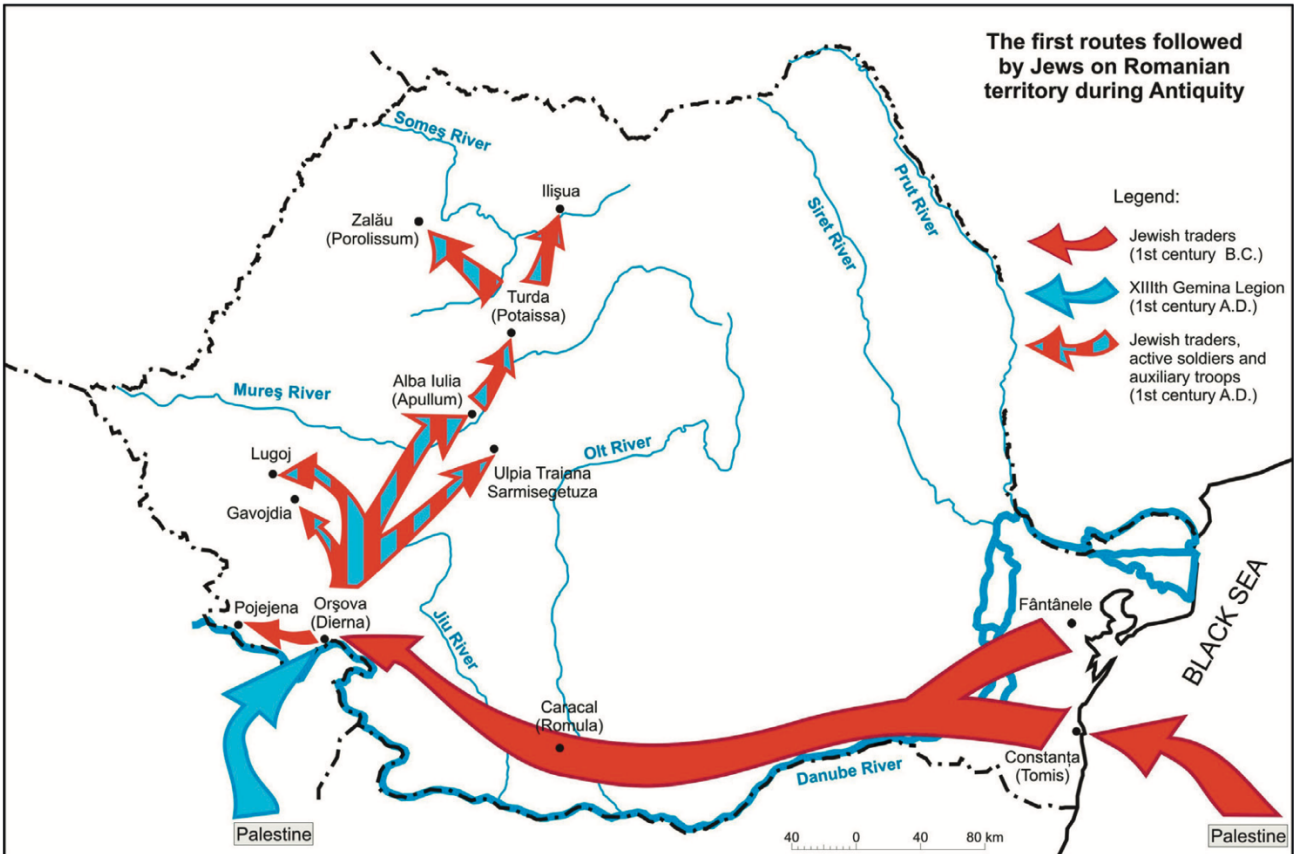
