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Could the Americans make a few gestures for the Mateotti celebrations, for example, name something after him, a street or perhaps some of the numerous Italian Pascist institutions in the U.S., schools, hospitals, etc., which are now presumably sequestrated and in American hands. Also a little radio campaign.

Could it be arranged that the B.B.C. relay anything important that is said on the American broadcasts to Italy?

The B.B.C. is on the whole much more listened to than the U.S. because not all radio sets can get the latter.

The Communists in Italy are apparently going around saying that as far as Europe is concerned the Americans are now resigned to giving the Russians a free leg and letting them do as they please without any interference. The Communist are also making no secret about telling people that the clandestine Communist movements in the Axis and Axis-occupied countries keep in touch with Moscow through the American Legations (I don't know which!).

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