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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
A.P.O. 394  
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION  
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/550

10 March 1945

SUBJECT : Marcella GIANNUZZI

TO : R.P.S.O. Lazio Umbria Region

1. Copy of a letter enclosing two thousand lire notes  
to be handed to the above named.

2. Please transmit the money to her and obtain her  
receipt on the letter.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN,  
Colonel J.A.G.D.,  
Director Public Safety,  
Sub Commission.

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Copy to file AG/14029/6/PS

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P. Safety

Subject: - Transmission of Money to wife of Internee.

To H.Q. Allied Commission, "A" Civilian Internee Camp, CMF.  
 Public Safety Sub-Commission, Ref. 1500/123.  
 APO 394. 4 March 1945. ac.

Ref. your letter AC/14029/6/PS dated 14 Feb. 45:

It would be greatly appreciated if you would arrange for payment of enclosed 2,000 (two thousand) lire from this camp's Internees' Welfare Fund to:-

Signora Marcella Amici GIANNUZZI,  
 Via Andrea Doria 48,  
 ROME.

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| DIRECTOR                                                               |
| DEPT. Please return copy of this letter in acknowledgement of receipt. |
| EXEC. OFFICER                                                          |
| POLICE                                                                 |
| LIC. & REG.                                                            |
| PRISON                                                                 |
| ADM. OFFICER                                                           |
| SECURITY                                                               |
| CHIEF CLERK                                                            |

HEADQUARTERS

8 MAR 1945

A. C.

W. L. CARISS Lieut. Col.  
 Commanding "A" Civilian Internee Camp, CMF.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 394

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AC/14029/6/26

Tel : 478800

SUBJECT : GIANNUZZI Giuseppe, Civilian Internee.

14 February, 1945

TO : Commandant "A" Civilian Internee Camp C.M.F.

With reference to your letter 1/1500/104 dated  
24 January 1945, respecting the above named, herewith is copy  
of report respecting enquiries made on his behalf.

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Encl. copy of report.  
BP/G.

MK

JOHN W. CHAPMAN  
Colonel, J.A.G.D.  
Director Public Safety  
Sub-Commission.

HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION  
APO 394

Public Safety Division  
12 Feb 45

LUR/4/PS

SUBJECT : GIANNUZZI Giuseppe, Civilian Internee -  
Welfare Enquiry.

TO : Director, Public Safety Sub-Commission,  
HQ, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference your letter AC/14029/6/PS dated  
29 Jan 45.

2. I attach a report which has been received of  
the enquiry made on the health and welfare of the above  
named Civilian Internee's family.

| TO              |  |  |
|-----------------|--|--|
| COL. CHAPMAN    |  |  |
| COL. YOUNG      |  |  |
| LT. COL. WILSON |  |  |
| MAJ. LUCKMAN    |  |  |
| MAJ. WILSON     |  |  |
| MAJ. HANCOCK    |  |  |
| MAJ. BALLANCE   |  |  |
| CAPT. P. WILSON |  |  |

WLN/PMC.

For the Regional Commissioner,

C.T. FRANCIS,  
Lt-Colonel,  
RPSO, LAZIO-UMBRIA REGION.

Encls: Copy of Report on GIANNUZZI Giuseppe.

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A.M.G. PUBLIC SAFETY H.Q.  
LAZIO UMBRIA REGION.

Rome, 12th February 1945.

To : Lt.Col. C.T.Francis, R.P.S.O.  
From : Dr. E.M.Rodriguez, L.O.  
Subject : Civilian Internee - Welfare enquiries.

1. Reference to papers herewith returned.

2. Mrs.Marcella Amici Giannuzzi gave birth to a boy, Marcello, on 6th December 1944. She has always written regularly to her husband but has never received any news from him.

She is suffering from heart trouble, and lives in the most pitiful conditions having sold to the last piece of furniture to enable her to take care of her baby after the arrest of her husband who was the family's only support.

In answer to her many petitions she was recently informed that her husband would have already been released had he not tried on October last to escape from the internment camp.

3. From enquiries made I have ascertained that M.llo Giannuzzi succeeded in his escape, which was prompted by his knowledge of the critical situation in which he had left his wife. He went home to her and shortly afterwards voluntarily gave himself up again to the Allied Authorities.

