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CONTAINS

FROM DEC - 1943

TO APRIL - 1946

CATALOGUE

MINUTE SHEET

- 35 -

TO: Executive Commissioner.

you will remember that when the future strength of Allied Commission was considered with a view to making recommendations to AFM, it was decided, contrary to the recommendation of Civil Affairs Section, that the Education Sub-Commission should be dissolved i.e.f. approximately 1 Dec 45.

At Folio 80A ~~the~~ copy of ~~the~~ letter from the Director, Education Sub-Commission, on which I based my recommendation that one officer should remain to represent the Education Sub-Commission after 1 December and possibly until the Allied Commission ceased to exist.

During the time consideration was being given to this question it had been suggested that advice on Educational matters might emanate from the Embassies provided they had the necessary staff. The views of the UK and US Embassies on this suggestion are at minutes 32 and 33 and it will be observed that the suggestion is not considered possible. Further, Folio B, in Minute 32, points out that AG have obligations in regard to defascising arising out of the Armistice Terms.

I consider that One Officer of the Education Sub-Commission should remain at HQ AG after Dec. 1st in accordance with my original recommendation.

A further letter on this subject is at 81A.

9 Oct 45,
Tel. 3rd. 525.

Trn ERS 410

4/10

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V.P. C.A.S.

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by Para 3 (6) of the FAX 487 & that we must try to
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an education after the*

M. Carr Bayader
C.A.S., ERS.,
VI GA Section.

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2 Oct 45,
Tel. Ext. 525.

For: ERS 4/10

Warr Bywater

WARR, ERS.,
VF CA Section.

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V.P. C.A.S.

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by Para 3 (6) of the FAN 487 & that we must try to

implement this. If the Italian Government were to request

the creation of an advisory mission on education after the

turn over then strength would be added to these arguments

made in BIA & 35 above. The initiative must however come

from them.

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Education

Please see min 36 over the

CA.S
E.O. 12356
X-605

Please speak before taking
any further action. *W*
78/10

W. W. W. W.

MINUTE SHEET

Ref: 100

I am afraid that in British Council activities
 usually when the press is invited by the British
 Council the press is properly supplied with
 for their purposes. As long as the British
 Council have certain information available, it is
 the British Council, but not a press
 agency is required. He. This appears to be a
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 is special in addition for security it would
 not doubt be set up) in the information
 I regret that the Embassy will be unable
 to make use of Capt. Poles' services.

J. H. Koppelman

Ref. 100 (B)

Sept. 18

I thank you for reference to the U.S.
 Embassy the agency which can be contacted
 regarding the agency that the Embassy
 provided. I regret that the Embassy

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 the British

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I regret that the Embassy will be unable
to make use of Capt. Villis services.

A. Hopkinson

Pos. adu. (B)

Sept. 18

I thank you for referring to the U. S.
Embassy the purely section. Can ~~you~~ ^{you} in
minute 31. I regret that the Embassy
is not in a position to avail itself
of the services of the officers mentioned
Wm. C.

W. E. L. Jones
Pal. Ad. (Am.)

to

VP. / With reference to the proposed WE as from Dec 1.

Since MFA was to be abolished later it was clearly indicated that advisers might be necessary att. to the Embassies in 31 based this to the Embassies but both say it is a work item.

If advice is or may be necessary, the adviser must be carried on AC - WE.

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To: V. P. CA Section
 From: Education

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For signature please

Sgt 15 Jd 45

Tracy H. Vincent Vella
 Capt

14/7/45

31

Polad B. } in succession
 Polad A. }

It is understood that it is proposed to abolish the Education SC in some not far distant date. It is felt however that the Subbassins may desire the advice of an expert for some little further time for instance on problems relating to bilingual frontier districts and also on the defascising of text books, curricula, and teaching staffs. Defascising is not yet complete.

If this is so it is possible for the two principle officers from US & UK to act as advisors by being attached to their respective embassies or to Cultural Relations Committee or the British Council respectively.

The two officers and their present appointments are

US. Lt Col. Dabbs

UK Capt Vella

3911

Spec. off.

Will you please let me have your views

CA 5
 18 SEP. 1945

H. W. V. H.

To VP-CA Section

(76)

For signature please

Tom Vincentella
Capt10 July
Education

(77)

Education Unless you have already cleared with R.C. Higgins
then letter must not go. Brig Can will be
here on Friday.

10 July

D.B. Benton (ast)
IAS I(1)URGENT

(28)

To VP-CA Section:

I understand Brig. Can will be here today.
Will you please urge him to release Simoni for Panama
Jules? The attached letter furnishes the necessary
information & communication. Charles E. Brown

14 Jul 3910

13 July 45

(29)

To VP-CA Section:

Attached (71A) for your signature please. V.P. please
read personally so as to be ready to answer Brig Can's question
Andrew Shuman
14 Jul

13 July

3909

G-1 (A) — for reply on par 12, 4, letter over
 G-1 (B) — for reply on par 3.

Indec.

23 June

W. P. Theodore

22.

Establishment Section.

Final decision as to Lt Oulente's assignment will be made shortly after his arrival at this headquarters in compliance with existing orders.

Regarding paragraph 4, the 2675th Regiment is overstrength and we are therefore unable to obtain the services of any officers from outside sources.

W. P. Theodore
 N.P. THEODORE,
 1st Lt, AGD,
 Asst G-1 (A)

23 June 1945.

Establishment Sect. 23

PAR 3.

Dir sent to MEMPHIS asking if Wagonstaffe
 can ~~not~~ be released for duty as ~~same~~ off.
 with ~~XIII~~ Corps.

Radmick Cape
 G. (B) 30 June 45

Civil Affairs Section: 24.

To per minutes v2 + v3, please

Indec.
 30 June

W. P. Theodore
 Capt, AGD
 for v. P.

23 June 1945.

Examination Dec. 23

PAAB.

Arg sent to Piermont asking if Wagstaffe
can ~~not~~ ^{now} be released for duty as Edw. off.
with XIII Corps.

Civil Affairs Section: 2A.

To the Ministry + V3, please.

Sp. for.
30 June

W. Thoulant
Capt. (A)
for V.P.

Education

Note Minutes 22.23. - No Education
assigned before Director returns.
2 July

Off. 39 (B) 4

P. D. Bonham
CAS.

R. A. Smith
Cap.
30 June

N. P. Theodore
1st Lt., AGD,
Asst G-1 (A)

0814

To VP-CA Section: I am resubmitting the attached letter which you previously endorsed, slightly revised in accordance with recent developments (see, for example, para 9). Substantially the letter is as you previously endorsed it. Will you be so kind as to sign the attached three copies? (p.3)

8 June - 45

C. W. Washburne
Lt. Col.

(17)

Education

Retype last page with amendment shown. HQ
Address Endorsement to Commanding Officer of 2675 Regiment
VP will then sign.

4 June

A. A. Benham Jr. Lt. Col.
CAS

VP-CA Section

Change made according to (17). For signatures please, on
all three copies.

9 June

Signed 8/6. *[Signature]*

C. W. Washburne, Lt. Col.

(18)

CSG-CA Section

Attached letter for your attention, please

C. W. Washburne,
Lt. Col.

22 June

Establishment Sec

20.

(1) Transfer to Asst. Opulente to Education S/C is
earnestly requested.

(2) Transfer of Cap! Intaystap - can this yet be considered?

22 June

A. A. Benham Jr.
CAS. Lt. Col.

3907

MINUTE SHEET II

(12)

TO ED re minute 11.

Agree to posting Capt BEARD to ENGLIN as assistant to
Major VESSELO.

It is not essential that Capt BEARD can be retained if he
is entitled to leave on transfer on completion of tour on the
qualifying point overseas, and wishes to take it.

The action to be taken if the S.C. is going to be before Citing is
to look for & find a replacement or make official application
through G-1 (B).

R. H. Gifford
C.

OAG.

11 Feb. 45

X. 608.

(13)

To V.P. CA Section: Letter 36A, revised in accordance
with minute (10) is attached for your signature, please

12 Feb. 45

(36A) RHP:ED 13/2/45

Edward L. Gifford
Maj. Gen.

To V.P. CA Section:

Attached letter (37A) is for your attention

and appropriate action, please.

Edward L. Gifford, Maj. Gen.

17 Feb. 45

(15)

TO: Ed S/C

Ref. folio (37A)

The V.P. believes that you should speak directly
with G-1 (B) & (A) to find out if they can assign any of these
officers to the S/C.

19 Feb. 45

W. A. S. Dollard, Major
C.A. Sec

Minute (8)

To V.P. CA Section:

Attached letter is for your attention and appropriate action, please. REFERENCE (34A).

8 Feb - 45

Coward Ashburne
Maj. Gen.

To V.P. CA Section

Attached letter (35A) is for your signature, please

9 Feb - 45

(10)

10. E1. re 36a.

Have discussed this with V.P. He states that G. 1. (B) has these postings in hand and orders will be out in due course for all officers concerned for N.O. duty.

They will not be called to Regins until actually required.

You will therefore reply to 35A stating that the applicant if deemed necessary shall be forwarded to Colchester
m.c.k.
Sec. & appropriate G. 1.C.M.H.
9 Feb 45
X. 608.R. G. Cripps
Maj. Gen.

(11)

To V.P. CA Section: Did you see minute (8) and Rep (34A), & what if any action is proposed, please? (I will proceed along lines of minute (10) when file is returned.)

10/2-45

Coward Ashburne, Maj. Gen.

3905

Minute.

To UP-CA Section:

The attached letter is for your attention & appropriate action, please.

Crowderham
Maj. Gen.

To Ed.

See 19a. a copy of which is with Col. Sec. It appears this Sec letter at 18a.

CAS

24 JAN 45
X. 608

R. H. Cripps
Lt.

To UP-CA Section: Attached letter to you and copies of letters & RC's of Northern Regions (294) are in response to 309 & 314. For information only.

Crowderham
Maj.

3 Feb 45

To ED.

See my letter at foot of 29a.

CAS

24 Feb 45
X. 608

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R. H. Cripps
Lt.

To Col Cripps: 294 is mentioned in Minute 3 & was presented on this file. You have asked that some file copies of letters be sent submitted, I thought. If you want another copy of 294 I'll be glad to send it to you.

5 Feb 45

To UP-CA Section: Attached letter is for your attention & action, please.

5/8/45
To Education Subcom.
File returned.
9 July 45.

R. H. Cripps
Lt.

*File
10/13 - [unclear]*

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

Date:

SUBJECT : Release of Officers, Warrant Officers and Flight Officers
from active duty.

TO : Commanding General, MPOUSA, APO 512, U.S. Army.

THRU : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, (Overhead),
APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. It is requested that I, Lt.Col. Carleton W. WASHBURN, O-518332, AUS be relieved from active Duty under the provisions of paras 14 and 15, Sec V War Department Circular 290 dated 22 September 1945.
2. My date of birth is 2 December, 1889.
3. I certify that my permanent home address was 1055 Mt Pleasant Road, Winnetka, Illinois, when I entered on extended active duty, during the present emergency and I was ordered to active duty from Winnetka, Illinois.
4. I certify that I am not accountable for Government funds or property or indebted to the Government beyond any amount which will accrue prior to separation from the service.
5. Action has been initiated to comply with provisions of paragraphs 6f, AR 35-1740, as changed where applicable.
6. My permanent home address has not changed since my entry into the service and I have not received an offer of employment at a locality other than that of my permanent residence at the time of my entry into the service.
7. My physical classification is General Service.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt.Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

1st Indorsement.

No objection. Sixty day waiting clause may be waived.

3903

LUSH
M. CARR, BRIG.,
VP, CA Section
[Signature]

ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER
BOLZANO

REF: ACLO/BZ/25.

DATE: 9 March 1946.
SWM/gg.TO: Lt.Col.C.W.WASHBOURNE
Education Sub-Commission,
HQ Allied Commission, ROME.Dear *Colonel Washbourne*

Capt SCOTT has told me his conversation with you yesterday.

I know you will appreciate there is not sufficient educational work in Bolzano to justify the retention of Capt SCOTT as an Educational Officer, but if it is your wish that he should remain here as such and allow me to employ him on additional duties, I can assure you he will be fully employed.

He is a good fellow and wants to stay here and I am only too glad to have him conditionally on the fact that HQ know the true state of affairs.

At the moment he is my Mess Secretary and I can find him Liaison work too if he is left with me.

My reason for speaking to the Executive Officer about him was that I felt with the shortage of officers he might be looking for a qualified officer to do a full time educational job and I felt unjustified in retaining Capt SCOTT in such circumstances.

With my kindest regards
Yours sincerely

S. M. Carr

Copy to: Brig M.CARR, MC,
Vice President Civil Affairs Section
HQ Allied Commission

Lt.Col.K.Wilbe-JONES,
G-1(B), HQ A/C.

3902

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Vice President Civil Affairs Section

~~SECRET~~

MAG

LT Col Washburne phoned me this morning to say that Capt Scott had been assigned to V.G. but that he was not wanted there. Col. Miller & LT Col Washburne wanted him to remain at Bolzano. This was just I had heard of this. Following message from LT Col Washburne when he next rings up.

Brig Canino spoken G.I. B. re Scott.

Scott was posted to V.G. because ~~the~~ Lt. Robertson had asked for him. Moreover there only vacancy on T/O for a British Officer Education is in V.G. and Scott if retained with A.C. should fill that vacancy. Further G.I.B. understood that Col. Miller no longer required Scott.

G.I.B. have sent a message telling Scott to remain at Bolzano pending discussion of the matter when LT Col Washburne comes to the H.Q. next week. 3901

If Scott has already arrived at or sent to V.G. Miller should be left until the question is discussed with me.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/CWW/ans

ED/IC/1.3/AG

18 April, 1946

SUBJECT : Recommendation of Capt. John P. Simoni.

TO : Registrar, Colorado State College of Education
Greeley, Colorado.

1. This certifies that Capt. John P. Simoni was assigned to the Education Subcommittee of the Allied Commission in Italy on 15 April, 1944 and is, as of the present date, still so assigned. He has served successively in the headquarters of the Subcommittee, as Provincial Education Officer for Frosinone Province, as Deputy Regional Education Officer for Marche-Abruzzi, as Regional Education Officer for Marche-Abruzzi, for Marche-Umbria, and for Liguria, and as Chief Education Officer for Allied Military Government, 13 Corps (Venezia Giulia). He has thus been responsible for education and cultural activities in twenty of the eighty provinces on the Italian mainland.

2. Capt. Simoni's mission was to get schools, universities, learned societies and musical and cultural institutions reopened and functioning on a non-Fascist basis. This involved the elimination of Fascist personnel, the selection and training of new personnel, the issuing of administrative directives, the derequisition of buildings or finding alternative accommodations, the examination of former text books and the confiscation of those containing Fascist propaganda, the procuring and distribution of new text books and school supplies, the reorganization of seven universities (appointment of temporary rector, elimination of Fascist professors, abolition of Fascist departments, provision for election of rector, etc.), provision of hot lunches for kindergartens and elementary schools, support to youth movements such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, reorganization on a non-Fascist basis of such organizations as operas and orchestras - and many other activities. In Venezia Giulia, his responsibilities also included the preparation and publication of text books, curricula, record forms, etc., in the Slovene and Croat languages, the establishment of new departments in the University of Trieste, the organization of a teacher training school for Slovene teachers, the holding of an educational congress, and the attempt to develop tolerance and understanding between bitterly antagonistic Slavic and Italian groups.

