Editor's Notes

This issue, except for Frank Leavitt's article on logic, is devoted to bibliography. Despite the profusion of bibliographical articles, this is, oddly enough, the first time I have not had any news of forthcoming books to report. There are rumours of books to come, but presumably our news should be restricted to news of truth. The only new book which has appeared since Russell 6 is the Garland Library of War and Peace reprint edition of Why Men Fight. It has an introduction by Jo Newberry of McMaster University.

Welcome news to bibliographers and collectors will be the addition of a joint session on bibliography and collecting to McMaster's Russell Centenary Celebrations. The speakers are Lester E. Demonn and Harry Ruja. Mr. Demonn, who has been collecting Russell for 40 years, and who prepared the bibliography for The Philosophy of Bertrand Russell, will speak on "Russell Bibliography and Book-Hunting as a Rewarding Hobby". It is expected that Professor Ruja will discuss some such topic as "The Methods and Tribulations of a Russell Bibliographer". I have heard him and if anyone can excite and amuse an audience on the subject of bibliography, it is Harry Ruja.

We have recently acquired two notable lots of original documents in photocopy form. One is the papers of Horace M. Kallen relevant to Russell: they include 16 letters from Russell between 1907 and 1962, and an enormous mass of material relating to the C.C.N.Y. affair. Virtually the whole story behind the editing of The Bertrand Russell Case is there. Kallen's papers came from two sources: the American Jewish Archives and the YIVO Institute. The other is the Russell Mss owned by Paul A. Schilpp and on deposit at Southern Illinois University. Thanks to Professor Schilpp's generosity, McMaster now has Russell's four contributions to the Library of Living Philosophers in all stages of composition. Russell's letters to Schilpp are of considerable interest, too. One, in which he begs Schilpp for a copy of The Philosophy of Alfred North Whitehead, illustrates his state of penury. Another shows that even he could sometimes fail to meet deadlines. He states at one point that his promise to deliver a Ms by a certain date was made in a mood of rash optimism, and couldn't be kept.

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