4. I, therefore, feel bound to submit that a lenient view of M.llo Giannuzzi's past faults would alleviate unendurable hardships to his family and also have no little influence toward turning him again into a good citizen.



Dr. E.M.Rodriguez, Comm/rio.  
Italian P.S.Liaison Officer.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 394

Tel : 478800

29 January, 1945.

AC/14029/6/PS

SUBJECT : Civilian Internee - Welfare enquiries.

TO : R.P.S.C. Lazio Umbria Region.

GIANNUZZI Giuseppe, at present interned in "A" Civilian Internee Camp, states that when arrested in October last, his wife was about to have a baby.

He is very worried as he has had no news of her.

Could enquiries be made at her address, Via Andrea Doria 48, Rome (presso famiglia NAPOLION) as to her health and welfare, for transmittal to enquirer through the Commandant.

JOHN W. CHAPMAN  
Colonel, J.A.G.D.  
Director Public Safety  
Sub-Commission.

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BT/C.

*BF*  
*Telephoned on 10 Feb, Enquiries still  
being carried on.*

*Public Safety s/c*  
*10029/6*  
 (7A)

Subject: GIANNUZZI Giuseppe.  
 (Civilian Internee)

"A" Civilian Internee Camp, CMF.

Ref: I/1500/104.

To: HQ AC, ROME.

24 Jan. 45.

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1. Subject states that when he was arrested at the end of October last, his wife was about to have a baby, and he is very perturbed because he has received no news of her at all.

2. Would it be possible, please, for enquiries to be made at her home: Via Andrea Doria 48, ROME (presso famiglia NAPOLEONE) and subject informed through this office of her condition?

I would be very grateful if you could oblige me in this matter.

ACH/



R.G.E. MINCHIN

Major.

Commandant, "A" Civilian Internee Camp, CMF.

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*Please visit my wife*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Public Safety Sub-Commission  
APO 394

AC/14029/6/PE

29 Nov 1944

SUBJECT : Trentner Anna.

TO : Regional Commissioner, Lazio-Umbria Region,  
Allied Commission. (Attn: R.P.S.O.).

Inclosed is translation of letter from subject forwarded  
this Headquarters with letter of Commandant 371 P.W. Camp. — 5B

It is requested this Headquarters be informed of any  
action taken and results thereof. — 5A

JOHN W. CHAPMAN  
Colonel, J.A.C.D.  
Director Public Safety  
Sub-Commission

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SUBJECT:- THAUSER Anna.

Public Safety 355  
371 P.W. CAMP CMF.  
Ref. 371/11600/1  
14th NOV 44.

To:- HEADQUARTERS R.A.A.C.

Subject has asked for the Military Authorities to intervene on her behalf. It would appear that the owner of the flat she occupies is attempting to evict her. I consider that it is important that the interests of Civilian Internees should be protected as far as possible.

Her letter is passed to you for whatever action you think fit.

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See 355  
R.C.E. MINCHIE

R.C.E. MINCHIE, Major, R.A.A.C.  
Commandant No 371 P.W. Camp, CMF.

SUBJECT:- TRACER Anna.

Public Safety 3545

371 P.W. CAMP CMT.

Ref. 271/1600/1

14th NOV 44.

To:- HEADQUARTERS R.A.A.C.

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R.G.E. KINCHIN. Major, R.A.C.  
Commandant No 371 P.W. Camp, CMT.

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| TO                      | DATE |  |
| FROM                    |      |  |
| REMARKS                 |      |  |
| 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.          |      |  |
| NAME OF VESSEL          |      |  |
| NAME OF CAPTAIN         |      |  |
| NAME OF MASTER          |      |  |
| NAME OF ENGINEER        |      |  |
| NAME OF SURGEON         |      |  |
| NAME OF CHIEF OF ENGINE |      |  |
| NAME OF CHIEF OF CARGO  |      |  |
| NAME OF CHIEF OF DECK   |      |  |

