



**Luigi Bertoni Papers
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Period (1883, 1897-) 1912-1947

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Biography

Bertoni, Luigi. Born in Milan 1872, died in Geneva 1947; typographer, anarchist, writer; founder of the anarchist bilingual periodical *Il Risveglio/Le Réveil* (Geneva) in 1900 and editor until 1947; contributed to *Voix du Peuple*; important for the development of the Swiss trade unions; arrested several times by the Swiss authorities for his propagandist activities; in 1918 imprisoned for thirteen months, wrongly accused of plotting bombing attacks in Italy, finally fully cleared of this charge.

Content

Papers mainly received as editor of *Il Risveglio/Le Réveil*: c.100 letters from Errico Malatesta 1913-1932; a few letters from Erasmo Abate (alias Hugo Rolland) 1925, Armando Borghi 1925, 1929, Gustave Brocher 1930, Luigi Fabbri 1925, Otello Gaggi 1936-1937, Jean Grave 1915, 1925, James Guillaume 1906, 1910-1912, Georges Herzig 1912, 1915, Alexandre Levandovsky c.1929-1932, Max Nettlau 1924, 1929-1933, Pietro Montasini 1934-1936, Bartolomeo Vanzetti 1926-1927, Théodore Vaskovitch 1925 and n.d., Jean Wintsch 1912, 1914 and others; file of letters from Malatesta to Giuseppe and Peppino Tosca, Randolpho Vella and others 1923-1932;

handwritten and stencilled copy of a charge against Bertoni c.s. for plotting bombing attacks in Italy with explosives obtained from the German army during the First World War 1919; notes on his study of the Russian language n.d.; some documents relating to his visit to Moscow in 1921; some manuscripts of articles by Malatesta and others 1922 and n.d.;

files of documents relating to the Spanish Civil War 1936-1939; some documents from anarchist and syndicalist organizations in Italy 1938-1939, Switzerland 1908, 1939-1942 and from Italian anarchist organizations in the USA 1938-1939; press clippings.

NB. Part of his papers has been lost during the Second World War.

Administrative information

Inventory made by Nico Jassies 2008

INVENTORY

Correspondence

Malatesta, Errico

- 1 Letter from Lampedusa where Malatesta is kept in prison. C. 1898-1899. 1 cover
- 2-4 Malatesta to Luigi Bertoni. Chronologically arranged. 1912-1914, 1916, 1919-1932. 2 folders and 1 cover
- 5 Malatesta to Peppino and Giuseppe Tosca. 1923-1927, 1930 and n.d. 1 cover
- 6 Malatesta to Antonio Vella. 1927. 1 cover
- 7 Malatesta to Randolpho Vella. 1927, 1930-1931. 1 cover
- 8 Malatesta to others (a.o. Amalia). 1925-1927, 1931-1932. 1 cover
- 9 'Parliamentary Politics in the Socialist Movement' (manuscript). N.d. 1 folder

Other correspondents

NB. All letters, leaflets and other documents are received by Bertoni.

- 10 Abate, Erasmo (alias Hugo Rolland). Includes copies of two letters Abate wrote to Ricciotti Garibaldi and a circular written by Abate: 'Dichiarazione finale in merito ad una polemica bassa e scandalosa'. 1925. 1 folder
- 11 Abbate, Oreste. 1933. 1 cover
- 12 Agence de Journeaux E. Frey. 1900. 1 cover
- 13 Angouin, Elie. N.d. 1 cover
- 14 *A Noi!*, fascist periodical from Lugano. 1935. 1 cover
- 15 Arrigoni, Enrico and Francesco Ghezzi. 1916. 1 cover
- 16 Bakunin, Maria (= Marussia) Oglioloro. 1926. 1 cover
- 17 Borghi, Armando. Includes a circular signed by Borghi on behalf of the Unione Sindacale Italiana (USI): 'Alle organizzazioni nazionali sindacaliste non aderenti all'Internazionale Operaia Sindacala'. 1915, 1925 and n.d. 1 folder
- 18 Bréguet, R. (?) 1909. 1 cover
- 19 Brocher, Gustave. 1930. 1 cover
- 20 Castagna, Carlo. 1933 (?). 1 cover
- 21 Cavalazzi, A. 1913. 1 cover
- 22 Chancellerie de la Confédération suisse. 1910, 1913, 1917. 1 cover
- 23 Damiani, Luigi. Letter written on the back of the manifesto 'Guerra e Tirannia!', signed by 'Il "Non Molliamo!"'. 1927. 1 cover
- 24 De Ambris, Alceste (Camera del Lavoro, Parma). 1908. 1 cover
- 25 De Begnac, Yvon. 1938. 1 cover
- 26 De Mazan, Jean. 1937. 1 cover
- 27 Département politique fédéral (Bern). 1905. 1 cover
- 28 Di Giovanni, Severino (alias 'Biscuit'). N.d. 1 cover
- 29 Durupt, G. 1915. 1 cover
- 30 Esteve, Pedro (*Labor Culture*, New York). 1912. 1 cover
- 31 Estivalis, J (?). 1911. 1 cover
- 32 Etat-Major territorial 1-Service de la Presse. 1939. 1 cover
- 33 Fabbri, Luigi (alias 'Gigi'). 1925. 1 cover
- 34 Faure, Sébastien. With two pamphlets signed by Faure: 'La Trêve des Peuples' (1915) and 'J'explique à mes amis pourquoi je renonce, pour le moment, à ma campagne en faveur de la Paix' (1915). 1915, 1934. 1 folder
- 35 Federación Ibérica de Juventudes Libertarias (FIJL), Regional Andalucía. N.d. 1 cover
- 36 Fédération des anarchistes-communistes Bulgares. 1934. 1 cover
- 37 Fieramonte, Dario. 1916. 1 cover
- 38 Gaggi, Otello. 1936-1937. 1 cover
- 39 Galleani, Luigi. Includes two letters by Galleani to Max Nettlau. 1912, 1920, 1922 (?). 1 folder
- 40 Ghezzi, Francesco (written postcard). 1922 (?). 1 cover
- 41 Goguelia (?), Lydia. 1920. 1 cover

