

## Editor's Notes

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¶1993 marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the advent of the Bertrand Russell Archives to McMaster University. Visitors to and researchers at the Archives will now find them in attractive new quarters in the expanded and renovated Mills Library, where they share a reading-room with the rest of the Ready Division of Archives and Research Collections. Some reminiscences of the community of Russell scholars that gathered in the old reading-room are to be found in *McMaster University Library Research News*, spring 1993.

The year, however, has not been one of unbridled celebration. McMaster's budgetary crush precipitated the loss of my remaining staff position, held by Judith Bourke, who was returned to Processing Services. At the same time a grant from SSHRCC, which hired Sheila Turcon as research associate and archives cataloguer and which, with one's vacation, provided the only release time for research on Russell's bibliography, ran out. These staff members, who were responsible for maintaining numerous collections of data on Russell as well as for the labour of bookkeeping, typesetting and proofreading this journal, are sorely missed. Sheila's last listing of Recent Acquisitions will appear in the winter issue. Russell studies at McMaster need precisely her talents.

¶Lee Eisler has edited *The Quotable Bertrand Russell* (Buffalo: Prometheus Books, 1993). Wayne A. Patterson has published *Bertrand Russell's Philosophy of Logical Atomism* (New York: Peter Lang, 1993). Providing much context for Russell's own work on extending the suffrage, Jo Vellacott's biography of the pre-WWI life of Catherine Marshall, *From Liberal to Labour with Women's Suffrage*, has appeared from McGill–Queen's University Press (Montreal and Kingston: 1993). Caroline Moorehead's biography of Russell has been published in the U.S. and has been paperbacked. Another new book (not yet seen) is A. D. Irvine and G. A. Wedeking, eds., *Russell and Analytic Philosophy* (U. of Toronto P., 1993).

¶Under the title "The Last Testament of Bertrand Russell", BR's "Last Testament" Ray Monk has introduced and published the last known manuscript in Russell's hand (RAz 220.148737), as part of the 25th anniversary celebrations. It appeared in *The Independent*, London, 24 Nov. 1993, p. 21. In it Russell reviews the global political situation and relates the state of affairs to his own efforts to avoid full-scale nuclear war. This was at a time when he was the subject of journalistic put-downs for alleged senility by Sidney Hook, Flora Lewis, C. L. Sulzberger and Bernard Levin. Instead the manuscript demonstrates the continuing ability of Russell's famed mind to bring perspective to the horde of minor conflicts around the world, in the minute study of which he was, by reliable accounts, engaged on a daily basis. At the same time, the manuscript demonstrates the deterioration in his eyesight as he struggled to write and to correct. Perhaps that is the reason for this manuscript being the last one in the Archives.

¶The *Collected Papers'* ninth volume—Volume 3 in the series—titled *Toward the "Principles of Mathematics", 1900–02*, edited by Gregory Moore, is due to be published by the end of the year. Volume 4, *Logical Foundations, 1903–05*, edited by Alasdair Urquhart with the assistance of Albert C. Lewis, is finished and with the publisher. And the *Bibliography*, now three volumes, by Harry Ruja and myself, assisted by Bernd Frohmann, John G. Slater and Sheila Turcon, is finished, too. Routledge will publish these volumes in 1994.

¶The BRACERS inventory of correspondence has slowed down. The total number of records is now 54,105. Dave Ouellette, one of the Library preservationists, is the only cataloguer. We are concentrating on letters by Russell in Recent Acquisitions.

¶We have purchased more manuscripts of essays that appeared in *The Nation and the Athenaeum*. Copies have come in of two 1907 letters to H. A. Prichard; of a 1947 letter to Dora Russell and others in the Dora Russell Papers; of letters to Linus Pauling; and of letters to Gerald and Gamel Brenan from Bertrand and Patricia Russell

(kindly transcribed by Sheila Turcon). In addition, a transcript of a 1939 talk on the existence of God and a hitherto unknown edition of Russell's open letter to President Wilson have been acquired. It is hoped that standard listings of these and other items will appear in future issues of *Russell*.

¶The Centre for Peace Studies at McMaster will present the **Russell Peace Lectures** annual Bertrand Russell Peace Lectures on 21–2 February 1994. This year's lecturer is Dr. Vandana Shiva, an ecologist with Third World feminist social concerns. Her lectures are "The Violence of Globalization and Homogenization" and "Nonviolence and the Cultivation of Diversity". The series has had a distinguished series of lecturers drawn, as is appropriate to Russell's internationalism, from around the world.

¶G-Bertie is an electronic discussion and information forum for Russell studies. To join it, simply send a message to **on Internet** [bertruss@mcmaster.ca](mailto:bertruss@mcmaster.ca) expressing your wish to subscribe to the forum. One member bestowed the compliment that G-Bertie is both "useful and funny". You may obtain the text of past messages. Their topics are extracted below.

Naming and Replying	<i>The Quotable Bertrand Russell</i>
Silly Play	Re: Derrida
<i>Wittgenstein</i> the Movie	<i>The Collected Papers of Bertrand Russell</i>
BR and Wittgenstein's Linguistic Interpretation of Mathematics	Wish-List for Russell Studies
Written vs. Spoken Language: Priority?	Leibniz to Wittgenstein through BR
BRS Prizes for Papers	Proposed Russell Memorial Library at Pembroke Lodge
"G-BERTIE" vs. "BERTIE"?	New Russell Essay Marks 25th Anniversary of Russell Archives
New Anthology on Russell to be Published Nov. 30th	Russell in a New Novel
Number-Analysis	"The Last Testament of BR"
Conrad Russell & Rape Criteria;	Russell on Avoiding Hatred
Moorehead's Biography	Contents of the summer issue of <i>Russell</i>

¶Peter Spindloe, Rob Admict, Wayne Epp, Alan Ritchie, **Visitors and Researchers** Oliver Delhaise, Daryl Bender, G. Corman, Dominic P. Slyforbil, Dennis Gunn, Paul J. Hager, Jeff Zucker, John Bryden MP, Helene Fallen, Owen Rescher, J. Francisco Alvarez, Peter Denton, B. J. Lucas, Shelby Hearon, J. V. Tucker, Michael Fowler, W. Tim Huh, Maya Sardesco, Cyrus Hera, Alistair Coulthard, Daniel Plazzeco, Kirk Willis, Gail Savage, Clive Barrett, Albert C. Lewis, A. D. Jenkins, Louis Greenspan, Anne Walker, Stefan Andersson, Jan Dejnozka, Angelo Costanzo, Claudio Vitullo, David Ortega Gutierrez, Louis Greenspan, Schubert M. Ogden, Stewart Candlish, Charles Krantz, Charles Haynes, Alan Ryan, and Richard Stoneman.

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