3. In carrying out this mission Capt. Simoni had to overcome obstacles which were seemingly insuperable. School and university building were occupied by our armed forces or by refugees, or were damaged or destroyed by bombardment; non-Fascist personnel were inexperienced and untrained; transport was scarce, inadequate and almost unobtainable; school supplies, equipment and building materials were lacking; and, in Venezia Giulia, there was a disciplined, highly organized Slavic-Communist shadow government which attacked, and opposed and sabotaged his work in every conceivable manner.

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4. Despite these obstacles Capt. Simoni kept a level head, acted efficiently and justly, built up an effective administrative organization, and accomplished his mission. In every province where he has worked Fascist propaganda has been abolished, Fascist personnel have been eliminated and all educational and cultural institutions are functioning well. He has brought order out of chaos, developed youth activities and cultural organizations, eliminated Fascist personnel and propaganda, and infused a spirit of hope and democracy into the schools and universities.

5. Capt. Simoni's brilliant accomplishment has been recognized by the Allied Commission and the United States Army through functional promotions from Provincial Education Officer to Deputy Regional Education Officer to Regional Education Officer and Chief Education Officer 13 Corps; by military promotions from 2nd Lieutenant to 1st Lieutenant to Captain; by official commendation for meritorious service; and by strong recommendation, now pending, for the Legion of Merit.

6. Capt. Simoni, through his kindness, good humor, tact and friendliness has won the affection of all Allied Officers and Italians with whom he has worked; and through his outstanding efficiency and accomplishments, he has won the respect and admiration of all.

7. Capt. Simoni has worked under my general supervision from the beginning and I have had intimate contact with all phases of his work. I cannot speak too highly of his loyalty, ability, and effectiveness. His work reflects the greatest credit on himself, and on your institution, and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the United States Army.

Carleton W. Washburne

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A. U. S.
Director of Education.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 34

ED/CWW/ams

ED/AC

18 April, 1946

TO : Person concerned.

This certifies that Barone del Giudice was helpful to the Allied Military Government on our arrival in Rome in June, 1944, through putting us into contact with owners of automobiles who were willing to send them to the Allied Military Government.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A. U. S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/CWW/cc

ED/1G/1.3/AG

18 December 1945

SUBJECT : Promotion of Pfc. William P. Froom

TO : Commanding Officer,
2675th Regiment,
Allied Commission

1. Pfc. William P. Froom, ASN 36689131, was assistant chief clerk and librarian in the Education Subcommittee from 15 February 1945 to 10 September 1945. He was then sent to the Hq. University Training Command on T. D. as an instructor, and returned to resume his work here on 19 November 1945.

2. Pfc. Froom is a university graduate, and, in civilian life, a high school teacher.

3. While with the Education Subcommittee he proved to be loyal, efficient, and intelligent. He has initiative and takes a genuine interest in his work.

4. His grade is definitely below that which would be appropriate for a man with his background, responsibility, capacity, and achievement.

5. The new T/O of the Education Subcommittee calls for one Sergeant. The Sergeant previously assigned (S/Sgt. Thos. Rizzuto) has returned to the United States.

6. It is therefore recommended that Pfc. Froom be promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

CARLETON W. WASHBURNIE
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/1C/1.3/AC

3 August 1945

SUBJECT: Promotion of Private First Class William P.
Froom, ASN 36689131.

TO : Commanding Officer,
2675th Regiment, (Ovhd),
Allied Commission.

1. I recommend Private First Class William P.
Froom, ASN 36689131, for promotion to Technician 5th
Grade.

2. Pfc Froom has been in grade since 15 January
1945 and has been clerk and librarian in the Education
Subcommission since 15 February 1945.

3. He is a university graduate, a high school
teacher of merit in civilian life.

4. In the Education Subcommission Froom has shown
initiative energy and capacity. He is faithful, loyal,
competent and intelligent, and worthy of immediate
promotion.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/IC/1.3/AC

3 August 1945

SUBJECT: Promotion of Sergeant Thomas J. Rizzuto,
ASN 32829639.

TO : Commanding Officer,
2675th Regiment, (OVHd),
Allied Commission.

1. I again strongly recommend Sergeant Thomas J. Rizzuto, ASN 32829639, for promotion to Staff Sergeant.

2. Sergeant Rizzuto has been in his present grade since 22 August, 1943. He has been chief clerk in the Education Subcommittee since it was first organized in Sicily. He has been repeatedly recommended for promotion both by my predecessor and by me.

3. Sergeant Rizzuto has been in charge of the organization and administration of the Headquarters office since the beginning, when the Education Subcommittee was first being formed in Sicily. He has familiarized himself with all necessary forms and procedures, has had charge of the employment and supervision of a sizable civilian staff and of other EM, has handled all office routine, has supervised filing, and in general has been an invaluable aid to the efficiency of the Headquarters office. Only those familiar with the confusion and shortage of help in the early days, and the frequent shifts in policies and procedures of AC during the past year and a half can appreciate fully the obstacles that have had to be overcome and the value of a man who has kept order amid chaos and has kept up-to-the-minute in his handling of the innumerable and variegated details of running a headquarters office.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/10/1.3/40

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT: Reduction of TO/NE of Education Subcommittee.

TO : Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section.

25 August 1945

Reference 4/461/CA of 22 August 1945.

1. The Education Subcommittee reduced its Headquarters Staff to a skeleton -- two officers and two enlisted men -- at the time the Northern Regions were opened, in order to supply them with essential personnel. Further reduction, either 14 days or 60 days after the hand-over of the Northern Regions to the Italian Government, is impractical. The present minimum headquarters staff of two officers and two enlisted men is necessary for the continuation of headquarters activities, which, as previously pointed out, should continue as long as Allied Commission continues.

2. Civilian personnel can be reduced -- three employees can be released fourteen days after the hand-over, and two more within sixty days thereof.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 4/46 B/CA.

22 Aug 45

SUBJECT: Personnel

TO: See Distribution Below.

- 1 A scheme is to be prepared for a reduction in the TO/WE of the Civil Affairs Section.
- 2 The scheme will be divided into two phases:-
 - (a) Reductions in TO/WE which can take place 14 days after the date of the forthcoming hand-over of Northern Italy to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government;
 - (b) A second reduction in TO/WE which can take place 60 days after the date of reduction in the first phase above.
- 3 The scheme for your Sub-Commission will cover both officers and EM/CRs and names will be given in all cases. In selecting personnel for the two phases, regard should be had to the release groups of British personnel and the point score of American personnel.
- 4 It is appreciated that schemes will be, to some extent, provisional and will be liable to change in the light of circumstances prevailing at the time.
- 5 Civilian staff will not be dealt with individually but the numbers employed at present should be stated in the scheme and the approximate reduction recommended should be given for the two phases above.
- 6 Please draw up your scheme and submit as early as possible.

H. S. Hootley
f M. GARR. Col
Brigadier,
VP CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
AFO 394

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ED/AG/1.3/AG

Tel. 489081-269

SUBJECT: Establishment after 1 December.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

16 October 1945

Reference your 1/25.2/0A, dated 13 October.

It is presumed that, should the proposal be accepted, Lt. Colonel
CARLETON W. WASHBURN (A), present Director of Education, would fill the
appointment.

For the Director of Education:

J. V. VELLA
Captain
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel. Ext. 608.

Ref: 1/25.2/CA.

13 Oct 45

SUBJECT: Establishment after 1 Dec 45.

TO: Education S/C.

- 1 Your establishment of Officers after 1 Dec 45 is 1. *not yet approved.*
- 2 Please submit names and ranks of persons it is proposed shall fill these vacancies. Only persons who will not be released before March 1946 will be included. These names will be entered against the appointment which it is proposed that they shall fill.
- 3 Parity between British and American Officers (who will be distinguished by the letter "A" or "B" beside their name) is desired but this is not an over-riding necessity.
- 4 Civilians will not be included even if filling present TO/WE vacancies but will be regarded as an increment.
- 5 An excess of high ranks is to be avoided.
- 6 These names will reach this Office by 1000 hrs on Tuesday, 16 Oct 45.

Handwritten signature
S.H. WHITE, Lt Col,
OSO CA Sec.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
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ED/1C/1.3/AC

Tel. 489081-269

SUBJECT: Authorization to receive parcels.

TO : Officer in charge,
149 Stay Depot,
Ciampino.

17 October 1945

The bearer, Staff Sergeant Thomas J. Rizzuto (A),
Chief Clerk Education Subcommittee, has been authorized
to sign receipt of parcels addressed to the Education Sub-
committee.

For the Director of Education:

J. V. VELLA
Captain
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/LC/1.3/AC

25 October, 1945

SUBJECT : Policy memorandum.

TO : Executive Officer,
Education Subcommittee.

1. The Director must be kept fully informed at all times in regard to any discussions between members of the Education Subcommittee and members of the Ministry of Public Instruction.
2. Recommendations and suggestions to the Minister or members of the Ministry will be made only through the Director.
3. The Minister has been informed that suggestions or recommendations reaching him or his Ministry from individuals within the Education Subcommittee, unless transmitted by the Director, do not have the sanction of the Education Subcommittee.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
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ED/IC/1.3/AC

23 October, 1945

SUBJECT : LIAP.

TO : Regional Education Officer,
Venezia Region.

1. I am disturbed by the information given to me today that your LIAP is now set for 10 November. When you and I discussed LIAP we talked in terms of the middle of December.
2. G-1 British informs us that LIAP is dependant on operational necessity, and that a postponement of LIAP does not prejudice any rights.
3. You and I both know that the educational affairs in Venezia, and especially in Bolzano, are not likely to be in condition to be left without a competent education officer during the next two or three weeks. And we know that there is no officer available to replace you.
4. You are therefore requested to ask for postponement of your LIAP until 10 or 15 December.

CARLTON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A. U. S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/1C/1.3/AC

30 Dec. 1945.

SUBJECT : LIAP for Capt. Scott.

TO : Regional Commissioner
Venezie Region

1. In a recent letter (ED/1C/3.0/AC) it was requested that the LIAP of Capt. Ian Scott be postponed from 10 November to 10 or 15 December.
2. A recent order requires that all British Officers due for LIAP be sent before 30 November.
3. The request that Capt. Scott's LIAP be postponed is therefore hereby withdrawn.
4. The Education Subcommittee will arrange to have its Executive Officer, Capt. Joseph Vella, spend as much time as necessary in Bolzano, Trento, and Udine. It is planned that Capt. Vella will proceed at once to Venezia, and with Captain Scott familiarize himself thoroughly with the situation in Bolzano especially, and with essential matters having to do with Trento and Udine. After several days in Venezia Capt. Vella will return to this Headquarters, but will return to Venezia for about a week at a time as often as the situation necessitates.
5. It is suggested by the Education Subcommittee that administration of educational matters in the other seven provinces of Venezia Region be handed over to the Minister of Public Instruction now, without waiting for the hand-over of the Region as a whole. This hand-over of education has already taken place in Liguria and Piemonte, following an earlier precedent in Naples, Toscana, etc. No undesirable results have appeared. Since Venezia Region will be without an Education Officer during Capt. Scott's LIAP it seems desirable to relieve the Region of responsibility for those provinces where AMG has no urgent educational problems. Capt. Scott states that the situation in all provinces except Trento, Udine, and Bolzano is ready, as far as education is concerned, for immediate

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hand-over to the Italian Government.

6. If Venezia Region agrees to this suggestion it may proceed at once to notify provveditori and rectors, etc., in the seven provinces that jurisdiction has passed to the Minister of Public Instruction. Immediately on receipt of favorable reply from Venezia Region this Headquarters will notify the Minister of Public Instruction that he may assume jurisdiction.

By Command of the Chief Commissioner:

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M. CARR, Brig.
VP, CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/IC/1.3/AC

October, 1945

SUBJECT : LIAP of Education Officer.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Venezia Region.

1. This Headquarters is informed that the Venezia Region Education Officer, Captain SCOTT, is scheduled for LIAP on 10 November.
2. It is the considered judgment of the Education Subcommittee that the present situation in regard to education in Venezia Region, and especially in Bolzano province, makes the presence of a responsible education officer essential at least to 10 December.
3. No replacement for Captain SCOTT is available. There is no officer with the necessary qualifications in this theater who could be made available to replace Captain SCOTT on 10 November.
4. It is believed that by 10 or 15 December the educational situation in Venezia Region will be sufficiently well in hand so that the Regional Education Officer could be spared for LIAP without replacement.
5. It is therefore recommended that Captain SCOTT's LIAP be postponed to 10 or 15 December.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. Carr
M. CARR, Brig.
VP, CA Section

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
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HD/10/1.3/AC

16 October 1945

SUBJECT: Request for release of Enlisted Man.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Piemonte Region.

It is requested that Pfc William C. Carter (A), presently assigned to the Education Division Piemonte, be released so as to enable this office to request his assignment to the Education Subcommittee.

The loss of two enlisted men in this Subcommittee and the imminent loss of our Chief Clerk due to redeployment makes the above request urgent. As the Education Division Piemonte is now closed, it is presumed that Pfc Carter can be spared. We would be indeed grateful for immediate release.

For the Director of Education:

J. V. VELLA
Captain
Executive Officer

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Education Subcommittee
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ED/IC/1.3/AC

2 October, 1945

SUBJECT : Promotions.

TO : SCAD, 13th Corps,
AMC Venezia Giulia.

1. May I suggest that you recommend 1st Lt. John P. Simoni, O-1798303, CMP, for promotion to Captain.
2. As you know, the work he is doing and has done as Regional Education Officer has in all other cases been the responsibility of captains or majors. Lt. Simoni has handled his work more ably than most of the captains and majors who are or have been Regional Education Officers.
3. While Lt. Simoni has been in grade a little under twelve months (date of grade 7 November 1944) his promotion to 1st Lt. was greatly and unjustifiably delayed.
4. I have watched Lt. Simoni's work closely for more than a year and a half and am convinced that terms of the responsibility assumed, the efficiency and initiative shown, and the need for rank in dealing with other chief of Divisions and Italian and Slav civilian officials, he should be promoted at the earliest possible time.
5. I realize that unless he signs up for the duration and six months (class A) he will not be eligible for promotion. But I believe he is willing to do this.
6. If you will initiate the recommendation for promotion I shall be glad to endorse it strongly.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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Education Subcommittee
APO 394



ED/IC/1.3/AC

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT: Assignment of Officer.

TO : Establishment Section.

15 September 1945

1. In July all Subcommittees were asked to go through the papers of a number of officers who were said to be available, and to select those who would be suitable for each.

2. The Education Subcommittee designated seven such officers and asked for immediate assignments. Nothing has been heard of the matter since.

3. The need for an Assistant Education Officer (junior grade) in Venezia Region is acute. If none of the officers originally selected are available for immediate assignment, can any competent young officer, regardless of educational qualifications, but efficient and reliable, be found for Venezia Region and dispatched within a few days - Monday if possible?

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
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ED/CWW/ams

ED/22/45

5 October, 1945

SUBJECT : Continuation of services of
Director of Education.

TO : Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section.

