them or otherwise in a week or about 10 days. Even though appointed by the Germans, some of them may be satisfactory and capable of confirmation under the title of sindaco. I did not gather clearly what is the position as to Giunte Comunali, but it seems that action with those has been suspended or at least slowed down pending a decision from Rome as to increasing their size. I reminded the Prefect that we had advised the IC that the size of the Giunte as laid down by Dec. 111 should be strictly observed.
3. Carro Seymour Comuni appear to be in office in all Communes.
4. The Deputazioni Provinciali has not yet been appointed. The Prefect raised the same question on this as he had done with respect to the Giunte; i.e. he wants the size of the deputations increased on the ground that only this can give representation to the "South Tyrolers". I told him that the view of the HQ on this would be the same as with respect to the Giunte; i.e. that the representation of the German-speaking minority was only one of several factors to be borne in mind in constituting local authorities, and that the numbers laid down by law must be observed. I urged him to proceed immediately with the appointment of the Deputazione: he said he would do so during the week. I pointed out that until the Deputazione has been appointed, a Giunta Provinciale administrative could not be legally constituted, which slows down the whole of the communal administration; and neither can Electoral Commissions or Sub-Commissions be appointed.
5. The Tribunale of Bologna and its Cancellario are in order and so are the population registers of the commune--in the sense that they have not suffered war damage. There is a certain shortage of Protori, who are having to do double duty in most of the 9 Mandamenti.

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4. The Deputation Provinciale has not yet been appointed. The Prefect raised the same question as this as he had done with respect to the Cluses; i.e. he wants the nine of the deputations transferred to the Cluses; that only then can he give representation to the South Tyrolans. I told him that the view of AG HQ on this would be the same as with respect to the Cluses; i.e. that the representation of the Carner-speaking minority was only one of several factors to be borne in mind in constituting local authorities, and that the members laid down by law must be observed. I urged him to proceed immediately with the appointment of the Deputation: he said he would do so during the week. I pointed out that until the Deputation has been appointed, a Comite provinciale amministrativa could not be legally constituted, which alone does the whole of the communal administration; and neither can Electoral Commission or Sub-Commissions be appointed.
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6. IC told me he had returned the Provincial Mayor's form to Regional HQ on 23 July, for onward transmission to the IC, rather than keeping it at his office until I arrived. It has, however, not reached this IC yet.
7. The IC told me, however, that he was not satisfied with the 48440 of the Prefecture. There are insufficient trained officials and it is not well organized: the situation does not know what another is doing and there is no coordination. The Prefect does too much detail himself and does not understand delegation. Of the 2 Vice Prefects, the political one, Salter Alessi, is of no use to the administration and is merely in the office as a spy to the South Tyrolans: the career Vice Prefect MAZZARUA does all the paper work and it is too much for him. There appears to be another Vice Prefect called GAZZARDI, but the IC could not tell me anything about him. At the same time, the IC thinks it unwise at present to strengthen the Prefecture by anyone sent down from Rome.
8. The Prefect himself is a Milanese. His father was a doctor and the IC believes the son intended to follow his father's profession but once changed in the family farm he went into business. He took up the production of produce gas-driven heavy tractors, out of which he made a considerable fortune. During the clandestine period he was sent to Bolzano as representative of the CIMA; and he managed to get such full control of the underground movement that he actually negotiated the local details of the surrender with the German High Command. The IC found him in office as acting Prefect and President of the CII: but he agreed to give up the latter office.

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9. The material for the electoral lists arrived and was distributed to all Communes in good time. It is not clear what line is actually being taken about the preparation of the lists. The Prefect told me the Communes are entering on the lists:--

- (a) "Normal Italian", i.e. those of Italian origin who have always been Italian citizens since the annexation of the provinces, and who are, therefore, not affected by the Hitler-Mussolini Accord;
- (b) Optants for Italy, i.e. those of German origin who opted for Italy under the Accord.

The Prefect added that a separate list is being made of other cases, but exactly what classes of people are being put on this same list and what classes are being left off I could not discover.

