

ACC

10000/144/354

10000/144/354

MONTHLY REPORTS, GENERAL
MAY - SEPT. 1945

7J 210

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 391

29 September 1945.

File No: PR/ED/24/1/6

Subject: MONTHLY REPORT OF THE EDUCATION OFFICE, AMG PIEDMONTE REGION
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1945.To: HQ.AC. -Education Sub Commission
(Through: Regional Commissioner, Piedmonte Region)

- +++++
1. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS WITH THE FIELD.
 2. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.
 3. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM.
 4. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.
 5. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.
 6. TEXT-BOOKS.
 7. SCHOOL LUNCHES.
 8. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.
 9. YOUTH ACTIVITIES.
 10. UNIVERSITY OF TURIN AND OTHER HIGHER INSTITUTES.
 11. MISCELLANEOUS.
 12. PERSONNEL.
- +++++

4448

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To:

1. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS IN THE FIELD

a. The weekly contacts with the Provveditori agli Studi have continued through the month. The visits of the education officers to the provinces include contacting the Provincial Commissioner and where necessary a conference with him and the Provveditore agli Studi.

b. The final monthly conference of all Provveditori agli Studi was held in the Regional Education Office on Friday, 28 September, at which time, problems relative to the opening of schools were discussed, and instructions given for the continuance of the work without the Education Officers.

II. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL

a. There have been no important changes in school personnel.

b. Prof. Mario Gliozzi who had just assumed his duties as Provveditore agli Studi of Cuneo Province at the time of our last report, is functioning in a satisfactory manner.

c. The threatened resignation of Prof. Lozza, Provveditore agli Studi of Alessandria Province, because of political pressure has apparently been settled with Prof. Lozza continuing in office.

III. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM.

a. Nothing new to report.

b. Although many cases have been reviewed and acted upon, no Provincial Epuration Commission has completed its work according to information available to this office.

IV. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.

Provincial Commissioners have been most helpful in clearing school buildings and the Provveditori are all well pleased with the present building situation.

V. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.

a. Nothing new to report.

4467

-2-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To:

VI. TEXT-BOOKS

a. During the month of September one of the officers of this division personally took copies or manuscripts of 61 elementary text-books, which had been approved by the Regional Elementary Text-book Committee, to Rome for final approval by the Minister of Public Instruction. Of this number 45 were approved, 8 were approved subject to indicated modifications, and 8 were rejected.

b. In the secondary field 257 text-books have been approved by the regional committee for secondary text-books, 187 were approved subject to modifications, and 5 were rejected.

VII. SCHOOL LUNCHES

a. A letter of instructions and information regarding school lunches and a blank to be used by Sindaci for requesting school lunches was prepared and sent to the Prefects for distribution to all Communes.

b. These letters and blanks were checked by the Food and Agriculture Divisions.

c. Copies of these forms have also been distributed to the Provveditori for their information.

VIII. SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

a. Nothing new to report.

IX. YOUTH ACTIVITIES

a. The second turn of the Summer Colonies continued to function into the month of September.

b. Interest in Boy Scout activities continues to grow in various parts of the region.

c. Guglielmo Tedesco has been appointed Regional Boy Scout Commissioner for Piemonte. He arrived in Turin early in September, contacted this office, and is now on the job.

d. The Regional Education Officer in company with Mr. Tedesco attended a meeting of citizens of Alessandria to discuss Boy Scout activities.

-3-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 391

File No:

Subject:

To:

X. UNIVERSITIES AND HIGHER INSTITUTES OF LEARNINGa. University of Turin.

1. The work of the Epuration Committee has been completed, approved and sent to the Minister of Public Instruction.
2. Prof. Mario Allara was unanimously elected rector of the university.
3. The four faculties whose buildings were destroyed have now moved into a Fascist building assigned to them through this office.

b. Politecnico.

1. Epuration has been completed and the administration is planning to hold the election for the rectorship in the near future.
2. The administration reports everything in readiness for the new year.

c. Conservatory of Music

1. Epuration completed, approved and report sent to Rome.
2. Faculty all set with building intact for the new school year.

d. Academy of Fine Arts

1. Epuration completed, approved and report sent to Rome.
2. Despite damages to buildings, substitutes have been found and the administration is all set for a complete program for this school year.

e. Istituto Galileo Ferraris

Epuration complete. Institution is functioning as well as present industrial situation will allow.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. The opening dates for elementary schools have been moved forward to 1 Oct and for secondary schools to 8 Oct in order to ^{to} 14/5

-4-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

(continued)

File No:

Subject:

To:

take advantage of the good weather.

b. Captain Noe and Captain Heilman have been relieved from duty as of the 29 September and are to be returned to the States. These two officers have had a very unique experience in AMG in that they have worked in the same capacity in three Regions and have served together for 20 months.

c. PFC William Certer has also served for 13 months in two Regions with these officers. He has been chief clerk, office manager, field agent and general utility man. He has performed many duties in a highly satisfactory manner. He will continue to run the Education Office with Inspector Tortonese until the turnover. They will act as liaison between the Sub Commission and the Provveditori.

d. Another person who has worked in two Regions with the Education officers is Mrs. Florence Belvederi, an American, who has been a very efficient stenographer and interpreter.

XII. SUMMARY

1. This Region has a very satisfactory group of Provveditori agli Studi as school leaders who were either appointed by the C.L.N. before our arrival and confirmed in office by us or selected by us after consultation with the various Regional and Provincial Officials and leaders.