1. In the light of the proposed dissolution of the Education Subcommittee may I supplement my previous letter on this subject?

2. A fundamental purpose of the Allies in this war has been the elimination of Fascist and Nazi doctrines and methods and their menace to world peace and order. The emergency work of the Education Subcommittee consisted of eliminating active fascists from school and university personnel, and eliminating fascist propaganda from programs and text books - in addition, of course, to getting the educational machinery into running order. But this alone is a superficial attack on a problem which is profound and requires a long-range approach.

3. The elimination of the fascist menace is fundamentally an educational problem and necessitates a basic change in educational procedures so as to develop positive democratic attitudes and capacity for democratic action.

4. The Italian Government desires to do this more thorough and far-reaching job. But it has no qualified persons to guide it in its efforts. For over twenty years Mussolini forbade the attendance of Italian representatives at international educational conferences. The teaching of education, and even psychology, was banned from all universities and so-called teacher-training schools. Educational literature from other countries did not reach the Italians. The isolation was almost complete. In my two years here I have met only two or three men who had any concept of what has been going on in education in Britain and America, and none of them has the knowledge or ability necessary to bring about the educational reconstruction toward which the Government is groping.

5. It happens that I have had the experience which the Italians need. I have studied, first hand, the educational problems in most parts of the world, and have many contacts with the world's leading educators. In my two years here I have obtained a comprehensive knowledge of the Italian schools and universities and I know their needs and the obstacles against which they are struggling.

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6. The Italian Ministers of Public Instruction, past and present, recognize this fact, have availed themselves of my experience, and have expressed a strong desire to have me remain to help them with the educational reconstruction now beginning to get under way.

7. The French Minister of National Education told me last week that he was requesting the United States State Department to attach me to the Embassy in Paris to counsel the French in the educational reforms they are undertaking. But I feel that the need in Italy is greater, that France has men who can do much of what I could do, and that I am better qualified, from my intimate knowledge of Italy's schools and their problems, to help in Italy. I prefer to carry on with the work I have already undertaken.

8. It seems to me that those higher authorities which oppose the continuation of the Education Subcommission until it comes to an end are thinking of the Education Subcommission's emergency functions, and are not considering the basic work of helping the Italians to establish a democratic, practical, and modern system of education. Purely administrative matters the Italians can handle themselves without us. But the fundamental educational work requires our continuing help and advice.

9. The Allies recognize the need for continued economic help and continued welfare activities. The need for continued help in changing the mentality which brought Italy into the war into one which is really democratic and oriented toward peaceful cooperation with the rest of the world is no less basic.

10. The Italians want me to stay. I am glad to stay. I believe I can be of genuine help when help is needed and desired. And the work I can do is a part of our fundamental mission of uprooting fascism.

Carlton W. Washburne

CARLTON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/2C/AC

15 Sep 45

SUBJECT : Needs of Education Subcommittee
two months after hand-over.

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. The Education Subcommittee has three functions: a) supervision of Regional work; b) advice to Minister; c) coordination of cultural relations activities.

2. The first function will largely cease when Udine and Bolzano are handed over to the Italian Government, but will be important in relation to the vital educational problems of Venezia Giulia.

3. The advice to the Minister is becoming more rather than less important, as the Government is attempting during this year wide-spread study of reorganisation of Italian education on a democratic basis and is turning increasingly to the Education Subcommittee for expert counsel. An educational adviser is necessary and is desired by the Minister. Unless such an adviser can be attached to an embassy, he should continue in AC as long as AC lasts.

4. The cultural relations activities of the Education Subcommittee under FAN 487 are greatly increasing in scope, and many of them are not of a nature that could readily be taken over by any one existing agency. While the same personnel attached to an embassy or other agency could continue many of its functions, it is more effective in the Allied Commission than in an office representing one nation.

5. Since the present personnel of Headquarters Education Subcommittee is not, apparently, needed elsewhere, and is needed where it is, and since it is willing to remain during the life of AC, it is recommended that the present Director, Lt Col (A), and Executive Officer, Capt (B), continue while AC lasts.

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CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt Col A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/10/1.3/AC

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT: Education Officers.

TO : Regional Education Officer, Lombardia. 25 July 1945

Reference your ED/1-04 of 17 July.

1. Every effort will continue to be made to assign an additional Education Officer to Lombardia, in view of the forthcoming departure of Captain OPENSHAW.

2. I have been unable to get any information as to the probable date of assignment of the British officers whom the Education Subcommittee requested.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
LOMBARDIA REGION
EDUCATION DIVISION
APO 394

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Tel. 12641
Ext. 2032

17 July 1945

ED/1-04

SUBJECT: Education - Officers.

TO : Allied Commission Headquarters.
(Att.: Education Sub-Commission).

1. Ref. suggestion made by Lt. Col. Washburne, at the bimonthly meeting of the Education Sub-Commission, that further assistance in the form of additional officers may be available in the near future.

2. It is pointed out that, although the office staff is now working more satisfactorily than in the early days, the flow of work in no way diminishes but shows rather an increase in volume.

3. The loss of an officer from this division, in the near future, therefore is likely to prove a severe handicap to the Regional Education Officer and it is requested that a replacement be sent as soon as possible, if such replacement is available.

For the Regional Commissioner:

A. A. VesceLO
A. A. VESCELO
Major A.E.C.
REGIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/1C/1.3/AC

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT: Regional Education Officer, Venezia Giulia.

TO : VP, CA Section.

13 July 1945

1. The attached cable from Brigadier CARR (70b), RC Liguria, is in response to my cable to him (70c).

2. What Brigadier CARR does not realize is the following series of facts:

a. Venezia Giulia has no Regional Education Officer and is in urgent need of one.

b. All personnel of the Education Subcommittee capable of handling Regions are now in charge of northern Regions.

c. Therefore the only way of supplying an REO to Venezia Giulia is by taking one from a Northern Region.

d. Captain WAGSTAFF (B), who can be assigned to a Region and is capable, will be released in late August and is therefore suitable for a Region which will be turned over to the Italian Government, but is unsuitable for Venezia Giulia which has to begin at the beginning and continue for a long time. It is essential that Venezia Giulia have an officer who can initiate and carry through the exceedingly difficult and important job there.

e. Major GREGORY (B), Venezia, is in an August release group and therefore unsuitable for Venezia Giulia.

f. Major VESSELO (B), Lombardia, has a very large and important job to finish there, and is temperamentally unsuited to do the delicate, tactful job of Venezia Giulia.

g. Captain PRATT (A), Emilia, has applied for emergency leave to America. He is ill: Until he goes to the United States the Army Physician has stated that he should not leave Bologna where he is under treatment.

h. Captain NOE (A), Piemonte, could be sent to Venezia Giulia, and is capable. It would involve the same difficulties as transfer of Lt. SIMONI. I have recommended that SIMONI go instead because (1) Colonel BOWMAN indicated a preference for SIMONI when I discussed

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the matter with him; and (2) NOE would go with great reluctance and little heart for the work, while SIMONI would go gladly and throw himself into it as a long-time job. NOE's one desire is to get back home; SIMONI wants to stay here on the educational job as long as it lasts.

3. It is true that ideally one would not break the direction of education in any Region just six weeks before turning the Region over to the Italian Government. But our choice is the least of three evils -- either we leave Venezia Giulia without any REO during this crucial period of preparation for opening Slovene, Croat, and Italian schools, getting programs adapted and text books published; or we give this job to Captain WAGSTAFF who would have to leave just as he is getting the work under way; or we have to let Captain WAGSTAFF replace an REO who has got his Region well started, and let that REO start and carry through the Venezia Giulia job. It is obvious that the least harm will be done and the greatest good accomplished by assigning Captain WAGSTAFF immediately to Liguria, and after a few days for transition, releasing Lt. SIMONI for Venezia Giulia.

4. I feel sure that if Brigadier CARR sees this whole picture clearly he will give his consent to the substitution of Captain WAGSTAFF for Lt. SIMONI as REO, Liguria.

Carleton W. Washburne

CARLETON W. WASHBURNE
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommission
APO 394

ED/10/1.0/M

Tel. 489081-269

SUBJECT: Personnel, Education
Subcommission.

9 July, 1945

TO : Civil Affairs Section.

Reference your 2/1.14/CA, dated 9 July, 1945.

I. Changes in personnel, as follows:

- 1) Captain WADSTAFF assigned to Education (as below).
- 2) Major Sir Philip M. MARCUS Bt. I.C. (B)
(Relieved from assignment to Education, reassigned to
Displaced Persons Subcommission).

2. Following is an up-to-date roster of officer personnel of this Sub-
commission:

- 1) Lt. Col. Carleton W. WASHBURN Spec. Res. O-518332 (A)
Headquarters Director
 - 2) Captain Joseph V. VELLA Gen. List 301892 (B)
Headquarters Executive Officer
 - 3) Captain Willis E. PRATT Spec. Res. O-521390 (A)
Hq. Emilia Reg. Reg. Ed. O.
 - 4) Captain Dexter G. TILLOTSON Inf. O-290182 (A)
Hq. Emilia Reg. Ed. O.
 - *5) 1st. Lt. John. F. SIMONI C.M.P. O-1790303 (A)
Hq. Liguria Reg. Reg. Ed. O.
- *(To be reassigned to Education Subcommission for a short
period and then permanently assigned to Hq. Venezia Giulia
MG as Education Officer).
- 6) Captain Samuel V. MOE Spec. Res. O-521655 (A)
Hq. Piemonte Reg. Reg. Ed. O.
 - 7) Captain Paul L. HEILMAN C.M.P. O-473505 (A)
Hq. Piemonte Reg. Ed. O.
 - 8) Major Arthur A. VESSELO A.E.C. 1695832 (B)
Hq. Lombardia Reg. Reg. Ed. O. 874
 - 9) Captain Stanley O. MISHAM R.A. 148475 (B)
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 - 10) Major Wynne W. GATSOFF Lt. Col. Pua. 44100 (B)

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Hq. Lombardia Reg. Ed. O.
 - 10) Major Francis F. GREGGHI Lanc.Fus. 44100 (B)
Hq. Venezia Reg. Reg. Ed. O.
 - 11) Captain G.F.T. WAGSTANT KRC 88589 (B)
++(Relieved from assignment as Provincial Commissioner, Piemonte Region, assigned to Education to be assigned as Regional Education Officer, Liguria Region, vice 1st Lt. SIMONI).

For the Director of Education:

J.V. VELLA
Captain
Executive Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FIFTH ARMY
APO 464

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25 June 1945

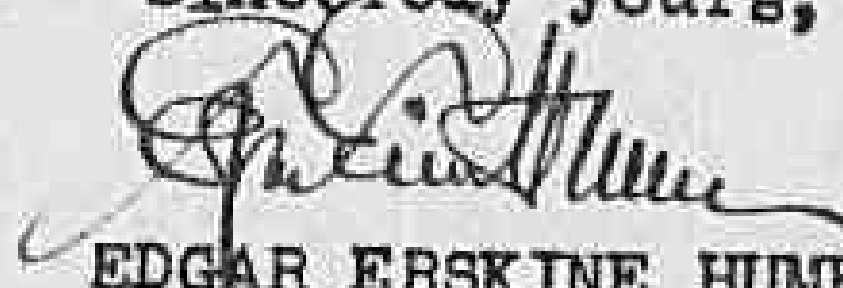
Lt. Col. Carleton W. Washburne
Director of Education
Education Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission
APO 394, U. S. Army

Dear Colonel Washburne:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter just received from Admiral Stone on the subject of my efforts to assist you in bringing about the highly desirable promotion of Captains Pratt and Noe. I am sorry the letter does not hold out more hope than it does, but certainly I will give it all the continued support that I can. I suggest that you let both officers know what we are trying to do.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,



EDGAR ERSKINE HUME
Brigadier General, GSC
Senior Civil Affairs Officer

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Enclosure

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21 June 1945

Dear General:

The sincerity of your letter of 12 June recommending the promotion of Captains Willis E. Pratt and Sam V. Noe is appreciated. I assure you that everything possible is being done to speed up the promotion of deserving officers and men.

As you know, promotions of all officers and enlisted personnel in the 2675th Regiment, AC, have been temporarily suspended in accordance with WD letter, file AG 210.2(8 May 45) OB-S-A-M, subject: Promotions, dated 10 May 45, and MTOUSA first indorsement, AG 210.2/730-P, dated 19 May 45.

The readjustment of suspension, insofar as it affects the Commission, I personally took up with AFHQ as recently as 13 June. It was requested that the 2675th Regiment be designated as "Category One," which covers troops remaining on duty in this theater and is accordingly free from the promotion suspension. I have just now received a negative reply to this request, in which I am informed that the 2675th Regiment, AC, is considered a theater overhead unit and for that reason cannot, at least for the present, be placed in "Category One." Thus, American promotions must wait until the restriction is lifted on all overhead units.

However, despite this ruling, I shall continue on every possible occasion to emphasize the prime importance of promotion, at the earliest opportunity, of the deserving personnel of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Brigadier General Edgar E. Hume
Senior Civil Affairs Officer
Fifth Army

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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ED/LC/1.3/AC

15 July, 1945

SUBJECT : Regional Education Officer
for Liguria Region.TO : Regional Commissioner,
Liguria Region.

1. In accordance with your agreement Captain G.F.T. WAGSTAFF KRRC (88589), is being assigned as Regional Education Officer, Liguria Region, vice Lieutenant SIMONI.

2. 1st Lieutenant SIMONI is being reassigned, permanently, to AMG Venezia Giulia, where his services and experience are urgently needed.

For the Chief Commissioner:

G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.
VP, CA Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/10/1.3/AC

SUBJECT: Reassignment of Education Officers.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Liguria Region.

13 July 1945

1. Your signal regarding the reassignment of Captain WAGSTAFF to Liguria and Lieutenant SIMONI to Venezia Giulia has been received. You state that you do not know the situation in Venezia Giulia regarding the need there. Will you take into consideration the following facts?
2. Venezia Giulia is without any Education Officer and is in serious need of one. Colonel BOWMAN has just sent an urgent message requesting Lt. SIMONI immediately.
3. The only person capable of acting as a Regional Education Officer and not now in charge of a Region is Captain WAGSTAFF.
4. Captain WAGSTAFF is not suitable for Venezia Giulia. He is due for release in the latter part of August and would therefore have to leave Venezia Giulia just after getting it started. Venezia Giulia, as you know, will be under AMG for a long time and the officer who is to be in charge of education there should be one who can stay with the job. It is an unusually delicate and difficult situation and requires a person who can undertake it as a long-time job.
5. Captain WAGSTAFF is, however, fully capable of carrying forward the work in Liguria, so ably started by Lt. SIMONI. The date of the turn-over of Liguria to the Italian Government nearly coincides with the date of Captain WAGSTAFF's release.
6. To assign any other officer to Venezia Giulia would involve the same problems as the assignment of Lt. SIMONI. Captain NOE REO, Piemonte, could be requested from the RC there with no more and no less difficulty than is involved in requesting Lt. SIMONI from Liguria. But the RC in Venezia Giulia does not want Captain NOE and the Director of the Education Subcommission considers Lt. SIMONI definitely more suitable for Venezia Giulia. No other Regional Education Officers can be transferred to Venezia Giulia: (a) Major VESSELO, REO Lombardia, has a very large Region, and further is temperamentally unsuited to the Venezia Giulia position which requires great tact and delicate handling; (b) Major GREGORY, REO Venezia, is due for release from the British Army next month; (c) Captain PRATT, REO Emilia, is ill, is under doctor's orders to remain for treatment, and is likely to be sent back to the United States in two weeks. This calls for a roll of Education Officers capable of handling a Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/1G/1.37AC

SUBJECT: Reassignment of Education Officers.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Liguria Region.

