

AMERICAN ZONE

ASTEN - TEAM 339 - No. 100

MONTHLY NARRATIVE REPORT

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U. N. R. R. A. Team 339

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30 September 1946

TO : Director, U.S. Zone, Salzburg.
FROM : L.A. Clark, Director, Asten - Enns Group.
SUBJECT : Monthly Report for September 1946, for Camp Asten.

1. I took over direction of this Camp on 4th of this month when Mr. Cohn left to go to Lager Haid.

The Team position was poor because at the time I took over the team secretary Miss Zwart was posted to Linz Office, the Team nurse Miss Tondreau was posted to Gmunden, and the Team Welfare Officer Mr. Lindsay was given some other job by C.H.Q. Vienna and I have not had any notice of his whereabouts since that time.

I was left with the following team members to carry on the work:

Mr. Bolearts - Supply Officer
Mr. Astolfo - Transport Officer
Dr. Scherz - Medical Officer.

This number was quite inadequate to cope with all the normal work necessary in a camp of 2000 people and naturally considerable stress was thrown on the team, particularly the Supply Officer, when the new payment for food and lodging system was implemented.

However, since Mr. Carolin took over the camp today as director and I feel it unnecessary for me to make any further comment or to stress the obvious personnel requirements to bring this camp up to its normal level of efficient working; I presume the new director will take care of this points.

L.A. Clark,
Director,
Asten-Enns Group.

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31 July 1946.

To: Director, Area 2 Hqs., U. S. Zone, Linz

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 - Health - good. See medical reports.
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 - Welfare - satisfactory.
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- (b) A list of Camp residents, who are suspected to have been collaborators, has been made out and submitted to your Headquarters and to the D. P. Office at Linz.
A thorough screening by a special U. N. R. R. A. screening team is being carried out for all residents of the Camp.
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30 June 1946.

To: Director, Area 2, U.S. Zone, Linz
From: Director, Team 339
Subject: Narrative Report for the month of June 1946.

Summary of important problems not yet solved:

So far as can be ascertained there does not exist an official plan of the main canalisation, water nor electrical wiring systems of this camp. The drainage system in particular has given trouble, as also have the electrical and water systems to a lesser degree. The maintenance men under the chief engineer from amongst the Residents are able to carry out minor repairs only, due in the first place to lack of knowledge through the absence of the plans referred to and secondly to lack of specialised equipment.

Summary of results of operations during period ended by the report:

- (1) Relations with the military and other agencies:
Weekly inspections are made of the camp in all aspects by the military, and so far as is known these reports are good.
- (2) On the completion of the intake of some 500 "Ukrainians" a democratic election was held to form a new Residents' Committee and Camp officials embracing these new-comers. Through the agency of this new Committee these people have now been absorbed and employed in all the activities of the life of the Settlement.
 - Housing - good and adequate.
 - Fuel - satisfactory allowance for all purposes.
 - Health - good. See medical reports.
 - Sanitary conditions - good. Main flush drainage, but see also opening remarks on canalisation.
 - Welfare - satisfactory.
 - Education - Kindergarten, Primary and High Schools running well with adequate teaching staff. Supply of Yugoslavian text books has been received.
 - Equipment - Acute shortage of barber's necessities.
- (3) (1) Repatriation in the majority of cases is almost impossible. It is hoped, however, to get some of the widowed peasant women and their little

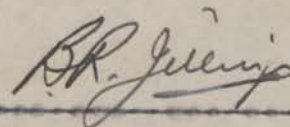
little children to go back to their country, as they need have nothing to fear.

- (ii) The Yugoslavian Liaison Officer has been to talk to some of these women and given us his written authority for them to proceed to a Camp at Wels on the first step of their journey "home".
- (iii) Constant talks to individuals and groups by the Team Welfare Officer.
- (iv) Every endeavour is being made to get the men to accept work in their own calling (where possible) with the Austrians, outside the camp. This has been successful with 20 up to date, and we have arranged special hours for their morning and evening meals, and carry them to and from work in our transport daily.
- (b) The Personal Questionnaire required by the Military has been filled in and submitted for all residents of the Camp.
- (c) Good.
- (4) (a) No other major changes than that caused by the elections on June 2nd.
- (b) Nothing to report.
- (c) Nothing to report.
- (d) Staff transport: The Team has NO U.N.R.R.A. staff transport at all, and has been without the C.E.M. Ford V-8 since it was "written off" as reported in accident report T.D.17 of 10.6.46, despite application to Area H.Q.