2. Monthly meetings of the Provveditori agli Studi have been held in the Regional Education Office. In addition, weekly contact with each Provveditore has been maintained by personal visits by the Education Officers. A Central Inspector from the Ministero at Rome was assigned to this office and we have used him to the fullest possible extent, making him familiar with all of our operations so that we may hand over the functions of this office with the least possible interruptions.

3. 45 elementary text-books have been approved, 8 have been approved subject to indicated modifications and 8 were rejected. 257 Secondary text-books have been approved, 187 have been approved subject to modification, and 5 have been rejected.

4. We have not as yet received final reports on the dispositions

6/6/64

-5-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

+ (continued)

File No:

Subject:

To:

of the large number of teachers whose schede have been submitted to Provincial Epuration Committees. Many Presidi have been reinstated.

5. Building conditions in Piemonte Region are satisfactory. Practically all occupied buildings will be free by the opening of the school term.

6. 80 projects for repair of buildings have been approved.

7. More than 11,000 children were cared for in summer colonies where meals were served and a well rounded recreational program provided.

8. All of the higher institutes of learning have or will shortly complete their work of Epuration and all are ready to function this school year.

9. Boy and Girl Scout activities are progressing slowly but satisfactorily.

10. The Provveditori are making plans for a complete school-lunch program.

XIII. PERSONNEL

Capt. Samuel V. NOE
Capt. Paul Heilman
Pfc Wm C Carter
Mrs. Florence Belvederi
Mr. Reno Gillio

Regional Education Officer
Education Officer
Office Assistant
Jr. Adm. Assistant
Interpreter and Translator

Sam V. NOE

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

75.218

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No: PR/ED/24/1/5

1 September 1945.

Subject: MONTHLY REPORT OF THE EDUCATION OFFICE, AMG PIEMONTE
To: REGION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1945.
HQ AC Education Subcommittee
(Through: Regional Commissioner, Piemonte Region)

+++++

1. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS WITH THE FIELD.
2. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.
3. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM.
4. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.
5. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.
6. TEXT-BOOKS.
7. SCHOOL LUNCHES.
8. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.
9. YOUTH ACTIVITIES
10. UNIVERSITY OF TURIN AND OTHER HIGHER INSTITUTES.
11. MISCELLANEOUS.
12. PERSONNEL.

+++++

4442

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 391

File No:

Subject:

To :

I. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS IN THE FIELD

1. The weekly visits to every Provveditorato in the Region have continued throughout the month. Prior to our conferences with the Provveditori, we always contact either the Provincial Commissioner or his official to whom has been delegated the responsibility of handling the scholastic problems. In this way we have been able to maintain at all times a clear concept of the Educational situation in the Province.

2. The Monthly Conference with the Provveditori agli Studi was held 7 August with all the Provveditori in attendance.

II. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.

1. All requests for transfers have been forwarded to the Ministero or to the various Provveditorati.

2. Prof. Adolfo Ruata resigned as Provveditore of Cuneo Province because of health reasons. Prof. Mario Gliozzi has been named acting Provveditore. He was recommended for this position by the Regional School Committee of the C.L.N. and by Inspector Tortonese. Unfortunately he does not have a very prepossessing personality and in his first week in office has made a very poor impression upon the Provincial Commissioner. Captain Heilman is spending much time with him and will give him every possible opportunity to make good on the job.

3. Prof. Lozza, Provveditore agli Studi of Alessandria Province submitted his resignation to this office. It was not accepted and because of the political factors involved this detailed report is given:

Subject: Political situation in Alessandria

To : Regional Education Officer

1. On the 25 August 1945, I was called to Alessandria by the Provincial Education Officer because of the threatened resignation of the Provveditore agli Studi of Alessandria Province.

2. It was found that this situation had been brought about by political pressure exerted by the Christian-Democratic party. ⁴⁴¹ Representatives of this party claimed that they had been promised by the C.L.N. that a Christian Democrat would be named as Provveditore

-2-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To :

agli Studi even before Allied occupation.

3. Prof. Lozza, a Communist, had been named by C.L.N. before Allied occupation and he was found acceptable, recommended by the Provincial Commissioner and approved by the Regional Commissioner.

4. It was pointed out to the representatives of the Christian Democrats that: (1) We were under no obligation to carry out promises of the C.L.N. (2) They were rather tardy in presenting their claim after Prof Lozza had served for over three months during the most critical and trying times (3) We were not concerned as to the politics of educational officials (4) Prof. Lozza had worked hard at his work and was highly satisfactory in his position (5) Their request appeared to be a political manoeuvre to have another person confirmed in office before the Minister took over. (6) We were well satisfied with Prof. Lozza and had no desire to make a change at this late hour, select a new man, and train him for the work with no assurance that he would be as good as Prof. Lozza.

5. The representatives of the Christian Democrats stated that they had no objections to Prof. Lozza as a man or an educator and that he had not used his office for political purposes. They simply wanted some one of their party named as Provveditore agli Studi in fulfilment of the promise they claimed had been made by the C.L.N.

6. The C.L.N. Committee of the schools was questioned and the members, other than the Christian Democrat who was not present, were enthusiastic for Prof. Lozza. They were unanimous in their opinion that he should continue in office. They stated that an overwhelming majority of the people of Alessandria were pleased with Prof. Lozza.

7. Prof. Lozza stated that he wished to continue in office and complete his work, if the Allied Military Government wished him to do so. He was assured that it was our desire that he continue.