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4. Captain WAGSTAFF is not suitable for Venezia Giulia. He is due for release in the latter part of August and would therefore have to leave Venezia Giulia just after getting it started. Venezia Giulia, as you know, will be under AMG for a long time and the officer who is to be in charge of education there should be one who can stay with the job. It is an unusually delicate and difficult situation and requires a person who can undertake it as a long-time job.

5. Captain WAGSTAFF is, however, fully capable of carrying forward the work in Liguria, so ably started by Lt. SIMONI. The date of the turn-over of Liguria to the Italian Government nearly coincides with the date of Captain WAGSTAFF's release.

6. To assign any other officer to Venezia Giulia would involve the same problems as the assignment of Lt. SIMONI. Captain NOE REO, Piemonte, could be requested from the RC there with no more and no less difficulty than is involved in requesting Lt. SIMONI from Liguria. But the RC in Venezia Giulia does not want Captain NOE and the Director of the Education Subcommittee considers Lt. SIMONI definitely more suitable for Venezia Giulia. No other Regional Education Officers can be transferred to Venezia Giulia: (a) Major VERSELO, REO Lombardia, has a very large Region, and further is temperamentally unsuited to the Venezia Giulia position which requires great tact and delicate handling; (b) Major GREGORY, REO Venetie, is due for release from the British Army next month; (c) Captain PRATT, REO Emilia, is ill, is under doctor's orders to remain for treatment, and is likely to be sent back to the United States in two weeks. This calls the roll of Education Officers capable of handling a Region. 3370

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7. If you will, as I hope, consent to releasing Lt. SIMONI, Captain WAGSTAFF will be assigned to you at once and Lt. SIMONI will be left with him until he has become briefed as to the Regional Education work.

8. May I have a prompt decision?

For the Chief Commissioner:

G. R. UPJOHN, Brig.
VP. CA Section

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Education

Originator's Reference: 511

Message Centre No: E/9265

Date/Time of Origin: JULY 11

Date Time Rec'd: JULY 112045

FROM: AME LIGURIA REGION FROM CARR

Precedence: PRIORITY

TO : HQ ALCON

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CONFIDENTIAL.

Reference your 1567 of 10 July.

Am unaware what is situation as regards existing education staff VENEZIE GIULIA but Lieutenant SIMONI has been in this Region 2 months and do not consider it sound or in best interests of this Region to change education officer approx 7 weeks before cessation AME. Recommend SIMONI remain and re-assignment made about 1st September.

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FOR ACTION AND LIGURIA REGION FOR RC

1567

10 July 45

PRIORITY

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT REASSIGNMENT OF LT SIMONI PD

SIMONI URGENTLY NEEDED FOR VENEZIA GIULIA PD CAPTAIN WASSTAFF AVAILABLE

FOR LIGURIA AS EDUCATION OFFICER PD

PAREN TO AND LIGURIA REGION FOR RC FROM MR ALCON PAREN

EDUCATION SUBCOMMISSION STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THIS EXCHANGE PD WILL

YOU CONSENT QUERY

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EDUCATION SUBCOMMISSION

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/CWM/ams

ED/10/1.3/40

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Awards.

22 June, 1945

TO : CO, 2675th Regiment.

1. This is to confirm my conversation with you.
2. Of the three officers recommended by this Subcommittee for the Legion of Merit, Captain Willis E. PRATT; 1st Lieutenant John P. SIMONI; and Captain Samuel V. NOE, only Captain NOE was passed by your board.
3. While Captain NOE is amply deserving of the award, Lieutenant SIMONI is at least equally deserving, and Captain PRATT very much more so.
4. Apparently in my descriptions of the work of these three officers I failed to make sufficiently clear the remarkable and outstanding achievement of Captain PRATT. He is by far the ablest Regional Education Officer the Subcommittee has ever had. He is much the hardest working. He has done a great deal more beyond the requirements of duty. He has contributed more to the work of all others. I doubt if any officer in AC is more deserving of the award than Captain PRATT, and I know that he is far more deserving than any of the men under my supervision.
5. I have close personal knowledge of the work of all Education Officers from the time they entered this Subcommittee - in fact I am the only person who knows the work of all of them for the whole period of time. I speak authoritatively when I state that Captain PRATT is the most deserving of the Legion of Merit of any of them.
6. I should greatly regret retraction of the recommendation for award for Captain NOE - he is, in my opinion, fully deserving of the Legion of Merit. But if only one of the three officers recommended by me can be approved by your board for the award, that one should unquestionably be Captain PRATT.
7. I still recommend strongly both 1st Lieutenant SIMONI and Captain NOE for the Legion of Merit.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A. U. S.
Director of Education.

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PERSONNEL OF EDUCATION SUBCOMMISSION

	22 June, 1945	Desirable	
Liguria	SIMONI	SIMONI Asst	1
Piemonte	NCE HEILMAN	NCE Asst	2
Lombardia	VESSELO OPENSHAW	VESSELO Asst Asst	4 5
Emilia	PRATT TILGEE	OPENSHAW Asst	6
Venezie	GREGORY	GREGORY Asst + Asst	7 8
Venezia Giulia	-	WAGSTAFF + (PO required to replace) Asst	9
Headquarters	WASHBURN VELLA (MAGNUS)	WASHBURN VELLA Asst	10

Probable losses: PRATT, TILGEE, HEILMAN, WAGSTAFF, GREGORY, MAGNUS.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/IC/1.3/AG

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Promotions of Captains
PRATT and NOE.

9 June, 1945

TO : Commanding Officer,
2675th Regiment.

1. Attached please find, in duplicate, a revision of the letter to the Commanding General, AFHQ, in regard to the promotion of Captains Willis E. PRATT and Samuel V. NOE, with endorsement by the Vice President of the Civil Affairs Section, A.C.
2. It is again officially requested that this letter be transmitted, through channels, to the Commanding General. Duplicate may be retained for regimental files.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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Tel. 439081-236

SUBJECT: Promotions.

8 June, 1945

TO : Commanding General, AFOSIA,
through channels.

1. Capt. Willis E. PRATT, O-521390, and Capt. Sam V. NOE, O-521655, were recommended for promotion by the Promotions Board of A.C. in February, 1945, and their names were submitted to AFHQ on 21 March, 1945. Their names, with others, were returned to the Promotions Board, A.C., on 18 April, on account of the overstrength of A.C. in number of Majors according to the new T.O.

2. It is submitted that a serious injustice has been done to these men, and that the effectiveness of their work is thereby diminished.

3. The injustice is indicated by the following facts:

a) Of the 54 captains promoted to majorities since 15 December, 1944, 34 have been junior to Captains PRATT and NOE.

b) On the list of captains submitted on the same list with them on 21 March, the captain who has promoted was not senior to them.

c) The large majority of captains promoted to major since 15 December, 1944, held positions of less responsibility - as follows:

CAO's: 5	
Legal Officers (not Regional heads)	2
Provincial Legal Officers	3
Provincial Agricultural Officers	1
Public Health Officers	1
(not Regional heads)	
Public Safety Officers	1
(not Regional heads)	
Provincial Public Safety Officers	2
Provincial Supply Officers	2
Miscellaneous - (Adjutant, Warehouse	
director, P.W. Staff O, Co. Hq. Comdts,	
Ry Trans.O, Insurance O, Ass't Prop.	
Cont.O, etc.)	21

Total, at least 33 out of 54.

d) Among the 54 captains promoted to major since 15 December few are listed as serving with 5 or 8 Army. Capt. PRATT is 5 and 8 Army Education Officer and Capt. NOE 5 Army Education Officer. Both men have been operating in Army and Corps area. This is in addition to their responsibilities as Regional Education Officers.

e) Of Regional Staff Officers in AMG regions, 72 are majors, lieutenant colonels, or colonels. Of the 13 company grade Regional Officers, 13 are junior to Captains NIE and PRATT.

4. The responsibilities of Regional (and Army) Education Officers involve population control of about one-fifth of the population, responsibility for the bulk of the public property, and responsibility for by far the largest number of civil servants handled by any division of AMG.

5. The effectiveness of the work of these two Regional Education Officers is hampered by their lack of rank for the following reasons:

a) The Italian civilian officials with whom they deal (Rectors of Universities, Provveditori agli Studi, etc.) have civil service grades corresponding to army ranks higher than those of the Regional Education Officers, are acutely conscious of army rank, and cannot have adequate respect for officers who are not recognized by their own army as worthy of higher rank.

b) The other Regional officers with whom the Regional Education Officers have to deal on terms of equality are almost all of field grade.

c) The effect on the morale of these two officers is acute, and has seriously affected the health of one, and the enthusiasm for his work of the other.

6. There is no question as to the merit of both officers. They have been recommended in the highest terms by their Regional Commissioners and SCAG's. This Subcommission considers their work to be of the highest quality - they are intelligent, resourceful, efficient, energetic, responsible and loyal.

7. Whether the criterion for promotion is length of time in grade, position occupied, weight of responsibility, quality of service, or strength of recommendation by commanding officers, or any combination of these factors, it can be shown that a large proportion of the captains promoted in AG since 15 December, 1944 are outclassed by Captains PRATT and NIE.

8. It is submitted that had the above facts been taken into due consideration, these officers would have been promoted before the present suspension of promotions.

9. Attention is called to the following statement from the War Department (AG 210.2 (8 May 45) (B-S-AM of 10 May) on which the interment ordering suspension of promotions (AG 210-2/730-P of 19 May) is based:

"It is not the desire of the War Department to generally suspend promotion of worthy officers and enlisted personnel. To prevent unwarranted promotions during the period of readjustment, it is desired that all promotions be closely scrutinized."

10. Because Captains PRATT and NOE are in everyway deserving of promotion, and because a serious injustice has inadvertently been done them, and because their highly responsible work is hampered by their lack of appropriate rank, it is urged that the AC Promotions Board be permitted to resubmit these two names at once, and that they be promoted forthwith to the grade of major.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT

In my opinion, Capt. Willie E. PRATT and Capt. Sam V. NOE have performed outstanding services as Regional Educational Officers. Their positions and work merit immediate promotion and I trust that this can be arranged as soon as possible.

/s/ G.R. Upjohn, Brig.,
G. R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/CWW/rg

ED/lc/1.3/AC

21 June, 1945

SUBJECT : Assignment of Officers.

TO : VP. Civil Affairs Section.

1. Lieutenant Opulente (A) aide to Colonel Kirkwood, has expressed an interest in being assigned to the Education Subcommittee. He is a former teacher, is well known to the Regional Education Officer in Piemonte who recommends him highly.
2. If Lt. Opulente can be immediately assigned to the Education Subcommittee it will greatly help in our present shortage.
3. Has any progress been made in replacing Captain Wagstaff by a PS officer, as PO in Piemonte? It is urgent that we get Captain Wagstaff assigned to Venezia Giulia if in any way possible.
4. What, if any, progress has been made regarding other junior officers requested?

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

PR/ED/1/III/1

16 June 1945.

Office of the Regional Education Officer

Subject: Personnel

To : Education Sub-Commission
Attention: Director

1. Lt. Opulente, Col. Kirkwood's aide was in the office yesterday talking about his plans when Toscana is handed over. He would like either to go with I and E or to come in with us. I asked him to go to Rome and talk to you. I think you will remember that he was the Italian instructor in Tizi Ouzou, and was a professor of Literature in Brooklyn College. I have a very high opinion of him and feel that he would make us an excellent man. I hope you can get him.

Sam V. Noe

Sam V. NOE
Capt. A.U.S.
Regional Education Officer
Piemonte Region.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Education Officer.

18 June, 1945

TO : Regional Education Officer,
Venezia Region.

1. Up to the present I have been unable to get additional personnel for Venezia Region, although there is some hope of getting either WAGSTAFF or OPENSHAW released for Venezia Giulia.

2. I have not given up hope of getting an assistant for you, and am still working on it.

3. Meanwhile Lieutenant R.W. CRICHTON, 01796765, is a Provincial Officer in Vicenza Province and has had a year and a half of experience as an Education Officer, from Sicily to Emilia. Could you get your Regional Commissioner to assign him to you?

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/1C/1.3/AC

21 June, 1945

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CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommission
APO 394

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ED/1C/1.3/AG

9 June, 1945

SUBJECT : Assignment of Officers.

Tel. 489081-269

TO : Regional Education Officer
Venezia Region.

Reference your RXII/ED/1.5, dated 22 May 1945, to Regional
Commissioner, Region Venezia.

1. Enclosed, copy of complete correspondence pertaining to basic
letter, for your information.

For the Director of Education:

J.V. VELLA
Captain
Executive Officer.

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APO 394

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Date

7 Jun 45

FROM	TO	FROM	TO
Staff Officer to CC		Establishment Section	
Chief of Staff		Executive Officer (A)	
Message Center		Executive Officer (B)	
Civil Affairs Section		G-1 (A)	
DP & Rep		G-1 (A) Civilian Rep.	
Local Govt		G-1 (B)	✓
Patriotic Branch		G-4 (A)	
Public Safety		G-4 (B)	
Security Division		2575th Regt	
Public Health		Headquarters Commandant	
Legal		Adjutant	
Education		Navy	
Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (MIA)	
Economic Section		Air	
Recruitment Division		Communications	
Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group	
Commerce		W.M.D. & P.O.M.	
Finance		Public Relations Branch	
Property Control Div		Information Division	
Food		Archivist	
Industry		U.N.R.R.A.	
Miner Division		I.G.O.R.	
Labor			
Public Works & Utilities			
Shipping			
Transportation			
Political Section			

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✓	Education	✓	Navy
	Monuments & Fine Arts		Land Forces (JMLA)
	Economic Section		Air
	Requisition Division		Communications
	Agriculture		Civil Censorship Group
	Commerce		W.M.D. & P.O.M.
	Finance		Public Relations Branch
	Property Control Div		Information Division
	Food		Archivist
	Industry		U.S.F.R.S.
	Mining Division		I.G.O.R.
	Labor		
	Public Works & Utilities		
	Shipping		
	Transportation		
	Political Section		

Signature

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Remarks (Att: 1st Lnd.) Regret none is available,

but, as it is remarked that the offer seems to have certain experience of education, we would look out for a likely man when the PO situation arises. *Ref: 11/1/54*

W. Lee 11/1/54 *Ref: 11/1/54*

Q.I Br.

Director 
 Education
 Sub Commission

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1 June 45 G-1(B)

HEADQUARTERS
 ALLIED COMMISSION
 G-1(B)
 MINUTE SLIP

Date

30/5/45

FROM	TO
Colonel	JONES
Lt. Col.	RITCHIE
Major	FARRAR
Capt.	FARRY
Capt.	BISSELL
Capt.	MacTAVISH
SSM	EDWARDS
✓ OFFICERS'	RECORD SECTION
O.Rs.	RECORD SECTION
ITALIAN	RECORD SECTION
REGISTRY	

Folio (s) referred

For Action
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1st endorsement:

Headquarters Allied Commission, Education Subcommittee, APO 394.

