of applause in appreciation for all his work. Let's make it loud enough for him to hear it in Toronto!

A RUSSELL PUZZLE PAGE
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Not long ago I solved one of the syndicated "CryptoQuote" type puzzles and found it was by Russell. This inspired the present submission.

The following are five "simple-substitution cyphers." That is to say they are coded quotes in which each letter stands for another letter. For example, BERTRAND RUSSELL could be coded as OREGENAQ BHHFRRYY, O=B, R=E, etc., etc.

All of these quotes have been attributed to Russell. So extra fun may be had by locating the source and correcting my errors.

Solutions are found in a later section of the Quarterly on page 14.

1. YZX SXELXX WG WMXP XIWYUWM OVLUXP UMOXLPSXR DUYZ WMXP FMWDCSEX WG YZX GVYP YZX CXPP RWK FMWD YZX ZWYXYL RWK EXY.

2. VABP PEIA EF, ZK LKFZ LAU, B PKUW FAKKUG-DAPF, B MAVMAZRB FPXLMMVKEF DAZQAAU ZSA EGBAP BUG ZSA MKFEDPA; DRZ ZSA QKVPK MI MRVA VABFKU JUQOF UK XKLMMKVEFA, UK MVBZKZXBPE PELEBZKUF, UK DBVVEAV ZK ZSA XVABZEYA BXZEXZH.

3. XWO XG UEO YRFUXXY XG SW SFFKXSQEPWA WOKMXNY LKOSDXXTW PY UEO LOBPUG UESU XWOY TKPD FY UOKKPLBR PJFXXKUSWU.

4. ZBTP ZL DLLM OR DHP PLB ZOOG PH FLOGLUL, FWP PLB ZORB PH IODM HWP.

In the last one, I've made it a bit harder by removing the spaces between words and removing the punctuation. The grouping into "words" of five letters is just for readability. (Some Russellians may be surprised to learn that experienced puzzlists can solve cyphers of this type quite easily.)

5. EHQZB FOIXZ UBECV OESVX PEGIQ IGLEC OOZEC CIESO ZOYIX

EBGIH CGVJB VCSIX ZUSVW IGOLA YVBYE GIPW ZHIVIHI VIZJII PEMVPOYIYUZ GODIE OIPDX OIZOW GIIXO GEVJI HVJOY IIMIG BVXIZ UOLGE JLLQJ IOYII DJUZG ODJOI 1.

GREATER RUSSELL ROCHESTER SET
SPRING, 2000 SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 18 (Russell's Birthday)

Topic: Secularism
Suggested Reading: Why I Am Not A Secularist by William E. Connolly

A discussion of secularism and the challenges it faces today. There will be a cake and a rousing chorus of "Happy Birthday to Bertie."

All meetings will take place at 7:00 p.m. at Blue Sunday Coffeehouse and Used Bookstore, 3118 E. Henrietta Road (corner of Lehigh Station Road), Rochester, New York. For directions, please contact the coffeehouse at 716-334-4415. For all other questions, contact Tim Madigan at 716-273-5778 (days)/716-424-3184 (evenings) or <timothymad@aol.com>.

All meetings are free and open to the public. Everyone is welcome and will be included in the discussion, whether they are novices or experts in Russell's work. Readings are highly recommended but not essential to benefit from the discussions.

2000 ANNUAL MEETING:
MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY
WEST LONG BRANCH, NEW JERSEY
JUNE 2-4, 2000

The Bertrand Russell Society will host its Annual Meeting at Monmouth University in New Jersey on June 2-4, 2000. Fifteen papers from an international group of Russell scholars have been accepted for the conference. The papers are not technical and will be intelligible to both an academic and a non-academic audience. The presenters will be given twenty minutes to deliver their papers, with a further twenty minutes for discussion from the audience.

If you would like to attend the meeting, please contact Alan Schwerin at Department of Political Science and Philosophy, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, New Jersey 07764 (e-mail aschweri@monmouth.edu or phone 732-571-
A web site has been built for the conference at http://www.monmouth.edu/~aschveri/brs/

For virtual attendance at the Annual Meeting, see the source page. Questions following each paper will include participation from the virtual audience. The source is www.monmouth.edu/brs

Participants who stay on campus should contact Alan as soon as they arrive. His office is located in 243 Bey Hall.

Here is the schedule at the time of the Quarterly's publication:

Friday, June 2, 2000

5:00 - 6:00 Registration, Turrell Board Room, Second Floor, Bey Hall

6:00 - 7:30 Dinner in "The Club" (on campus)

7:30 - 8:00 Welcome from Ken Blackwell and Alan Schwerin, Turrell Board Room, Bey Hall

8:00 - 10:00 Open discussion of Russell's views on religion, including the audio presentation of portions of the Russell/Copleston debate on the existence of God

Saturday, June 3, 2000

8:15 - 8:45 Registration, Turrell Board Room, Bey Hall

8:45 - 9:25 Stefan Andersson, Lund University, "Russell on Mysticism (Part II)"

9:30 - 10:10 Mark Couch, Columbia University, "Russell's Criticism of Moore's Proof"

10:15 - 10:55 Steven Bayne, Independent Scholar, "Russell and those 'Other' Mathematicians"

11:00 - 11:40 Burdett Gardner, Monmouth University

11:45 - 12:25 David White, St. John Fisher College, "Russell on the Web"

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch -- The Board of Directors will have a working lunch in the Turrell Board Room

2:00 - 2:40 Boris Kukso, Duke University, "Russell's Logical Atomism and Armstrong's Philosophy of States of Affairs"

2:45 - 3:25 Roselind Carey, Boston University, "Russell's Working Notes on Propositions Appended to Theory of Knowledge"

3:30 - 4:10 Edgar Boedeker, Northern Illinois University, "The Hidden Influence of Russell's Theory of Substitution on Wittgenstein's N-operator"

4:15 - 4:55 Chad Trainer, Independent Scholar, "Language: A Leading or a Lagging Indicator of Truth for Russell?"