Supplies: Nothing to report.

Billets: In my opinion it is entirely wrong for the Team to live in a barrack within the Camp.

Equipment: Nothing to report.



B.R. Jillings,
Director, Team 339

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31 May 1946.

To: Director, Area 2, U. S. Zone, Linz
From: Director, Team 339
Subject: Narrative Report for the month of May 1946.

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1. Asten Lager is administered by U. N. R. R. A. Team 339 under control of Area 2, Linz. The military units in the area provide inspection teams to check sanitation, mess, welfare, educational and vocational programs and other phases of camp operations.

Important problems yet unsolved: Yugoslavian reading materials. Problems: The departure of the Volksdeutsche and the intake of some 500 Ukrainians has necessitated quite a reorganisation in the camp administration and in the allocation of work in the settlement. A new Residents' Committee will be elected by a democratic election held on 2nd June, supervised by the team. Its first functions will be to incorporate the Ukrainians into all phases of the life of the camp. The camp population is 1,996 of whom 503 are Ukrainians, the balance being Yugoslavian.

2. The housing is good, and unless a great deal of reorganisation and removals from barrack to barrack is undertaken, the camp is now considered to be practically full. Without overcrowding, the capacity is 2,100.

A separate kitchen and dining hall for the children is in process of construction, and it is expected to be functioning before the end of next month.

Sanitary and hygiene conditions are good, as also is the general health of the residents.

Food: The present ration is adequate, and the quality of the food and make up of the menus are good. The camp farm will be augmenting the kitchen supplies from now on with fresh vegetables.

Recreation: Football is still being played weekly, and a suggestion is on hand for a team to tour various camps in Area I. Concerts and plays are given in the Camp Theater

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both by residents and also visiting artists, and are very well attended.

3. The Administrative Section of the camp (self government) is working well and will be reviewed early in June as a result of the then newly elected Residents' Committee.
A big endeavour is being made to get as many residents as possible employed by civilian undertakings and to encourage work outside the camp as well as within it.
4. Mr. B.R. Jillings took over the position of Director from Mr. J.H. McLean with effect from 2nd May 1946.
5. A new transportation system becomes operative as from 1st June. Only one U.N.R.R.A. vehicle now on the road. The arrival of the new U.N.R.R.A. transport allotted to Team 339 is eagerly awaited and very badly needed.

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1. April 1946

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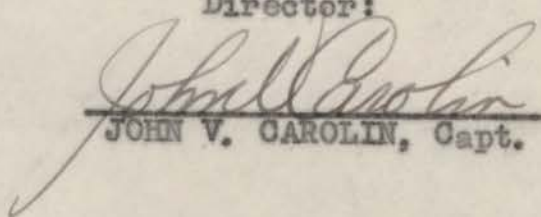
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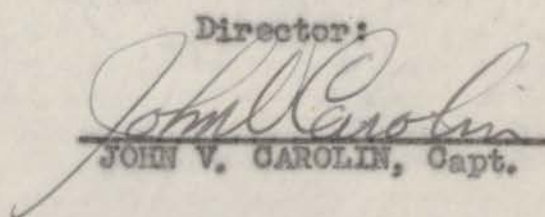
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I . The 5 th Inf. Regt¹ (42 Division) is now in this Area and provi inspection team dealy to check all phases of Camp operations, as to say : sanitation, mess, welfare, educational program, maintenance etc.. An important porblem is still yet insolved : Yugoslav reading material. We have received seed for the camp farm and this progres- sing sôowly; we expect that the planting will be accomplished as pla ned. The recent move of nearly 600 Volkes Deutsches from the camp has caused a great trouble in thh differents branches of the camp activities : the people who came from Braunau and Peurierbach are composed in majority of peasants, few manual or intellectual workers.

