Editor's Notes

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Death of Earl Russell

¶Conrad Sebastian Robert Russell, the 5th Earl Russell, died on 13 October 2004. The only child of Bertrand and Patricia Russell, he was born on 15 April 1937. His father was extremely proud of his son's precocity of mind, publishing an article titled "My Son, at 15 Months, Knows 150 Words" (to be included in *Papers* 21). Conrad Russell became an outstanding historian of England at the time of the civil

war, writing many books on the subject. He also wrote two popular books: Academic Freedom and The Intelligent Person's Guide to Liberalism. He twice wrote on his father: days after his death in Illustrated London News (14 Feb. 1970) and "Memories of My Father", Sunday Times Magazine (14 May 1972). The former has a photo of the 3rd Earl holding Conrad's first-born, Nicholas Lyulph, now the 6th Earl. Your editor recalls Conrad best for his mellifluous interventions during the Russell Centenary Celebrations at McMaster in 1972.

New Books

¶A list of new and recent books in Russell Studies since 1994 is maintained at http://www.mcmaster.ca/russdocs/forthnew.htm. It's now indicated when a review has appeared in Russell. New books include the latest to be finished by the Russell Centre,

Volume 29 of The Collected Papers of Bertrand Russell. Edited by Andrew Bone, Détente or Destruction, 1955-57 appeared from Routledge in February 2005. Jéröme Sackur investigates the logical atomism of Russell and Wittgenstein in Formes et faits: Analyse et théorie de la connaissance dans l'atomisme logique (Paris: J. Vrin, 2005). The Correspondence of H. G. Wells, edited by David Clayton Smith (4 vols., London: Pickering & Chatto, 1998), just arrived in the McMaster Library, publishes several letters between Wells and Russell for the first time. The main Wells collection is at the University of Illinois, which did the right thing for a major writer in expanding the *fonds* by acquiring both new original letters and copies of Wells' letters held elsewhere.

Forthcoming books include Rosalind Carey's Russell and Wittgenstein on the Nature of Judgment (Bristol: Thoemmes Books

Continuum) and Michael K. Potter's Bertrand Russell's Ethics
(Bristol: Thoemmes Continuum). Rom Harré and John Shosky's edited collection, Russell—Wittgenstein: Logical Form and the Project of Philosophy (Prague: Filosofia), is imminent, as is Graham Stevens' The Russellian Origins of Analytic Philosophy (London: Routledge).

¶News of the Russell Research Centre will be found on its website at http://russell.mcmaster.ca and in its annual Newsletter.

Write to the Centre for a copy of the third issue. The Centre is sponsoring a major conference to mark the centenary of "On Denoting" and Russell's debate with Meinong over apparent, or non-existent, objects on 14–18 May 2005. The Bertrand Russell Society will hold its annual meeting at McMaster during 13–15 May 2005. "On Denoting"s original publication was in Mind, October 1905. Its October 2005 issue will be devoted to analyzing the article and the first century of its discussion and influence.

¶Under the patronage of BRRC, the archival cataloguing of the remainder of Russell's correspondence added 6,900 records in the past five months. The total stands at 101,046, with less than 10% to go (but more to revise). Unfortunately, aside from a student commitment for the summer of 2005, BRRC's funds for managing, inputting and revising BRACERS have run out. Yet BRACERS is the cornerstone of the Archives as a Russell documentation centre and of McMaster's *Collected Letters* and *Papers* projects. The Web copy of the database at http://130.113.103. 66:591/bracers/ was updated as of the funding's termination on 30 April.

¶Between Routledge's new indexes for Russell's unindexed books and those by Roma Hutchinson in Russell, few of his original books remain unindexed. Outstanding are Philosophical Essays, Principia Mathematica, The Practice and Theory of Bolshevism, the two ABCs, Icarus, Which Way to Peace?, Has Man a Future?, Unarmed Victory and War Crimes in Vietnam. When these are done, we'll need an index that combines all the indexes—and even more usefully the texts.

¶Russell-l' & the benefit of Russell Studies. Visit http://mailman.mcmaster. the Internet ca/mailman/listinfo/russell-l. All the messages since 1993 are archived and available to members of the forum.