

Institute in Rome, Repertorium Germanicum and other publications (ca 30 volumes).

The library of the Reichsinstitut totals about 45 - 50.000 books and is one of the most valuable special libraries for medieval history, especially of Germany and France. The library of the German Historical Institute at Rome with its 42.000 books is first of all meeting all demands of its special scientific tasks in Italy.

Early in 1944 both institutes were evacuated into the castle of Pommersfelden to protect them against all dangers of the war. Here, the Reichsinstitut got its study in an adjoining building of the castle, so that it could carry on its researches by a reduced number of collaborators up to now without any interruption. The library of the "Deutsches Historisches Institut" in Rome, on the other side, was stored in boxes at the nearby farm of Oberküst (belonging to the castle)

As a government of the Reich is no longer existing the Regierungspräsident von Ober- und Mittelfranken at Ansbach, on behalf of the Bavarian Government took the trusteeship of the institutes on August 19<sup>th</sup> 1945.