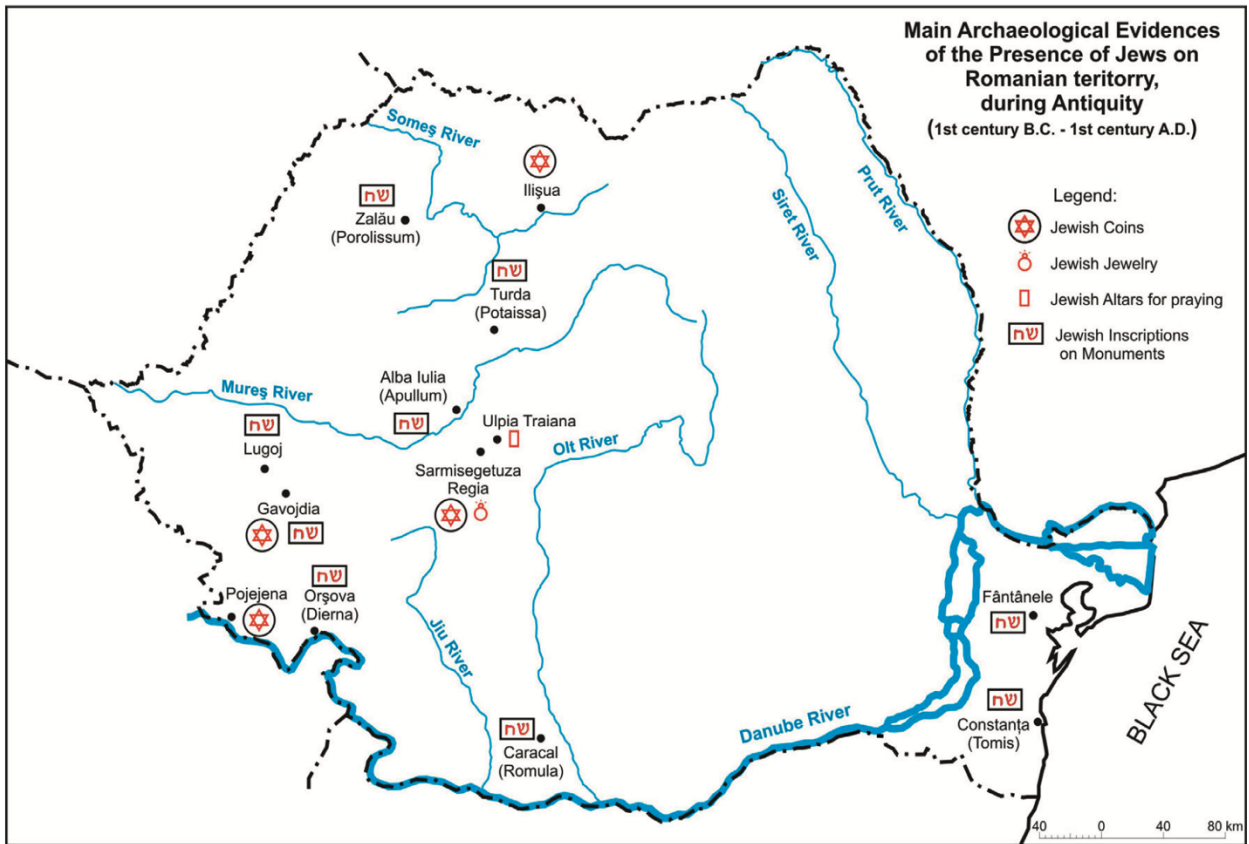


