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RECOVERY OF MATERIALS
AUG. 1945 - JAN. 1946

File 80/3.0

17 January 1946

SUBJECT: Recovery of Scientific Materials, Linz

TO: Director of Education
Headquarters Allied Commission
APO 394, c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

1. With reference to your communication of 27 November 1945, I beg to advise this letter trailed me to the United States after my return from duty in Austria. A grave delay has therefore occurred.

2. I am sending your communication to Major O'Meara (then Captain) who is still on duty with OSS Austria for appropriate action and trust recovery of the equipment may be effected.

A. G. Flues

A. G. FLUES
Lt. Col., AC
P. O. Box 2601
Washington 25, D. C.

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

Education

In reply
refer to

AG 000.5/836 E-0

21 December 1945

SUBJECT: Recovery of Scientific Material

TO: Commanding Officer
Office of Military Government
United States Delegation, Germany

1. The Director of the Royal Observatory at Monte Mario, Rome, has reported that in April, 1944, the domes of the astronomical observatory at Tusculo (Monte Porzio) were dismantled and removed by German forces under the supervision of a technical expert from the Zeiss works in Jena, Saxe Weimar.

2. It would be appreciated if any information obtainable relative to the present situation of these domes were forwarded to this headquarters.

FOR THE THEATER COMMANDER:

PAUL J. SULLIVAN
Captain, Infantry
Acting Asst Adjutant General

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Note: Reference: ED/8/3.0/AC of 7 Dec 45

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20909/20/R/MFAA

25 Nov 45

Direction General of Public
Security - Ministry of
Interior
R O M E

SUBJECT: German looting, University of PISA.

1. With reference to your letter 500/77344 (A.G.R., IV) of 20 Nov 45:
2. The information you now furnished has been added to that previously available, and the whole has been transmitted in summary to the Allied authorities in Germany, for such determination as may be remotely possible.
3. Any information received will be forwarded to you.

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NORMAN T. NEWTON
Major, Air Corps,
Director

Copy to:

Education Subcommission, HQ SAC
Direzione Generale per l'Istruzione
Superiore - Ministero
della Pubblica Istruzione.
(reference your 9682 of 25.9.45)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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Subcommission for Monuments Fine Arts & Archiv.
(Tel. 489081, ext. 442 & 254; 478480)

20909/20/R/MFAA

24 Nov 45

SUBJECT: Books and apparatus from University
of PISA

TO : Office of Military Government, Economics
Division, Restitution Branch, APO 742
US, Army.

1. Before evacuating the city of PISA, the Germans removed from the University the entire library and experimental apparatus of the Institute of Physiology.

2. The material was packed in 73 wooden cases from the Fabbrica Marzotto, each numbered and bearing the indication "Università di Pisa".

3. No exact inventory of the library proves to be now available in Italy, but we are informed that each book bears the stamp "Istituto di Fisiologia" or the signature of the Director, Prof Igino SPADOLINI. A considerable number of the volumes were his personal property.

4. In addition to the books, there was a great range of scientific apparatus; microscopes, precision balances, polarimeters, spectrosopes, spectrophotometers, thermostats, voltmeters, ammeters, centrifuges, electric stoves, stereoscopes, etc. No accurate list, description, or photographs of these are available.

5. Attached is a photostatic copy of a letter of ²²⁷³ September 1944 from Major General LEYER, Commissioner for

the Reichminister of Armament and War Production, written to the Physiologische Gesellschaft of HEIDELBERG. In this reference is made to Professor NOTHDURFT, who had been sent from Germany to supervise the removal. According to local claims, another director of the removal was "the self-styled Professor DESSAUER of HEIDELBERG University".

6. According to General LEYER, 63 of the cases were destroyed, either on the quay at GENOVA awaiting shipment to Germany, or in a sunked ship, and the remainder may have perished in the same convoy.

7. On the remote chance that something may yet be discoverable at HEIDELBERG or elsewhere in Germany, the above is transmitted for your attention and such action as may be possible.

8. Acknowledgment, and an indication of whatever hopes may be expressed to the Italian Ministry of Public Instruction, will be appreciated.

