Editor's notes

Contributors. Victor Lowe is Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at The Johns Hopkins University. He is writing the biography of Alfred North Whitehead. In pursuit of this he interviewed BR in 1965 and 1967, and a charming and perspicacious account of these interviews appears in his "Tea with the 'Mad Hatter'; tales of a 'saint'," in the Baltimore *Sun*, June 16, 1974. Bennett Simon, M.D., is a practising psychoanalyst and teaches at the Harvard Medical School and the Boston Psychoanalytic Institute. Nancy Simon, R.N., was trained in psychiatric nursing and shares with her husband a strong interest in the use of psychoanalysis to help illuminate problems in other fields. She is finishing a study of Mark Gertler, while he is preparing a book on the mind and mental illness in Ancient Greece. Their article is a revision of one first published in the *Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association*, 20 (Jan. 1972), 109-121. John Slater's gift came from Murdoch Mactaggart Books, Liverpool. Katharine Tait's book on her father is to be published by Harcourt, Brace in the U.S. The piece printed in this *Russell* is a fragment from the writing of that book, though it will not appear there.

Forthcoming Books. Two volumes of Russell centenary proceedings are about to be published. That of Indiana University was most recently announced for May. McMaster's is now due in September.

Reprinted Books. Under the title of *British Labour and the Russian Revolution* Spokesman Books (Nottingham) have handsomely reprinted the 1917 pamphlet *What Happened at Leeds*, which contains a report of Russell's speech at that remarkable gathering of the British Left. Ken Coates has written an Introduction. The price is 40p in paper, £1.10 in cloth. *The Art of Philosophizing* has been reprinted by Littlefield, Adams and Co., Totowa, N.Y., at $1.95. *Justice in War-Time* has been reprinted (again with the faulty pagination) by Haskell House, New York City, at $12.50. The BR Society *wants* to reprint *What I Believe*, and is in search of a publisher.

Honours. Ronald Jager's *The Development of Bertrand Russell's Philosophy* has been awarded the Matchette Prize in Philosophy. It is, of course, the first comprehensive study of Russell in English by one person.

The Bertrand Russell Society. The Society's membership has about tripled since its inception in February 1974. Local chapters are being formed.

Adultery and Mathematics. Gore Vidal, who counts himself a "life-long Russellite", was recently in a BBC discussion with Lord Longford. The latter was maintaining Russell's sexual wickedness, and drawing inferences to his other activities therefrom. Vidal interposed, memorably: "I don't think adultery made him split infinitives. I don't think his life with women in any way affects his findings in mathematics, nor the nobility of many of the political causes which he espoused in later life.... He was a virtuous figure" (*The Listener*, 14 Mar. 1974). Thanks are due to Dr. Mortimer J. Adler for sending us the clipping.

McMaster Theses. The location of the Russell Archives at McMaster has prompted many graduate students, particularly in the Department of Philosophy, to choose topics in Russell for extensive study. On p. 27 is a list of M.A. theses which have made use of the Russell Archives.

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