- 42 Grave, Jean. 1915, 1925 and n.d. 1 cover
- 43 Gross, Jacques (alias 'Jeanquimarche'). N.d. 1 cover
- 44 Guillaume, James. 1906, 1910-1912. 1 cover
- 45 Herzig, Georges. 1912, 1915. 1 cover
- 46 Huggler, August. 1906. 1 cover
- 47 Jaffei, Vittorio (?). 1911. 1 cover
- 48 Kropotkin, Peter. With annexes including a letter by Sophie Kropotkin to Bertoni. 1904, 1911, 1926 and n.d. 1 folder
- 49 Labriola, Antonio. 1903. 1 cover
- 50 Laisant, Ch. 1912. 1 cover
- 51 Landauer, Gustav. 1897. 1 cover
- 52 Levandovsky, Alexander. 1929-1930, 1933 and n.d. 1 cover
- 53 Lorenzetti, Lorenzo. 1912. 1 cover
- 54 Lorenzo, Anselmo. 1910. 1 cover
- 55 Loyson, Hyacinthe. 1904 (?). 1 cover
- 56 MacSay, Stephen. 1925. 1 cover
- 57 Mastrodicasa, Leonida. 1938. 1 cover
- 58 Matur. 1935. 1 cover
- 59 Menrant, Hoche. 1925. 1 cover
- 60 Michel, Louise. 1903. 1 cover
- 61 Montasini, Pietro. 1934. 1 cover
- 62 Mussolini, Benito. 1914. 1 cover
- 63 Nettleau, Max. 1914, 1929-1930, 1933. 1 folder
NB. In his letter of 1914 Nettleau deals with the question of individualism.
- 64 Neumann, Siegmund. 1911. 1 cover
- 65 Peretti, Giuseppe (alias 'Pepin'). 1927-1928. 1 cover
- 66 Rapisardi, Mario: homage to Francisco Ferrer. N.d. 1 cover
- 67 Richard, Jean (Union ouvrière de Lausanne). 1912. 1 cover
- 68 Rygier, Maria Anna. 1913. 1 cover
- 69 Sagristà, Fermín. 1911. 1 cover
- 70 Siglich, Renato (written postcard from Ventotene where Siglich is kept in prison). 1916. 1 cover
- 71 Souchy, Augustin, Fritz Kater, Rudolf Rocker, Erich Mühsam a.o. (written postcard). 1925. 1 cover
- 72 Tcherkesoff, W. 1917. 1 cover
- 73 Tucci-Blandini, Giuseppe. 1913. 1 cover
- 74 Turner, L. 1913. 1 cover
- 75 Turrioni, Pio. 1945. 1 cover
- 76 Vanzetti, Bartolomeo. 1926-1927. 1 folder
- 77 Vaskovitch, Théodore. Includes three letters written to other persons. 1925 and n.d. 1 cover

- 78 Villafrancia, Soledad, Ferdinand Domela Nieuwenhuis and Otto Karmin (written postcard). 1910. 1 cover
- 79 Wintsch, Jean. 1912, 1914. 1 cover
- 80 Letters and postcards from unidentified correspondents. 1914, 1916, 1918, 1925, 1929, 1936, 1938 and n.d. 1 folder

Correspondence between other persons

- 81 Berneri, Giovanna to 'Zio' (Gaetano Salvemini?). With some leaflets by the Alleanza dei Gruppi Libertari (AGL) and a leaflet by the Federazione Anarchica Italiana (FAI) dealing with the Congress of Carrara. 1945. 1 folder
- 82 Binazzi, Pasquale to Mrs. Borsa. 1928. 1 cover
- 83 Cipriani, Amilcare to Angelo Sasso (written postcard). 1910. 1 cover
- 84 Galleani, Cossyra to Jacques Gross a.o. 1927-1929. 1 cover
- 85 Institut International de Sociologie de Genève to Lucien Tronchet (signature of the writer illegible). 1931. 1 cover
- 86 Lorenzo, Anselmo to J. Guilbert. 1910. 1 cover
- 87 Sagristà, Joaquina to Fritz Karmin (written postcard). 1912 (?). 1 cover
- 88 Valadier, Aristide (= Georges Garraud) to Angelo Umiltà and a letter by Umiltà to an unknown person dealing with the agent provocateur Aristide Valadier. 1883. 1 cover

Spanish Civil War

Correspondence

NB. All letters and other documents are received by Bertoni.