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Comando Militare

Traslate

La presente per supplicare la Sig.<sup>ra</sup> Is. III. via a voler  
 interessare il Comando di Roma, affinché venga ri-  
 mandata o sospesa addirittura la causa Santiloni con-  
 tro Brantner, fissata per il 16 corr. mese. La Brantner fa  
 presente che si trova in Italia da 35 anni, e di età  
 avanzata (53 anni passati) era impiegata presso le  
 Poste Italiane in Roma, dal 18-5-1940 abita in via  
 Mario de' Fiori 3, int. 7, Roma, presso certa Santiloni  
 Anna, la quale in base a calunnie ha potuto inspie-  
 gare causa contro la Brantner, la quale ha pagato  
 sempre in anticipo la pigione (sempre <sup>all'anno</sup> richiesto per pigione  
 pagata a mezzo vaglia postale dal 18-5 al 18-10-44) provando  
 presso l'Ufficiale americano, il quale il 12-10-44 ha arrestato  
 la Brantner senza motivazione (Requindang), ma con molta  
 probabilità dietro denuncia della stessa Santiloni e dei di lei mariti  
 e Gianni Luigi. La Brantner fa inoltre presente che nel 1940

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le persone abitanti nell'appartamento erano 7, come risulta  
anche dal registro del portiere di via Mario dei Fiori 3, mentre  
adesso gli occupanti (compresa Brautner) sono soltanto cinque.  
Per il 16-11-44 la Santiloni portera i testimoni (falsi)  
<sup>affermando</sup> che adesso (con 2 persone di meno) tutta la casa serve a lei  
e non per subaffittare a paggio di Borsa nera. La Brautner  
per la sua età e la sua poca salute non potrà mai  
più prendere piede in Roma, se adesso le viene anche  
tutta la casa, dove ha dovuto lasciare tutto il  
suo aver. Supplica ancora questo Comandante di fare  
annullare la causa, perché impiantata in base  
a false affermazioni.

Con osservanza  
Brautner Anna

Ist Ind.

JMK/mpf

Ref : SB/311.5/140 H.

Hq., ACC., Security Branch, APO 394 16 June 1944.

To : Public Safety Sub-Commission  
Rear Hq., ACC.

1. Report from 371 PW Camp forwarded.

For the Director :

*Index these names**Since there seems to be no*

*Official request from any organization regarding these*  
*two people in 37 There is no call for a reply PA. Republic*  
*19 vi. 1944.*

*3A refers*  
*4B*  
*cc*  
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 JOHN A. MCKAY,  
 Major,  
 Security Branch.

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Security Br. 4B  
CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: CAMPO Angelo - Civilian Internee. S-4176

371 P.W. Camp.

C.M.F.

14 June 44.

TO: Director, Security Branch, A.C.C.

1. Ref attached petition respecting a/n internee.
2. The case of this internee has now been reviewed and copy of our recommendation, together with Commandant's remarks are given below for information.

A.C.C.(Security Branch) Recommendation

This man was interrogated by Capt. Ellis and myself on 12. 6. 44. Joined Fascist Party 1922. Member of Fascio Dirrettorate at Campobasso 1940-1941; Member of Discipline Committee 1942.

He admits he believes in Fascism and lamented its fall in July 1943. Was chief accountant of Intendenze di Finanza Office, Campobasso and was connected with the liquidation of Fascist funds and assets. When questioned about the distribution of L.380,000 to Fascist officials (see file of COSTABILE) in September 1943 he claimed this was done in accordance with telegraphic and mailed instructions from Finance Minister BATOLINI (?), he showed much concern on this matter. In view of his Fascist record and actions since 25 July 43 we do not recommend his release.

(Sgd.) F.G. GEACH Capt.

Commandant's Note/

Noted - I agree entirely.

(Sgd;) R.G.E. MINCHIN Major.

3. Regarding PISAPIA Luigi di Domenico mentioned in the first part of your enclosure, there is no trace of him at 371 P.W. Camp.

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4. Your enclosure is returned herewith.

HEADQUARTERS  
15 JUN 1944  
A. C. C.

W. Ellis  
Capt.  
A.C.C.(Security Branch)  
Att. 371 P.W. Camp.

Copy

## Memorandum for ACC Public Safety Sub-Commission

Security 31 MAR 1944

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Family Pisapia of Cava de' Tirreni wishes to know if the Head of the Family

PISAPIA LUIGI di Domenice, born 1912,

resident in Cava de' Tirreni, (frazione pregiato)

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know no more of him since he was taken prisoner by the Germans on the

23rd of September 1943.

