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ROMANIA. LAND OF ORIGIN

Romanians have never remained indifferent towards their land of origin, its development, relations with neighbouring countries, important events in the country's past and modern history, and expressed their views in numerous writings. This section includes a selection of 44 items.

History. Geography. Government

Bobanga, Gerald, *THE EMERGENCE OF THE ROMANIAN NATIONAL STATE*, New York: East-European Quarterly/Colombia University Press, 1979. 307 p.

Examines the historical and political conditions leading to the formation of Romania's national state in 1862.

Fischer-Galatzi, Stephen, *TWENTIETH-CENTURY ROMANIA*, New-York: Colombia University Press, 1991. 246 p.

This is the second and revised edition of a previous book dealing with Romania's history and politics during the 20th century, including the December 1989 anti-Communist revolution. The author is a university professor who published other books on the same subject, and a comprehensive bibliography on Romania.

Georgescu, Vlad and Călinescu, Matei (editor), *THE ROMANIANS: A HISTORY*, (translated by Alexandra Bley). Columbus, OH: Ohio StateUniversity, 1991. 357 p. Ill.

Romania's history from earliest times to our days interpreted from a non-Marxist point of view. Author was a former chief of the

Romanian section of Radio Free Europe in München, Germany, the editor is a Romanian American scholar.

Giurescu, Dinu, ROMANIA'S COMMUNIST TAKEOVER: THE RADESCU GOVERNMENT, Boulder, CO: East European Monographs, 1994. 202 p.

Focuses on Romania's history during the final stages of World War II, the Soviet Occupation and the imposition of a pro-Soviet Communist government.

----- THE RAZING OF ROMANIA'S PAST, New York: World Monument Fund/Kres Foundation, European Preservation Program, 1989. 68 p. Ill.

Romanian scholar documents the destruction of several valuable historical sites and monuments by Communist ruler Nicolae Ceaușescu during the period 1975-1985. Thousands of villages were also demolished.

Rates, Nestor, ROMANIA: THE ENTANGLED REVOLUTION, New York: Praeger/Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington DC, 1991. 179 p.

Scholarly analysis of the December 1989 anti-Communist revolution in Romania, its nature, political forces and consequences. The author is a former head of the Romanian section of Radio Free Europe, Washington, DC station.

Tismăneanu, Vladimir, PERSONAL POWER AND ELITE CHANGE IN ROMANIA: FINAL REPORT TO NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN RESEARCH, Washington, DC: The Council, 1989. 61 p.

A political science university professor sheds light on the last three decades of Communist rule, with special focus on Nicolae Ceaușescu. The author published numerous studies on East European Communism, its various forms of manifestations and decline.

----- THE TRAGICOMEDY OF ROMANIAN COMMUNISM: RESEARCH REPORT TO NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN RESEARCH, Washington DC: The Council, 1989. 76 p.

An examination of Romanian government and politics during the last 4 decades, with special attention to Nicolae Ceaușescu's rule and its consequences.

----- FANTASIES OF SALVATION: DEMOCRACY, NATIO-NALISM, AND MYTH IN POST COMMUNIST EUROPE, Princeton, NY: Princeton University Press, 1998. 216 p.

An examination of east European societies after the fall of Communism, their governments, politics, and ideologies.

Romania. Politics-External and Territorial Disputes

Boia, Eugene, ROMANIA'S DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH YUGOSLAVIA IN THE INTERWAR PERIOD, 1919-1940, New York: Columbia University Press, 1993. 501 p.

Stresses the friendly relations between the two countries, both later caught in the struggle between the great powers, and both victims of fascism and Communism during World War II.

Crihan, Anton, ROMANIA'S RIGHTS TO BESSARABIA ACCORDING TO CERTAIN RUSSIAN SOURCES, translated from Romanian by Elie Smultea). Arcata, CA: Humboldt State University Press, 1986. 111 p. Maps.

Romania's historical rights over a region annexed by the former Soviet Union in 1940, lost during World War II, and re-annexed in 1944. The largest part of this region is presently called Moldova Republic.

