

Editor's Notes

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50TH
ANNIVERSARY

¶ In 2018 the Bertrand Russell Archives, which came to McMaster in spring 1968, will have been open to researchers for 50 years. McMaster Library will honour the occasion.

FORTHCOMING
BOOKS

¶ Tim Madigan and Peter Stone, eds., *Bertrand Russell, the Public Intellectual* (Rochester: Tiger Bark P., 2016). Russell Wahl, ed., *The Bloomsbury Companion to Bertrand Russell* (New York and London: Bloomsbury, 2017). Russell's political, historical, biographical and literary papers from mid-1950 to mid-1952 are being readied for publication as Volume 26 of the *Collected Papers*. The editor, Andrew G. Bone, expects publication in 2017.

NEW BOOKS ¶Jan Dejnożka, *Bertrand Russell on Modality and Logical Rel-
evance* (2nd edn., Ann Arbor: CreateSpace, 2015). Antoni
Sulek includes Russell's long 1922 letter on patriotism to Stanislas Ossowski
in a *Nachlass* volume, *Stanisław Ossowski w pełnym blasku* (Warsaw, 2016).

RECENT
ACQUISITIONS ¶Copies of two good letters on books have come in. In one,
in 1960, Russell critiques *The Experience Universe* for the au-
thor, Dan Sullivan. In the other (1955, donated by David
Harley) he discusses happiness in old age for Charles Degen, author of *Age
without Fear* (1972). Degen knew Russell in 1924 but in this book barely men-
tions him. (See BRACERS, records 130891 and 131179.) Michael D. Stevenson
has donated copies of five further letters between Russell and Earnest Hock-
ing when the latter chaired Harvard's philosophy department. Last issue I
mentioned a reel tape of Russell on the BBC's "Woman's Hour" in 1967, one
of his last audio interviews. Digitized, the tape turned out to be blank.

NEXT BRS
CONFERENCE ¶The 2016 annual meeting of the Bertrand Russell Society
will be held at St. John Fisher College, in Rochester, New
York, 24–26 June. Visit <http://bertrandrussell.org> for news.

e-Russell ¶Except for the latest complete volumes (34–35), *Russell* may
be consulted freely on the Internet at the McMaster Library
journal site: [http://escarpmentpress.org/russelljour-
nal/](http://escarpmentpress.org/russelljour-
nal/). For online and print subscriptions, see this site or the rear cover.

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BRACERS.
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CA ¶The Russell Archives' annotated catalogue of letters to-
talled 131,357 records by 1 April 2016. That's a growth of
420 since last issue. The correction and completion of case
conversion, italicization and additional linking (by BRRC's
Arlene Duncan) from the mainframe's plain all caps, and my
revision, are done. Some 7,119 new records since migration complete the cov-
erage of Russell's letters at *McMaster*. BRACERS, the item-level, letter-by-letter
cataloguing of Russell's correspondence, could be said to have begun in 1983,
when I started carding the individual replies in his daily dictation, or even
1967, when individual family letters were described in Feinberg's *The Archives
of Bertrand Russell*. Computer entry on the campus mainframe began in 1988,
thanks to the then Ready Division director, Charlotte Stewart; I had laid field
plans in 1970. Even when the Archives arrived in 1968 William Ready had me
exploring machine access to topics in the correspondence. In 2001 BRACERS
received a big boost from Nicholas Griffin's *Collected Letters* project. Now
there is even a field reserved for a letter's image. Transcriptions would make
the letters searchable, which is the dominant approach, in an age of inexpen-
sive storage, to topical access. Meanwhile, there's still plenty to do: add print-
only letters; proofread the backlogs; standardize correspondent names; and
insert publication data when we know a letter's been published. BRACERS,
now a modernized database, is capable of much more than correspondence.