8. It is the opinion of the Provincial Commissioner, the Provincial Education Officer, and the Regional Education Division that Prof. Lozza should continue as Provveditore agli Studi of Alessandria Province. Prof. Lozza is hard-working, always on the job, serious in his attitude toward his duties, and has displayed initiative and administrative ability. Since Prof. Lozza is one of our very best Provveditori agli Studi, it would seem absurd to even consider a change at this time.

PAUL L. HEILMAN, *47/0* M.P.
EDUCATION OFFICER
PIEMONTE REGION.

-3-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To :

III. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM

a. This office can only report that the Provveditori have done all that they can do in the matter of pushing the work of Defascism. They have supplied to the Provincial Epuration Commissions all the necessary data requested and the scheda of all personnel to be investigated. Their advisory committees have done very satisfactory work in examining the records of teachers in grades X to XII and in making recommendations concerning their status. Whenever a teacher has been recommended for suspension by the Provveditore and his committee, the scheda of that teacher has been forwarded to the Provincial Epuration Committee for its consideration.

b. Up to date no Province has reported that the work of epuration of school personnel has been completed by the Provincial Epuration Committee. This delay will cause many difficulties for the Provveditori in assigning their personnel and providing for substitutes for the coming school year. Provincial Commissioners are being urged to have this work completed as soon as possible.

IV. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY

a. Aosta reports that 29 buildings with 78 rooms are still occupied by Allied Forces and 7 buildings with 30 rooms by Italian Military Forces.

b. Asti reports that "The school buildings are now at the disposal of the school authorities with a few exceptions"

c. Alessandria - 14 Elementary and 5 Secondary schools are still occupied by Allied Troops.

d. Cuneo - "Allied troops have freed the schools" according to the last report 8 buildings are still occupied by sfollati.

e. Novara - one building of 2 rooms is occupied by the Allied Troops. 2 buildings with 6 rooms are occupied by Italian Troops. 3 buildings with 12 rooms are occupied by sfollati and one with 15 rooms by Carabinieri.

f. Turin - Two buildings are still occupied by Italian Military Forces, but the occupants have an agreement to release them before the opening of the new school year. 28 buildings with 54 rooms are occupied by Enti or Partiti. The latter have been ordered to vacate on 1 September.

4439

-4-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To :

- g. Vercelli - 6 buildings with 114 rooms are occupied by Allied Troops.
- h. This office is making every effort to have as many buildings as possible freed for school purposes and has assurances already that many will be returned. However, compared to the total number of buildings in the Region the ones now occupied represent a very small percentage of the total and all schools in the Region will be able to operate in their own or substitute buildings.
- i. The following letter represents the type of fine assistance and cooperation this office receives from the Provinces:

" The Regional Education Officer has directed that as many schools as possible in this Province, now being used either by the Allied Forces or for other purposes, should, where operationally possible, be de-requisitioned now for the early commencement of schools towards the end of September.

Provincial Officers will therefore make a survey of the schools in their area (as per attached list) and ascertain the date in September when the schools will be free to be returned to the Educational Authorities, or reasons given why these schools cannot be de-requisitioned or returned as stated above.

Please treat as urgent and forward the information required to this office by the 2 Sept. 45."

Signed C.P. MURCHIE
Major,
Provincial Commissioner
Novara Province.

V. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS

a. At the last meeting of the Provveditori the Regional Public Works Officer discussed the problem of repairing school buildings, explained to them what type of work could be done and what assistance they could give to the Genio Civile in getting projects ready for approval.

b. The Provveditori report that the work in most instances is progressing very slowly and the lack of some materials such as glass is a serious handicap.

c. All Provveditori are greatly concerned over the need for

-5-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To :

problem for the coming winter. They report that no coal and very little wood in all probability will be available. This office is collecting and transmitting to the Regional Industry Officer the estimated needs of coal for the various school systems. He has promised to give the needs of the school as much consideration as he possibly can.

d. The Regional Public Works Officer went to Rome on the 29 August to present the project for repairs and rebuilding of the Politecnico. This project calls for an expenditure of approximately 500 Million Lire.

e. The University has so far only made requests for those repairs which can be made in a comparatively short time. It is working, however, on its project for a complete rebuilding program.

VI. TEXT-BOOKS

a. The Elementary and Secondary Text-book Committees continue to examine many text-books. At a recent meeting it has been found that there has been a misunderstanding about obtaining ministerial approval for elementary books and a meeting of all publishers in this Region has been called. Every elementary text-book approved by the committee will be sent to the Minister.

b. The Committees are still very optimistic about the text-book situation and feel that there will be sufficient good books available in most subject matter fields by the opening of the school year. The exceptions are technical, history and geography books where acceptable books may be more difficult to find.

VII. SCHOOL LUNCHES

a. The directive concerning school lunches has been revised by the Food and Education Divisions to conform to the administrative conditions which will prevail after we have gone. It will soon be sent to all the prefects in the Region for distribution to the Sindaci.

VIII. SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

The Provveditori do not consider that there is such a lack of school equipment and materials in this Region as to cause too great a handicap to the pupils for this school year. The greatest need in this respect is for scientific and laboratory equipment. Reports of these needs have been forwarded to the Education Sub-commission.

