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GENOA

His forces at Genoa are intact. This is because the Germans have a firm hold on the city and his people have laid low and avoided spontaneous outbursts. Not true that socialist leaders have been lined up and shot there. Genoa's rail connections are intact to Ventimiglia, La Spezia, Milan and Turin. A friendly artillery officer gave his people three carloads of hand grenades, which they have hidden, but that is all the arms they have. Since they are so lightly armed they cannot start a fight now, but require strategic directives as to when and how to use their resources best. Suggests they could break the coast line at many points between Genoa and Ventimiglia when the time comes, and then flee to mountains all along the coast.

Wishes Antonini would send him that \$2,000 he asked for for aiding refugees. His real intention is to use it to defray expenses of his agents -- pour faire la guerre.

He will be in Zürich Sunday.

Am enclosing two proclamations he would like to have made over the radio and a message for Montana.

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