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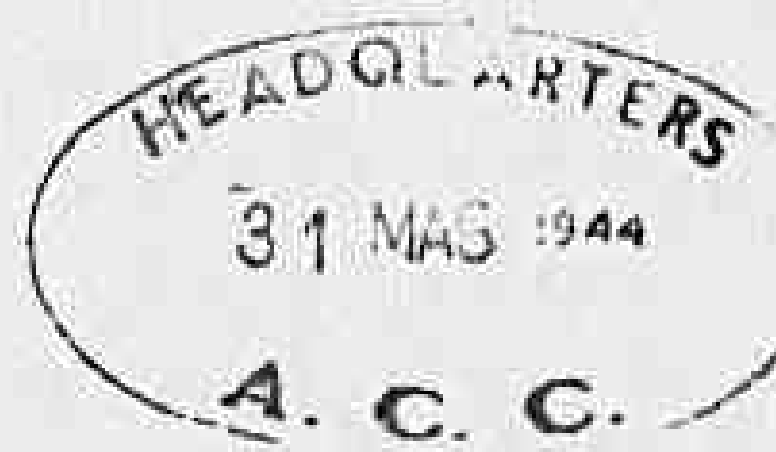
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He wishes to know what charges have been brought against him, since he believes that no effective political activity was carried by his brother.

*These decorations received in  
the concentration camp.*



1st Ind.

ACS/14029/6/PS

30 May 1944.

From: P.S. Sub-Com., ACC Salerno.

To : Security &amp; Intelligence.

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Passed to you for investigation and report.

*Howell Capt*  
A. E. YOUNG, Colonel,  
Deputy Chief, Public  
Safety Sub-Commission.

Copy*Received through Major Hall, Finance 5-c*Memorandum for ACC Public Safety Sub-Commission*JA*

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ACC/14029/6/PS

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Passed to you for investigation and report.

*A. E. Young*  
A. E. YOUNG, Colonel,  
Deputy Chief, Public  
Safety Sub-Commission.

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Memorandum for A.C.C. Public Safety sub-commission.

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Grache  
F.L.S.

TRANSLATION

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR  
P.S. Hqs.

No 010613/441.

Salerno 30 April 1944.

SUBJECT : Prof. Carlo JANNELLA, a political confinee -  
his wife's entreaty.

TO : HQ A.C.C., Public Safety Sub-Commission.

From Clara Sciarano Divella resident at Biteto (Bari) has come the attached petition on behalf of her brother Prof. Jannella, headschool master of R. Liceo "Mario Pagano" of Campobasso, who was arrested for political reasons by the Allied Police. Mrs. Sciarano wishes to have news of his whereabouts and health, as his family has not heard from him since his arrest.

The above mentioned was taken away on or about 1st December 1943, and placed in a concentration Camp in Taranto.

We pray you, if nothing to the contrary, to furnish us with the above news.

THE MINISTER.

Excellency!

Whilst on our stricken and contested country of Italy is beating the most terrible tempest the history ever remembers, whilst in the past months adverse destiny is mercilessly going against the already destroyed tranquillity of a family, only a little light on the horizon breaks through and makes relive the faith in Human justice and it is towards this light that, with heart in tumult my faith with the only scope to invoke for a mother and her very young children his presence which has been missed.

More than four months ago the husband of my sister, Prof. Carlo Jannella Head school-master of R. Liceo "Mario Pagano" of Campobasso, is a political prisoner of Allied Forces.

To my best knowledge, he was arrested because he was Vice-Federale of same town before July 25.

In spite of the fact that Prof. Jannella fought with Allies in the war 1915-18, and wounded three times decorated with silver medal, in spite of the fact that his sentiments are purely Monarchicals, he represented honesty and hard work.

This person is deserving relief since he performed his duties as

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The worst of it is not the arrest which has caused unhappiness to a family because it was necessary police measure until his eventual rehabilitation. The matter which concerns us most is that my brother-in-law, from the day when he was arrested did not let us hear from him, neither directly as prisoners of war usually do, nor through some agent.