-6-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To:

IX. YOUTH ACTIVITIES.

a. In Vercelli Province a colony to care for 280 children has been organized. An afternoon recreational program is also functioning.

b. Cuneo reports that sport associations are being organized among the youths.

c. The Provveditore agli Studi of Alessandria reports continued progress of the extensive program of summer colonies in that province and that the childrens' lunches include meat or fish every day owing to the interest of SEPRAL.

d. Aosta province Boy Scouts are being organized in various localities.

e. The summer colony in Asti Province continues to function.

f. The second turn of the summer colonies has started in Turin Province with 2500 children admitted. The Inspectress of Turin City, after visiting the colonies, reports that they are functioning in an excellent manner and reports benefit to the children, some of whom show a gain in weight. She also expressed her appreciation to Allied Military Government and the Education Division for assistance and encouragement.

g. Novara Province has four colonies in operation.

h. Engineer Comainis, head of the Regional Committee of the ASGI, (Catholic Boy Scout) group has never renewed his one contact with this office and submitted no report on its activities as he promised to do.

i. Aloise Grammatica designated by the Milano group as the leader of the Giovani Esploratori Group (Non-confessional Boy Scouts) has made several contacts with this office but he is always so vague concerning his plans and so unimpressive in general conversation that I fear this group will never prosper until he is replaced.

X. HIGHER INSTITUTES OF LEARNING

a. All the Epuration Committees are at work but to date no one has completed its work.

b. The Galileo Ferraris Institute and Politecnico are using a Joint Epuration Committee. This is a very satisfactory arrangement since many of the professors are attached to both institutions.

c. All the higher institutions report very little activity. 436

-7-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To :

during the month and state that many of their personnel were away for the "ferie"

d. All institutions say that they will be ready for the fall sessions of examinations and the new school year, but cannot complete their plans until Epuration has been completed.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing to report.

XII. PERSONNEL

Capt. Samuel V. NOE
Capt. Paul Heilman
Pfc. Wm. C. Carter
Mrs. Florence Belvederi
Mr. Reno Giulio

Regional Education Officer
Education Officer
Officer's Assistant
Jr. Adm. Assistant
Interpreter and Translator

Sam V. NOE

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

4435

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

File No:

Subject:

To :

Supplement to - V -

The following is a list of projects for repair of school buildings which has been approved by the Regional Public Works Office;

Aosta	7	7.475.779
Torino	38	559.945.964
Alessandria	22	24.120.330
Asti	3	1.456.940
Novara	4	1.530.000
Cuneo	4	4.973.000
Vercelli	3	2.352.877
	81	601.854.890

4434

48/2.10

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

PR/ED/24/1/4

Office of the Regional Education Officer

1 August 1945.

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT OF THE EDUCATION OFFICE, AMG PIEDMONTE
REGION FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 1945.

TO : HQ. AC. - Education Subcommittee
(Through: Regional Commissioner, Piemonte Region)

- +++++
1. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS WITH THE FIELD.
 2. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.
 3. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM.
 4. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.
 5. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.
 6. TEXT-BOOKS.
 7. SCHOOL LUNCHES.
 8. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.
 9. YOUTH ACTIVITIES
 10. UNIVERSITY OF TURIN AND OTHER HIGHER INSTITUTES.
 11. MISCELLANEOUS.
 12. PERSONNEL.
- +++++

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Regional Education Officer

I. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS IN THE FIELD

1. This office continues to be in close contact with all the Provveditori of the Region.
2. The Monthly Conference with all the Provveditori was held in this office, 7 July.
3. Professor Mario Tortonese, a central inspector from the Ministero was instructed by the Minister to make his services available to this office. He has been given an office and is doing very satisfactory work throughout the Region. He was especially helpful at the last conference.

II. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL

1. This office has accumulated many requests for transfers which will be forwarded to the Ministero.
2. Six of the seven Provveditori have now been confirmed in office by the Regional Commissioner.
3. Ludovico Rocca has been named the Director of the Conservatory of Music of Turin by the Regional Commissioner.
4. Professor Giovanni Chevalley has been named the Pro-Rettore of the Academy of Fine Arts of Turin by the Regional Commissioner.

III. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM

Reports from the provinces indicate that the work of the Provincial Commissions of Epuration are making excellent progress; In some instances, the cases of personnel in grades V and IX have been finished and the commissions are ready to consider personnel in grades X to XII.

IV. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY

The situation relative to requisitioning and occupancy of school buildings, which was never critical in this region, has improved during the past month with the removal of troops from several

-2-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

con't

Office of the Regional Education Officer

localities in the region. According to statements of Provincial Commissioner, most buildings will be vacated in the next month or six weeks.

V. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS

In some provinces reports indicate that nearly all buildings will be repaired and in order by the beginning of the school year. Satisfactory progress is being made in all provinces and it appears that the building situation will on the whole, be good.

VI. TEXT-BOOKS

1. The text-book committees have examined a large number of text-books and have submitted many recommendations for approval.

2. Both Chairmen have again reassured us that there will be a sufficient number of text-books available for use in the schools this fall.

3. All flat bed paper in this Region has been unblocked because of the large amount on hand.

VII. SCHOOL LUNCHES

Nothing to report at this time.

VIII. SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

Nothing new to report

IX. YOUTH ACTIVITIES

a. Summer Colonies

1. In Alessandria a budget was submitted and approved to care for 2500 underprivileged children in summer colonies but several communes were so enthusiastic over the program that additional funds were provided by the communes and 5000 children are being cared for in 24 colonies.

2. In Asti 300 children attend a colony in the city.

3. In Turin Province 5000 attend the colonies.

4. One colony of 500 has been opened in Novara Province with funds collected from private sources and two others will

4431

-3-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Regional Education Officer

function under the Provveditore.