Inclosure: 1 (photostat)

Non
NORMAN T. NEWTON
Major, Air Corps,
Director

Copies to:

Education Subcommittee, HQ, AC.

HQ EGFET, G-5 Section, APO 887,

US Army

File 20485/3

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DER GENERALBEAUFTRAGTE IN ITALIEN
des Reichsamtes für Bildung und Erziehung

7.9.44 / 50

An die
Physiologische Gesellschaft
Heidelberg

Betr.: Bücher- und Geräte-Transport aus Pisa.

Von Ihnen entnommene Prof. Dr. Rothaurit hat in Pisa Bücher und Geräte, die von besonderer Wichtigkeit für die deutsche Forschung sind, zusammengestellt und in Kisten verladen. Der Abtransport dieser Kisten ist per Schiff ohne jede Begleitung erfolgt. Unterließe Prof. Rothaurit eine Benachrichtigung des zum Stabe gehörigen Beauftragten für Hochfrequenzforschung Dipl. Ing. Bensauer, sodass auch von dieser Seite nichts unternommen werden konnte, um den weiteren Transport der Kisten sicherzustellen.

Es ist jetzt festgestellt, daß 23 Kisten, die offen auf dem Kai von Genoa lagen, durch Feuer zerstört sind, und weitere 40 Kisten mit Gerät sich in einem abgesunkenen Schiff befinden. Nach diesem Befund ist davon auszugehen, daß der ganze Transport verloren ist.

Es wäre sicher richtiger gewesen, wenn ein so wertvoller und wichtiger Transport in Begleitung durchgeführt wäre oder daß man sonstige Vorkehrungen getroffen hätte, den Transport von hier aus zu verfolgen.

Generalmajor.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/ES/3.0/AC

7 Dec 45

SUBJECT : Recovery of scientific material.

TO : AFHQ, G-5.

- 1 The Director of the Royal Observatory at Monte Mario, ROME, reports that in April, 1944, the Germans dismantled and removed the domes of Italy's largest astronomical observatory - Tusculum (Monte Porzio), near Rome. The dismantling was done under the supervision of a technical expert from the Zeiss works in Jena.
- 2 It is requested that inquiry be made in Jena as to what disposition was made of the domes, so that steps may be taken for their recovery, since they are essential for scientific work in Italy.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

S. H. WHITE Lt Col,
A/VP CA Section.

HEADQUARTERS
U.S. FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER

AG 400.73 GEG-AGO

(Main) APO 757
27 October 1945

SUBJECT: Theft of Radium from Bologna University (PC 233)

TO : Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater

1. Investigation and search for subject radium are continuing. This radium has not yet been discovered.

2. This headquarters has been advised by the Office of Military Government for Germany (U.S.) that all radium formerly located in Physikalisch-Technischen Reichsanstalt, Berlin, was removed several years ago to an undisclosed location in Thuringia. To date, no further information has been received.

3. At the request of the Office of Military Government for Germany (U.S.), a complete file, based on your letter, file AG 000.5/195 GEG-O, subject as above, dated 2 August 1945, is being forwarded to that headquarters.

4. The radium in the field has not yet been inventoried and assembled. When this has been done, all radium will be assembled in a central place.

5. Your claim will be placed on file in this headquarters and you will be advised immediately upon discovery and identification of the radium in question.

FOR THE THEATER COMMANDER:

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H. H. NEWMAN
Colonel, AGD
Assistant Adjutant General

1 Incl:
Cy, ltr, this Hq,
file and subject and
date as above

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HEADQUARTERS
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SUBJECT: Theft of Radium from Bologna University (PC 233)

TO : Commanding General, Office of Military Government for Germany
(U.S.)

In accordance with your request by Internal Route Slip, dated 26 September 1945, copy of letter, Allied Force Headquarters, file 000.5/195 GEG-O, subject: "Theft of Radium from Bologna University," dated 2 August 1945, with two indorsements and two inclosures, is inclosed.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

H. F. NEWMAN
Colonel, AGD
Assistant Adjutant General

2 Incls:

1. As stated
2. Cy, ltr, this Hq, file, subject and date as above, to Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater

Distribution:

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EDUCATION S/C

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 000.5

3 November 1945.

SUBJECT: Theft of Radium from ECOLOGIA University.