10. My general impression is that both the organization of local government and the preparation of electoral lists in this province are in a state of some confusion, owing to the minority problem. This problem looms over every branch of the administration and also down its action.

11. I had a full and lengthy discussion with the Prefect on the proposals contained in the Prime Minister's letter of 25 July. I proceeded by taking the under-entitled 4 classes arising under the Accord and examining the application to them of the procedure proposed by the Prime Minister, i.e.

- (a) those who opted and originated but have come back "abandonably";
- (b) those who opted, but did not originate;
- (c) those who do not appear on Italian registers of population, but have no evidence of German citizenship;
- (d) those whose names appear on both the Italian and the German registers.

This classification is not complete, however: for instance, the Prefect drew my attention to another class which consists of:--

- (e) those who opted and then moved at irregular intervals between Germany and Italy, so that it is a question of fact whether they really originated or not.

12. Class (a) presents no difficulty. They have lost Italian citizenship and cannot be registered as voters and nobody suggests their status should be changed as to the other classes. The Prefect is all in favour of a Commission:

contained in the Prime Minister's letter of 25 July. I proceeded by taking the under-mentioned 4 classes arising under the second and examining the application to them of the procedure proposed by the Prime Minister, i.e.

- (a) those who opted and emigrated but have come back "abruptly";
- (b) those who opted, but did not emigrate;
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13. I asked him why this special procedure was necessary and why we could not proceed on the basis of the Italian law as it stood, under which it would be the duty of the authorities already constituted (i.e. the Ministry and the Electoral Commission) to determine whether a person was or was not an Italian citizen, according to the facts in each case. After a great deal of talk, the under-⁴⁸³³ that the Prefect could not answer this. He said that the facts would be difficult to ascertain; but admitted the doubtful cases did not amount to more than 200.

14. He also said that to proceed in the way I suggested would admit a number of claims to the election registers. On this he pointed out that this was a matter of operation, he agreed at once.

15. I do not feel we can place much reliance on the Prefect. My impression is that of a well-meaning thinker with no experience in administration or grasp of administrative principles. For instance, he actually suggested that he, as Prefect, should have power to strike anyone off the electoral rolls on the ground that he considered them Nazi, without waiting for any operation judgment. I had only to ask him whether he thought it just to deprive a person of his fundamental civic rights by administrative action and before judgment of the competent Court for him to withdraw the proposal immediately.

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16. I feel too that he is not too reliable on his facts. He gave me a new set of figures which I give below for what they are worth. He says that at the time of the Accord there were in the province:

- (a) 6,000 "Mixed Italians";
- (b) 30,000 optants for Italy;
- (c) 100,000 optants for Germany, of whom
 - (i) 30,000 emigrated, leaving
 - (ii) 70,000 who opted but stayed in Bolzano.

These are the ultimate figures we arrived at after a good deal of discussion of others and I don't feel that they should be regarded as authoritative.

As another instance, the Prefect maintained most explicitly in his discussion that the Accord contained a provision dispensing entirely with emigration as a condition precedent to the losing of Italian citizenship. Later in the day I was able to consult a copy of the Accord and found, of course, that this is not so.

17. The Prefect is, I feel, devoting too much of his attention to this minority problem and seems to be endeavoring to reach a quick settlement of it by his own efforts--not realizing that the final solution can only be reached at the highest level, and that it is not a matter of mere local or even Italian administration, but international. The result of this is that he has, I feel, insufficient time and attention for those duties of his office which lie nearer at hand, such as creating an efficient Prefecture and reorganizing local administration throughout the province.

18. My visit to Bolzano has served to confirm the view that the preparation of electoral lists in this province should not be made dependent on a solution of the minority problem. The lists in this province should be prepared upon the basis of the law of Italy as it stands at this day. The fact of Italian citizenship or not should be ascertained in the light of that law and by the authorities charged with determining such facts under the electoral law, i.e. the Italian, the Electoral Commissions and the Courts to whom the individual is entitled to appeal against his exclusion from the lists.

19. I see no practical difficulty in this. I do not feel that the number of doubtful cases will be large and do not see why the ordinary Italian administrative and judicial structure should be incapable of solving them.

