

Morcaggiolo,
Cornia,
Arezzo.

19 December 44.

STATEMENT OF 1-

MOCCOLINI Settimia,
MORCAGGIOLO,
Cornia... Arezzo.

Female
36 years.

Who saith,

I am the widow of LAZZERONI Pietro. He was aged 44 years and a farm labourer and we had lived at the above address for the past ten years.

About 0700 hours on Thursday 29 June 44, I was indoors with my children; my husband was out working on the farm.

I heard a voice in Italian shout "Outside. Come outside you Italians." and I went to the door and saw about ten German soldiers outside with my husband.

The Germans ordered me to go out of the house and I did so taking the children with me.

The German soldiers were all dressed in camouflaged smocks and were armed with machine gun rifles, pistols and stick grenades.

I spoke to my husband and told him to come with me but he said he could not because the Germans had ordered him to go into the house with them. I tried to go with him but was prevented by the German soldiers.

I took the children into the fields and remained with them.

I forgot to tell you that two other men, neighbours of ours were with the Germans. They were BURALI RANIERI, and the other I knew by the name of PAOLICCHI.

About 1900 hours the same day I left my children in the fields and returned to my house. I saw that my house was on fire and was attempting to put it out when I heard someone calling me from a neighbouring house.

I went there and in the kitchen I saw VALERI Palmira. She was laying on the floor and had been wounded many times by bullets. With assistance I got her out of the house and treated her wounds.

Also in the kitchen were the bodies of SESTINI Rosa, PICCHIONI Livia, BURALI Vanda, SESTINA Gesuina and VALERI Gina. They had all received bullet wounds and were dead.

I could not enter my house that night owing to the flames but next morning I was able to do so.

I found my husband's body, badly burned but I identified it by what was left of his face and the charred remains of

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his clothes. It was not possible to see whether he had been wounded owing to the condition of his body.

OF BURALI RANIERI, very little remained and I could only identify him by the fact that pieces of cloth underneath what was left of his body matched the clothes he was wearing on the last occasion I saw him.

PACIOMME was also badly burned but I could identify him by his face.

All these bodies were later buried in the cemetery at CORNIA.

My husband was not a Partisan and had never assisted them.

I have read over this statement. It is true and correct. I herewith append my signature.

(Sgd.) NOCCIOLINI Sottima.

Statement written down in Italian and signature witnessed by MAGINI Livia, interpreter, in the presence of Sgt. CHARLES, both of 78 Section SIB. on Tuesday 19th December, 1945, at CORNIA, AREZZO.

I certify that the above translation from Italian is correct and true and to the best of my ability.

Magini Livia

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