

SOCIETIES, Political.Women's International Matteotti
Committee.

SYLVIA PANKHURST is pleading for the widow of Matteotti, leader of the Italian Socialist Party, who, after coming here and giving detailed information about Fascist murders and outrages, was himself, on his return home, kidnapped and murdered. *D.H. 4-10-32*

Now, it is declared, his widow is continually persecuted.

"Police follow the widow wherever she goes," states the Women's International Matteotti Committee, for which Sylvia acts. "Few dare to visit her. . . .

"Even those visiting flats in the same building are shadowed. At night, a searchlight plays upon her house so that all who come and go may be observed."

Mrs. Matteotti, it is declared, is not allowed to visit her husband's grave, and only a small part of the revenue of her husband's estate reaches her.

I have no room for the long indictment of the Fascist persecution. I merely record that the plan is to send an international deputation of women to negotiate on Mrs. Matteotti's behalf, and get for her permission to leave Italy, if she desires it, with her children.

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