20. On the other hand, any attempt to pre-judge the position of those German-speaking minorities of Bolzano, who according to law are still Italian citizens, is liable:--

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- (a) to prejudice the ultimate solution of the minority problem;
- (b) to work an injustice by depriving people of their fundamental civil rights on inadequate grounds; and
- (c) introduce politics into what should be a matter of the administration of justice.

21. On this last point, it should be borne in mind that the Prefect is a Milanese and is in Bolzano as a representative of the Civil. I believe ~~that~~ ^{that} wish to be fair and just to the South Tyroleans, but his ideas of what is just and fair can hardly be described as objective. I feel that a precise instruction on the lines of the above is now and here needed in Bolzano, or the incipient confusion is liable to become inextricable.

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G. G. R. WILLIAMS, Major
Executive Officer
Local Government Sub Commission

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AC/4/2/178/10

Tel: 478706

SUBJECT: Delegazione economica finanziaria for the
transfer of aliens and German citizens.

3 August 1945

TO : RE Venetian Region (with copy for RE Bolzano).

1. This Sub Commission has been advised by the Ministry of Interior that the above mentioned office with its official seat at Bolzano has ceased to function from 1 July 1945. The Ministry has, therefore, nominated the following officials for the assignments stated:

1st Class Councillor Dott. ERNEO Giulio nominated
for Vice Prefect Inspector of Rovigo
1st Class Councillor Dott. VILBERTO Biagio nominated
for Councillor at GORIZIA

2. Will you please furnish this Sub Commission with any information which you might have concerning these officials, particularly from the security and expatriation standpoint, so that we may advise the Ministry as to approval or disapproval of the proposed assignments.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

R.R.D.

RAIMONDO R. TROPEA
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Remaster F23 - 22/10

1. This Sub Commission has been advised by the Ministry of Interior that the above mentioned office with its official seat at Bolsano has ceased to function ~~as~~ from 1 July 1945. The Ministry has, therefore, nominated the following officials for the assignments stated:

- 1st Class Counsellor Dott. RENZO Giulio nominated for Vice Prefect Inspector of Rovigo
- 1st Class Counsellor Dott. PALERNO Sialio nominated for Counsellor at Sondrio

2. All you please furnish this Sub Commission with any information which you might have concerning these officials, particularly from the security and reputation standpoint, so that we may advise the Ministry as to approval or disapproval of the proposed assignments.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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RALPH A. TEMPLES
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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VENEZIE REGION

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A. P. O. 394.

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1 JUL 1945

SUBJECT: TRANSPORT FOR PREFETTO

DATE: 17 July 1945
WEM/az

TO: Local Government Sub-Commission
HQ Alcom, Rome

REF: R XII/BZ/242

The following cable has been sent today:-

FROM AMG BOLZANO
TO HQ ALCOM LOCAL GOVERNMENT
RXII/BZ/242

CABLE 3953 FROM VENEZIE REGION REQUIRING A CAR TO BE SENT
TO ROME TO TRANSPORT PREFETTO BOLZANO RECEIVED 17 JULY
CAR HAS BEEN SENT TO ROME TODAY 17 JULY SIGNED MCBRATNEY

W. E. McBratney
WILLIAM E. MCBRATNEY
Lt. Col., S.R.,
Provincial Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
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18 July 1945

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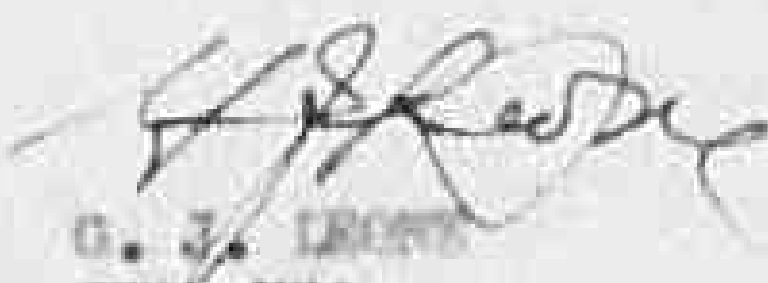
SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO : All Concerned

1. Dott. B. De Angelis, Italian civilian, Prefect of Bolzano, having completed his duty in Rome, will return to proper station, Bolzano, Italy, on or about 19 July 1945.