To: Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region, AMG.
HQ A.C. G-1 (B).

6 June, 1945

1. There is no question as to the need. The CA Section has put in repeated requests for the assignment of officers to fill in TO. An officer (lieutenant or captain) with good executive ability, can do the work under Major GREGORY's supervision without having done educational work in civilian life.

2. You are urged to supply this request if in any way possible.



CARLETON W. WASHBURNE
Lt. Col., A. U. S.
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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G-1(B)

To : HQ A.C. G-1(B)
Subject : Assignments - Officers.
File No: R XII/ADM/106.04

Date 26 May 45

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The attached application from Major Gregory, Education Officer of Venezia Region, requesting the assignment of two more Officers to assist him in his duties, is forwarded for your attention.

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Regional Commissioner

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30 MAY 1945
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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394
EDUCATION DIVISION

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22 May 1945

TO : Regional Commissioner
Region Venezia
Attention: Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Assignment of Officers.

FILE NO: RXII/ED/1.5

1. The Education Division of this HQ. finds itself very short-handed as to personnel in which to carry on its exacting duties. Outside of myself the division has been assigned one American enlisted man T/5 John V. Apicella.
2. Due to the urgency of getting the school system functioning as soon as possible and the urgent calls from the various Provincial Commissioners of the northern provinces I find it necessary to write to you for the assignment of two officers as soon as possible.
3. I intend to attach one officer to the province of Belluno from which he can cover Bolzano Trento and Udine. The other officer I wish to attach to the Venezia Giulia Sub-Region with HQ at Trieste if and when the Sub-Region comes to us for administration. Until the time that it does come over to us I can attach this officer to Udine Province whose Provincial Commissioner has requested an Education officer to cover the province due to its bi-lingual character.
4. Your attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

F. F. Gregory
F. F. GREGORY.
Maj. Ian: Fus:
Regional Education Officer

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/10/1.3/AC

Tel. APOC81-236

SUBJECT: Promotions of PRATT and NOE.

8 June, 1945

TO: Brig. Gen. HUME,
SCAO Fifth Army.

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Dear General:

The failure of Captains PRATT and NOE to get promotions is causing me much concern. I need your help.

They have been recommended in strongest terms, repeatedly, by their Regional Commissioners and by this Subcommittee. After great delay the AC promotion board recommended them. Then, just as their names were reached by AFHQ, AFHQ put out a new TO for AC according to which AC had something between 40 and 50 too many majors, and their promotions were rejected.

I am informed that prior to January AFHQ told the AC Promotions Board not to submit names of any education officers for promotion, on the ground that they were supposed to be "civilianized". It was a false premise and not uniformly practiced since 2nd Lt. SINCE was promoted in November. In January the ban was lifted, and in February the AC Promotions Board passed PRATT, NOE, and me. They sent our names in, however, on separate successive lists. My name was on the first list submitted. There were three lists, sent in two weeks apart, thereafter I urged that PRATT's and NOE's names go in ahead of mine, but was told that postponing my name would not help them since I was on the list for lieutenant colonelcies and their names were in one of the lists for majorities. My name, going in first, I was promoted. Inexhaustibly, I think, the AC Promotions Board put PRATT and NOE on the last list. The two preceding lists of captains were both passed in their entirety. On the third, and last, list, the only Captain promoted was Henry HUDSON, an excellent man, but not senior to PRATT and NOE and with a less responsible position. There AFHQ stopped and two days later issued the edict on the TO.

I wrote the enclosed letter to the Commanding General, submitting it through channels. The AC Promotions Board refused to forward it. I wrote personally to General SPOTFORD. He said he would write to Colonel FISKE and would recommend that G-1, AFHQ, loosen up on the TO. But there still appears to be no action.

Captain PRATT's health has broken and he will probably have to be relieved. An important factor in the break has been his worry and humiliation over the fact that despite his brilliant work he has to go home with the same rank as he had when he sacrificed his important work as a college president to respond to the Government's request that he join AME. On his 33rd birthday, when he goes back, he will have men who have been promoted above him in the army, and this rankles greatly - his staff and community back in Pennsylvania will

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not know that his failure to get recognition is not due to any lack of effort and efficiency on his part.

Captain NOE's health has not suffered, but he is embittered and chagrined. When he gets a letter from his little boy back home saying, "Daddy, when are you going to be promoted?" you can imagine how he feels.

Of course there are countless men who have not been promoted and feel that they should be. But in the case of these two, there is an obvious and gross injustice - in the same organization men after men have been promoted with less time in grade, less responsibility, less service up in Army and Corps Area, less efficient performance. By no criterion or group of criteria can it be shown that the majority of the captains in AG and AMG promoted since 15 December, 1944 outclass NOE and PRATT - the contrary is the case.

These two men have served under you. You know them and their ability and efficiency. I have great confidence in your being able to get what you go after for your men. Colonels KIRKWOOD and DOWMAN have done their damndest - and failed. Brigadier UPJHN has done all a British Officer can do, and not with success. General SPOTFORD has done all he felt he could, with propriety, do - and no results have appeared to date. But I believe if you will really go to bat for these men, you can right the wrong that has been done them. Will you help?

Cordially,

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

P.S.

I have just had another talk with Colonel PARKIN. He says that while the last TO, when PRATT's and NOE's promotions were refused, was for 106 majors and we now have 144 majors, that TO is now dead. His present inability to act, he says, is due to the following endorsement (AG 210.2/730 - P of 19 May) from AFHQ: "Promotions of all officers and enlisted personnel are temporarily suspended except for the following instances:" (Then follow exceptions not applicable to PRATT and NOE). But this endorsement, signed by Colonel CHRISTENBERG, was to a WD order (AG 210.2 of 8 May, 45) OB-S-AM of 10 May which said in part:

"It is not the desire of the War Department to suspend promotion of worthy officer and enlisted personnel. To prevent unwarranted promotions during this period of readjustment, it is desired that all promotions be closely scrutinized."

This seems to me to give you a fulcrum for your action.

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CARLETON W. WASHBURN, Lt. Col., AUS
Director of Education.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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Tel. 489081-236

MEMO :

7 June, 1945

TO : CO, 2675th Reg't.

In addition to the reasons given by Captain PRATT, his relief is recommended on health grounds. Since January he has had two attacks of pneumonia, has been repeatedly hospitalized, and is now at the breaking point.

His ill health is due primarily to two causes. (1) He had driven himself inexorably in his successful attempt to do an outstanding piece of work. He is definitely the ablest education officer this Subcommittee has had for the opening up of new provinces and regions. But the same drive and conscience that has contributed to his brilliant performance has strained his strength to the limit. (2) He has been deeply humiliated by the lack of recognition of his work in terms of promotion, when many of the captains promoted during the past six months have had less time in grade, less responsible positions, less work in Army and Corps Area, and less brilliant performance. His worry and keen disappointment as a result of this injustice (see attached letter from his Regional Commissioner, Colonel BOWMAN), acting on an organism already strained from overwork, have brought about his present break in health.

He should be released at once and returned to civilian life in time to recuperate before the fall opening of his college.

His work as college president in the United States is of real importance. His pioneer work here is accomplished and a less able man could carry it forward successfully. It can truthfully be said, at this juncture, that he can "render more valuable service to the nation in a civilian capacity".

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On the compassionate side, Captain PRATT has just received a long report from the superintendent of schools his adolescent daughter is attendeng. This report says the girl has left school that her mother has no control of her and is at the breaking point, and that Captain PRATT must, if he is to save the situation, return immediately.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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11 November 1944

SUBJECT : Promotion of Officers.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Toscana Region.

1. The three Education Officers serving under you have all been in grade considerably beyond the minimum amount of time necessary for promotion, as follows:

Captain Sam V. NOE - Since - 26 June 1943

Captain Paul L. HEILMAN - Since - 13 January 1943

Captain Dexter G. TILPOE - Since - 4 February 1943

2. It is hoped that you will recommend each of these officers for promotion.

3. In terms of responsible and effective work and length of service in the Education Subcommittee, we wish to emphasize especially the desirability of securing an immediate promotion for Captain NOE, who as Regional Education Officer, should have the rank of Major.

4. Will you please send such recommendations as you are willing to make (on the regular forms in quadruplicate) through the Education Subcommittee so that we may add our own endorsements, based on the many months in which we have been able to observe their work?

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, A.U.S.
A/Director of Education.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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20 May 1945

Lt. Col. Carleton W. Washburne
Education Subcommittee
Headquarters, Allied Commission
A.P.O. 394

Dear Col. Washburne:

I have your letter of 11 May 1945 pertaining to the promotions of Captains Pratt and Noe.

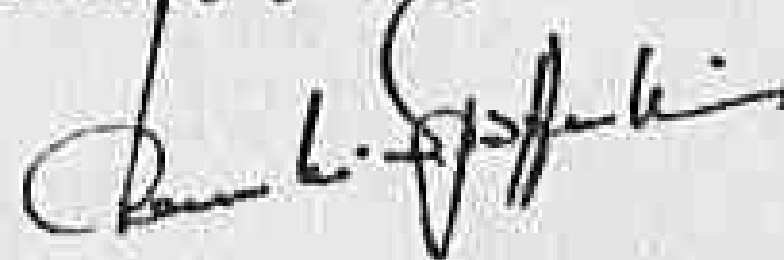
I am sorry these officers were left out of the latest lists, particularly if there seems to be some discrimination against officers in your field of activity.

The designation of officers for promotion and establishing priorities is, as you know, the function of the lower command, in this case AC, through the regimental organization and I cannot directly interfere. I am, however, writing a note to Col. Fiske stating that you have taken the matter up with me and asking him to look into the situation to see whether or not it can be corrected.

There has been difficulty in promotions in the grades involved here because of shortage in the AC quota of vacancies. I am discussing this general problem with G-1 at this Headquarters with a view to bringing about some easing up. If I am successful I will let you know.

With very best regards.

Sincerely yours,



CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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22 May, 1945

TO : Capt. Willis E. Pratt
R.E.O., Emilia Region.

Dear Willis :

The enclosed from Gen. Spofford is self-explanatory.

Cordially

CARLETON W. WASHBURNE
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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22 May, 1945

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R.E.O., Emilia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS
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SUBJECT:

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No.	From	To	Date	
1	Education Subcomm.	Executive Officer (U.S) Establ. Section	11/5/45	Responding to second endorsement: Para. 2. Our letter attempted to point out that not only on the ground of seniority, but on the combination of position occupied, efficiency rating, time in grade, position vacancy, and manner of performing duties, these officers out-classed many of those promoted. On no one of these criteria, and on no combination thereof, can it be shown that Capt. Pratt and Noe were less deserving of promotion than the majority of those promoted - the facts are the reverse, as shown in our letter. Para. 3. The attempt of the promotion board to take all these factors into consideration, unquestionably sincerely undertaken, obviously miscarried in these two cases. Para. 4. Count of the number of officers serving in Fifth and Eighth Armies was made from list submitted by G-1 (A). It is quite possible that some officers listed otherwise also had Fifth and Eighth Army experience; the important fact is that Pratt and Noe had such experience and many of those promoted did not. Para. 5. One mistake - list submitted by G-1 (A) gave number of months and days in grade, from which it appeared that Capt. Hudson had one less day than Pratt and Noe. G-1 explains that list was compiled on two successive days. But the main point is that Hudson was not senior to them. Para. 6. Because we recognize that the AC Hq. has no means of submitting promotions of captains to majors at the present time, it is requested that the accompanying letter simply be forwarded to the Commanding General, MTOUSA, as from the Education Subcommittee, through channels, with whatever endorsements this Hq. wishes to add. Replying to third endorsement, para 2, extra copy of original letter is submitted herewith for exhibit to a request for increase.

C. W. W.

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2 G-1 (A) Acting V. P.
Establishment Sect.
11/5/45

Sub-Commission.

1. The following points are submitted for your consideration and no effort is made to disallow statistical information as presented by the Director of the Education

2. It is not established practice or theory or actuality in the Army of the United States that personnel are generally promoted according to seniority. Consideration must be given to the individual position occupied by the officer, his general efficiency rating, his time in grade, his position vacancy occupied and the manner of performance in which he has performed his duties in that position.

3. The Promotion Board composed of Senior American Officers of the Allied Commission, all of whom are of qualified experience, take into consideration every possible point in the sending forward of Recommendations for Promotions of personnel of the Commission.

4. It is pointed out that there are more than five officers who have been promoted who served with Fifth or Eighth Army or the Allied Military Government Regions since 15 December 1944.

5. Attention is invited to statement that Captain Hudson was slightly junior to Captains Noe and Pratt. This is not borne out by records of this headquarters. These officers, at the time of Captain Hudson's promotion, all had the same time in grade and were entered upon active duty.

6. This headquarters has no means at hand to submit promotions from Captains to Majors in view of the recent letter from Headquarters, MECUSA, which stated that promotions would be held in strict abeyance to the grade disposition given to this organization. Also there is no law or regulation which antedates promotion of officers in the Army of the U. S.

7. For further comment.

N. W. D.

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Tel. 489081-236

TO : Brigadier General SPOFFORD
G-5, AFHQ.

11 May, 1945

Dear General Spofford:

Remembering from Sicily days your humanness and fairness, I am taking the liberty of writing to you personally for help in a matter where an injustice has, inadvertently, been done to two outstandingly able officers, in spite of the best efforts of their Regional Commissioners, Brig. UPJOHN, and the Education Subcommittee.

The enclosed letter tells the story. Col. PARKIN says he cannot send it up through channels because of certain regulations in AFHQ. I shall, however, continue to press from this end to have the letter go up officially, or to get permission to go to Caserta and make the plea in person. Since there may be considerable difficulty in doing this, I am asking whether you can do anything about the matter.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

GARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

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Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Promotions.

7 May, 1945

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA,
through channels.

1. Capt. Willis E. PRATT, O-521390, and Capt. Sam V. NOE, O-521655, were recommended for promotion by the Promotions Board of A.C. in February, 1945, and their names were submitted to AFHQ on 21 March, 1945. Their names, with others, were returned to the Promotions Board, A.C., on 18 April, on account of the overstrength of A.C. in number of Majors according to the new T.O.

2. It is submitted that a serious injustice has been done to these men, and that the effectiveness of their work is thereby diminished.

3. The injustice is indicated by the following facts:

a) Of the 54 captains promoted to majorities since 15 December, 1944, 34 have been junior to Captains PRATT and NOE.

b) On the list of captains submitted on the same list with them on 21 March, the captain who was promoted was slightly junior to them - not senior.

c) The large majority of captains promoted to major since 15 December, 1944, held positions of less responsibility - as follows:

CAO's:	5
Legal Officers (not Regional heads)	2
Provincial Legal Officers	3
Provincial Agricultural Officers	1
Public Health Officers (not Regional heads)	1
Public Safety Officers (not Regional heads)	1
Provincial Public Safety Officers	2
Provincial Supply Officers	2
Miscellaneous - (Adjutant, Warehouse director, P.W. Staff O, Co. Hq. Comdts, Ry Trans. O, Insurance O, Ass't Prop. Cont. O, etc.)	21
Total, at least 33 out of 54.	

d) Among the 54 captains promoted to major since 15 December only five are listed as serving with 5 or 8 Army. Capt. PRATT is 5 and 8 Army Education Officer and Capt. NOE 5 Army Education Officer. Both men have been operating in Army and Corps areas. This is in addition to their responsibility as Regional Education Officers.

