

Cape Contro,
Civitella,
Arezzo.

3 Jan. 45.

STATEMENT OF:-

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| HIGLIORINI Anselmo, | Male, |
| Cape Contro, | Aged 31 years. |
| Civitella. | |

Who Saith,

I am a landowner and have lived at this address for the past 25 years. My house is about 2 1/2 kilometres from CIVITELLA.

My mother-in-law, DE LUCA GIOVANNA aged about 60 years, and my sister-in-law, MARINELLI ADA aged 28 years, left AREZZO in December 1943 in consequence of the bombing of that town by the BRITISH and went to the house of DON NATALE ROMANELLI, the priest of CORNIA to live.

I have not seen my mother-in-law alive or dead since the 22nd. June 1944, when she left my house to return to the house of the priest after staying with us for a while. I have not seen my sister-in-law since the 26th. June 1944, when she visited my wife and I.

My wife and I received a letter through the International Red Cross about a month ago in which my sister-in-law says she is at VERCINA.

About 0700 hrs., on Thursday 29th. June 1944, a neighbour of mine came to me and told me that the Germans were killing people in CIVITELLA and burning the houses. Shortly afterwards many women arrived here from CIVITELLA and in consequence of what they told me, I took my wife and baby into the woods to hide.

About 0800 hrs., the same day I saw MALENTACCHI Nello, one of my farmers going towards my house I saw that he had what appeared to be an entrance bullet wound in the region of his stomach and an exit wound in his back. He told me that he had just come from CIVITELLA where he had been shot by German soldiers. I attended to his wounds and sent him home on an oxen cart driven by one of my employees.

Spasmodic firing went on in our vicinity until about 1100 hrs., but I at no time saw any Germans.

I later made enquiries about my mother-in-law and sister-in-law and was informed that my sister-in-law was taken away by the Germans on the 29th. June 1944. I was told by Gina POLVERINI that my sister-in-law told her (Gina POLVERINI) that my mother-in-law had been burned

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to death in the house of the priest DON NATALE ROMANELLI.

In November 1944, I went to the burnt out ruins of the priest's house at CORNIA. I was there handed a piece of jaw-bone by Giuseppe ROMANELLI, the brother of of the priest. He indicated a spot on what had been the ground floor of the house where he said he had found the piece of jawbone. I could find no further signs of human remains. I have handed this piece of bone to Sgt. CHARLES of 78 Section, Special Investigation Branch.

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

(Sgd) Anselmo MIGLIORINI

Statement written down in Italian and signature witnessed by Vasco FABBRONI, interpreter, in the presence of Sgt. CHARLES, both of 78 Section S.I.B. on 2 Jan. 45. at CAPO CONTRO, CIVITELLA, AREZZO.

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

Vasco Fabbroni
FABBRONI Vasco.