2. Travel by Allied or Italian military aircraft and government motor transport is authorized. All charges and expenses incidental to travel by aircraft furnished by ATC will be borne by the individual. Travel directed is necessary in the military service.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:


G. J. LEONT
CWO, USA
Asst Adjutant

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Originator's Reference: R12/32/242
Date/Time of Origin: JULY 17/1620G

Message Centre No: E/74
Date Time Rec'd: JULY 17/2115B
Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AIG BOLZANO
TO : HQ AC LG

~~18~~ JUL 1945
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ACTION

IN CLEAR.

Cable 8959 from VENEZIA Region requiring a car to be sent to ROSE to transport Prefetto of BOLZANO received 17 July. Car has been sent to ROSE today 17 July



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Arranged for Prefect to fly Trento - 4634
AIG Venezia (Napier Horrell) to meet Prefect &
Capt Brian Bolzano - asked Brigadier to return
car above-mentioned. *CGAS 18/7*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

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Tel : 478190

SUBJECT : V.P.L. Dott. Carmelo MINEGUZZER

28 June 1945

TO : HD. Venezia Region (with copy for FO Balsano)

1. The attached copy of a letter from the Prefect of Balsano to the Ministry of Interior is forwarded for information and any action you may wish to take.
2. The Prefect should not communicate direct with the Ministry on the ~~same~~ subject, but with the FO.

FOR THE DIRECTOR :

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RALPH. R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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RE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
Direction General of
General Affairs and personnel

Rome 19th June 1945
To ALLIED COMMISSION
Local Government S/C

Div. Pers. Sect.: I
File : 5000/1

Subject : Vice Prefect Inspector dr. Cornelio MINOZZI.

a letter from
We hereby enclose a copy of the prefect of Bolzano
referring to the official in question.

for the Minister

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Translation J.C.

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C O P Y

Bolzano, 1.6.1945

File : 721 Gab.

Sub ect : Comm. dr. Cornelio Meneguzzo
Vice Prefect Inspector Bolzano.To the Ministry of Interior
Personnel Office.

The official in question, who in August 1944, served at this Prefecture, was transferred, in September 1944, to the Prefecture of Trento by the German Supreme Commissioner. This step was taken against him because of his refusal to collaborate with German authorities, and it was later confirmed by the so called republican Government.

In agreement with the C.L.N. I have arranged for the said official to be re-engaged by this Prefecture starting with the 28th May 1945.

The C.L.N. of Bolzano has decided to elect dr. Meneguzzo because of his administrative capacity and of the great esteem he enjoys.

While we beg the Ministry to take due notice, we recognise the opportunity of granting dr. Meneguzzo the treatment of permanent mission for a period of six months so as to enable him to face his present economic difficulties.

The Prefect
De Angelis

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Ministero dell'Interno

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REDAZIONE GENERALE

Direzione Pers. Sez. I

Aut. N. 5000/1 Allegati

Roma 19 giugno 1945-1

21 JUN 1945

1. On. Commissione Al-
lata-Sottocommissione
Interni - R. D. H. A.

Risposta al f. del

Per Per A.

Oggetto: Viceprefetto Ispettore
dr. Corneo Cio MENEGUZZER.

Si trasmette, a codesta On. Commissione,
per competenza, l'unita copia di una latte-
ra del Prefetto di Bolzano relativa al funzio-
nario in oggetto.

PER IL MINISTRO

[Signature]

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IL PREFETTO DI BOLZANO

Prot. n° 721 Cap.

Bolzano, 1.6.1945

OGGETTO : Comm. dr. Cornelio MENEGUZZER
Vice Prefetto Ispettore Bolzano.

AL MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO
Ufficio del Personale

R O M A

Il Funzionario in oggetto, che prestava servizio presso questa Prefettura dall'agosto 1944, venne trasferito dal Commissario Supremo Germanico nel settembre del 1944 alla Prefettura di Trento, provvedimento questo motivato dalla rifiutata collaborazione con le autorità tedesche.