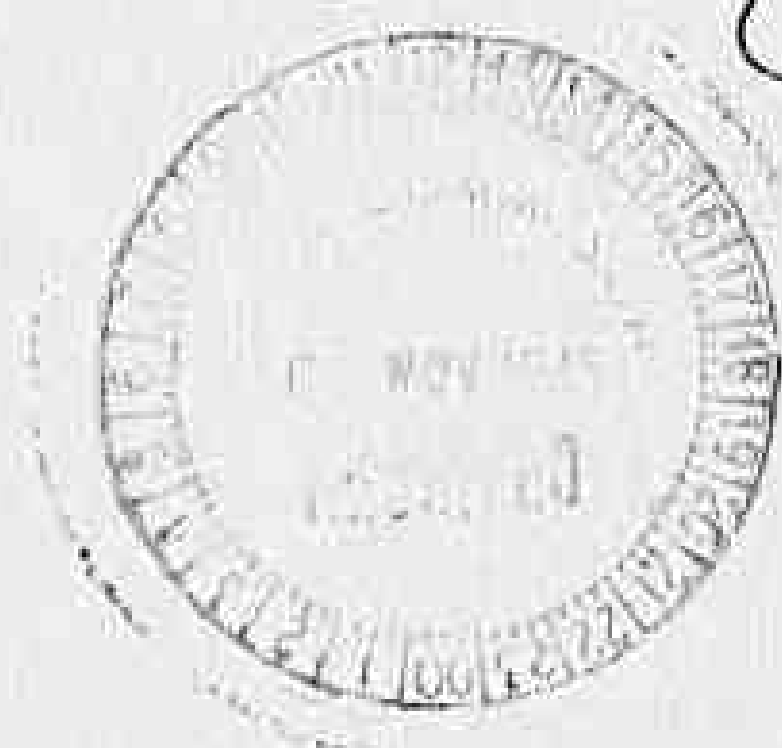
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is made to your ED/2A/1.0/AG of 20 June and 7 July 1945 and our G-5: 000.5 of 1 August 1945.

2. Attached copy of USFET AG 400.73 GEC - AGO of 27 October 1945, subject as above, is forwarded for your information and communication to the Minister of Public Instruction.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

Incl:
as above.



M. J. Key
M. J. Key
Capt, AUS

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/EB/3.0/AC

27 November, 1945

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SUBJECT : Recovery of scientific materials,
Linz.

TO : Major A.C. Flues,
HQUS Forces in Austria,
OSS Austria,
APO 777.

1. Reference is to your letter of 24 August to Lt.Col. Wm.P. MADDOX for Lieutenants CONLEY and LANSBERG.

2. An enquiry has been made in Italian universities and technical institutes as to scientific materials removed by the Germans.

3. The Ministry of Public Instruction has compared the lists of materials now in the Technische Hochschule, Goethe Strasse, Linz, with those of Italian institutions whose materials were taken by the Germans. The similarity is such as to indicate clearly that the materials listed by your Captain Eugene F. O'MEARA, C.O. of your Linz Detachment, are materials taken from Italian institutions by the Germans. The parallel lists are enclosed.

4. Will you please notify me how we may obtain the restoration of the a/m materials? They are badly needed in Italy.

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

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

ED/8E/3.0/AC

28 November, 1945

SUBJECT : Scientific supplies left from UTC.

TO : G-4, MTOUSA.

1. The University Training Command used the laboratories of the University of Florence for instructional purposes. At the end of the course a considerable amount of scientific material was left over, much of it in partly emptied containers of chemicals, medical supplies, etc., not suitable for return to the United States.

2. The University of Florence has great need of these supplies and would be most appreciative if they could be made available to it.

3. Colonel HARMONY of the UTC states that an inventory of this material has been made, but that the valuations, being the book valuations based on original price of full containers, are, in aggregate, high. The University of Florence states that they are prohibitively high - that the University does not have funds with which to purchase them.

