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# THE AMERICAN ROUMANIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL CLEVELAND, OHIO

#### PROGRAM

Commemorating the Fifteenth Anniversary
of the Union of all Roumanian Provinces
into
GREATER ROUMANIA

DECEMBER SEVENTEENTH 1933, CLEVELAND HOTEL

### Historical Background of the Event

After centuries of struggle, fighting valiantly as the eastern-most sentinel of Europe against barbarian invasions from Asia, the Roumanian people succeeded in December 1918, at the loss of 800,000 lives in the World War alongside of the allies, to unite together in a single country.

At last the dream of centuries came true. Transylvania, the rich, — Bessarabie, the fertile, — Banat, the industrial, — and Bucovina, the beautiful, all Roumanian Provinces under foreign domination, declared their union with old Roumania.

In 1922, in the historical city of Alba-Iulia, Transylvania, Ferdinand was crowned King of all Roumanians. Only a little over three centuries before another Roumanian Prince, Michael the Brave, made his triumphant entry into this same city, after having united under his sceptre, all the Roumanian Provinces.

Roumania hopes to weather the present difculties which have beset the entire World and to dedicate herself to the furtherance of peace, progress and to the promotion of civilization.

#### Data on Roumania:

SITUATION: South-eastern Europe.

AREA: 113,887 square miles, approximately three times the State of Ohio.

POPULATION: 18,000,000.

CLIMATE: Generally temperate.

GOVERNMENT: Constitutional monarchy.

EDUCATION: Compulsory up to the age of twelve.

WEALTH: Mostly agricultural, with rich mineral deposits and oil; abundant forestry and fisheries.

INDUSTRY: Oil, iron, timber, cereals, tobacco, etc.

### Sequence of Speakers:

- SENATOR ROBERT J. BULKLEY
  Presiding
- VERY REV. JOHN TRUTZA

  President, American Roumanian National Committee
- MR. WM. F. EIRICK
  Representing the Mayor of Cleveland
- H. E. CAROL DAVILA
  Roumanian Minister
- RT. REV. BISHOP McFADDEN Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland
- DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER
  Rabbi of The Temple
- DR. FREDERICK KALDA Czechoslovak Consul
- MR. MICHAEL CERREZIN

  Jugoslav Consul
- DR. ALFRED BENESCH
  President, Board of Education
- MR. HARRISON B. McGRAW
  President, The Foreign Affairs Council
- MR. F. H. STERBENZ
  Foreign Editor, The Cleveland Press
- DR. A. C. ELLIS

  Director, Cleveland College

VERY REV. JOHN TRUTZA Closing Remarks The American Roumanian National Council of Cleveland acknowledges with thanks the presence of:

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