- e) Of Regional Staff Officers in AMG regions, 72 are majors, lieutenant colonels, or colonels. Of the 18 company grade Regional Officers, 13 are junior to Captains NOE and PRATT.

4. The responsibilities of Regional (and Army) Education Officers involve population control of about one-fifth of the population, responsibility for the bulk of the public property, and responsibility for by far the largest number of civil servants handled by any division of AMG.

5. The effectiveness of the work of those two Regional Education Officers is hampered by their lack of rank for the following reasons:

a) The Italian civilian officials with whom they deal (Rectors of Universities, Provveditori agli Studi, etc.) have civil service grades corresponding to army ranks higher than those of the Regional Education Officers, are acutely conscious of army rank, and cannot have adequate respect for officers who are not recognized by their own army as worthy of higher rank.

b) The other Regional officers with whom the Regional Education Officers have to deal on terms of equality are almost all of field grade.

c) The effect on the morale of these two officers is acute, and has seriously affected the health of one, and the enthusiasm for his work of the other.

6. There is no question as to the merit of both officers. They have been recommended in the highest terms by their Regional Commissioners and SCAO's. This Subcommittee considers their work to be of the highest quality - they are intelligent, resourceful, efficient, energetic, responsible and loyal.

7. 8.7. It is submitted that had the above facts been taken into due consideration, these officers would have been promoted before the present ceiling was placed on number of majors in the A.C. *suspension of promotions.*

8. It is suggested that they be promoted to the rank of major as of 17 April, 1945, the date on which another captain (Henry HUDSON) whose name appeared on the same list of recommendations from A.C. was promoted, despite the fact that he was slightly junior to them in time in grade and holds a position of less responsibility.

9. If the suggestion in paragraph 8 cannot be followed it is recommended that some other means be found and that in these two highly exceptional cases immediate promotion be granted.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt.Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

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FIRST ENDORSEMENT

In my opinion, Capt. Willis E. PRATT and Capt. Sam V. NOE have performed outstanding services as Regional Educational Officers. Their positions and work merit immediate promotion and I trust that this can be arranged as soon as possible.

G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

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TOSCANA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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25 Nov 44

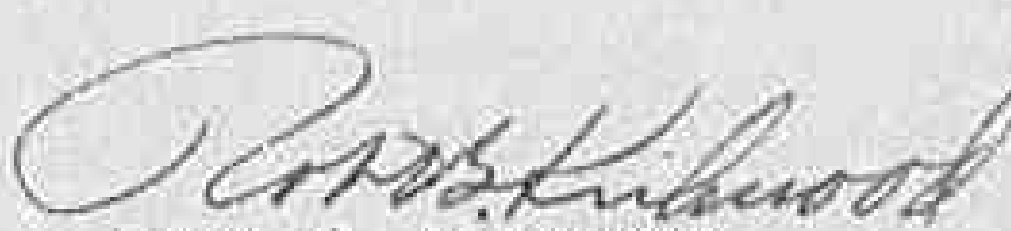
SUBJECT: Promotion of Officers.

TO : Maj. Carleton W. Washburne, A/Director Educn Sub-Comn, AC.

1. Ref your letter ED/1.3/AC subject: "Promotion of Officers", dated 11 Nov 44.

2. Captain Sam V. Noe was recommended for promotion on 18 Oct 44. Captain Dexter G. Tilroe has been disciplined under the 104 Article of War for a number of offences. A copy of the official reprimand given to him is on the file at Hq, 2675th Regt. AC. It appears that he is about to be involved in matters which may require further disciplinary action. I cannot, therefore, concur in the recommendation for promotion of Captain Dexter G. Tilroe.

3. Captain Heilman's work is entirely satisfactory but so far has not been particularly outstanding. I am not prepared to recommend his promotion at this time but I am prepared to give it serious consideration as Captain Heilman demonstrates his effectiveness.

ROBT. G. KIRKWOOD,
Colonel, FA, US Army
Regional Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
AND 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref : RA/10/1.3/AC

18 Dec 44

SUBJECT : Assignment of Officer .

TO : Establishment Section
HQ., AC.

1. The Education Sub-Commission has need of a qualified educational officer to be assigned to do Regional Educational work.
2. The Sub-Commission has represented to this Section that Capt. HEILMAN (A) ASN O-473505, now assigned as Assistant to the Regional Education Officer Toscana Region, might suitably be replaced by Major LUND (A) ASN O-0524366 .
3. Capt. Heilman who is 50 years of age and has served for some time in the Army has indicated that he would like to return to the States for separation from the Army. If Capt. Heilman can be replaced by Maj. Lund the A/Director of Education Sub-Commission would be in a position to declare Capt. Heilman surplus.
4. Education Sub-Commission believes that Maj. Lund is well qualified by previous training and experience not merely to do educational work but to assume such responsibilities at a regional level.
5. Maj. Lund is now on temporary assignment as CAO in Aquila. The Sub-Commission would like to have his services as of 1 January 1945.
6. It is requested therefore that Maj. Lund be assigned to the Education Sub-Commission .

G. S. Parkinson
G. S. PARKINSON, Brig.
A/VP CA Section
A/ECOS  3835

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/1C/1.3/AG

9 December 1944

SUBJECT: Acquisition of Education Officer.

TO : V.P., C.A. Section.
(Attention: Colonel CRIPPS)

1. In planning for the educational work in Northern Italy when that shall have been liberated, the Education Subcommittee is short of competent Regional Education Officers. The situation is as follows:

(a) Lazio-Umbria, Naples Zone, and Marche-Abruzzi will have to be combined under one officer - Major MURPHY. With the intensive work he is now doing in Naples, with the thorough organization of Lazio-Umbria and Marche-Abruzzi pretty well completed by the present very competent officers, and with the bulk of the provinces under Italian Government, it is believed that Major MURPHY can handle this large territory effectively when it becomes necessary to pull Major GREGORY and Lieutenant SIMONI out for the north.

(b) Toscana is, and can continue to be, under the able direction of Captain NOE.

(c) Emilia (at present AMG VIII Army) is and will continue to be under the very competent direction of Captain PRATT, if his health holds up - he has just come out of the hospital and there is ground for concern as to his future health.

(d) Liguria will be competently handled by 1st Lieutenant SIMONI, now Regional Education Officer for Marche-Abruzzi Region.

(e) Piemonte can be handled effectively by Major BIRT, Welfare and Education Officer. This double assignment was satisfactory when Major BIRT was in charge of welfare and education in Marche-Abruzzi Region, and has ^{been} agreed to by the Regional Commissioner and the Public Health Subcommittee. Major BIRT desires it. Lieutenant SIMONI will help him in the two southern provinces.

(f) Venezia will be under Major GREGORY, now Regional Education Officer for Lazio-Umbria Region.

(g) Lombardia. For this vital province we have no suitable education officer. The original plan was to leave Captain TILROE, now helping Captain NOE, in charge of either Toscana or Emilia (depending on date) and send Captain NOE or Captain PRATT to Lombardia. But Captain TILROE's irresponsibility makes this plan appear doubtful at present. The only other education officer available is Captain HELLMAN, who is quite incapable of managing a region - he is a steady assistant ^{but} not Regional Officer calibre.

2. The result is that we need one more good Regional Education Officer. We are willing, if necessary, to drop either Captain TILROE or Captain HEILMAN in order not to go over our ceiling of seven officers in the field.

3. Major J. LUND (A), ASN O-524366, is qualified by previous training and experience to do Regional Education work. He is now on temporary assignment as a provincial officer in L'Aquila. If he can be assigned to the Education Subcommittee we can break him in and use him in either Toscana or Emilia, thereby releasing Captain NOE or Captain PRATT for Lombardia, or even consider using Major LUND himself for Lombardia.

4. Unless the liberation of the north becomes imminent sooner, it would be satisfactory to leave Major LUND in L'Aquila until 1 January, then to assign him to the Education Subcommittee for attachment to a Region for training.

5. You are therefore requested to have Major LUND transferred to the Education Subcommittee.



CARLETON W. WASHBURNE
Major, A.U.S.
A/Director of Education

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22 May, 1945

SUBJECT : Transfer to
Education Subcommittee.

TO : Capt. G.F.T. Wagstaff, P.O.
Piemonte Region.

1. I am informed by G-1 (B) that the RC, Piemonte Region has agreed to release you to the Education Subcommittee, provided the decision is left to him as to when you can be spared.

2. It is, as you know, our present intention to assign you as Education Officer to Lombardia Region, vice Capt. Openshaw, as soon as you can be released from Piemonte.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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Education Subcommittee
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27 April, 1945

SUBJECT : Recruitment of U.S. Army Officers
of the Allied Commission for
Employment with the Foreign
Economic Administration and
State Department.

TO : Adjutant, Headquarters 2675th
Regiment (Ovnd)

In compliance with Memorandum, dated 25 April 1945,
the attached three (3) rosters are hereby submitted.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col. A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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a. Officers interested in FEA

NIL (but officers listed under b would be willing to consider a if b assignment is not available).

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b. Officers interested in AFS of the State Department.

Lt. Col. Carleton W. Washburne
Spec. Res. O-518332

1st Lt. John P. Simoni
CMP O-1798303

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c. Officers not interested in a or b.

Captain Willis E. Pratt
Spec. Res. 0-521390

Captain Samuel V. Noe
Spec. Res. 0-521655

Captain Paul L. Heilman
CMP 0-473505

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ED/10/1.3/AC

Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT: Release of Regional Education Officer.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Marche-Umbria Region.

27 April 1945

1. 1st Lieutenant JOHN P. SIMONI, Regional Education Officer for Marche-Umbria, has been ordered to IV Corps as Regional Education Officer, Liguria Region.
2. The Education Subcommittee has no officer available to replace Lieutenant SIMONI in Marche-Umbria.
3. It is recommended that for the time being Professor Mazzetti, who has been assisting Lieutenant SIMONI, be employed by you as a professional assistant, to supervise and coordinate the work in the schools and advise you on technical matters until such time as he is needed in Liguria by Lieutenant SIMONI.
4. On any matters involving contact with the Minister of Public Instruction, your channel of communication is through the Education Subcommittee.
5. The Education Subcommittee stands ready to give any technical advice or assistance needed by you or your provincial commissioners in regard to the schools, universities, etc., of your Region. It may even be possible for someone to go up to Marche-Umbria on occasion when, in your judgment, personal conference or contact is needed.
6. May I take this occasion to express the warm appreciation of this Subcommittee for the cooperation you and your Provincial Commissioners have at all times given to our Regional Education Officer?

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A.U.S.
Director of Education

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

27 April 45

Ref 4/1.1/CA

SUBJECT : Personnel - Officers
TO : Establishment Section

- 1 Education Sub-Commission is short of 1 Officer against establishment and, in order to do their work in the North properly, it is considered that one additional Officer to the present strength is essential.
- 2 The only suitable Officer is :
CAPTAIN G.F.T. WAGSTAFF, KRC (88598)
This Officer is a Provincial Officer in Piemonte Region but has had Education experience.
- 3 It would obviously be unreasonable to expect Regional Commissioner Piemonte to agree to release Capt WAGSTAFF at this stage. Application is, however, made for his release as soon as he can be spared after the initial impact. It is thought that this might reasonably be expected, say, one month after the Province in which he is working is taken over.
- 4 It is felt that if this is agreed and the situation explained to the Regional Commissioner now then the matter might be solved with some degree of satisfaction to all concerned.

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G.R. URJEN Brig
VP CA Section

Copy to : Education S/C

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13 March, 1945

SUBJECT : Distribution of Education S/C
Officer Personnel.

Tel. 489081-269

TO : G-1 (British).

Reference G-1B/31/3/A, dated 7 March, 1945.

Major	CARLETON W. WASHBURN	(A)	Headquarters
	Director of Education		
Captain	JOSEPH V. VELLA	(B)	Headquarters
	Executive Officer		
Major	Sir PHILIP MAGNUS Bt	(B)	Headquarters
	i/c Text Books		
Major	ARTHUR A. VESSELO	(B)	Lombardia
	Regional Ed. Officer		
{ Captain	DEXTER G. KIDROB	(A)	Lombardia
	Education Officer		(marked Austria)
Major	FRANCIS F. GREGORY	(B)	Venezia
	Regional Ed. Officer		
1st Lt.	JOHN P. SIMONI	(A)	Liguria
	Regional Ed. Officer		
Captain	SAMUEL V. NOE	(A)	Piemonte
	Regional Ed. Officer		
Captain	PAUL L. HEILMAN	(A)	Piemonte
	Education Officer		
Captain	WILLIS E. PRATT	(A)	Emilia
	Regional Ed. Officer		
Shorts:	1 Officer Venezia Region		
	1 Officer Lombardia Region when Captain KIDROB leaves.		

For the Director of Education:

J.V. VELLA
Captain
Executive Officer.

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Office of the Executive Commissioner

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7 March 1945

REFERENCE : C-15/31/3/A

SUBJECT : Ceilings - Officers

TO : Distribution below

Attached is an analysis showing the intended distribution of the 1335 Officers of the Allied Commission on the liberation of all Italy.

It will be noted that :

- (1) All Fifth and Eighth Armies are not shown. Their staff will be (c) about to enter Austria (b) absorbed into a Province of a Region.
- (ii) The number of permanently assigned Officers to Umbria-Marche, Toscana and Emilia Regions is small compared with other AMG Regions. The majority of the 320 Officers earmarked for Austria will, however, be attached to these Regions until the occupation of Austria begins; by this time it is anticipated that a great part of these Regions will be under Italian jurisdiction.

In times of movement, elasticity must be maintained and while these allocations may be considered firm they are objective rather than rigid.

BY ORDER OF HER ADMIRAL (SIGNED)

M.S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Marske, Toscana and Umbria Regions. The majority of the 120 Officers earmarked for Austria will, however, be attached to those regions until the occupation of Austria begins; by this time it is anticipated that a great part of these Regions will be under Italian jurisdiction.

In times of movement, elasticity must be maintained and while these allocations may be considered firm they are objective rather than rigid.

BY COMMAND OF HER ADMIRAL STONE

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M.B. LIND,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Office of Chief Commissioner	(2)
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Civil Affairs Section, HQ 15 Army Gr.	(2)
Vice President, Civil Affairs Section	(16)
Vice President, Econ. Section	(16)
Vice President, Establs. Section	(6)
Director, Public Relations Branch	
Director, Communications Sub-Commission	
Director, War Materials Disposal Sub-Commission	
Regional Commissioner, Sicilia Region	
" Southern Region	
" Lazio Umbria Region	
" Abruzzi Marche Region	
" Sardegna Region	
" Toscana Region	
" Emilia Region	
" Piemonte Region	
" Liguria Region	
" Lombardia Region	
" Venezia Region (2)	
S.O.A.O. AMS HQ Fifth Army	
S.O.A.O. AMG HQ Eighth Army	

TOTAL Number of Officers allocated to H.Q. AC. and Regions.

