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# Deep European CulTour Erasmus+ MOBILITY IN ROMANIA OLD JOBS

▶ *Giuseppina Fisco, la pilucchera*

*Giuseppina Fisco was born in Noto in 1903. She belongs to a modest and large family, made up of parents and three brothers and a sister.*

*As a young girl, she showed her interest in elegance and personal care, and soon decided to learn the pilucchera profession with the approval and support of her family.*



At the age of 15-16 she began her apprenticeship and soon immersed herself in the world of work.

Giuseppina was just 18 when in 1921, she married Vincenzo Fortuna. They had four daughters.

Known as the pilucchera, Giuseppina combs women and girls of the time, who wore long hair, often styled with braids gathered in the famous «tuppu».



La pilucchera moves from house to house, cuts peoples hair, and often, on the occasion of parties and anniversaries, her clients ask for more elaborate hairstyles.

Once the haie is cut, the pilucchera collects it, puts it in a bag. The collected hair was used to make elegant wigs

Giuseppina died in 1942, aged only 39. many have forgotten her, but many others remember with nostalgia this female figure.