5. Cuneo is awaiting final approval of their ¹⁷⁵ budget.

6. In general, the programs of the colonies consist of games, gymnastics, rest periods, story-telling, hand-work, singing and informal lessons. Lunches are served and, where possible, bathing facilities are provided. The staff personnel comes mainly from the elementary teaching forces. Some colonies are conducted as day camps while in others all living facilities are provided for groups for periods of from 3 to 4 weeks. In some instances, budgets are supplemented by gifts from individuals and firms.

b. Boy Scouts

1. Local scout councils are being formed and training courses for scout leaders are in progress in some communities and are being planned in others.

2. There is a well organized ASCI group in Turin that is conducting a leadership course at present and plan to begin organizing troops in September.

X. HIGHER INSTITUTES OF LEARNING

1. Epuration Committees are all at work but no reports have been received as yet.

2. Weekly conferences continue to be held with the head of each institution.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

The Education Division has two new Provincial Education Officers and claims the distinction of having the only women Provincial officers in the SubCommission. They are ATS Junior Commander G. McMaster of Alessandria Province and Junior Commander G.E. Fellingham of Asti Province.

4430

-4-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Regional Education Officer

XII.

PERSONNEL

Capt. Samuel V. NOE
Capt. Paul Heilman
Pfc Wm. C. Carter
Mrs. Florence Belvederi
Mr. Reno Giulio

Regional Education Officer
Education Officer
Officer Assistant
Jr. Adm. Assistant
Interpreter and Translator

Sam V. NOE

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

4429

45/2-10

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

PR/ED/25/II/3

3 July 1945.

Office of the Regional Education Officer

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT OF THE EDUCATION OFFICE, AMG PIEDMONTE
REGION FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1945.

TO : HQ., AC - Education Subcommittee.
(Through: Regional Commissioner, Piemonte Region)

+++++

1. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS WITH THE FIELD.
2. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.
3. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM.
4. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.
5. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.
6. TEXT-BOOKS.
7. SCHOOL LUNCHES.
8. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.
9. YOUTH ACTIVITIES.
10. UNIVERSITY OF TURIN AND OTHER HIGHER INSTITUTES.
11. MISCELLANEOUS.
12. PERSONNEL.

+++++

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Regional Education Officer

I. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS IN THE FIELD

1. The officers of the Education Division have been in weekly contact with the Provveditori agli Studi, of the various provinces.

2. The reports of the Provveditori agli Studi indicate that they in turn have been in contact with the Presidi, Direttori and Ispettori of their province. Lack of transportation and adequate communication which have been serious drawbacks seem to be improving according to their reports.

3. Conferences have been held weekly with the heads of the University of Turin and the other higher institutes of the city.

4. The Conference with all the Provveditori agli Studi of the Region on 1 June was reported in last months' report.

II. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL

1. There will be little to report on this subject until we receive reports about the actions of the Provincial Epuration Committees and recommendations from the Provveditori agli Studi.

2. Prof. Monti, the Regional Superintendent appointed by the C.L.N. and later the Educational Consultant of this office resigned because this office reversed some decisions of the C.L.N. in regard to examinations and failed to concur in his recommendations for the appointment of Provveditori agli Studi in Asti and Vercelli provinces.

III. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM

1. The work of Epuration under Executive Order Number 35 seems to be proceeding quite satisfactorily in all the provinces but one. In Aosta the Provveditore is waiting for the Commission to begin its work.

2. Since practically all school personnel suspended had been done so by the C.L.N. prior to our arrival, the Provveditori agli Studi have been instructed to study each case individually with the purpose of recommending reinstatements where there is evidence of injustice.

-2-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Regional Education Officer

IV. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY

1. There is no urgent problem relative to requisitioning of school buildings. For example, in Cuneo Province the Germans and Fascists requisitioned and used 100 buildings. On the 25 of June only 7 buildings in this Province were requisitioned and all indications are that these will be returned shortly.

2. In Turin the Provveditore has been most cooperative in furnishing premises for military purposes and in all cases has the assurance from the military authorities that they will be returned before the opening of the new school year.

V. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS

Provveditori agli Studi have submitted lists of damaged school buildings which can be repaired by the opening of the 1945-46 school term. Priorities for the repair of these buildings are established for the information of the Public Works Division. Many minor repairs have been made or are now in progress.

VI. TEXT-BOOKS

1. The Elementary and Secondary textbooks committees are at work and from all indications are doing a very competent job. The two chairmen, a Preside of a Secondary School and a Directress of Elementary Schools, seem to be excellent choices. They have given us the assurance that there will be sufficient acceptable books for use in this Region.

2. The Commerce Division through its price control agency has promised to bring about an agreement between the paper-mill owners and book publishers to establish a fair price for text-book paper. Sufficient flat bed paper is available for the publishing needs of this Region.

VII. SCHOOL LUNCHES

Nothing to report at this time.

VIII. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

1. Nothing new to add to the data given in last month's report, 4426

(3)

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

VIII.
con't

Office of the Regional Education Officer

except that the Provveditori agli Studi all report that they are constantly urging their various communal authorities to provide all the necessary equipment and cleaning materials to renovate the buildings and to have them ready for occupancy in the Fall.

IX. YOUTH ACTIVITIES

1. There is considerable interest in the continuation of the Summer Colonies for children. Plans, proposed personnel, budgets and programs of activities are being submitted by the Provveditori agli Studi. Because these colonies are largely recreation and welfare organizations, this office is working closely with the Welfare Division and all proposals must receive the approval of both Divisions.

