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HEADQUARTERS MI6 COMMISSION
 A.P.O. 794
 PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION
 SECURITY SUB DIVISION

REF : 2/143 RA

19 November 1945

SUBJECT : "Il Tempo"

TO : Director, Public Safety Division

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3. Just prior to the election period and after showing some slight leaning towards the left he went to MILAN and issued the Milan edition. Financial aid was obtained from S.I.P., the FIAT Group and he had the unconditional backing of FIRELLI.

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

REF : SD/140/ANGIOLILLO / 3513 .

12 December 1944

SUBJECT : ANGIOLILLO Renato

TO : Director, Public Relations Branch

1. With reference to the above named, he was born at Potenza on 4.8.1901, now lives at Via Manfredi E. No. 9.

2. The following criminal convictions are recorded against him.

- (i) On 9.3.1925 at Court of Appeal, Naples, sentenced to 1 month imprisonment and fined L. 300 for giving offence to the Queen.
- (ii) On 10.6.1935 at Naples was acquitted for failing to render a return of his firm's accounts to the Registrar.
- (iii) On 11.2.1938 at Bari, he was pardoned for similar offence as at (ii)

3. He was a director and shareholder in Cristallo films. Many members of the Directorate of this company held important Fascist posts. It is reported that he made approximately L. 1,000,000, by publishing a book on the activities of the Fascists in Puglia. He was associated in this work with a certain lawyer named MASSILI Domenico, who was the head of the propaganda office of the Fascist Federation of Bari. Photographs of MASSILI and STARACE were given prominent positions in this book.

4. Subject published a newspaper "Italia" from the 25th July 1943, to 8th September 1944.

5. On 4th June, ANGIOLILLO with his co-director RAPACI, commenced to publish the independent paper "Il Tempo".

6. "Il Tempo" has from time to time published denunciations regarding various persons who were Fascist in the past and some days later a notice has appeared offering apologies and announcing that the information was not correct.

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TELEPHONE

ROME
(Station)

Date Mailed 11/10/44

From:

(Caller: Avv. Orvieto)

To: Telephone 874081

ANGIOLILLO Renato

Via Manfredi 9

(Callec: Angiolillo)

Number of previous
comment sheets:

Caller

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Disposition:

Passed
Refused
Caller warned
Callec warned
Call cut off

Language: Italian

Observation started 1450

Recording No.

None

Total time: 5 mins

Date 10 Oct 44

COMMENT

POLITICAL CONVERSATIONIl chiamante- Volevo istruzioni per questa sera.Il chiamato- Avrò notato la mia prenessa che sembra sibillina. Si riferisce alla censura. Alle due di notte si è presentato il solito ufficiale e ho dovuto spaginare. "on si può parlare dei seguenti rapporti: Bartolini, Acanfora e ancora altri due nomi che si riferiscono nettamente al periodo Badoglio. In altri termini, come nella storia dei generali in Italia, ci si può occupare di tutti meno di Badoglio. Badoglio è la moglie di Cesare. Alle due mi hanno anche telefonato dall'"Unità" e non ho voluto scontentarli perchè in questi ultimi tempi ci hanno appoggiato nella faccenda del "Messaggero".Il chiamante- Sono stato del presidente a reclamare per questi tagli e pare che sia intervenuto. La giornata di oggi è stata disastrosa per l'imputato.Il chiamato- Lo so. Spano voleva che venissi io al processo, ma a quell'ora sono stanco.Il chiamante- Ormai i testi a carico sono stati esauriti. Il titolo d'oggi dovrebbe essere: -Scacco all'imputato-. E' la verità.Il chiamato- Sarà meglio dire: -Scacco al Governatore.-

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Lieut USNRCopy to
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POLITICAL CONVERSATION

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The caller - I want your instructions for to night.

The person who is called - You have certainly noticed that my words were not very clear. It was because of the censure. At two o'clock in the night came the usual officer and I had to correct and prepare again the articles of the newspaper. It is impossible to speak about the following reports : Bartolini, Acanfora and two other names which clearly concern the Badoglio period. In other words, as in the story of the Generals in Italy, one can be concerned with everybody but not with Badoglio. Badoglio is the wife of Genere. At two o'clock the "Unità" called me and I didn't want to displease them because they helped us in the "Messaggero" affair.

The caller - I went to the President in order to ask these cards, and it seems that he did something. To day things went on very badly for the accused person.

The person who is called - I know. Spano wanted me to come to the process, but at this time I am tired.

The caller - Now the witnesses against him have been heard. It is the truth.

The person who is called - It would be better to say - checkmate for the Governor - .

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POLITICAL PRESS
ACTIVITY*Listen, this is Rossini. No speaking.*

The caller - ~~Here speaks Angiolilli.~~ In order not to attack Nenni directly we attack the Socialist Party. We must try and send away this thief from the Party.