Il provvedimento stesso venne in seguito confermato dal cosiddetto governo repubblicano.

D'accordo col Comitato di Liberazione Nazionale, ho provveduto perché il predetto funzionario riassumesse servizio presso questa Prefettura a decorrere dal 26 maggio u.s.

Il C.L.N. di Bolzano è stato determinato alla scelta del Meneguzzer dal contegno corretto che egli ha sempre tenuto, dalla grande stima di cui gode egualmente presso la popolazione italiana e allogena, e infine dalla sua notevole competenza amministrativa.

Mentre si prega codesto Ministero di prendere atto, si ravvisa l'opportunità che al dr. Meneguzzer sia concesso il trattamento della missione continuativa per la durata di mesi sei per porlo in grado di fronteggiare il disagio economico in cui egli viene ora a trovarsi.

Il Prefetto

P^o de Angelis.

Per copia conforme.
IL CAPO DIVISIONE :

Romero

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 354
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/A/1/10/12

Tel: 475006.

SUBJECT: Interview with Prefect of Bolzano

15th June, 1945.

TO : HQ Venezia Region (with copy for PC Bolzano)

I enclose herewith for your information and that of the PC Bolzano, copies of notes of interview held with the Prefect of Bolzano and his Secretary.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

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DAVID H. THOMAS,
Major,
Deputy Director,
Local Government Sub-Commission.

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SUBJECT: Note of interview - Local Government S/C offices.

DATE : 7 June 1945 - 1130 hours.

PRESENT: Prefect DE ANGELIS (Bolzano)
Sig. GELARDI, Vice Prefect
R. A. FISCHLER, Confidential Secretary to the Prefect
Major C. G. R. Williams) Local Government Sub Commission
Capt. W. I. Cunningham)
Sig. Arrigo NERI, interpreting

1. The Prefect explained that he had had a discussion with Mr. Hopkinson in Milan, and as a result had come to us to discuss two problems:

(a) that of the Italian inhabitants of Alto Adige who had been forced to serve in the German Army and were now Prisoners of War;

(b) that of the expatriation of German and French citizens who had recently come into the Province.

2. As to problem (a), he said he had seen Mr. Halford, who told him that the question of releasing these Italians forced to serve in the German Army was under consideration by the High Command. The Prefect hoped that they would have an early answer.

3. As to the second problem, the Prefect said there were about 170,000 Germans refugees who had come over the Austrian border since and just before liberation. There are also about 50,000 French scattered about the small mountain villages. They were people who had moved into Germany and Austria (under compulsion or otherwise) during the German occupation of France; and about a week before the arrival of the Allies in the Province they began to come over the border. The Prefect said that as Italian refugees were now being moved back through the province from Germany or Allied transport could not this transport on its return journey be used to take back the German refugees. The Prefect also said that he had left with Mr. Halford a draft of a Decree for dealing with the situation.

4. I inquired if he had discussed it with the Provincial Commissioner, Lt. Col. McWhatney. The Prefect said yes, and the PC had told him that these were problems to be examined in Rome. Mr. Halford had said he would submit them to this HQ.

5. I told the Prefect that both these questions were outside the competence of this Sub Commission. He said he appreciated that and had only called here to present his compliments, to make our acquaintance and to inform us as to the situation on local government.

6. As to local government, I said Mr. FISCHLER had seen Major Temple yesterday and had given him a certain amount of information, and I asked if H. E. desired to add anything. He said he did not think so.

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7. I inquired if the Prefect had seen the Ministry of the Interior. He said yes, and he had seen H. E. BERRUTI, Chief of Cabinet. He had not seen the Minister, but BERRUTI had told him he had instructions from H. E. BONOMI to inform the Prefect that the Minister was satisfied with the work he was doing in Bolzano.

8. I thanked the Prefect for his call and the interview closed.

CGH/ped

C. G. R. WILLIAMS
Major
Executive Officer
Local Government Sub Commission

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SUBJECT: Note of interview - Local Government S/C offices.