2; Interest in scouting is beginning to appear. A woman from one Comune came several miles by bicycle for information about scouting. An American soldier of this headquarters has offered his services in connection with training scout leaders. Since this soldier is experienced in scouting, his talents will be used to the fullest extent.

X. HIGHER INSTITUTES OF LEARNING

1. University of Turin.

- a) Examinations- The first call for exams of summer sessions has been made.
- b) Material for University- Agreements have been made except for the ratification on the part of the Administrative Council for the return of University material which was misplaced in numerous localities of Piedmont.
- c) Epuration- On the proposal of the Pro-Rettore the following Commission for University Epuration has been named by the Regional Commissioner:
 - 1- Prof. Levi Giuseppe-Presidente
 - 2- Prof. Solari Giuseppe
 - 3- Prof. Einaudi Renato
 - 4- Prof. Chevalley Giovanni
 - 5- Dott. Strumia Filippo Eduoardo

-4-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Con't

Office of the Regional Education Officer

University of Turin (continued)

- d) School Taxes The Academic Senate has proposed that the AMG approve a 100% increase of school taxes. The AMG has approved the increase to be effective for the 1945-46 academic year.
- e) Exemption Taxes The Academic Senate has proposed that a decree be issued by AMG which allows the exemption from taxes to students who have taken part in partisan formations for an uninterrupted period, not less than three months, or if wounded in battle.
- f) Activities of University Body-A reunion of the Academic Senate took place. Administrative Council could not be assembled as the appointments were not yet effected on the part of the Societies represented by the Council.

2. The Royal Politecnico di Torino

- a) This is one of the most important higher institutions of its kind in Italy.
- b) The C.L.N. has named Prof. Gustavo Colonnetti to be the Commissario of the Institution but he has not returned from Rome and Prof. Pietro Brunelli who was named as the vice-commissario has been acting as its head.
- c) The institution has suffered some damage but has been able to function during the year.
- d) This office is now awaiting an interview with Prof. Colonnetti who has wired from Rome that he wishes to be considered as the Pro-Rector of the school and is returning to Turin in the near future.
- e) The Epuration Committee has been nominated and approved.

-5-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

Office of the Regional Education Officer

3. The Conservatory of Music

- a) The acting Preside named by the C.L.N. is Prof. Modesto Bruni.
- b) The Institution has suffered very little damage and has functioned during the school year but with a very small enrollment (100 pupils)
- c) The former preside Ludovico Rocca was suspended by the general order of the C.L.N. which suspended all administrative heads. He claims support of the C.L.N. for his reinstatement and this office is awaiting more information concerning him.

4. The Academy of Fine Arts

- a) The acting Preside is Prof. Ing. Chevalley, appointed by the C.L.N. To date very little information has been obtained about him.
- b) This is a combination institution, consisting of higher institute of learning and a Liceo (High School)
- c) It has suffered considerable damage and recommendations have already been made for making some repairs.
- d) It has managed to function throughout the year on a reduced schedule and with a small enrollment of 150 pupils.

5. Istituto Elettrotecnico Nazionale Galileo Ferraris

- a) This institution is an electrical research institution dependent upon the Ministry of Public Instruction.
- b) The acting Preside is Prof. Romolo Deaglio, appointed by the C.L.N.
- c) The Institution has suffered no damage and fortunately saved all its equipment. Its laboratories are well stocked and while it has carried on very little research the past year the staff is making plans to resume its normal functioning.

4423

-6-

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

con't

Office of the Regional Education Officer

Istituto Elettrotecnico Nazionale Galileo Ferraris
(continued)

d) It has asked the assistance of this office to obtain an extraordinary allowance from the Ministero to finance its program and to obtain scientific information and periodicals from Research Councils in other countries.

6. Conferences in regard to personnel, organization, and functions have been held with representatives of the following cultural and Educational organizations.

- a. Reale Accademia Delle Scienze
- b. Reale Accademia Di Medicina
- c. Reale Deputazione Subalpina per la Storia Patria.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

This office assisted officers from the American I and E Division and South African Education Officers to study the possibilities of using the local Universities for their educational programs.

XII. PERSONNEL

Capt. Samuel V. NOE
Capt. Paul Heilman
Pfc Wm. C. Carter
Mrs. Florence Belvederi
Mr. Reno Giulio

Regional Education Officer
Education Officer
Office Assistant
Jr. Adm. Assistant
Interpreter and Translator

Sam V. NOE

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

4422

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

4 June 1945.

PR/ED/25/II/2

Subject: Monthly Report of the Education Division, Piemonte Region.
To ; S.C.A.O. IV Corps AMG

1. The attached are two copies of the Monthly Report of the Education Division for onward transmission to A.C. H.Q. atten: Education Sub-Commission.

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

4421

HEADQUARTERS
PIEMONTE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

4 June 1945.

PR/ED/25/II/1

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT OF THE EDUCATION OFFICE, AMG PIEMONTE
REGION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1945.

TO : S C A O IV CORPS AMG

+++++

1. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS WITH THE FIELD.
2. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.
3. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM.
4. BUILDING REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.
5. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.
6. TEXT-BOOKS.
7. SCHOOL LUNCHES.
8. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.
9. YOUTH ACTIVITIES.
10. UNIVERSITY OF TURIN.
11. MISCELLANEOUS
12. PERSONNEL.

