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Early Films of Russell ¶ For years the earliest known footage was of Russell accepting the Nobel Prize in 1950. Now that date has been pushed back to c. 1929. There is footage about then of his portion of a debate on marriage, possibly a rehearsal or reprise. We now have a film of him giving a farewell message at the conclusion of his 1931 lecture tour of the U.S. The latest discovery is of Russell the laughing philosopher (with a glimpse of his daughter, Kate) relaxing outside at the Malibu Beach home of Arnold

Schoenberg. The year is probably 1939. This film is in colour. There's no sound, and so it isn't known what Russell found so amusing — for he laughs a great deal in it. Some of these films are available to the BRS on its library website.

¶Several websites allow searching of multiple texts by Bertrand Russell: Google Books, Amazon, Questia, and Open Library. As yet, to my knowledge, there is no federated searching possible.

Searching Russell's Texts In addition to these sites there are searchable scanned copies of individual works; many are available for downloading from the web. The Russell Research Centre has various in-house files and indexes for locating passages. Russell's *Collected Letters* are another category on which progress is being made at the Centre. In the meantime, BRACERS can search its quotations from over 100,000 items of correspondence. Could one of Russell's major publishers offer searchability of his entire corpus?

¶All these titles are expected in 2008 or 2009: Omar W. Nasim, **Forthcoming Books** *Bertrand Russell and the Edwardian Philosophers: Constructing the World* (Palgrave Macmillan); Rosalind Carey and John Ongley, *Historical Dictionary of Bertrand Russell's Philosophy* (Scarecrow); Griffin and Jacqueline, eds., *Russell vs. Meinong: the Legacy of "On Denoting"* (Routledge); Graham Stevens, *The Theory of Descriptions* (Palgrave Macmillan).

¶Francis Boyle's Bertrand Russell Peace Lectures have been published as *Breaking All the Rules: Palestine, Iraq, Iran and the Case for Impeachment* (Atlanta: Clarity P., 2008). They were McMaster's Centre for Peace Studies' 18th set of annual lectures.

¶New books are: Andrew G. Bone and Michael Stevenson, eds., *How to Keep the Peace: the Pacifist Dilemma, 1935–38 (Papers 21)*; Alan Schwerin (for the BRS), ed., *Russell Revisited: Critical Reflections on the Thought of Bertrand Russell* (Cambridge Scholars); Guido Bonino, *The Arrow and the Point: Russell and Wittgenstein's Tractatus* (Ontos Verlag); Federico Perelda, *Hegel e Russell* (2003). The list of books in Russell Studies at <http://russellarchives.mcmaster.ca> now goes back to 1924.

¶Except for the latest *three* volumes, *Russell* may now be consulted freely on the Internet. The entire run of the old series (1971–80) and the new series (1981 to date) are searchable on the site and from search engines like Google. Go to the Library's site, <http://digitalcommons.mcmaster.ca/russelljournal/>. For separate and dual online and print subscriptions, see the back cover of this issue.

¶The catalogue of correspondence in the Russell Archives has reached a total of 114,129 records. They're publicly searchable at <http://bracers.mcmaster.ca>.

¶Russell-l is a discussion forum managed by Andrew Bone for the benefit of Russell Studies. Visit <http://mailman.mcmaster.ca/mailman/listinfo/russell-l>. All the messages are searchable.

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