4. While it is conceivable that private concerns in Italy would take advantage of the existing shortage of drugs and chemicals in Italy to speculate by buying up this stock and reselling to individuals at greatly augmented prices, this use of the material would be most undesirable. Returned to the United States the material would be of little or no value, consisting of broken packages and partly used bottles of chemicals, medicines, etc. 2266

5. It is suggested therefore that in return for the hospitality given to American troops by the University of Florence, these materials be declared worthless and left to the university.

6. If this cannot be done, it is requested that a nominal price be placed upon them so that the university will be able to buy them without financial sacrifice.

7. Colonel HARMONY of the UTC is in full accord with these recommendations.

For the Chief Commissioner:

S.H. White
S.H. WHITE, Lt.Col.,
Vice President
CA Section.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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Vice President
CA Section.

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PRO-MEMORIA PER IL SIG. RETTORE

Prospettare al Capitano Vella la opportunità che il materiale didattico e scientifico in particolare i prodotti chimici e gli apparecchi di proprietà dell'University Study Center usati e depositati negli Istituti universitari per i corsi tenuti agli allievi americani sia ceduto all'Università di Firenze.

Tale materiale è già stato elencato e valutato da parte di
ufficiali del U.T.C.

La valutazione è stata fatta per valori effettivi e pertanto
assai elevata in modo che l'Università non sarebbe in grado di poter effettuare l'acquisto.

In vista della poca utilità e della nessuna convenienza che le autorità americane hanno di riportare in patria il materiale in questione cercare di ottenere condizioni di favore nella valutazione. La Direzione dell'Università Study Center di Firenze e gli ufficiali dell'U.T.C. di Firenze sono favorevolmente orientati in tale senso ma occorrerebbe che da Roma venissero fatte loro pressioni al riguardo.

Col. Harming
Col. Williams
Maj. Thompson
Capt. Atkins

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Col. Harmer
Col. Williams
Maj. Thompson
Capt. Altieri

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Col. J. W. Harmer
Maj. Thompson

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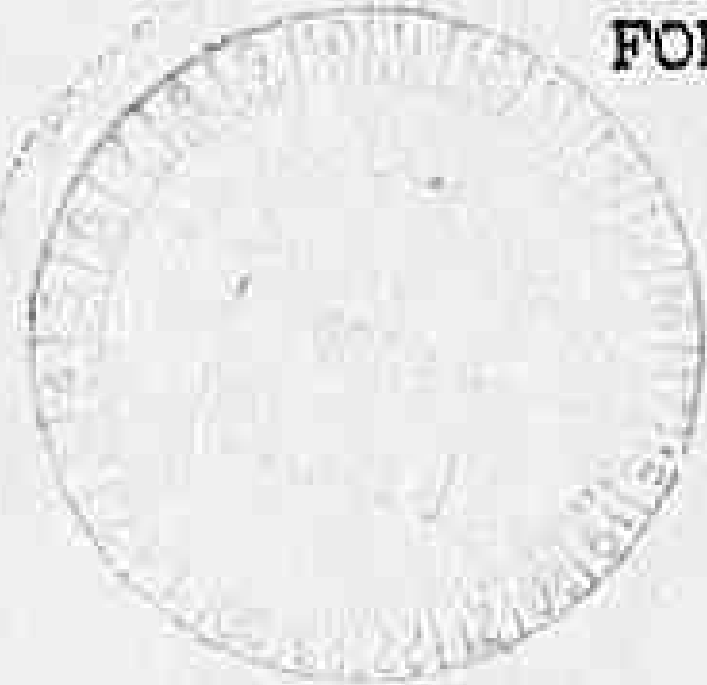
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AG 601 BSENG (4 Oct 45) 1st Ind.

Headquarters, Southern District, Peninsular Base Section, APO
782, U.S. Army. 13 October 1945.TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394, U.S. Army.
Attn: Lt. Col. Washburne, Education Sub-Commission.

1. Records of this headquarters indicate that subject property is occupied by the French Forces.
2. Previous efforts by the school authorities to recover the furniture were referred to the French Real Estate Section.
3. It is suggested that your headquarters contact the French Occupants of the property regarding this matter.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*D. E. Bellinger*
D. E. BELLINGER
2nd Lt., Inf
Actg Asst Adj Gen*8B.30**11 00*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/CIA/amt 1-13

ED/TC/5.30/AC

4 October, 1945

SUBJECT: Recovery of equipment taken from
Naval Institute.