Italian Govt. Territory.	}	26 including 3 Officers earmarked for AUSTRIA.
EMILIA Region	}	31 including 5 Officers earmarked for AUSTRIA.
UMBRIA- MARCHE Region	}	65 including 11 Officers earmarked for AUSTRIA.
TOSCANA Region	}	104 including 22 Officers earmarked for AUSTRIA.
EMILIA Region	}	115 including 24 Officers earmarked for AUSTRIA.

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Piemonte	(a)														
	(b)														
Lombardia	(a)	12	61	18	9	16	Veneto Ticino 2	2	5	6	7	5	16	11	12
	(b)														
Venezia	(a)	9	61	15	8	13	guy - 2	2	4	3	3	2	13	12	9
	(b)														
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	(b)														
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	(b)														
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	(b)	4	15	9	3	4			1		1		6	4	9

(a) Shows proposed allocation of Officers within the reduced FO/NE.

(b) Shows additional Officers allocated but earmarked for Austria.

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Including 52 D.P.2
Sub. Comm. in Field.

Proposed allocation of Officers within the reduced TO/NE.

Additional Officers allocated but earmarked for Austria.

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C O N F I D E N T I A LHEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
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			<u>Feb. '45</u>	<u>When North Opens</u>
Major	CARLETON W. WASHBURN Director of Education	(A)	Headquarters	Headquarters
Captain	JOSEPH V. VELLA Executive Officer	(B)	Headquarters	Headquarters
Major	Sir PHILIP MAGNUS Bt i/c Text Books	(B)	Headquarters	Headquarters
Major	ARTHUR A. VESSELO i/c Survey	(B)	Headquarters	Emilia Lombardia
Major	JOSEPH M. MURPHY Regional Ed Officer	(A)	Southern Region	Austria
Major	FRANCIS F. GREGORY Regional Ed Officer	(B)	Lazio-Umbria	Venezia
1st Lt.	JOHN P. SIMONI Regional Ed Officer	(A)	Abruzzi-Marche	Liguria
Captain	SAMUEL V. NOE Regional Ed Officer	(A)	Toscana	Piemonte
Captain	PAUL L. HEILMAN Education Officer	(A)	Toscana	Piemonte
Captain	DEXTER G. TILROE Education Officer	(A)	Toscana	Lombardia
Captain	WILLIS E. PRATT Regional Ed Officer	(A)	Emilia	Lombardia Emilia
Major	JOHN LUND	(A)	Aquila	REO Toscana

Note: Hq reduced from 4 to 3 Officers.

Toscana reduced from 3 to 1 officer.

Piemonte and Lombardia allowed 1 Reg. Ed.O. and 1 Ed. O.

Liguria, Emilia, Venezia, one officer each, but if Toscana is organized by time Venezia opens, Major LUND handles Venezia Giulia and Zara Region and then, if desired, goes to Austria.

No officer available for Toscana if Lund is released now. Captains Heilman and Tilroe not capable of REO job.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, A.U.S.
Director of Education.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

LEGAL (5)

1. Capt LEVY
2. Lt Col HENDRICKSON
3. Major KEHR

4. Col CHAPMAN
5. Major WOODWARD
6. Major ROGERS
7. Capt PEYTON

PUBLIC HEALTH (7)

1. Lt Col MILES

2. Lt Col ADAMS
3. Major HILL
4. Major CIULINI
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- 7.

PUBLIC WELFARE (4)

1. Capt CODRINGTON

2. Major BALLEW
3. Capt WILCOX
- 4.

DISPLACED PERSONS (5)

1. Capt YARLEY

2. Lt WOOLFORD
3. Lt CARLSON
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- 5.

PUBLIC SAFETY (16)

1. Col SMOOK

2. Major CLAREY
3. Capt DAVENPORT
4. Capt MACDOUGALL
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EDUCATION & RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS (4)

- 2. Major MURPHY
- 3. Capt TILROE
- 4.

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MONUMENTS & FINE ARTS (1)

1. Capt KELLER

HOUSING (2)

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MUNICIPAL COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES (1)

1.

CIVIL SERVICE REORGANIZATION (2)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

31 March, 1945

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SUBJECT : Assignment to
Education Subcommittee.

TO : Captain HENRY HUDSON,
AMG 8th Army.

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Dear Captain Hudson:

The Education Subcommittee needs an Education Officer for Venezia, to work with the Regional Education Officer.

Your background, and what Captain PRATT tells me about you personally, make me believe that this is work which you could do well and which you would find interesting and worth-while.

There is no more important work, from a long range view point, than that of getting the educational system of Italy into effective operation on a non-fascist basis. It is constructive work, and work which will use your full powers.

Before officially requesting that you be assigned to the Education Subcommittee I should like to know whether you would like to work with us. You and the Regional Education Officer (Major GREGORY) would be the only two Education Officers in the Region, and would have full responsibility and scope for your initiative.

May I have your views by return mail?

CARLETON W. WASHBURN *WR*
Lt.Col., AUS
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/10/1.3/AC

Tel. 489081-269

SUBJECT : Transfer of Enlisted Men.

5 March 1945

TO : CA Section.

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Reference your 4/3.2/CA, dated 4 March 1945.

1. Following enlisted men are assigned to the Education Subcommittee:

Sergeant Thomas J. Rizzuto , 32839639
Pvt. 1 cl Joseph Di Marco 12156558

2. Both the a/m enlisted men are essential to the Education Subcommittee.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, AUS
Director of Education.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: 4/3.2/CA.

Tel. Ext. 608

4 Mar 45.

SUBJECT: Transfer of Enlisted Men.

TO: See Distribution Below.

- 1 To furnish the required personnel for the Northern Regions and for Austria, it will be necessary to release one-eighth of the enlisted men of this Headquarters.
- 2 Sub-Commissions will render a report to this Section by 1400 hrs on 5 Mar 45, furnishing the following information:
 - (a) Army Number, Rank, and Name of all EM employed.
 - (b) Army Number, Rank, Name and Duty of personnel nominated for transfer. Recommendations for Austria must be clearly marked as such. Not more than 25% of those nominated for Austria can be personnel received in the recent exchange of limited assignment for general assignment men.

W.A.S. Holland, Major
for R.R. CRIPPS, Col.,
CSO CA Section.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

MGS-334-3

26 December 1943

SUBJECT : Assignment of Officers

TO : HQ AMG, CMF

Reference your memorandum dated 16 Dec. requesting Education of Officers, and our reply of 18 Dec.

1. The following four officers have been nominated for attachment to HQ AMG - Education Sub-Commission for work in Region 2.

Capt. Herman W. Keeney - O-217724, AUS
Capt. Paul L. Heilman - O-473505, AUS
Capt. Willis E. Pratt - O-521390, Sp. Res.
Capt. Samuel V. Nee - O-521655, Sp. Res.

2. The above officers will proceed with rear party AMG when called forward by HQ 15 Army Group.

(Sgd) ????????

HENRY PATRICIAN, JR.
Lt. Col.

Copy to M.G. Centre.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/1C/1.3/AC

February, 1945

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SUBJECT : Education Officer for
Piemonte Region.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Piemonte Region.

Reference your verbal request of 19 February, 1945.

1. Designation of Captain Samuel V. NOE to become Regional Education Officer and Captain Paul V. HEILMAN Education Officer for Piemonte Region is confirmed.

2. The application for Captains NOE and HEILMAN's assignments if deemed necessary, should be forwarded to Establishment Section for attention of G-1 American.

By Command of the Chief Commissioner:

G. R. UPJOHN, Brig.
Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section,
Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Additional Officers for
Northern Regions.

15 February, 1945

TO : VP, CA Section.

1. In further regard to the recommendation of this Subcommittee that Executive Officers be attached to Regional Education Officers for all northern Regions, may I suggest the following?

2. 1st Lieutenant R.W. CRIGHTON (A) was in the Education Subcommittee in Sicily, has been attached as an Education Officer in Toscana, and is now so attached in Emilia. He is assigned to Venezia as a P.O. If he could be made available to Captain NOE, under whom he has been working in Pisa, as an Executive Officer, he would be exceedingly helpful - he is efficient and he knows the ropes.

3. Captain G.F.T. WAGSTAFF (B) has been acting as Education Officer in Sardinia, in addition to his other duties. With the closing of the Sardinia Headquarters I do not know where he will be assigned. But in whatever Region he is, he could be most useful to the REO if assigned as Executive Officer to him. He is very efficient and a fast, hard worker.

4. 1st Lieutenant A.C. DE BELLIS (A) is P.A. to Brigadier CARR, but has been Acting Education Officer in Sicily. While he is utterly devoid of educational qualifications for the job, he is a remarkably good executive and gets jobs done swiftly and well. I suggested to Brigadier CARR that when Sicily closes down DE BELLIS be made available to us, and while he said he no longer needed DE BELLIS as an interpreter he didn't exactly leap to the idea of our taking him away. I don't know (and Brigadier CARR said he didn't) what either Brigadier CARR or DE BELLIS will be doing when the Sicily Headquarters is closed. But I do know that DE BELLIS would be an invaluable asset to one of our REO's in the north.

5. I shall be glad to have your advice as to whether you think it possible to get these men, and how I should proceed.

CARLETON W. WASHBURNE
Major, AUS
A/Director of Education.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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ED/1C/1.3/AC

13 February, 1945

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SUBJECT : Lombardia Region,
Education Officer.

TO : A/Executive Officer,
Lombardia Region.

Reference your R/A56/111 of 4 February.

1. Designation of Captain Willis E. PRATT to become Regional Education Officer for Lombardia is confirmed.
2. The application for Captain PRATT's assignment, if deemed necessary, should be forwarded to Establishments Section for attention of G-I American.

By Command of the Chief Commissioner:

G.R. Upjohn

G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.
Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section,
Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
ABO 394

EA/1C/1.3/AB

10 February 1945

SUBJECT: "Top Secret Control" Officer.

TO : Office of the Chief of Staff.

Reference paragraph 3 (a), Office Memorandum No. 2, this Headquarters,
dated 3 February 1945.

1. The following Officer is hereby designated "Top Secret Control"
Officer:

Captain JOSEPH V. VELLA
Executive Officer
Education Subcommittee

for: CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, A.U.S.
A/Director of Education

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
ABO 394

EA/16/1.3/AG

10 February 1945

SUBJECT: "Top Secret Control" Officer.

TO : Office of the Chief of Staff.

Reference paragraph 3 (a), Office Memorandum No. 2, this Headquarters,
dated 3 February 1945.

1. The following Officer is hereby designated "Top Secret Control"
Officer:

Captain JOSEPH V. VELLA
Executive Officer
Education Subcommittee

for: CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, A.U.S.
A/Director of Education

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/1C/1.3/AC

February, 1945

SUBJECT : Lombardia Region,
Education Officer.

TO : A/Executive Officer,
Lombardia Region.

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Reference your R/A56/111 of 4 February.

1. Designation of Captain Willis E. PRATT to become Regional Education Officer for Lombardia is confirmed.
2. Assignment of Captain PRATT to Lombardia Region will not be requested until first province of the Region is at least partly liberated, as Captain PRATT is urgently needed in his present assignment as Regional Education Officer in Emilia.
3. Captain PRATT will be attached t/d to Lombardia Region for a few days for planning if and when Lombardia Region Headquarters so requests.

By Command of the Chief Commissioner:

G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.
Vice President,
Civil Affairs Section,
Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
REGION LOMBARDIA
APO 394

4th February 1945

Reference: R/ASG/111

Subject : LOMBARDIA Region Personnel - Officers.

To : The Director,
Education Sub-Commission,
HQ, Allied Commission.

1. At a conference held 3 Feb 45 by the Chief of Staff to consider the above subject, the writer was ordered to ask the Sub-Commissions to supply, with all speed, the names of the officers selected for duty with Lombardia Region.

2. The undermentioned officer has been reported verbally as available for this Region.

Capt. Pratt.

3. It is requested that name/s be reported to the appropriate G-1 so that the necessary posting order may be issued. Officers so posted will remain on TD in their present position subject to recall at 48 hours notice. A copy of your letter to G-1 is requested for our file.

For the Acting Regional Commissioner:

A. S. CHES
A. S. CHES,
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Officer,
Lombardia Region

Capt. Pratt.

3. It is requested that name/s be reported to the appropriate G-1 so that the necessary posting order may be issued. Officers so posted will remain on TD in their present position subject to recall at 48 hours notice." A copy of your letter to G-1 is requested for our file.

For the Acting Regional Commissioner:

A. S. GILLES

A. S. GILLES,
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Officer,
Lombardia Region

to Lombardia Region.

Capt G-1. Advise me that they have their post in

hand, & order will be sent in due course

9 Feb 48

R. R. G. [Signature]

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Education Subcommittee
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Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Assignment of Officers.

8 February 1945

TO : Vice President, Civil Affairs Section.

1. In the light of our conference yesterday and the conference this morning with the Northwest Regions planning group, I wish to add the following recommendation for Emilia.

2. If Emilia opens up at approximately the same time as the Northern Regions, the situation there will be similar, and Major Vesselo will not be able to handle the job alone.

3. Since spare officers to act as executive officers appear to be very scarce, and since Major Vesselo must have assistance, I recommend that Capt. H.R. Beard be assigned to Emilia as executive officer to the Regional Education Officer.

4. You know that I do not consider Capt. Beard well qualified for work in the Education Subcommittee. But he is decidedly better than no one. He acted as Major Koopman's executive officer in Sicily last year and was helpful despite his shortcomings. Major Vesselo, who knows him well, would greatly prefer having him to not having any executive officer.

5. Capt. Beard will be eligible for release or transfer as soon as Major Magnus is broken in. He is next on the list, I understand, for return to England, and after his long overseas service is justly eager to return home. But in the present emergency it seems to me that we would be justified in holding him here for two or three months.

6. If more than one of our officers goes to Austria we will be below ceiling strength. But if we are able to get both Capt. Tilroe and Major Murphy released from Austria earmarking, could not Capt. Beard be assigned to Emilia on general strength and then put on the education job?

7. In essence, Vesselo will need help in Emilia. Beard is so far unassigned and would be of material help, if a way can be found of assigning him.

Carleton Washburne
CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, US
Director of Education.

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Education Subcommittee
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24 January 1945

SUBJECT : Promotions.

TO : Chairman, Promotions Board
(Personal attention of Col. FISKE).

1. May I point out the following facts in regard to the under mentioned officers whom this Subcommittee recommends for immediate promotion?

Captain Willis E. PRATT, O-521390 (in grade 20 months)
Captain Sam V. NOE , O-521655 (in grade 20 months)
Major Charles BIRT , O-511433 (in grade 24 months).

2. Captain PRATT is Regional Education Officer for Emilia and Education Officer for VIII Army. He is working actively right behind the combat lines. The VIII Army SCAO has recognized the need for having the Regional Education Officer assigned to VIII Army and at work in VIII Army territory for the following purposes:

- a) To protect schools and university buildings and technical and scientific equipment;
- b) To make ready for the opening of schools as soon as possible after actual combat moves forward;
 - (1) To get children out from under foot in areas through which troops and supplies are moving;
 - (2) To decrease pilfering of army supplies;
 - (3) To prevent disorder by gangs of boys;
 - (4) To prevent unrest among civilians who fear both loss of educational opportunity and increase of juvenile delinquency when schools are not opened.