Nevertheless, the dressmakershop started again on the 29 th April, but with only two sewing machines. We expect the ~~XXXXXX~~ toysmakershop to start again in a few days.

The camp population is at this day of 1381 people, mast of them screaned as Yugoslav, among tehm about 100 V.D. (people not ~~screened~~ screened, or in hospital, or absent when screening took place)

The program of instruction given to people eligible to vote is' going on and will soon be completed. Elections for a new Comitee will take place in a few days. (date will be fixed in the next meeting).

2 . The housing is good : the camp capacity being of 2000 and the actual population of 1381. Food : the present ration is 2000 calorie (1200 as Austrian ration, and 800 from Red Cross Parcels) is well rounded. The vegetables plots now being operated will soon supplement the ration with fresh vegetables. Clothing : Our tailor and dressmaker shops are working to reconvert old clothes for use of all ages. We have received a certain amount of clothing and distribution in in course. But socks are needed. Registrations : A small group of V.D. has been rescreened by Yugoslav Liaison Officer, Lieutenant Seculic, but we have still about 100 V.D. and instructions will be asked from D.P. Office H.Q. Linz.

Sanitary Conditions : The conditions are good. We have had about 50 cases of scabies (children coming from Braunau), but the Medical Officer took immediately energical ~~measures~~ measures, and we have no more scabies.

Another important problem in this camp is the water problem. Due to the cutback of electricity pumps are fonctionning only very short time every day. We have an emergency pump, fonctionning through a gazoline generator. We have asked a reserve of 1000 liters for this purpose. We can not obtain it. As we are now short of gasoline, if a stopage on el ectricity comes again, we shall not be able to give gazoline for the generator. I think that it is an important problem, for two reasons : health and

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and danger in case of fire.

Recreations ; Football team plays at least once a week, home or away

We have a football ground distant about 500 yards from the camp.

We expect to start shortly with a playground for young children.

The "Old People Club" is functioning every afternoon : coffee, sweets and music are provided.

Cultural Groups : Despite the move of more than 1600 V.D., we can give concerts in our theatre. Groups from other camps give also concerts and shows in our theatre.

Police Department : Is functioning in a satisfactory manner.

3 . The Administrative ~~Section~~ Section of the camp (self Government of the settlement) has been reorganized as the result of the recent moves of V.D. New elections will take place in a few days (see N.I)

4 . CAPTAIN Carolin Director, left the Camp and is now Director of Bindermichl. Actual Director is Mr. McLean, coming from Bindermichl but is leaving in a few days. New Director will be Mr. B.R. Jillings. Mr Roque, Driver, has left for Vienna (resignation from U.N.R.R.A.)

5 . Transports are fair, due to the lack of spare parts ; fuel (gasoline and diesel) is strictly controlled. We are short in gasoline.

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TO : Director, UNRRA, U. S. Zone Hqs. Salzburg, Austria.

1. Important problems yet unsolved: Seeds are needed for a garden program to provide the Camp with foodstuffs to take the place of the Red Cross packages of food which will soon be discontinued. Welfare: Problems: The biggest problem at present is the problem of the adolescent girls in this camp. Rates of abortions in this camp are high enough to worry the UNRRA Doctor. Plans are to start a series of lectures on Adolescent hygiene; and couple this with a rounded recreation program for teen-age girls. The presence of churches in the camp have already made inroads in the problem of unmarried couples. Target set for the team during the succeeding period: The presence, in a camp of "King Peter" Yugoslavs of a Tito Liaison Screening Officer has resulted in a drastic lowering of the camp morale. It is estimated that over 1000 of the present population of 2536 will be sent out of camp for various reasons. This situation has interfered considerably with the building, recreation and work programs in the camp. It is expected that with the departure of the Yugoslav Liaison Officer that camp morale will improve considerably. In the meantime every effort to start an agricultural rehabilitation program has met with failure to find seeds. The main target, set for 15 April 1946 is another exhibition to be held in Vienna. This exhibition will be the same - Art and Handicraft - as the successful exhibition held on 6 February.