TO: Real Estate Section,
Metropolitan Area, EBS,
APO 782.

1. The Minister of Public Instruction has forwarded to this Headquarters a communication from the Istituto Universitario Navale of Naples in which it is claimed that some twenty two items of furniture and equipment belonging to the said Institute are being held by the Naples Section of the University of Grenoble. The building of the University of Grenoble had been occupied by the Naval Institute, which, when it restored the building to the French, was not given possession of its own furniture and equipment.

2. I understand that you have made some investigations and efforts to recover the material.

3. What is the present status of the case, and what, if anything, can this Headquarters do toward obtaining the release of the equipment?



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CARETON J. WASHBURN
Lt. Col., A. U. S.
Director of Education.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Books, etc. removed from Pisa by the Germans.

1. Reference is made to Allied Commission's note ED/30/6/AC, dated September 17th, 1945.

2. It has been established that the scientific material and books removed by the Germans from the Physiology Institute of the Pisa University could, if found, be identified with ease. The books are all bound in half-leather and bear the stamp "Istituto di Fisiologia di Pisa", the instruments are clearly marked or provided with inventory tags of the Institute.

3. The above is communicated with a view of possibly tracing elsewhere the scientific material, should it not be included in the 150 cases found in Linz.

4. All efforts in trying to locate the stolen articles, which includes several microscopes, will be greatly appreciated by the Italian Government.

Rome, October 6th, 1945



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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ED/8B/3.0/AC

November, 1945

SUBJECT : Recovery of technical
equipment.

TO : G-5, AFHQ.

1. The Minister of Public Instruction states (Div. IV, 6908 of 8 October) that Eighth Army on 12, and 26 August and 9 September, 1944, requisitioned the following technical equipment from the Royal Technical Industrial school at Arezzo:

1 motor lathe, parallel, prismatic, one-pulley,
"Tovaglieri", 1000 mm.

1 motor lathe, parallel, prismatic, one-pulley,
12 vel. OMA, 1000 mm.

12 two-place carpenter's benches "Antonelli".

2. Requisition receipts no. 2734, 12 August; 478012, 26 August; and 478625, 9 September, 1945, were given and were deposited with the Town Major, copy of whose receipt for one of them is attached hereto. The Claims and Hirings Office in Arezzo states that the requisition receipts were sent to the 8th Command Pay Office in Rome.

3. It is further stated that the 112th Work Shop and Park Company of Royal Engineers on 9 September, 1945 replaced, in the occupancy of the school, the unknown unit which made the requisitions.

4. The Minister asks if there is any way of recovering the equipment.

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For the Chief Commissioner:

M. CARR, Brig.
VP, CA Section.

Army Form F. 781

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(No Payment to be made on this form)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR REQUISITION RECEIPT NOTES FOR GOODS AND SERVICES
REQUISITIONED

Received from (full title, name, etc.) Industrial Technical School .

Address . Arezzo

Requisition Receipt Note N° 478012

Dated . 26. Aug. '44 . . .

Date . 29. Aug. '44 Signature illeggibile Major
Town Major N° 18

Commanding Troops at . Arezzo

IL DIRETTORE

Gen. Pietro Battaglia

Pietro Battaglia

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Army Form F.781

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(Nessun pagamento può essere fatto su questa formalità)

RICONOSCIMENTO DI RICEVUTE DI NOTE DI REQUISIZIONE PER MATERIALI
E SERVIZI REQUISITI

Ricevuto da (titolo, nome etc; per esteso) Industrial Technical School

Indirizzo . . . Arezzo

Nota di Ricevuta di Requisizione; N° 478012 . Datata . 26 Aug. '44

Data . 29 Aug. '44 . . . Firma . illeggibile Major . . .
Town Major N° 18

Truppe Comandanti a . Arezzo . . .