Dima, Nicholas, FROM MOLDAVIA TO MOLDOVA: THE SOVIET ROMANIAN TERRITORIAL DISPUTE, Boulder, CO: East European Monographs, 1991. 194 p. Maps.

This is the second and enlarged edition of the item listed in continuation. The author is a noted scholar and lecturer.

----- BESSARABIA and BUCOVINA: THE SOVIET-
ROMANIAN TERRITORIAL DISPUTE, Boulder, CO: East
European Monographs, 1982. 173 p. III.

Romanian historical regions annexed by the former Soviet Union
in 1940 and re-annexed in 1944, the first currently known as
Moldova Republic, and the second incorporated into Ukraine.

Golea, Traian., TRANSYLVANIA AND HUNGARIAN
REVISIONISM: A DISCUSSION OF PRESENT DAY
DEVELOPMENT (2nd edition), Miami Beach, Fl: Romanian
Historical Studies, 1988. 194p. III.

Examines the Romanian-Hungarian relations and Romania's
historical rights over Transylvania, recently recognized in a treaty
between Hungary and Romania

Kirk, Roger and Raceanu, Mircea, ROMANIA VERSUS THE
UNITED STATES: DIPLOMACY OF THE ABSURD. 1985-
1989, New York: St.Martin's Press, 1994. 320 p. III.

The ups and downs of Romanian-American diplomatic relations
viewed by a former American Ambassador to Romania, and
Romanian American author.

Manea-Manoliu, Maria, THE TRAFIC PLIGHT OF A BORDER
AREA: BESSARABIA AND BUCOVINA, Berkeley, CA:
American Romanian Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1983. 283 p.
Maps.

Romania's historical rights over two regions, scholarly examined
by a professor and formerly president of the American Romanian
Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Pacepa, Ion Mihai, MOȘTENIREA KREMLINULUI: ROLUL
SPIONAJULUI ÎN SISTEMUL COMUNIST DE GUVER-
NĂMÂNT (The Kremlin Legacy: The Role of Espionage in the
Communist System of Government), București: Editura Venus,
1993. 521p.

A former chief of Romanian espionage who defected to the United States in 1986 describes the Soviet spy apparatus, the Romanian espionage network under communist rule, and its activities after the 1989 December Revolution.

----- RED HORIZONS: CHRONICLES OF A COMMUNIST SPY CHIEF, Washington DC: regnery Gateway, 1987. 446p.

The author unmasks Romania's Nicolae Ceaușescu's rule, its ruthlessness, role in international terrorism, and the methods of Romania's spying abroad.

Romania. Politics -Internal

Balan, Cristian Petru, DICȚIONARUL PARTIDELOR POLITICE DIN ROMÂNIA (Dictionary of Political Parties in Romania), Chicago, IL: Yellow Bird Publishing, 1992. 38p.

Dictionary of 150 official political parties, their addresses, telephones, symbols, objectives and publications.

----- DICȚIONARUL CRIMINALILOR POLITICI COMUNIȘTI DIN ROMÂNIA (Dictionary of Communist Political Criminals in Romania), Chicago, IL: Glen Ellyn, 1993. 104p. Photos.

Dictionary of Romanian Communist top leaders, their involvement in political crimes, appended by a list of hundreds of officers (security, prison, police) who tortured or executed political prisoners.

Livezeanu, Irina, CULTURAL POLITICS IN GREATER ROMANIA: REGIONALISM< NATION BUILDINGS AND ETHNIC STRUGGLE, Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1995.

Examines Romania's intellectual life during the period 1918-1930, relations between various ethnic groups and the government's attitude versus these issues.

Manea, Norman, ON CLOWNS: THE DICTATOR AND THE ARTIST, New York: Weidenfeld, 1992. 178p.

Critical analysis of the place of writers, literature and censorship in Communist Romania under the Ceaușescu regime.

Popa, Opritsa and Horn, Marguerita, CEAUȘESCU'S ROMANIA: AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY, Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1994. 153p.

Bibliography covers various aspects of Romania during the period of 1944-1989 with special emphasis on Ceaușescu's regime. The first author is a librarian in California, and active in the American Library Association.