These are the Notes for episode 14 – “Transylvania Jews”, of the “History of the Romanian Jews” podcast.

The musical theme of this episode is the Romanian folk song “The Ox-driven Cart”, in Romanian “Carul cu boi”, the tune used for the Israel’s national anthem, Hatikvah. You can listen to the whole song here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SuQX3fuBeXQ>

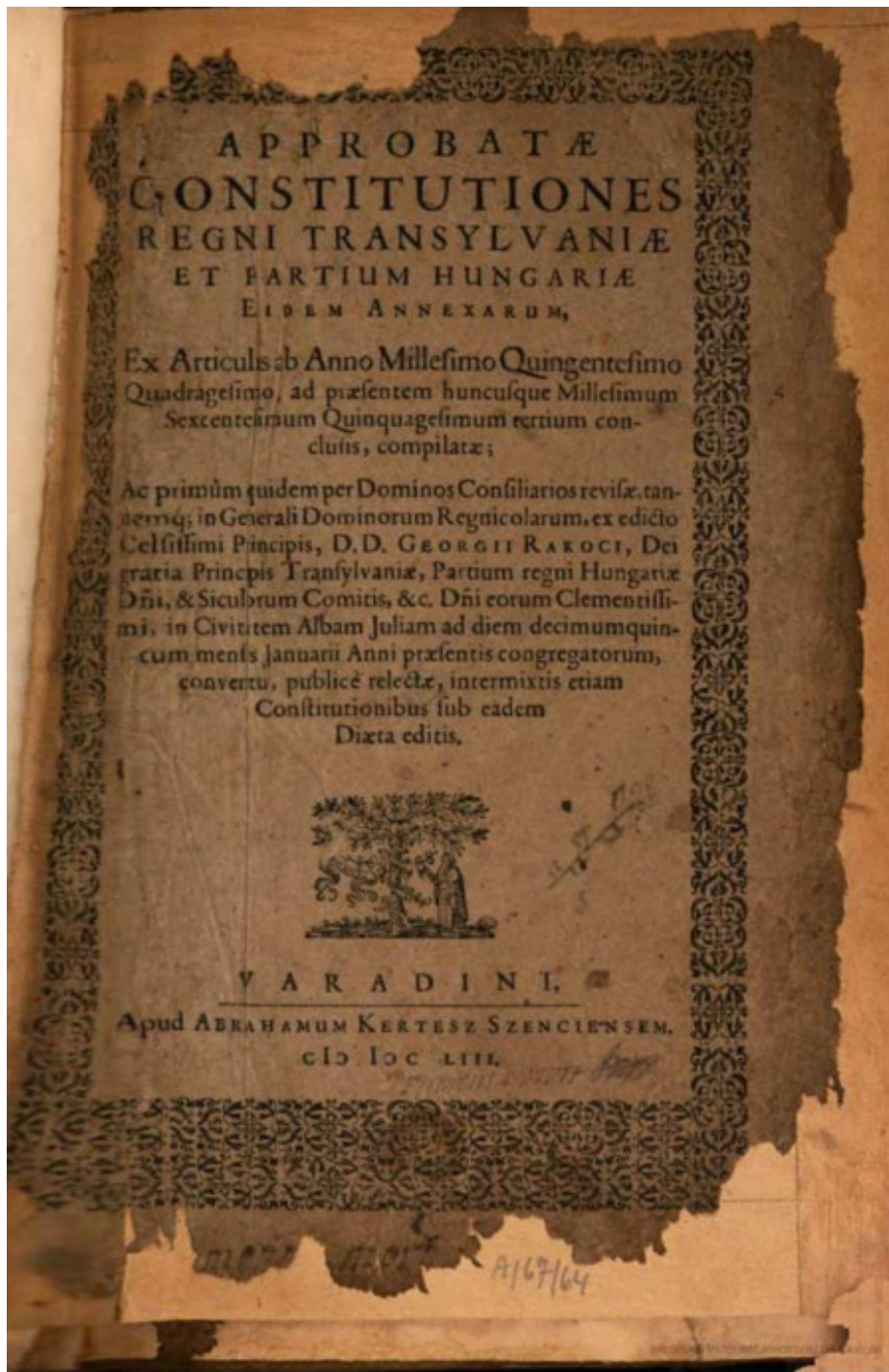




Bar Kokhba bronze coin from Pojejena, Transylvania



Khazaria kingdom in the 9th century



1653 Approbatæ Constitutiones – curtesy of the Holocaust Museum of Northern Transylvania



Map of Transylvania in the 18th century



1920 Greater Romania – curtesy of Wikipedia



Training session at the weaving workshop of the Sighet Yeshiva – courtesy of the Holocaust Museum of Northern Transylvania



The old Sephardic synagogue in Sighetul Marmatiei



The Targu-Mures synagogue 1900 – curtesy of Wikipedia



The Targu-Mures synagogue 2000 – curtesy of Synagogues360

in good health, using the idilique code name *Am Waldsee* (On Forest Lake). Most of them were shortly sent to gas chambers.

Postcard from the Transylvanian Jew Ehrlich Alexandr, written on 13.6.1944 to brother living in Braşov, Romania (thus resulting this unlikely destination), sent from KL

Auschwitz Birkenau using in the address the undercover name **Am Waldsee**. The mail was carried to

Berlin, where censored and postmarked BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG 2 in 11.8.1944. Romanian censor in Bucharest (numeral 185). The red notary rectangular and round handstamps from 1947 states that the postcard was used afterwar for judiciary claims. The text: *My dear Brother! We are here. I am healthy and I hope that shortly I will work in my Profession.*



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