Now, how can a wife and two children live without news from a member of the family? Does he live? Did he die? At any time and under any flag the most hated criminal has always been permitted to send some news of his existence to the family and ever those who have been sentenced to death and before execution their last request has always been granted where it concerned people most dear to him.

Why we must embitter the punishment only for the political convicts putting him and his family in a frightful silence?

But your Excellency could give again to my sister a gleam of light to her tortured heart. She would like to know at least his state of health and where he is at present time.

In order to make easy the inquiry I can say that on or about the 1st December 1943 Prof. Carlo Jannella was transferred to the concentration Camp of Taranto.

Excellency!

who with the other member of Cabinet are directing the destiny of Liberated Italy, who from your seat of Government does his best to deter a tear or deaden a sob, grant my request and bring it to attention of the Allies.

We are waiting for only one answer, we are asking only one question:

Does he live?

I cannot write anymore, the tears are dimming the sight. I am looking forward to your answer as I know my efforts will not be vain.

signed:

Bitetto, 28 March 1944.

Clara Scarano in Divella  
Via Guglielmo Marconi 11.  
BITETTO (Bari)

1st IND.

ACC/14029/6/PS.

FROM : Public Safety Sub- Commission Rear Hq., A.C.C.

TO : R.P.S.O. Region II

The above translation of a letter received by this Sub-Commission 3576 is forwarded.

The last known address of the subject was in a Concentration Camp at Taranto.

Would you please cause enquiries to be made so that the reply may be made to the Minister.

*A. E. Young*  
A. E. YOUNG, Colonel,  
Deputy Chief, Public  
Safety Sub-Commission.



Lo/

Ministero dell'Interno

Direzione Generale della P.S.

Divisione A.G.R. L.

Prot. N. 10613/44 Allegati uno

OGGETTO Prof. Carlo JANNELLA - Preside del R. Liceo "M. Pagano" in Campobasso - Fermato dalla Polizia Alleata.-

TIP. A. GUONDORNA - SALERNO

Grandato Mod 874

Salerno, li 20/14/1944

AL CON/LE COMMISSIONE ALLEATA

DI CONTROLLO - Sottocommissione  
ne Pubblica Sicurezza

SALERNO

Risposta al 1° del

Dir. L. N.

Dalla Sig/ra Clara Scarano - Divella, residente a Bitetto (Bari), è pervenuto l'esposto unito in copia, nell'interesse del cognato Prof. Carlo Jannella, preside del R. Liceo "M. Pagano" di Campobasso, fermato per motivi politici dalla Polizia Alleata, del quale si chiedono notizie circa l'attuale reperibilità e lo stato di salute, non avendo i familiari più ricevuta da lui alcuna comunicazione dopo l'arresto.

Il predetto sarebbe stato condotto nei primi del dicembre 1943 in un campo di concentramento di Taranto.

Si prega, qualora nulla osti in contrario, di fornire le chieste notizie.-

IL MINISTRO

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d/P

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## ECCELLENZA,

mentre nella nostra dilaniata e contesa terra d'Italia s'abbatte il più terribile uragano che la storia ricordi, mentre un avverso destino si accanisce da più mesi contro l'ormai distrutta tranquillità di una famiglia, solo uno sprezzo di luce all'orizzonte ravviva la fede nella giustizia umana ed è verso quella luce che, col cuore in tumulto, drizzo la mia prora al solo scopo di invocare per una madre e per i suoi teneri figliuoli, quella giocondità che da tempo, è stata bandita dai loro volti.

Da oltre quattro mesi il marito di mia sorella, Prof. Carlo Jannello, Preside del R. Liceo (Mario Pagano) in Campobasso, è prigioniero politico degli Alleati.

A quando mi è dato di sapere, il suo fermo è stato determinato dal fatto che, prima del 25 luglio, ricopriva la carica di Vice Federale della stessa città.