Posteuca Vasile, DESGROPAREA CAPITANULUI (The Unearthed Captain), Madrid, Spain: Editura Mișcării Legionare, 1977. 95p.

Posthumous publication of a Romanian American author who eulogizes the Romanian Legionary Movement (fascist) and its leader on the occasion of the movement's 50th anniversary.

Romania. Culture and Civilization Studies

Grigorescu, Alexandru and Harris, G. Grant, eds. STUDENT GUIDE TO ROMANIAN STUDIES, New York: The Romanian Cultural Center, 1996. 46p.

Describes colleges and universities teaching Romanian language and culture in America, libraries with sizable Romanian collections, and contact organisations for those interested in studying in Romania, appended by useful bibliography. The first author was chief librarian at the Romanian Cultural Center in New York.

ROMANIA: CULTURAL TRADITION AND PERSPECTIVE: AN EXHIBITION HOSTED BY THE IMF VISITOR'S CENTRE, NOVEMBER 20 1992 THROUGH JANUARY 7, 1993, Washington, DC: International Monetary Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 1993. 32p.

Brochure includes Romanian costumes and artifacts, folk art and domestic crafts, military and ecclesiastical costumes, metal work and painting from the 18th through 20th centuries.

Society of Friends of Romania, USA. BULLETIN DEDICATED TO HER MAJESTY QUEEN MARIE OF ROMANIA, OCTOBER 18, 1926, New York: Society, 1926. 108p. III.

Essays dedicated to various aspects of Romania during the 1920s: politics, government, art, architecture, industry, medicine, literature, finance. The publication honors the queen's visit to America. Baltimore, Chicago and Ohio railroad companies issued itinerary brochures on the same occasion.

Useriu, Eugenia, PRINTRE NOI / AMONG US, Washington, DC: Silex Publishing, 1990. 367p.

Deals with Romanian civilisation, culture and Romanians. Author previously published another book on the same subject. She worked as a librarian at the Library of Congress. Bilingual text, Romanian and English.

Romania. Economics

Grindea, Dan, SHOCK THERAPY AND PRIVATIZATION: AN ANALYSIS OF ROMANIA'S ECONOMIC REFORM, Boulder, CO: East European Monographs / Colombia University Press-distributor, 1997. 133p.

Second and revised edition of a previous book dealing with Romania's economy after the December 1989 Revolution. The author taught economics in Romania.

Lazar, Ovidiu, ANTREPRENORUL: SAU UN PROGRAM PENTRU RENAȘTEREA ROMÂNIEI (The entrepreneur: or a program for Romania's renaissance), New York: Ford Press, 1994. 159p.

Theories of various classical economists, suggestions regarding the transformation of Romania's former Communist economy into a

successful capitalist economy. Covers import-export, agriculture, stock market and other aspects.

Romania. Law

Kleckner (nee Vrabiescu), Simone-Marie, Foreign Trade Arbitration in Romania, in NEW YORK UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLITICS, vol. 5/1972, pp. 233-249.

Examination of Communist Romania's legislation and practice in the field of foreign trade arbitration.

----- THE PENAL CODE OF THE ROMANIAN SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, South Hackensack, NJ: Rothman, 1976. 143p.

Translation from the Romanian language, issues within the foreign and penal code series.

----- PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES IN INTERNATIONAL LAW: INTERNATIONAL LAW BIBLIOGRAPHY, Dobbs Ferry, 1985. 209p.

Covers various aspects of international law application in disputes between countries members of the United Nations. The author is lawyer, worked as librarian for the United Nations and New York University, and presently is a political leader fighting for democracy in Romania.

Romania. Religion

Moldovan, John, ROMANIAN BAPTISTS UNDER MARXISM-LLENINISM: A STUDY OF THE IMPACT OF COMMUNIST PERSECUTION OF EVANGELISM, 1945-1990, Southwestern Theological Seminary, 1994. 199p.

A doctoral dissertation detailing the history of persecutions against the Baptist Church in Romania under Communist rule, and its survival.