- 89 Barbé, Alphonse: 'En Espagne - Contre un scandaleux procès' (typescript dealing with the process in Spain against the POUM). 1937. 1 cover
- 90 Bureau d'Information et de Presse. N.d. 1 cover
- 91 CNT-FAI (Martin Gudell). 1938. 1 cover
- 92 Di Giuseppe, Riccardo. 1939. 1 cover
- 93 FAI, Comité Peninsular de la: various communiqués. 1937-1938. 1 folder
- 94 Federación Ibérica de Juventudes Libertarias (FIJL). 1938. 1 cover
- 95 Gruppo Libertario Italiano 'Libertà o Morte' (signed by Enrico Borgo). 1938. 1 cover
- 96 Marvasi, Roberto. 1938. 1 cover
- 97 Meggiolaro, Rodolfo. 1936 (?).
Anonymous letter to Bertoni (from the front of Guadarrama. 1936. 1 cover
- 98 Ricci, Giulio: 'Per la Verità. Lettera aperta a tutti i compagni'. 1938. 1 cover
- 99 Rosselli, Carlo. 1936. 1 cover
- 100 Serena, Giuseppe. 1938. 1 cover
- 101 SSI, Nr. 29, Barcelona: 'Informe sobre la GPU' (typescript in Spanish). 1937. 1 cover
NB. The bulletin deals with the affairs Marc Rain, Hans Beimler, Toni Stern, comandante Dunwald and Eugen Sheyer.
- 102 Teslar, Casimiro: 'La verità sul movimento anarco-machnovista e sul contadino rivoluzionario Nestor Machno'. (typescript signed by Teslar in Berlin, 1922. From

- the postmark can be concluded that the text was sent in 1938 from Barcelona to Bertoni). 1922, 1938. 1 cover
- 103 Tosca, Giuseppe (?). 1938. 1 cover
- 104 Unione Anarchica Italiana (UAI): various bulletins and leaflets. 1938-1939 and n.d. 1 cover
- 105 Zambonini, Enrico. 1937. 1 cover
- 106 M.N. (?). 1937. 1 cover

Comitato Anarchico Pro Vittime Politiche de Marsiglia (Marseille)

- 107 Postcards written by Ernesto Bonomini from the labour camp Rieucros in France. 1939. 1 cover
- 108 Typescript (incomplete) by G. Berneri (?). N.d. 1 cover
- 109 'Dalla Spagna - Ancora su Armanetti [= Dante Armanetti] e compagni e sulla situazione' (anonymous typescript). C. 1938. 1 cover
- 110 Various circulars and other documents concerning the camp of Argelès-sur-Mer and other concentration camps in France. 1938-1939. 1 cover
- 111 Balance-sheets and other documents concerning the relief funds of the committee. 1939. 1 cover

Solidaridad Internacional Antifascista (SIA)

- 112 Written picture postcard by Chs. Monighetti representing a 'guardería infantil' (home for children who lost their parents during the civil war) runned by the SIA, in Barcelona. 1938. 1 cover
- 113 Various letters by P. Herrera and Lucía Sánchez Saorníl tot Bertoni and Lucien Tronchet of the *Il Risveglio/Le Réveil*. With related documents. 1937-1938 and n.d. 1 cover
- 114 Other documents concerning the SIA. 1936-1939 and n.d. 1 folder

Various

- 115 Various pamphlets, bulletins and other documents concerning the Spanish Civil War. 1938 and n.d. 1 folder

Other documents

- 116 Various belongings of Bertoni, et al. a 'Livret d'Habitant' (1917), some letters by the head of the police in Genève, some notes and press clippings. 1896, 1908, 1913, 1917, 1930, 1936, 1940, 1942 and n.d. 1 folder
- 117 Text of the indictment against Luigi Bertoni and the co-accused (copies in german and in italian). 1919. 1 folder
- 118 Notes on Bertoni's study of the Russian language. N.d. 1 folder
- 119 Documents relating to Bertoni's visit to Moscow. 1921. 1 cover
- 120 Fédération des Unions ouvrières de la Suisse romande: minutes of the 'assemblée statutaire'. 1908. 1 cover
- 121 Letters by Kropotkin to Bertoni as published in *Le Réveil*. 1921-1922. 1 cover
- 122 Various proclamations, open letters and statements a.o. by the FAI of Italy-Federazione Anarchica Romagnola etc., including a letter to Bertoni signed by Settimo Guerrieri, Dante Armanetti, Aldo Demi, Giuseppe Volonté and Giuseppe Mioli (1939). 1934, 1939, 1945 and n.d. 1 folder

123 Obituaries on Bertoni. 1947. 1 cover

124 Various convocations, pamphlets and other documents. 1939-1944. 1 cover

Documentation

125-129 Press clippings. 1902, 1905, 1939. 5 folders

125-128 1902.

129 1902, 1905, 1939.