

Agricultural Office,
Fergino,
AREZZO.

22nd. March, 1945.

STATEMENT OF:-

MANNINI ELIA, Male.
13, Pieve a Pesciano, Aged 32 years.
Fergino,
AREZZO.

Who saith,

I am employed by the OCCASIONE and have lived at my present address all my life.

About the 18th. - 20th. June, 1944, I evacuated from FERGINO and went to live at the farmhouse of Signor AMJONI. This house is situated about one and a half kilometres from here.

During the first days of July, 1944, German troops moved into the area and occupied various farmhouses belonging to the following farmers: BORBI, TONACINI, and LAMMIONI. It appeared to me that the headquarters of these troops was located at the house of LAMMIONI.

These soldiers called at AMJONI's house several times each day requisitioning and looting. Nearly every time they came they said: "We are the ones who set fire to CIVITELLA and killed the civilians".

These soldiers were in colonial dress and sometimes wore a camouflaged linen smock. They were always armed, usually with sub-machine guns.

I remained at this farmhouse until the British troops arrived, when I returned to my home.

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

(SGT.) MANNINI ELIA.

Statement written down in Italian and signature witnessed by Bdr. GIULIANI, Interpreter, in the presence of Sgt. CLENLOW, both of 78 Section, S.I.B., on Thursday 22nd. March, 1945, at FERGINO.

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

(Sgt.) O.A. Giuliani. Bdr.