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LITTORIA PROVINCE
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
REGION 4, APC 394
EDUCATION DIVISION
SUB - HEADQUARTER

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29 June 1944.

TO. REGIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER, REGION IV

SUBJECT. DAILY REPORT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

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2. Visited the provveditorato and found the Germans had thoroughly wrecked the premises and destroyed many of the records. However we now have several civilians and one former clerk cleaning up the mess and attempting to straighten out the records.
3. Most of the school buildings in this city have remained intact although some have been destroyed. Will have a full report on this situation in the near future.
4. There are in the city now only one teacher and few children although they may be expected to return in a few days. Tomorrow I will have a report on all the teachers who were here at the time of the invasion.
5. There is no available material for a provveditore here and I expect to go to either Rome or Naples to find someone there to take over. However, I have an appointment with the Prefect in the morning to discuss the matter with him.
6. At a staff meeting this afternoon, the Brigadier expressed a wish to have the schools operate all summer. I hope we may be able to have schools in these three provinces in full operation within a month. Hence it will be necessary for us to have textbooks immediately under the conditions. Would it be possible to assign Simoni to the task of having some reprints made in Naples for this purpose if paper can be found in Rome?

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7. As soon as I have found a provveditore for here and have him on the way, I will go to Frosinone and try to get them started over there. Then as soon as we have freedom of action in Roma Province I will be ready to try to go on there. All of this is, of course, dependent upon your wishes in the matter. I am now trying to project a plan of action.

8. Apicella has been of invaluable help in getting an office organized here and I trust I may keep him with me until we have the three southern offices established, that is, if you can get along without him for that period of time.

9. Conditions here are very bad so far as civilian life is concerned, and army life for that matter. There is no water, no electricity and few people. As you can imagine there is much destruction.

10. As I reported yesterday I have confirmed the report that there was practically no school in any place in the province during the past year. The Brigadier seemed pleased that schools were to open on Monday in Gaeta.

11. I will attempt to send you a report as often as time allows in order that you may be kept informed of the situation here at all times. I shall try to come to the headquarters at Frosinone sometime next week.

WILLIS M. BRATT
Capt. A.U.S.
Dep./Regional Education
Officer

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17/JUNE/1944

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TO REGIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER

SUBJECT REPORT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

1. Yesterday morning I had a long session with Prof. Casetti and have made all arrangements for him to take over the duties as provveditore on Monday. His Scheds is quite clear and I believe there will be no question about his appointment.

2. Met with all the C.A.O.'s of the province yesterday and they are most cooperative. We now have schools opened in four or five communes and will have those in the city of Littoria and in many other communes of the province open this coming week.

3. I am sorry for the delay in returning Corporal Apicello to you. As you will know from his account, he and two of the other men had an accident yesterday when they went to Anzio to call for our car. Apicello is going to Rome today to the hospital and will call upon you. He will return here tonight and then I will bring him back on Monday when our car will be repaired.

4. I expect to stay with you on Monday evening if accommodations are available. Am I to assume that you will arrange for a provincial office for Education in Rome Province for me to use as soon as you are ready to turn over the province to me?

5. I hope to be in Frasimone for two or three days next week, return here and then have two or three days to spend in each of the three provinces each week from that time on. Does this meet with your approval?

6. As you now view the situation, does it appear feasible to continue to have my headquarters here for the three southern provinces? I will be most happy to make any arrangements which you desire in this or in any other matter.

Willis E. Pratt
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Capt. A.U.S.

Dep/ Regional Education Officer

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15/JUNE/1944

TO REGIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER, REGION IV

SUBJECT REPORT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

1. Have prepared instructions for sindacoe of each commune for the opening of schools at the earliest possible time. These will be issued through the three C.A.O. s in the province at a meeting to be held here tomorrow. These instructions call for the opening of all schools before 25/June/1944.

