

Editor's Notes

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ARCHIVES' 50TH ANNIVERSARY ¶In spring 2018 the Bertrand Russell Archives, which came to McMaster in spring 1968, will have been open to researchers for 50 years. McMaster Library will celebrate the occasion. By then the Russell Archives are expected to have moved to a renovated building dedicated to curating them and the projects of

the Russell Research Centre, which include the *Collected Papers* and this journal. There are to be special talks, displays and publications.

FORTHCOMING BOOKS ¶Landon D. C. Elkind and Gregory Landini, eds., *The Philosophy of Logical Atomism: a Centenary Reappraisal* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2018). Russell Wahl, ed., *The Bloomsbury Companion to Bertrand Russell* (Bloomsbury, 2018). Larry D. Harwood, *Mad about Belief: Religion in the Life and Thought of Bertrand Russell* (Wipf and Stock, 2018). 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* (Routledge). The editor is Andrew G. Bone.

NEW BOOKS ¶Peter Stone, ed., *Bertrand Russell's Life and Legacy* (Vernon P., 2018). Rick Lewis's magazine, *Philosophy Now*, devoted issue no. 120 (June/July 2017) to Russell studies; guest editor was Peter Stone.

RECENT ACQUISITIONS ¶We found a permission letter from M. H. A. Newman to William Demopoulos in 1970, in which Newman supposed that Russell gave up the causal theory of perception after their 1928 exchange. A letter he wrote in French inviting Mario Pieri to the Cambridge's 1912 International Congress of Mathematicians came to light in a rare volume of letters to Pieri, thanks to Elena Anne Marchisotto. Many new photos of Russell, family and associates were acquired. A new BBC/ABC script dated March 1951, "Fifty Years' Movement towards Equality", has Russell pointing out social changes under Labour and summing up: "But in the new world in which we have learnt to live there are great rewards for the loss of privilege, provided our minds and hearts are open to the new solidarity which is now possible." It will be published in *Papers* 26. It is hoped soon to announce a very large acquisition of Russelliana. Much more correspondence between Russell and close pacifist friend Clifford Allen has been found.

NEXT BRS CONFERENCE ¶The 2018 annual meeting of the Bertrand Russell Society will be held at McMaster on 22–24 June, in conjunction with SSHAP on 19–21 June and the opening of the Russell building. Keep up to date at russell.mcmaster.ca/brsmeeting.htm.

e-Russell ¶Except for the latest four issues (vols. 36–37), *Russell* may be consulted freely on the Internet at the McMaster Library journal site: mulpress.mcmaster.ca/russelljournal. For on-line and print subscriptions, see this site or the rear cover.

BRACERS. MCMASTER. CA ¶The Russell Archives' annotated catalogue of letters totalled 131,582 records by 24 January 2018. The latest records are revealed via Advanced Search. Many more letters are expected when the new acquisition is confirmed. The new database is more than a correspondence catalogue. Trials are underway in which scholarly transcriptions of text are being added and annotated. The trial period chosen is Russell's incarceration 100 years ago.