+++++

I. CONTACTS OF SCHOLASTIC OFFICIALS WITH THE FIELD

1. After arriving in the region, the officers of the education division began at once to contact the scholastic officials--first in the city of Turin and later in the other provinces. The C.L.N. had reorganized the schools before the arrival of the Regional Officers with a Regional Superintendent at the head and Provveditori agli Studi had been appointed for each province. From two to three visits have been made to each province by the education officers and in most cases the C.L.N. appointments were found to be doing satisfactory work. All were told to continue in office pending confirmation of, or change in their position, by the Provincial Commissioners.

2. The schools in this Region have functioned practically for an entire school year. Schools were closed during our campaign in this Region and some were closed during the extremely cold weather.

3. Our policy has been to let the schools continue to function, as planned by the Education Committee of the C.L.N. until the end of the school year which is 9 June.

II. IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SCHOOL PERSONNEL.

1. All the Provveditori agli Studi of the Republican Fascist Regime had been supplanted prior to our arrival and they had fled with the departing officials. The one at Aoste is now in prison awaiting trial for fascist crimes.

2. Dr. Francesco Bellero has been nominated to be the Provveditore for Asti Province by the Provincial Commissioner. This has been endorsed by the Regional Education Officer.

3. Dr. Bellero was one of the leaders of the Partisans and is extremely popular in this Province.

4. Prof. Toselli Colonna has been nominated as Provveditore for Vercelli Province by the Provincial Commissioner. This nomination has been concurred in by the Regional Education Officer.

5. Prof. Colonna was the Provveditore of this Province from 1936 until 1944 when he was dismissed by and forced to flee from the Fascists. Despite the fact that he was appointed to his office by a

Fascist Minister of Education, he was returned to office by the C.L.N. and his appointment has been approved by a large number of the teachers of the Province.

6. This office has recommended to the Provincial Commissioner of Turin that Prof. Osvaldo Macchia be named Provveditore for Turin. His professional background and reputation are excellent, according to all reports.

7. This office is now ready to endorse the nominations of the acting Provveditori agli Studi of Cuneo, Alessandria and Aosta as its investigations have found the three of them capable and well qualified.

8. This office is not yet ready to endorse the acting Provveditore at Novara despite the fact that he has been endorsed locally by the C.L.N. and the public officials. Our main objection is that he is too old to furnish the type of leadership required.

9. Prior to our arrival the C.L.N. had created a Regional Education Office with Prof. Augusto Monti as the Superintendent with the Provveditori agli Studi being directly responsible to him. Since no such organization exists either under A.M.G. or the Italian Government, Prof. Monti was asked to continue his services as a professional consultant and supervisor for this office. Prof. Monti accepted this change of status and is now a member of our staff.

10. The Regional Education Officer will recommend that Prof. Mario Allara now acting as Vice-Rettore of the University of Turin be named its Pro-Rettore. All reports concerning him have been very favorable.

III. PROGRESS IN DEFASCISM

School personnel in Piemonte region had taken a large share in the organization and activities of C.L.N. and it was found that defascism had progressed to a high degree.

The acting or newly appointed Provveditori agli Studi have been vetted and they in turn have been instructed to vet the various school heads. Provveditori agli Studi have been instructed to review the cases of school personnel who have been suspended to see that injustice has not been done by the speedy and in some cases categorical suspensions.

IV. BUILDINGS, REQUISITIONING, DEREQUISITIONING & OCCUPANCY.

The requisitioning and occupancy of school buildings is not a serious problem in this region at the present time. Some buildings had been requisitioned by German and Italian troops while later a few were taken over by the Partigiani. It is anticipated that practically all of the requisitioned buildings will be available for school purposes for the 1945-46 school term.

V. BUILDING REPAIRS AND NEEDS.

1. Compared with the situation in the South, the need for repairs and rebuilding in Piemonte is not great. However, in some localities the situation is different. In the city of Turin 34 school buildings have been destroyed together with the buildings of four of the University faculties. In the majority of communes there has been little or no damage. In the case of some of the buildings which were occupied by German troops, the school furniture was used for fuel last winter.

2. Priority lists of needed repairs which can be made in a comparatively short time have been requested from each Provveditore agli Studi.

VI. TEXT-BOOKS

1. For the remainder of this school year the Provinces were told to continue to use their books as they had planned. Some reported that the Partisans had collected and burned them in several Communes. Some reported that the Fascist propaganda was deleted and the old books were still being used. Others reported that they had been discarded and substitute books used when available and if not the teacher was left to teach without a text-book.

2. The furnishing of an adequate supply of text-books for the new school year will be our greatest problem. One or two series of elementary non-fascist books have already been printed but in very small quantities. There will be a great need for text-books for all types of schools.

3. We have already been in contact with the leading publishers and are giving them every encouragement to submit books and manuscripts for approval as rapidly as possible.

-4-

4. We are forming textbook committees of competent Italian teaching personnel to review manuscripts and books and to make recommendations concerning them.

5. We have received from the Minister of Public Instruction the new program of studies and textbooks will be judged by their conformity to this program.

VII. SCHOOL LUNCHES.

1. Since the closing date of the schools was so near and since it would have been impossible to have implemented a lunch program before the closing date, our directive concerning school lunches was not sent.

2. However, in some places, especially Novara and Turin, school lunches are being provided through local organizations to some but not to all the pupils.

VIII. SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

1. Surveys of the needs for school supplies and equipment have not been completed but we have sufficient information to know that much has been destroyed or stolen. In fact the buildings have suffered greater damage through wanton destruction and looting than from bombing or shelling.