DELLA PUBBLICA ISTRUZIONE
MINISTERO DELL'EDUCAZIONE NAZIONALE
Direzione Generale dell'Ordine Superiore di Istruzione
 Istruzione Tecnica

Off. 1. Ord. sup. tecnica
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 Divisione IV Sez. *Allegati* /
 Prot. N° 6908
 Risposta al f. del
 Div. Sez. N°
 OGGETTO: R. Scuola tecnica industriale
 di Arezzo - Requisizione macchine -
 AL COMMISSIONE ALLEATA - Sotto-
 commissione per l'Educazione
 = ROMA =
 e per conoscenza:
 AL DIRETTORE R. Scuola tecnica
 industriale = AREZZO =

Il Comando dell'ottava Armata requisì alla R. Scuola tecnica industriale di Arezzo le seguenti macchine:

a) Un tornio parallelo motorizzato prismatico, monopuleggia "Tovaglieri" da mm. 1000:

b) Un tornio parallelo motorizzato prismatico, monopuleggia a 12 vel. C.M.A. da mm. 1000;

c) dodici banchi da falegname a due posti "Antonelli".

Le tre requisizioni, i cui fogli furono consegnati al Town Major di quella città, portano rispettivamente le date del 12 agosto 1944, n. 2734, 26 agosto 1944, n. 478012, e 9 settembre 1944, n. 478025.

L'ufficio Claims and Hirings di Arezzo ha informato di aver trasmesso tali note, della cui consegna sono state rilasciate ricevute alla scuola come risulta dall'allegata copia, all'8° Command Pay Office di Roma (C.M.F.).

Altre notizie è impossibile fornire se si esclude l'indicazione del reparto 112° Workshop and Park Coy R.

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subentrò il 9 settembre nei locali della Scuola dando il cambio ad altre unità di cui si ignorano gli indirizzi.

Si prega codesta Commissione di svolgere vivo interessamento per il recupero delle macchine che sono indispensabili al normale funzionamento di quella scuola.

per IL MINISTRO
Ruciacq.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

(ICA)

ED/3C/6/AC

October, 1945

SUBJECT : Recovery of Scientific Material,
University of Pisa.

TO : G-5, AFHQ.

- copy*
1. The enclosed letter *from* the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is self-explanatory.
 2. May the *Control Commission* ^{*in*} Austria and Germany be requested to attempt to recover ~~them~~ *the material in question?*

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. CARR, Brig.
VP, CA Section

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COPY

MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Books and sundry material belonging to the Pisa University removed by the Germans.

1. Reference to Memo. 6/2997/1386 of August 28th, 1945.
2. About a year ago the Germans removed from the Physiology Institute of the Pisa University nearly all the books and periodicals belonging to the library as well as all scientific equipment.
3. This material was contained in about 50 large wooden cases, marked with the number of inventory and the name of the Pisa University.
4. As all attempts to recover the aforesaid material have up to now proved fruitless, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be very grateful if the Allied Commission would kindly interest the proper Authorities in the matter.

Rome, September 13th, 1945

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MINISTERO AFFARI ESTERI

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Books and other materials of the Pisa University at present in Linz (Austria).

1. According to information received by the Pisa University, 300 cases of books and other materials presumably belonging to said University, are now in Linz (Austria) where they were taken by the retreating Germans. It appears that said cases were moved to Linz from Milano, where a considerable part of scientific material of the same University has already been found.

2. In compliance with the request of the Rector of Pisa University, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs ask the competent Allied Authorities that enquiries be made with a view to ascertain whether such cases are actually in Linz; if so, the conservation of said material is warmly recommend to said authorities pending the arrival in that city of representatives of the University who will take care of the cases.

Rome, August, 27th, 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

September, 1945

ED/3C/6.0/AC

SUBJECT : Recovery of books from
Germany.

TO : Minister of Foreign Affairs

Reference your 6/4837/1308 of 20 August.

1. Your request that the Allied Commission assist in recovering and returning to Italy the books lent to the "Petrarca Haus" of Cologne by the "Vittorio Emanuele II" National Library in Rome was forwarded to Allied Forces Headquarters for action.