6:00 Banquet at Squire's Pub. Drinks at 6:00. Meal at 7:00.

Sunday, June 4, 2000

8:15 - 8:45 Registration, Turrell Board Room, Bey Hall

8:45 - 9:25 Matt Cain, American University, "The Problem of Causality in Sense Experience: Russell's Assessment of Locke"

9:30 - 10:10 John Shosky, American University, "Russell and Quine"

10:15 - 10:55 Rom Harré, Oxford University (Emeritus) and American University, "Reference Revisited"

11:00 - 11:40 Ken Stunkle, Monmouth University, "Russell on History"
11:45 -12:25  Thom Weidlich, Editor, PR Week, "Russell's Sexual Revolution"

12:30 -1:15  Nick Griffin, McMaster University, "Russell's Logicism is not If-Thenism"

2:00 -4:30  Barbecue at Helen and Alan's Home

SOLUTIONS TO THE RUSSELL PUZZLE PAGE
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1.  The degree of one's emotion varies inversely with one's knowledge of the facts -- the less you know the hotter you get.

2.  Real life is, to most men, a long second-best, a perpetual compromise between the ideal and the possible; but the world of pure reason knows no compromise, no practical limitations, no barrier to the creative activity.

3.  One of the symptoms of an approaching nervous breakdown is the belief that one's work is terribly important.

4.  What we need is not the will to believe, but the wish to find out.

5.  Advocates of capitalism are very apt to appeal to the sacred principles of liberty, which are embodied in one maxim: The fortunate must not be restrained in the exercise of tyranny over the unfortunate.

MINUTES OF THE 1999 ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SUBMITTED BY
PETER STONE
UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

The BRS Board of Directors held its annual meeting on June 4 and 6, 1999, in conjunction with the BRS Annual Meeting at Monmouth University, West Long Branch, New Jersey. Ken Blackwell chaired. Peter Stone took notes. Directors present on June 4th were Stefan Andersson, Ken Blackwell, Jan Loeb Eisler, John Lenz, Tim Madigan, Ray Perkins, Steve Reinhardt, David Rodier, Alan Schwerin, Warren Allen Smith, Peter Stone, Thom Weidlich, and Ruili Ye. Perkins and Rodier were absent from the second part of the meeting on June 6th.

David Rodier moved to suspend a reading of the minutes from the last Board meeting and to approve the minutes. Thom Weidlich seconded, and the Board approved the motion unanimously.

John Lenz gave the (temporary) treasurer's report. The group is somewhat flush with money right now, but this is primarily because the Society has not yet produced a Quarterly this year (Tim Madigan is currently working on a double issue for February and May). Each Quarterly costs $700 or more. Lenz gave Peter Stone a copy of the treasurer's report, and Stone will make sure it gets published with the minutes.

Ken Blackwell reported on membership. The BRS had about 175 members last year and about 120 so far this year (renewals continue to trickle in). The Board then briefly discussed the problem of declining membership. Jan Eisler suggested that the group needed exposure, possibly through a speaker who could talk on Russell at various humanist events. Ray Perkins suggested t-shirts or bumper stickers. Ken Blackwell said that finding a picture for a t-shirt that the BRS could legally use should not be a problem. Blackwell will endeavor to find such a picture and pass it on to Thom Weidlich, who will investigate the manufacture of Russell t-shirts and report back to the Board about it. Blackwell suggested that the BRS might even wish to give a t-shirt out with membership.

The Board then briefly discussed the arrangements for the treasurer. Dennis Darland, while still officially treasurer, has been on leave for almost a year. John Lenz and Ken Blackwell have taken on the duties of handling funds and maintaining the membership list, respectively. Darland is willing to resume his duties, and several Board members voiced the view that Darland seemed perfectly able to do so.

In addition, Peter Stone voiced concern about the monthly fees Dennis Darland has been paying on the BRS's bank account. Apparently, when the treasurer's duties were shifted from Darland to John Lenz, most of the money was taken from the BRS account maintained by Darland, leaving only a residual amount to keep the account open. The small amount of money in the account requires the BRS to pay fees to keep the account open. When Lenz transfers the BRS's money back to Darland, this problem should cease. Jan Eisler inquired if the BRS could earn any form of interest on its money. Lenz will speak to Darland about this.

The Board then returned to the subject of finding new members. John Lenz reported that he will try to revamp and revise a brochure about the BRS written by Don Jackanicz. The old brochure lists Jackanicz's address, and Jackanicz does not