The person who is called - very well directed. Did you read his article?

The caller - yes, there is nothing particular about it. He is very stupid, he only writes nice sentences which don't mean anything.

The person who is called - His ideas are not clear and the reader cannot understand him.

The caller - listen, it is necessary to ring up to senator Bennicelli who is the only senator who has not been eparated. Once he offered money but I didn't accept. It would be useful to write te-him a letter, or call him because this would have a meaning.....

The person who is called - Shall we write a letter to Rossini who was appointed Director?

The caller - But he is a complete idiot hao has never understood anything.

The person who is called - because of his office he could be useful to us.

The caller - Then write him a letter of congratulations.

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CIVIL CENSORSHIP GROUP
TELEPHONE

ROME.
(Station)

Date Mailed 25/10/44

From: Telephone 874081
ANGIOLILLO RENATO
Via Manfredi 9
(Caller - Sig. Angiolillo)

To:

(Callee - un signore)

Number of previous comment sheets:
Caller R/T/4790
Callee

Disposition:
Passed X
Refused
Caller warned
Callee warned
Call cut off

Language: - Italian. Observation started 1304
Recording No. Total time: 3 Mins.
Date 24 Oct. 1944

None.

COMMENT

POLITICAL PRESS ACTIVITY

Il chiamante - Senti, parla Angiolillo: noi per non attaccare direttamente Nenni attacchiamo il partito socialista. Bisogna cercare che questo ladro sia cacciato a pedate dal partito.

Il chiamato - Va benissimo direttore. Ha letto quel suo articolo?

Il chiamante - Sì, ma non c'è niente di particolare. Quello è un bel fesso, si compiace di qualche bella frase, ma poi tutto il resto è vuoto.

Il chiamato - Così che il lettore trova diluita l'idea e finisce per non capire nulla.

Il chiamante - Senta, bisogna fare una telefonata al senatore Bennicelli che è l'unico senatore che non sia stato epurato. Una volta mi aveva offerto dei quattrini, che non accettai, ma sarà bene fargli una lettera una telefonata, perchè ciò acquista un significato molto.....

Il chiamato - A Rossini che è stato nominato direttore facciamo una letterina?

Il chiamante - Ma quello è un fesso, uno stronzo, un vero cretino che non ha mai capito nulla.

Il chiamato - Ma ci potrà essere utile per il posto che occupa.

Il chiamante - Allora gli scriva una letterina di congratulazione.

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CHIEF: Lady

TELEPHONE 07001
ANGIOLILLO ROMA 70
Via Manfredi 5
(Colle:the same)

THE LADY WHO SINGS - Is there Mr. Angiolillo?
MR. ANGIOLILLO - It is me, tell me.

THE LADY - I should want to know a thing about a film, I shall
begin on Monday. Its film director is SCOTTISH. I
MR. ANGIOLILLO - I think so. Which is the Society which produces this
THE LADY - I think so. Which is the Society which produces this
film?

MR. ANGIOLILLO - I think it is at Via Maza 56. I wished to
go there to person, in order to speak with this Scot-
tish, but he does not know me, and therefore I beg you
to speak with him. And I think they want not to make
much puffing about this film, because they fear to be
in a difficult position towards the Allies.

MR. ANGIOLILLO - I shall do it.
THE LADY - I shall come to your office about at 8 o' clock this
evening.
MR. ANGIOLILLO - All right.

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TELEPHONE

G.

ROME

(Station)

Date Mailed 15/10/44

From:

(Caller: una signora)

To: Telephone 87081

ANGIOLILLO Renato

Via Manfredi 9

(Callee: il medesimo)

Number of previous
comment sheets:

Caller

Callee R/T/4457

Disposition:

Passed

Refused

Caller warned

Callee warned

Call cut off

Language: — Italian

Observation started 1425

Recording No. None

Total time: 2 mins

Date 14 Oct 44

COMMENT

SUSPICIOUS FILM CONTEMPLATEDLa chiamante- C'è il sig. Angiolillo?Il chiamato- Sono io, dimmi.La chiamante- Vorrei sapere una cosa di un film che inizierò lunedì. Il regista è Scottese. Voglio sapere se conosci questo Scottese.Il chiamato- Credo di sì. Quale casa produce questo film?La chiamante- L'Arno Film. Credo che sia in via Nizza 56. Volevo andare io personalmente a parlare con questo Scottese, ma lui non conosce chi sono, perciò ti prego di farlo tu. ^{io}io credo che non vogliono dare troppa pubblicità a questo film, perchè hanno paura che non passino dei guai da parte degli Alleati.Il chiamato- Ci penso io.La chiamante- Passerò in redazione verso le 8 di stasera.Il chiamato- Va bene.

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