2. Conferred with Col. Howe, Regional Finance Officer, concerning amount and method of payment of teachers. I requested him to discuss the matter with you further before a regional policy was definitely determined. The following is in general the agreement we reached:

a. In schools which opened during the month of June, all teachers would be paid salaries from 1/June/1944.

b. The payment of teachers, di ruolo, for months previous to this date would be a matter for the Italian government when it takes over.

c. For the operation of all schools in the province, the Provveditore will present a monthly budget to the Education Officer who will submit it to the Finance Officer for approval. Disbursements will then be made by the Intendenza Finanza. Pending the arrival here of the Intendenza Finanza, disbursements will be made by the Provveditore with funds provided by the Finance Officer.

3. In most of the schools children have attended for only two months or less during the past year. We are preparing, therefore, to open all schools not later than 25/June/1944 and operate them until 30/September/1944. to complete the current school year. We would then have the next school year begin 1/October/ 1944 and thus students would not lose a full year of school. I trust that this scheme meets with your approval.

4. I have just had word this evening that the Provveditore agli Studi, Prof. Cassetti, who has resided in Rome during the past few months, will be here in the morning in response to my request. I have investigated his qualifications and believe him to be the best possible candidate for temporary provveditore. 1513

5. Tomorrow a meeting of the provincial staff will be held at which time I will present materials to the C.A.O.'s for the opening of schools. Copies of these materials are enclosed for your information.
6. More teachers and pupils have returned to Litteria Province and buildings here are now ready for occupancy.
- 7/ I have requested Beard to make available, if possible, more books and quaderni for Litteria and Trosinone Provinces from the supply on hand at Naples.
8. I learned today that Regional Headquarters are in Rome and so will plan to bring Apicello to headquarters immediately. I expect to come to Rome on Monday, at the latest, and go on to Trosinone from there.

Willis E. Pratt

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Dep/ Regional Education Officer

GOVERNO MILITARE ALGERIA
DIREZIONE DELL'EDUCAZIONE
COMUNE DI SIRMONE

14 giugno 1944.

1. Allo scopo di mettere in condizione gli alunni del comune di Sirmone affinché non perdano l'anno scolastico, la scuola si riaprirà il 10 settembre 1944.
2. Dispengo pertanto che tutti i capi d'istituto e l'insegnanti elementari e medi, vengano (al più presto possibile) per prendere opportuni provvedimenti.
3. Invito altresì le famiglie che debbono iscrivero i figliuoli a presentarsi alle ore dove troveranno un insegnante (sparto tutti i giorni) che iscriverà gli alunni secondo la classe a cui appartengono.
4. Dovrebbero frequentare la scuola elementari tutti i ragazzi che non abbiano compiuto i 14 anni.
5. Conto sulla collaborazione di tutto il corpo insegnante nell'interesse della popolazione scolastica.

PER IL COMISSARIO PROVINCIALE

R. A. COLLIER
CAPTAIN
C. A. O.
Littoria Gruppo

VILLIS E. PRATT
CAPTAIN, A.U.S.
Dep/ufficiale Regionale
dell'Educazione

1. In order that the students of this comune of Sirmone will not lose a school year, the schools will open and will remain open until September 30, 1944.
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4. Dovrebbero frequentare le scuole elementari tutti i ragazzi che non abbiano compiuto i 14 anni.

5. Conto sulle collaborazioni di tutto il corpo insegnante nell'interesse della popolazione scolastica.

PER IL COMISSARIO PROVINCIALE

R. A. COLLIER
CAPTAIN
C. J. G.
Lettera Grupimento

WILLIE E. PRATT
CAPTAIN, A.E.S.
Rep/ufficiale Nazionale
Dell'Educazione

1. In order that the students of this commune of Serranosta will not lose a school year, the schools will open _____ and will remain open until September 30, 1944.

2. Therefore all heads of Institutions and Elementary and Secondary teachers will come to the _____ at the earliest convenience.

3. Also families who have children to enroll will call at the _____ where they will find a clerk who will enroll the students according to the class in which they belong.

4. All elementary school children up to 14 years of age ought to attend.

5. We enlist the co-operation of the whole teaching body in the interest of the school children.

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