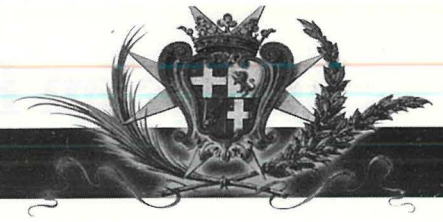


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### Artiklu minn Mark Ciantar

Kumbinazzjoni kuġin ta' missieri (li qieghed nassumi li kien qieghed jaghmel xi riċerki), iltaqa' ma' artiklu fil-gazzetta The Malta Herald, hargha tas-Sibt u t-Tnejn April 20 – 22, 1912, paġna 2. F'dan l-artiklu li hareġ eżatt mitt sena ilu, l-Arċipriet Mallia ippreżenta standard bil-kuluri papali lill-Preseident tal-Vilhena dak iż-żmien il-Perit Emmanuel Mallia. Dan l-artiklu qieghed nipubblikah kollu eżatt kif ġie stampat mitt sena ilu.

#### **“Presentation of a Banner to the ‘Vilhena’ Band.**

*A very interesting ceremony took place yesterday at 8.30 p.m. under the portico of St. Publius Chirch, Floriana, where the Right Revd. Archpriest F. Mallia B.A., D.D., J.U.D., on behalf of the admirers of the “Vilhena” Band presented the president of the Band Mr. Emmanuel Borg P.A.A., with a banner representing the papal colours. On a specially erected stand illuminated with acetylene were the Committee of the “Vilhena” Band, the Archpriest and some admirers, and around it stood the Bandsmen with the other standards of the Club. A large concourse of people stood around. After the blessing of the banner, the Archpriest delivered a very appropriate speech, in the course of which he expressed a hope that under the banner of the Head of the Catholic Church, the band would continue to prosper. The standard will remind them of their duty as men and Christians.*

*Mr. E. Borg, on behalf of the Committee and members of the “Vilhena” Band, then thank the Very Reverend gentleman for his kindness in undertaking to present them with the Banner and assured him that the day would be remembered as an eventful one in the history of the Club. The presentation being over, the crowd dispersed and the band passed through the principal streets of Floriana, playing suitable marches, most of them being the composition of the Bandmaster Mr. Giuseppe Monterosso.*

*The band then repaired to the Club where refreshments were served. Mr. E. Borg proposed the health of the admirers, Committee Bandsmen and all the members, amidst loud applause. In the course of his speech he thanked the Sub. Inspector G. Galea, for the splendid police arrangements.”*

Meta kont qieghed nitkellem mal-President attwali tal-Banda s-Sur Chris Vella stqarr mieghi li kien għadu kemm sab standard simili għal dak li jisemma' f'dan l-artiklu. Fil-fatt is-Sur Vella sab standard bil-kuluri tal-Papa, jiġifieri isfar u abjad tal-lama', bil-frenza tad-deheb. Il-kumitat haseb biex jarma dan l-istandard fil-festa. Ahna qegħdin nassumu li dan l-istandard merfugh fil-każin hu l-istess wiehed li jissemma' f'dan l-artiklu.

Fatt ieħor interresanti hu li mir-riċerka li għamel l-arkivista tal-Każin is-Sur Nigel Holland konna nafu li l-President f'dawk iż-żminijiet kien il-Perit Emmanuel Borg. Skond ir-riċerka li saret kien maħsub li dam jokkupa din il-kariga bejn is-sena 1913 u 1917. Bis-sahha ta' dan l-artiklu dan il-perjodu nistgħu ntawlu ukoll. B'hekk nafu li l-Perit Borg, żgur kien fil-kariga ta' President bejn is-sena 1912 u 1917.



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