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Forosna	
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Marșinți	Colincăuți
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Fundu Sadovei	Vatra Dornei
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In the present study we bring into focus pre-marital witchcraft, which were widely used in the traditional practice of the Romanian population in Bucovina. We consider that some of the most well-known witchcraft methods are: 1) the putting in water of a sour-cherry tree twig on Saint Catherine day, and the foretelling of future from its blossom before Christmas; 2) the witchcraft with bread and the foretelling of future with beans on St. Andrew's day; 3) „the foreteller's dinner”, the clanging of spoons on Christmas Eve; 4) the Vergel (a special dance) danced by young people on St. Basil's day; 5) witchcraft connected with the visit the priest pays on Epiphany day; 6) the laughing at old maids, and old boys on Shrove Tuesday; 7) witchcraft with clean water and red eggs on Easter day; 8) sowing love basil, dressing the banewort, and watering on St. George.

We think that we need to change some of the conceptions about the complex of matrimonial witchcraft. Until now they have been analysed, in most of the cases, only as ritualistic appendices to various calendaristic holidays. But, they can be seen as complex phenomena, which appeal to an entire series of special „languages”.

The way the population and the participants in these ritualistic activities see them, have always been different. This fact has produced slips in functions, and even in meanings, even from the beginning of the 20th century, when the witchcraft of girls lose thier magical function, and are tranformed into traditional games, which have a joking character. But, in spite of the results of the degradation processes, calendaristic witchcraft have been preserved partially during the post-war period, and in our days, we also notice an increased interest for them, as well as for the pre-nuptial and nuptial magic in general.