2. Already we have reports of a lack of certain supplies but there seem to be a limited supply of the more essential things like pencils and notebooks and at a much cheaper price than in the other Regions.

IX. YOUTH ACTIVITIES

1. Every Province can begin some kind of a youth welfare program as soon as the properties of the ex G.I.B. are turned over to the Provveditori agli Studi by the Intendenza di Finanza. The former have been instructed to name a commissario to administer these properties and to begin work immediately on plans for a summer program.

2. The C.I.M. even before our arrival was encouraging the formation of Boy Scouts troops. We have no reports as yet on the number of troops actually functioning.

4416

-5-

I. UNIVERSITY OF TURIN

1. Four of the nine Faculties of the University have been destroyed.

2. The Casa Littoria has been assigned to the University. This can house the four faculties but will need some repairs and remodeling which will be done this summer.

3. Prof. Luigi Einaudi was named Rettore by the C.L.N. but since he was also named Governor of the Bank of Italy he did not accept the University rectorship.

4. Prof. Mario Allara was named the Vice-Rettore and in fact has been acting as the Rettore. He is a member of the Faculty of Law.

5. Acting deans for all the Faculties were also named by the C.L.N. and they are functioning.

6. A provisional managing Board of Administrative Council is also functioning.

7. The following resolutions were passed by the Academic Council:

1. TEACHING

- a) Considering that the number of lessons held during the period January-April 1945 has been noticeably lower than the minimum required; considering in reference to art. 4 of decree No. 24 (January 17, 1945) of the C.L.N. for Piedmont - the necessity of delivering accelerated courses for the benefit of students partaking in the antinazist struggle - special courses, having an integrating and intensive character, are instituted for the academic year 1944-45. On the close of said courses, the academic year 1944-45 will come to an end.

Taking into consideration the present availability of premises and materials, the above said courses will begin on September 1, 1945, lasting during the months of September, October and November.

4415

con't

-6-

The examinations (first term) for the academic year 1944-45 will take place during December 1945.

The examinations for the courses delivered during the preceding years will take place during the normal summer and autumn terms of the current year.

- b) The above provisions are not applicable to the Schools of Obstetrics annexed to the University; the existing provisions, referring to the duration of courses, remain in force.

II. ENTRANCE.

In compliance with the provisions in art. 1 of decree No. 16 (May 9, 1944) of the C.L.N. for Piedmont : a) the students who have partaken of the antinazist war; b) the students affected by the so called racial laws; c) the students who refused to submit to the impositions of the illegitimate fascist government; d) the students prevented from registering for reasons of personal safety in consequence of the arbitrary behavior of nazi-fascists - are registered ex-officio for the academic years 1943-1944 and 1944-45. The applications must be filed within the 15th of August. However, the applications filed after the above date will be not considered as negatory, should the delay be justified by particular reasons.

III. EXAMINATIONS

- a) In compliance with the provisions in the art. 1 of decree No. 21 (October 27, 1944) of C.L.N. for Piedmont, the examinations - for promotion, for degree and for diploma - taken during the winter term and its extensions until the day of liberation in conformity with the fascist provisions concerning recruitments by conscription, calls to further service and voluntary enlistments - are null and void. Consequently, the examinations taken by students, in compliance with the fascist provisions, in their situations as military recruits or men called to further service or volunteers are null and void.

4414

con't

-7-

In no case the above mentioned invalidation is applicable to the examinations -if any- taken by the students sharing in the antinazist front of resistance or in the war for liberation.

- b) The so called "colloqui" (or clandestine examinations) taken during the period of struggle for liberation by partisan-students will be shown in the usual examinations-registers and held as valid to all purposes.
- c) With reference to provisions contained in art. 2 of the decree No. 21 (October 27, 1944) of the C.L.N. for Piedmont), the examination in "Storia e Dottrina del Fascismo" ("History and Doctrine of Fascism") is invalidated if such subject was chosen by the Candidate as a complementary subject in order to integrate the minimum number of examinations required for his Department of studies. Consequently, the examinations for degree, taken after passing the above said examinations for degree, or, anyhow, on dissertation concerning that subject, are likewise invalidated.

The above provision is extended to the following examinations: a) General Demography and Comparative Demography of races; b) Corporation Law (Diritto Corporativo); c) Biology of human races. Should any of the subjects here mentioned be fundamental for degree, the examination - if taken - is null and void and the subject abstracted from for the examination for degree;

- d) The above provisions concerning the examinations for promotion do not refer to the competition for entrance to the Teachers' Department settled in December 1944.

IV. RE-ENGAGEMENT OF PERSONNEL DISMISSED IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE SO-CALLED RACIAL LAWS.

All the personnel of the University dismissed from service, in conformity with the so-called racial laws, is invited to resume service.

4413

-3-

XI.

MISC LLANOUS

A conference with the acting Provveditori agli Studi of the Region was held in Turin on 1 June. This proved to be a very profitable meeting since it gave us an opportunity to explain our directives, to learn the more common problems of the Region and to clarify their positions under A. M. G.

XII.

PERSONNEL

Capt. Samuel V. NOE
Capt. Paul Heilman
P.F.C. Wm. C. Carter
Prof. Augusto Monti
Mrs. Florence Belvedere
Mr. Rene Giulio

Regional Education Officer
Education Officer
Office Assistant
Professional Consultant
Junior Adm. Asst.
Interpreter and Translator

Sam V. NOE

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

4412