3. Captain PRATT has been outstandingly successful in this work. He opened the schools of Florence under V Army on General Hume's orders, and has already opened three fourths of the schools in Forli' province in Emilia on orders from the SCAO VIII Army. It is impossible to speak too highly of Captain PRATT's energy, initiative, responsibility, and efficiency. He should be promoted to Major immediately.

I attach hereto copy of letter from Colonel BOWMAN, Regional Commissioner for Emilia, to the Chief Commissioner bearing out these same points and this strong recommendation of Captain PRATT.

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4. For exactly the same reasons Captain Sam V. BOE should be promoted to Major now. He succeeded Captain FIATT as V Army Education Officer for the City of Florence, and was then made V Army Education Officer for all V Army territory as well as Regional Education Officer for Toscana. He too has opened schools promptly and efficiently as far forward as the V Army has considered it to be safe. General HUME has personally told me how highly he valued his services, and how essential he considers it to be to have an education officer work in Army areas from the beginning.

5. Major Charles BUNT was Regional Education and Welfare Officer for old Region V, and worked in the same way in VIII Army territory in Marche and Abruzzi swinging the double load of Education and Welfare with great energy and efficiency. He is now assigned to Piemonte and, while waiting is doing an outstanding welfare job in salvaging army clothing and blankets. By his sole initiative he will go into Piemonte with 7500 blankets and many tons of clothing, ready to do an immediate welfare job. He has been in grade as a Major for over twenty four months and should unquestionably be promoted to a Lieutenant Colonelcy.

6. In closing, may I reemphasize three points in regard to all three men?

- a) They work in forward AMG and Army Areas, where no civilian could take their place.
- b) They are doing work considered to be of high importance by the Army SCAG's and by MC's in Military Government territory.
- c) They are men who are devoted to their work, are loyal and efficient, and have shown initiative far beyond the line of duty.

7. This Subcommittee urges the promotion of all three without further delay.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, AUS
A/Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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15 Jan. 1945

SUBJECT / Promotions

TO : Deputy Chief of Staff,
Establishment Section.

1. I find that no officers of the Education Subcommittee were recommended for promotion at recent meetings of the Allied Commission promotions board.
2. May I call your attention to the fact that in the entire life of the Education Subcommittee no American officer above the rank of second lieutenant, and no enlisted man, ^{has} assigned had a promotion, while every British officer who has ever been to the Education Subcommittee has been promoted?
3. May I also call your attention to the fact that the American officers of the Education Subcommittee have, in terms of previous preparation and efficiency, initiative, energy, responsibility, and intelligence, been at least equal to the British officers?
4. The effect on the morale of some of these American officers of seeing their devoted and effective work unrecognized by promotions while their British colleagues are promoted, is harmful to them personally and therefore to the Subcommittee. It is also manifestly unjust. 3309
5. The policy of AFHQ that promotions should not be recommended for officers of subcommittees which are likely to become civilianized does not apply to such officers as Captain Sam V. Noe, O-521655, and Captain Willis E. Pratt, O-521390, who are serving exclusively in forward areas, as education officers for 5th and 8th Armies AMG, and Regional Education Officers for Toscana and Emilia, which are Military Government Territory. I submit, further, that it should not apply to the A/Director of the Education Subcommittee, Major Carleton W. Washburne, O-518332, whose duties require him to visit forward areas and who, in the opinion of the Vice President of the Civil Affairs Section, should remain an officer even if there are civilian substitutions in the headquarters of the Subcommittee.

6. It is, therefore, urgently requested that recommendations for the promotion of Captains PRATT and NOE be immediately forwarded to AFHQ. Recommendations by their Regional Commissioners and by the Education Subcommittee are on file. Both have been in grade twenty months.

7. It is also recommended that the following Enlisted Men be given promotions in accordance with previous recommendations in the files of each :

Sergeant Thomas J. Rizzuto,	32829639
Pvt 1 Cl Joseph Di Marco,	12156558
Tec 5 Gr John V. Apicella,	32406987 (Co. M)

8. It is also requested that the case of the promotion of the undersigned be given consideration, he being the only Subcommittee head with rank below Lieutenant Colonel and having been repeatedly recommended by his predecessor for promotion. He has been in grade twenty months.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, AUS
A/Director of Education.

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Education Subcommittee
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16 January 1945

SUBJECT: Promotions.

TO : Commandin Officer,
2675th Regiment.

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CARLTON W. WASHBURN
Major, A. U. S.
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Tel. 489081 - 236

SUBJECT : Planning for Northern Italy.

5 February, 1945

TO : VP, CA Section.

1. In the plan recently submitted to you (32A) I specified the Regional Education Officers for the Northern Regions. I wish now to point out to you the very grave difficulty that will confront these officers if they do not have competent assistance, and to suggest what that assistance should be.

2. As we have moved up the peninsula we have been able to put three education officers - or more - in each Region successively; furthermore, since the Regions have been occupied gradually, we have usually been able to let one officer concentrate for at least a couple of weeks on a single province. This has proved to be an intensive full-time job, and has been very effective.

3. In the north we may be taking over all three Regions in their entirety almost simultaneously. Ideally we should have, for a month, an education officer for each province, or twenty officers for the three Northwest Regions - a manifest impossibility. But three education officers, unaided, are quite inadequate to the initial work of the first month or two, in highly populous and vitally important Regions.

4. We are already planning Italian civilian aid. The Minister has been asked to get a pool established for us from which we can select a few very competent school officials to coordinate the work of the provveditori agli studi of the various provinces, and, as employees of AMG, carry into execution the orders of the Regional Education Officers. This plan, which worked well in Sicily and is now working very effectively in Marche-Abruzzi, will ease the situation.

5. The situation will be further greatly helped if we can get an executive officer for each Regional Education Officer. The executive officer does not need to be a specialist in education - policies are already established and directives are prepared. The Regional Education Officers are all technically trained and experienced educational specialists. Their administrative and office work is important and time consuming, but does not require their specialized ability. It is therefore requested that if officer personnel (rank unimportant) can be found an executive officer be assigned to each of the Regional Education Officers for the three Northwest Regions; and one for Venezia.

6. Of the officers earmarked for Austria, one (Captain TILROE) could be of material help to one of the Regional Education Officers. On the other hand, Major MURPHY, Regional Education Officer for Southern Region, could hardly be asked to be an assistant to Captain NOE, Captain PRATT or 1st Lt. SIMONI in the North. Nor should he go in as chief over one of them, since each of them has had extensive experience in opening up new Regions while he has had none, and they have all been much longer in the Education Subcommittee. It would be disastrous to the morale of the man MURPHY replaced as head and make for inefficiency instead of increased efficiency, were he to be assigned as Regional Education Officer over SIMONI, NOE, or PRATT. The same is even more true of Major LUND, with the further complicating factor that LUND has no interest in helping Italian education and is keenly desirous of going to Austria. Therefore our Northern situation would not be helped by removing Major MURPHY or Major LUND from the team earmarked for Austria. It would be however, be helped by removing Captain TILROE who could assist Captain PRATT in Lombardia.

7. Captain HEILMAN, who has worked under Captain NOE for nearly a year, can and should, if left on our strength, go with him to Piemonte. While HEILMAN is seriously lacking in initiative, he carries out instructions faithfully and satisfactorily, and is a real help to Captain NOE. Since we are losing two men to Austria it should not be necessary to declare HEILMAN surplus as we originally intended when we added Major LUND to the Subcommittee.

8. Of the remaining officers, Major GREGORY is assigned to Venezia; Major VESSELO will have to replace Captain PRATT in Emilia; and Captain VELLA and Major MAGNUS are needed at Headquarters. This accounts for the whole present personnel, as summarized in the following chart of proposed organization when the North and Austria open up:

Headquarters :	Major WASHBURN - Director
	Captain VELLA - Executive Officer
	Major MAGNUS - Text books and Supplies
Liguria :	Lieutenant SIMONI
Piemonte :	Captain NOE, Captain HEILMAN
Lombardia :	Captain PRATT, Captain TILROE
Venezia :	Major GREGORY
Emilia :	Major VESSELO (temporarily, then revert to Headquarters)
Austria :	Major LUND, Major MURPHY.

9. As to Venezia, Major GREGORY will need help. Major MURPHY could be of great assistance here and could, I believe, work as GREGORY's deputy temporarily. I would suggest that if possible Major MURPHY's assignment to Austria be postponed until at least one month after the opening of Venezia.

10. In summary, the action which this Subcommittee requests is as follows:

a) Attempt to find four unspecialized executive officers to assist the Regional Education Officers of Liguria, Piemonte, Lombardia, and Venezia, and assign them to the Education Subcommittee.

b) Get permission to raise the ceiling of officers for the Education Subcommittee from 11 to 16 temporarily, to allow the earmarking of two officers for Austria, and the assigning of executive officers to REO's, with agreement to drop ceiling to 11 within two months of liberation of the Northern Regions.

c) Remove Captain TILOE from team earmarked for Austria, at least for a period of two months following the liberation of the Northern Regions.

d) Secure postponement of assignment of Major MURPHY to Austria until at least one month after the liberation of Venezia.

11. The effectiveness of the work of the Education Subcommittee in the Northern Regions will be effective in almost exact ratio to the degree to which it is possible to carry through the four recommendations in paragraph 10.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, AUS
A/Director of Education.

Note:

General plan for assigning Executive Officers to each Regional Education Officer approved, ~~but~~ subject to availability of such officers ^{within the Region} for full or part time work ~~within the~~ (Northern Region Planning Committee, 7 Feb.)

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Tel. 489081-236

SUBJECT : Assignment of Officers, Northern Regions

2 February 1945

TO : Regional Commissioners,
Liguria Region.
Piemonte Region.
Lombardia Region.

1. The following officers are, in accordance with our conversation, designated for the a/m Regions as Regional Education Officers :

Liguria : 1st Lt. John P. Simoni (A)O-1798303, now Regional Education Officer, Marche-Abruzzi.
Piemonte : Capt. Samuel V. Noe (A)O-521655, now Regional Education Officer, Toscana, and V Army Education Officer.
Lombardia : Capt. Willis E. Pratt (A)O-521390, now Regional Education Officer, Emilia, and VIII Army Education Officer.

3. Each of these officers will remain in his present assignment until actual liberation of at least part of one province of the Northern Region for which he is designated. Any one of them may be called in for a few days for planning, however, on request of the Regional Commissioner of the Northern Region of his future assignment.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, AUS
A/Director of Education.

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2 February, 1945

SUBJECT : Assignment to
Northern Regions.

TO : Regional Education Officer,
Toscana Region.

1. Following our recent telephone conversation, I have investigated further the question of assigning you to Piemonte rather than Lombardia.
2. Colonel MARSHALL, Regional Commissioner for Piemonte, has especially requested that you be the officer assigned to his Region.
3. The Regional Commissioner for Lombardia has requested Captain PRATT. I am informed that most of the Piemonte team are at work in Toscana now. The Lombardia team are scattered, mostly in Lazio-Umbria, but a small number each in Emilia and Toscana.
4. It is further said that the particular officer with whom you desired to work is unlikely to be in Lombardia for more than a very brief time -- I have this from two fairly high sources.
5. Your reasons for preferring to go to Lombardia do not therefore seem to be valid and the reasons for assigning you to Piemonte have been considerably strengthened by the investigation.
6. Unless and until I receive a request from you to the contrary, your assignment will remain Piemonte. But you need not consider the matter as finally closed and I shall be glad to have you comment freely and frankly. I assure you that your wishes will receive my earnest consideration.

CARLETON W. WASHBURN
Major, AUS
A/Director of Education.

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel. Ext. 525/

1 Feb 45

Ref: 9.2
4/1A/CA.

SUBJECT: Planning for N. Italy (Personnel)

TO: See Distribution.

- 1 In connection with the provision of Allied personnel for N. Italy, the C.O.S. has laid down:
 - (a) Directors of Sub-Commissions will treat the provision of personnel for the Northern Regions as a first priority.
Personnel should in the first place be withdrawn from this Hq., leaving the bare minimum at Hq necessary for efficient working.
Secondly, Directors must, if necessary, be ruthless in withdrawing personnel from Southern Region, Sicily and Sardinia.
 - (b) Personnel assigned to the Northern Regions in accordance with the foregoing should not be earmarked for Austria.
- 2 It is appreciated that this may give rise to some difficulty, but if necessary the earmarking of officers for Austria must be revised.
- 3 Directors will contact the Regional Commissioners of Liguria, Piemonte and Lombardia Regions at the earliest opportunity and agree with them the personnel to be posted to these Regions.

G.R. Upjohn
G.R. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section,
DCOS AC.

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Displaced Persons & Repat. S/C,
Legal S/C,
Local Government S/C,
Monuments, Fine Arts & Archives S/C,
Public Health S/C,
Public Safety S/C,
Patriots Branch,
Devastated Areas Branch.

Copy to: Establishment Section,
N.W. Italy Planning.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
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Ref : 4/40B/CA

1 Feb 45.

SUBJECT : Planning North West Italy

TO :	Local Government S/C	Public Safety S/C
	Legal S/C	Patriots Branch
	Education S/C	MFA & S/C
	Public Health S/C	Displaced Persons & Repatriation S/C

Following for information is an extract from the minutes of a Conference held on 31 Jan 45 of the NW Italy Coordinating Planning Committee :

"Personnel."

- a. Chief of Staff require Regional Staff proposals on THU or FRI 1 or 2 Feb.
- b. Plans must be realistic in approach and were to aim at enough officers for the job with mobility.
- c. Sections and Sub-Commissions were to plan and assign staffs in accordance with R.Cs and be ruthless in pulling necessary personnel first from R.Qs and then from Sicily, Sardinia or So Region.
- d. Technical officers to be selected from names on AC estab. Calling of CADs however might be supplemented from Army.
- e. Austria selection. In answer to Brig Upjohn, C of S determined that :
 - i. In general officers assigned to Northern Regions were NOT to be earmarked for Austria.
 - ii. If already earmarked, adjustments must now be made.
 - iii. For future assignments Austria names to be excluded.
 - iv. New AUSTRIA list arrived this morning needed examination in this light.*

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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Tel. Ext. 608

Ref: ED/IC/1.3/AC

18 Jan 45.

SUBJECT: Promotion of American Officers.

To: Establishment Section.
(Attn: Col. Fiske.)

- 1 Attached please find a letter received from the Director of the Education Sub-Commission with regard to promotions of the American officers under his control.
- 2 I consider it most unfortunate that it has not been found possible to promote any of the American officers working in this field and request that it may be given attention in order that some equality with British officers may be obtained. Both Capt. Sam V. NOE and Capt. Willie E. PRATT are, of course, serving in the forward areas and there can be no question of officers so employed being replaced by civilians, now or at any time in the future while operations are in progress.
- 3 I am given to understand that it was upon some such grounds as these, i.e. that their posts were likely to be filled by civilians, that both these officers have been passed over for promotion. This I consider grossly unfair. The question of an officer's future employment should not be allowed to prejudice his present entitlement to promotion if his manner of performance warrants it and he has the necessary time in grade.
- 4 Furthermore I consider that the case of Maj. Carleton T. WASHBURN should also receive your urgent attention in view of the fact that he carries heavy responsibilities in his assignment as Acting Director of the Education Sub-Commission.

G.R. UPTON, Brig.,
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