A parte il fatto che il Prof. Jannello abbia combattuto a fianco degli Alleati la guerra 1915-18, rimanendo ferito sul campo per ben tre volte, al punto da venire decorato di una Medaglia d'Argento al valore Militare, ed a parte pure la considerazione che il mio congiunto, di sentimenti puramente monarchici, sia stato sempre un modello di rettitudine e di laboriosità, è degno di rilievo nella vita di questo deportato politico l'onestà con la quale mantenne l'incarico di Vice Federale, senza mai imporre in abusi e soprusi che il suo adamantino carattere non conosceva per nobiltà di nascita e squisitezza di animo.

Ma l'affare più grave non è il suo fermo il quale, pur avendo gettato lo schianto su una famiglia, resta sempre una misura di polizia in attesa della certa riabilitazione. Il fatto che maggiormente preoccupa, è, che questo mio cognato, dal giorno in cui è stato preso, non ha dato notizie di sé, nè direttamente come i comuni prigionieri di guerra, nè a mezzo di qualche organo preposto alla vigilanza.

Ora, come può fare una moglie, come possono vivere due bambini, senza sapere cosa n'è accaduto del loro famigliare? Vive? è morto?

In tutti i tempi e sotto tutte le bandiere, ai più volgari delinquenti è stato sempre permesso, dal bagno penale, inviare un laconico cenno ai parenti per testimoniare la sua esistenza in vita, ed ai condannati alla pena capitale, nell'attimo che precede l'esecuzione,

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A quando mi è dato di sapere, il suo fermo è stato determinato dal fatto che, prima del 25 luglio, ricopriva la carica di Vice Federale della stessa città.

A parte il fatto che il Prof. Jannella abbia combattuto a fianco degli Alleati la guerra 1915-18, rimanendo ferito sul campo per ben tre volte, al punto da venire decorato di una Medaglia d'Argento al Valore Militare, ed a parte pure la considerazione che il mio congiunto, di sentimenti puramente monarchici, sia stato sempre un modello di rettitudine e di laboriosità, è degno di rilievo nella vita di questo deportato politico l'onestà con la quale mantenne l'incarico di Vice Federale, senza mai imporre in abusi e soprusi che il suo adamantino carattere non conosceva per nobiltà di nascita e squisitezza di animo.

Ma l'affare più grave non è il suo fermo il quale, pur avendo gettato lo schianto su una famiglia, resta sempre una misura di polizia in attesa della certa riabilitazione. Il fatto che maggiormente preoccupa, è, che questo mio cognato, dal giorno in cui è stato preso, non ha dato notizie di sé, nè direttamente come i comuni prigionieri di guerra, nè a mezzo di qualche organo preposto alla vigilanza.

Ora, come può fare una moglie, come possono vivere due bambini, senza sapere cosa n'è accaduto del loro famigliaire? Vive? è morto?

In tutti i tempi e sotto tutte le bandiere, al più volgari dei linquenti è stato sempre permesso, dal bagno penale, inviare un laconico cenno ai parenti per testimoniare la sua esistenza in vita, ed ai condannati alla pena capitale, nell'attimo che precede l'esecuzione, è stata sempre chiesta l'ultima volontà la quale, nella totalità dei casi, si è costantemente risolta nell'invio dell'ultimo pensiero alla persona più cara al mondo.

Perchè solo per i prigionieri politici bisogna sacrificare la pena frammettendo fra essi e gli affetti più innocenti un pauroso silenzio?

A ridonare, però, un raggio di luce nel cuore straziato di mia sorella potrebbe venire incontro l'Eccellenza Vostra. Sapere dove sta, oppure comunicare il suo stato di salute, sarebbe un dono

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meritevole della più alta considerazione del Signore.

Per facilitare le ricerche sono in grado di dire che nei primi di dicembre del 1943 il Prof. Carlo Jannella fu trasportato al Campo di Concentramento di Taranto.

Eccellenza, Voi che con gli altri colleghi di Gabinetto dirigete le sorti dell'Italia riscattata, Voi che dal banco del governo fate del Vostro meglio per detergere una lagrime o per attutire un singhiozzo, accogliete la mia richiesta e interessatevi presso gli Alleati.

Una sola risposta si attende, una sola domanda Vi si rivolge:

Vive?

Non posso più scrivere, le leggrime mi annebbiano la vista. Resto solo in attesa, giacché il cuore mi dice che per una Vostra risposta, l'attesa non è vana.

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