2. The above mentioned Headquarters has replied that since the books were presumably lent by the Librarian of the National Library in Rome of his own free will, he took a normal risk, and that he should therefore be prepared to wait until such time as he is able to negotiate their return direct with the Petrarca Haus. It was stated that no further action will be taken in this matter.

3. It is regretted that, therefore, the Allied Commission can not be of help to you in this regard.

For the Chief Commissioner:

M. CARR, Brig.
VP, CA Section.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

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ED/30/6/AC

17 September, 1945

SUBJECT : Books, etc. removed from
Fisa by Germans.

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Reference Prot. 6/2997/1386 of 27 August
Prot 6/3328/1583 of 13 September.

1. An inventory of the 150 cases of scientific materials found in Linz, Austria, has been sent to the Minister of Public Instruction, with copies of the above mentioned memoranda from you.
2. The Minister of Public Instruction has been requested to check the inventory with the claims of the University of Pisa and two other institutions.
3. If it is found that the cases in Linz are material taken from the University of Pisa steps will be taken toward having them returned.

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

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Books and sundry material belonging to the Pisa University removed by the Germans.

1. Reference to Memo. 6/2997/1383 of August 28th, 1945.

2. About a year ago the Germans removed from the Physiology Institute of the Pisa University nearly all the books and periodicals belonging to the library as well as all scientific equipment.

3. This material was contained in about 50 large wooden cases, marked with the number of inventory and the name of the Pisa University.

4. As all attempts to recover the aforesaid material have up to now proved fruitless, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be very grateful if the Allied Commission would kindly interest the proper Authorities in the matter.

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Rome, September 13th, 1945

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

Subject: Books and other materials of the Pisa University at present in Linz (Austria).

1. According to information received by the Pisa University, 300 cases of books and other materials presumably belonging to said University, are now in Linz (Austria) where they were taken by the retreating Germans. It appears that said cases were moved to Linz from Milano, where a considerable part of scientific material of the same University has already been found.
2. In compliance with the request of the Rector of the Pisa University, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs ask the competent Allied Authorities that enquiries be made with a view to ascertain whether such cases are actually in Linz; if so, the conservation of said material is warmly recommend to said authorities pending the arrival in that city of representatives of the University who will take care of the cases. *PMW*

Roma, August, 27th, 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Education Subcommittee
APO 394

ED/CWW/r8

ED/BB/3.0/AC

15 September, 1945

SUBJECT : Italian apparatus in Linz,
Austria.

TO : Minister of Public Instruction.

1. Some time ago I called your attention to the fact that 150 cases of Italian scientific material had been found in a school in Linz, Austria. You in your territory and I in Military Government territory invited educational institutions to report any removal of a large quantity of scientific supplies which might be in these 150 cases.
2. I enclose herewith a list from the Istituto Magistrale "Carlo Tancani" of Milan and one from the Liceo Scientifico of Bergamo, sent in response to the above mentioned notification.
3. I enclose also a letter from the Minister of Foreign Affairs stating that 300 cases had been removed from the Physiology Institute in Pisa.
4. Yesterday I received a complete inventory of the material in the 150 cases at Linz, which I enclose herewith.
5. Will your Ministry compare the inventory with the enclosed claims, to ascertain whether the 150 cases belong to any of the three institutions. Please notify me promptly as to the result.

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

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HQ UNITED STATES FORCES IN AUSTRIA
 OSS AUSTRIA
 APO 777, U S ARMY

24 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Inventory of Italian Scientific
 Equipment.

TO : Lt. Col. William P. Maddox, C.O.,
 Hq, 2677th Regt. OSS(Prov), APO 512,
 U.S. Army.

FOR : R & A Branch
 Attn: Lieutenants Conley and Lansberg.

1. In repl. to your paragraph five(5) of
 Rome cable number 96 of 29 July 1945, we are en-
 closing herewith an inventory of the Italian
 scientific equipment located at present in the
Technische Hochschule, Goethe Strasse, Linz.

2. Captain Eugene F. O'Meara, C.O. of our
 Linz Detachment was responsible for securing
 this list.

A. G. Flues

A. G. FLUES,
 Major, A.C.,
 Commanding.

AC
 Col. Washburne
 after 10 am

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