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1. A highly reliable source has stated recently that Mircea ELIAD acts as paymaster for Nicolae MALARA, well-known Rumanian industrialist and political figure now in the United States, in the distribution of funds or scholarships to "meritorious Rumanian students" in Paris. According to source, nearly all of these so-called students are former Iron Guardists, and ELIAD himself is a former Iron Guard officer and editor of "Poznanca Francei," the official organ of the Iron Guard.
2. In this connection, it is interesting to note that in an article appearing recently in the "Caricera Roman," anti-government Rumanian periodical published in France, General RADESCU is quoted as having promised Mircea ELIAD that he would arrange for several scholarships to be given to meritorious Rumanian students in France. It is further reported that upon the general's return to France from New York, he informed ELIAD that scholarships of 6,000 francs per month each had been granted for twenty students, to be recommended by the "Association of Rumanian Students in France," headed by Sorin SCHEA. (The fact that ELIAD had at his disposal twenty scholarships of 6,000 francs each has been confirmed by other sources.)
3. It would appear to be more than coincidence that RADESCU's reported fulfillment of his promise of funds, or scholarships, followed his visit to the United States; also, that MALARA may be using General RADESCU as a front man for his support of Iron Guardists.

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