DATE : 6 June 1945

PRESENT: R. A. TISCHLER, Confidential Secretary to DE ANGELIS,
Prefect of Bolzano.
Major Ralph R. Temple, Local Government S/C

1. TISCHLER, who speaks English, showed me a letter from Lt. Col. McBratney, Provincial Commissioner of Bolzano, consenting to TISCHLER's trip to Rome and asking that assistance be rendered him. He informed me that he was the Confidential Secretary to the Prefect, who was at the Ministry discussing various problems. He said that Mr. Halford of the Political Advisor's office had suggested that he speak to this Sub Commission. I told him I was interested in local government matters and under my questioning the following information was adduced.

2. The Prefect--DE ANGELIS--was the former President of the CLN and is a Socialist. There are three Vice Prefects, only one of whom is a career man. They are:--

VPV - Gelardi - non-career	- Communist
VPI - Amonn Walter " "	- South Tyrol Party-- represents German-speaking element
VPI - Meneguzzer - career	- Also Vice Prefect during the German occupation. Was in charge of the provincial administration under the title of Commissario Provinciale.

3. The Capo di Gabinetto is a non-career man, as are most of the Consiglieri. The Rag. Capo, however, is the old career official who has been in the province for some ten years.

4. The only person who knows anything about the administrative procedure is the career Vice Prefect Inspector MENEGUZZER. However, TISCHLER did not think there would be a need for other career officials for a while. He said they were afraid the Government would send up Southern Italians whom they dislike very much. None of the local government bodies provided for under RDL No. 111 have been established as yet. That is, there are no Giunta Provinciale Amministrativa, Deputazione Provinciale on the provincial level, nor are there any Giunta Comunali on the communal level. In some communes, new Sindaci have been appointed, but for the most part mayors appointed by the Germans are still in office. In the place of a GPA, a body called the Comitato Tecnico has been established, consisting of 5 non-career men representing industry, agriculture and other aspects of social life. Their function is to advise the Prefect on various matters. However, the body does not do any of the work of a GPA, such as reviewing acts of Communes.

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5. 5th Army is still occupying a great deal of the Province. TISCHLER said that he believed Lt. Col. McBratney had about 30 or 40 officers assigned to work under him and that explains why, even though the Italian administrative side has not been organized, AMG is handling the load. TISCHLER said that the Provincial Commissioner has little to do with the CIM. The Prefect, who was formerly its President, consults them regarding appointments and other matters.

6. Epuration has not begun as yet.

7. Politically, the situation is rather unusual, since there is a fairly even division of Germans and Italians in the Province. On the Italian aspect, there is a balance between the Socialists and Communists on the one side, and the Christian-Democrats on the other. The German element is strongly represented by the South Tyrol Party. TISCHLER mentioned that they did not have a Questore and that the Prefect was speaking to the Government about a nominee. There are two Vice Questore in the province, however. I intimated to him that it would have been better for the Prefect to have consulted the head of the Public Safety Sub Commission, Col. Chapman, on that matter. TISCHLER did not know there was such a Sub Commission, and as a matter of fact, he said that Lt. Col. McBratney had suggested that he see this Sub Commission or Public Safety, but he appreciated the information and would bring it to the attention of the Prefect.

R. R. Temple
major

RALPH R. TEMPLE
Major
Deputy Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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EXTRACT from

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APPENDIX "B"
to VP CAS report dated 21st May, 1945.

1. Visit to RO VERONE reported that the following prefects all nominees of the CLN had been appointed:

ROVIGO Province	MECCARDI Luigi	Liberal
BELLUNO "	DESSI Antonio	C.D.
PADUA "	SABADIN Gavino	C.D.

2. In the remaining provinces CLN nominees were acting under a period of probation until RUs had had an opportunity of assessing them and confirming their selection to R.C.

3. In BOLZANO Province the name of the CLN nominee is DI ANGELIS and Independent left centre.

4. The CLN generally our co-operator and friendly, much depends on the situation in VERONE JULIA the Allied occupation and SAC MED's recent statement have been well received.

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