Popovici, Alexa, ISTORIA BAPTIȘTILOR DIN ROMÂNIA (History of the Baptists in Romania), Chicago, IL: Editura Bisericii Baptiste Române, 1980. 2 vols (v.1, 300p, v.2, 492p.) Photos.

A well-documented history of Baptists in Romania, with coverage of the period 1856-1919 in the first volume, and of 1919-1944 in the second volume. The author is a prominent Baptist leader and prolific writer on Baptist topics.

Wurmbrand, Richard, ALONE WITH GOD, Bartlesville, OK: Living Sacrifice Books, 1993. 145p.

Deals with religious persecutions in Romania by Communist authorities, political prisoners, and sermons. The author is a noted Lutheran leader, converted from Judaism, who spent many years in Communist prisons, came to America, and founded a broadcasting mission addressed to Romanian believers in God.

----- FROM SUFFERING TO TRIUMPH, Grand Rapids, MI: Kreger Publications, 1993. 159p.

Focuses on the Lutheran Church in Romania, its persecutions in the past, and its place after the December 1989 Revolution in Romania following the author's trip to his land of origin. The author wrote over 100 books on religious subjects.

Romania. Military

Petru, Mircea and Radu, Dumitru, AVIAȚIA ROMÂNĂ ÎN LUPTA PE FRONTUL DE EST ȘI PE CERUL PATRIEI, IUNIE 1941-AUGUST 1944 (The Romanian Air Force in the Battle of the Eastern Front, and on the Fatherland's Sky, June 1941 – August 1944), New York: Lumea Liberă, 1989. 160p. Photos.

A collection of essays dealing with the role played by the Romanian aviation during World War II fighting against the Soviet Union as a partner of the Nazi Germany. Appended by a list of 154 pilots who died in operations. The author was a military pilot during World War II.

Romania. Libraries and Book Publishing

Bucur, Maria, "Access and Working Conditions in Archives and Libraries: Romania" in INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND EXCHANGEBOARD, NEWS IN BRIEF, vol.6, nr. 6, November-December 1995, pp.9-10.

Impressions collected by a Romanian American doctoral candidate on an IREX 1994-1995 Grant, she travelled to Cluj and Bucharest, and discusses the libraries and archives she used.

Werstman, Vladimir, "The Book in Romania: A Bibliological Mini-Overview, 1508-1985" in PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SLAVIC AND EAST EUROPEAN LIBRARIANS AND INFORMATION SPECIALISTS (ed. by Mariana Tax-Choldin), New York: Russica, 1986, pp.54-66.

History of Romanian printing and book publishing, its editorial houses, library development and holdings (statistics), bibliographic control, and extensive bibliography.

----- "Romanian Books" in BOOKLIST, December 15, 1996, p.714.

Dozens of annotated titles (fiction and non-fiction) produced in Romania by various publishers. Recommended to American libraries with Romanian collections. The author published similar lists in Booklist, September 15, 1998, p.215, February 1, 2000, p.1012.

Romania. Translations

Perry, Thomas, A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF AMERICAN LITERATURE TRANSLATED INTO ROMANIAN WITH SELECTED ROMANIAN COMMENTARY, New York: Philosophical Society, 1984. 331p.

A comprehensive annotated bibliography focusing on several American classical and other noted authors translated and published in Romania.

Romania. Philately

Partington, Paul G., WHO'S WHO ON THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF EAST EUROPE, Metuchen, NJ: Scarecrow Press, 1979. 252p. For Romania, included are several postage stamps celebrating noted personalities: G. Alexandrescu, G. Antipa, V. Babeş, G. Coşbuc, A. Pumnul, I.L.Caragiale, G. Ştefănescu, E. Teodorini, G. Tatarescu, and several others. Biographies of the above were selected and translated from Romanian into English by V.W.

Romania. Other Aspects

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A doctoral dissertation examining folkloric, religious and other songs of Russian settlers in a Southern region of Romania (between the Black Sea and the Danube). These settlers, known as Lipoveni in Romania, are mostly hard-working fishermen and laborers upholding old Russian traditions.

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