

Let's see  
Ella - to CV

October 1944

My dear Gallo, I write you this letter and put it in the same bag and when you will have it you will have my news. Did you ever receive one? Another letter is coming from the pockets of one friend to those of another and we don't know how to send it to you. You see there is a confusion. In the second letter I told you that I was visited by Frugoni who ordered absolute silence in the sanatory. In fact I have 47 kg and my head, my body, the rest of it, does not go on. In under these circumstances I cannot travel nor can I be thinking of passing a winter in the rigours of Bavaria, I would die there. But I can't remain here alone - certainly I would become crazy. I am already near to it - therefore I beg you to make an enormous sacrifice and send me the children. They too, like me, are near children, cannot stand that climate, and I want them to study and be in order and not like savages. And your mother whom I saw - she is well but a little nervous (she had troubles and sequestrations) would be so happy to have them. I don't think there will be any difficulties, nobody can dare to oppose against the wish of an old mother who is asking for her own children. Concerning you, Gallo, you have got to be patient and to wait for the events. In some way all will be resolved but don't try to solve the problem by yourself - by no means. Think of our situation and don't be a fool. I hope to go to this sanatory sometime but I am not sure of succeeding in doing so, and things are so difficult and complicated and one does not know what will happen from one moment to the other. Somebody is going north, somebody south, somebody is arresting and somebody is arrested - the agitation and the confusion are enormous. Giovanna's husband has to be calm, do you remember the name frog? and if he is to be sentenced he will be sentenced. Deda will never abandon him and will fight until the end. Friendship is something. Here I saw the usual friends, all very nice. I don't know if I hope to see you soon but with these agitations one does not understand anything. I beg you to be calm. I like you and I am always thinking of you and the children and I think we will survive and think of the future. I am sure that we will.

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give me your news by means of my father and by means of the  
kids when they ~~are~~ will come here. I am kissing you with  
the feelings you know  
yours Edna

We are sending you your luggage a.s.o. I think you will find  
all you need.

I tried my best to ~~bring~~ put our affairs in order. Believe  
me: it will be just a wonder if we will save our lives.

Let us save these!

I kiss you.

Have the children brought to my father.

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