2. The housing condition is good. Spring storms did considerable damage to roofs in camp but all roofs are being repaired. Food: Diet is as rounded as the Austrian Government food distribution allows. Fresh beets (sugar beets) were received and furnished a welcome change. Clothing: Through the efforts of the local Red Cross branch, in Linz we have been receiving bolts of cloth and utilizing them to advantage in our sewing school and our Handicraft work shop. Over 100 shirts and trousers were made for children in the camp from this material. Fuel: Supply of fuel still considered to be insufficient. Distribution of this fuel is made, it seems very haphazardly, and the camp has been without coal for over ten straight days, with natural results from a health standpoint. Registration: Complete re-registration ordered by the 83d Infantry Division has been done. Sanitary conditions: Fairly good, considering that without coal baths were impossible. Welfare Services: A recreation room for aged and crippled persons in this camp - 120 - will be ready the 6th of March. Still working on a recreation room for teen aged boys and girls. Need radios and gramophones badly. School: Going through a period of reorganization. Cultural groups: A fifteen-piece orchestra is preparing for a series of concerts of light classical music; there are two theater groups, one devoted to classical drama, and the other devoted to light comedy. It is planned to merge these two groups in the near future, the move being necessitated by the lack of sufficient supplies to carry on these two groups. Police Department: Establishment of an investigative department under the Police department has led to

the capture of a gang engaged in black market operations between camp and Linz. The gang of eight persons is now in the custody of Austrian Gendarmerie and awaiting trial. The Greek Orthodox Church dedicated the 24th of February. It has been built by the residents of the Settlement. A reorganization of the Handwork Shops is under way. The reorganization will result in the services of the Shops in this settlement being open not only to the Camp population itself, but to the demands of visitors and trade outside the camp. There are no specialists from Voluntary Agencies in the Camp.

3. The screening team here from Division will necessitate a complete reorganization of the Administration of the camp - as far as the turnover of personnel is concerned.

4. Mr. Sidney Aptekar (US), Mess Officer, Team 339, is at present engaged in working on temporary duty at Camp 65, the Jewish Settlement at Bindermickl, Linz, by order of the Deputy Director, UNRRA, Area II, Mr. Nessely.

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6. Staff transport inadequate, supplies fairly good, billets good, equipment good.

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SUBJECT: Narrative Report

TO : U. N. R. R. A. - U. S. Zone HQ - Austria

1. Important problems yet unsolved: building of gymnasium for implementation of Sports Program; Welfare Program for the Aged and Gripples; Supply. Target set for the team during the succeeding period: Art Exhibition 6 February 1946; Secondary School; building of Greenhouse for garden planting in the spring; enlarging of the kindergarten school.
2. Military left 15 January. Housing-good, food-notified of decrease in diet, clothing-not sufficient, fuel-fairly good, registration-begun 1 February, health-good average, sanitary conditions-fairly good, Welfare Services-Sports Program-Sewing Circle-Kindergarten-Primary & Secondary Schools-Bakery & Cooking School-Sewing School-Workshops of all kinds-Art Studio-Theatrical Dept. under the supervision of the Cultural Committee-Tribunal Committee-Residence Committee-Mayor-Police Department-Fire Department-Greek Orthodox & Roman Catholic Churches-Engineering Dept-Apprentices in all workshops as part of the Rehabilitation Program-Nurses Aid Course begun-laboratory in Infirmary. Equipment for education project very meager and difficult to obtain. No voluntary agencies in the camp.
3. Major organizational change within the camp is the enlarging of the Welfare Section of the Administrative Government (Self). It is to include the Tracing Bureau, supervision of proper billeting, sanitation within the rooms, visiting nurse's service, supervision of the treatment and care of children especially orphans, supervision of proper clothing of the children, etc.
4. No personnel requirements or problems.
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6. Staff transport inadequate, supplies fairly good, billets fairly good, equipment fairly good.

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