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RESPONSIBILITY IN SCIENCE, 1948-1976

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INFORMATION FOR USERS

Abbreviation of SSRS is used for the Society for Social Responsibility in Science; VP is used for Victor Paschkis; FM is used for Franklin Miller, OTB is used for Otto Theodor Benfey.

Materials were received from O.T. Benfey and the bulk from Franklin Miller. While, in general, these materials were integrated, it was deemed appropriate to keep separate the correspondence donated by Benfey. Therefore, there is correspondence provided by FM which includes letters by and to Benfey and there is correspondence provided by Ted Benfey which includes letters of Miller. For the sake of clarity, each set of correspondence is also identified with the donor's name. Housed with the correspondence donated by Benfey are also three folders relating to his publications. The arrangement of all the Miller materials was mostly provided by Franklin Miller.

All correspondence dates are standardized rather than transcribed, viz: yr mo/day.

Though not all letters are listed individually, those that are highlighted are done so on the basis of content of the letter or historical importance of the letter writer.

RESTRICTIONS

No restrictions

RELATED MATERIALS

Other repositories that contain SSRS materials include the Peace Collection at Swarthmore College.

See also: Collection 800 – Hires, Harrison (Collector), which includes 11 TLsS by Albert Einstein, some on Emergency Committee of Atomic Scientists letterhead, Oct. 19,

1946-Dec. 1, 1952 relating to fundraising to forward public understanding of the implications of atomic energy, challenge of the perception of war with Russia and the challenge of the effective abolition of war et al

ABSTRACT

Correspondence, including letters from Albert Einstein, minutes, reports, leaflets, public statements and newsletters of the Society for Social Responsibility in Science established in 1949 with the assistance of Otto Theodor Benfey, Franklin Miller and Victor Paschkis to promote free inquiry concerning science and society, and especially concern that science not be used for destructive ends.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The Society for Social Responsibility in Science was founded in 1949, the convening meeting and Constituting Assembly both held at Haverford College. It was conceived as an organization of workers in the natural sciences to maintain free inquiry concerning the relations of science and society, the maintenance of scientific integrity, a concern for the increasing use of science for destructive ends, a belief that science and technology should contribute to the benefit of mankind, never to harm or destroy, and that each person has the moral responsibility to consider the end results of his work as far as it can be seen. Although it did not identify itself as a pacifist or a Quaker organization, many members were also members of the Fellowship for Reconciliation (a pacifist organization). The group's constitution stated "Realizing our responsibilities to all of humanity, we a group of scientists and engineers, in order to direct our efforts and activities more effectively toward a constructive world peace and a human world, and to stand clearly against any war trend, whether in the United States, Russia or any other country...", in other words, indicating that they were not anti-Soviet, as many organizations of the time were, though they did not want to be perceived as Communist-leaning. As well, they planned to operate an employment service and an educational program concerning their society and to stimulate the formation of similar groups in other fields of human endeavor. SSRS published a monthly newsletter. It ceased operation in ~1976.

Members of the organization included Albert Einstein, Max Born, Anton Carlson, Victor Paschkis, Franklin Miller, O. Theodor Benfey, Herbert Jehle, Kathleen Lonsdale, Theodore B. Hetzel and M. Jane Oesterling, among others.

In 1949, Franklin Miller, a Professor of Physics at Kenyon College, was one of the founding members of SSRS, which had its founding meeting at Haverford College. He was president of SSRS from 1953-55 and editor of the monthly SSRS Newsletter distributed to some 500 readers world wide from 1949 to ~ 1960.

Victor Paschkis was born in Vienna in 1898 where he studied at the Vienna Institute of Technology. He received degrees in mechanical and electrical engineering in 1921 and 1922 respectively and a science doctorate in 1923. From 1922-1930, he

worked in various German and Austrian industries. He immigrated to the U.S. in 1938. He worked in industry until 1940, then as Director of the Heat and Mass Flow Analyzer Laboratory at Columbia University. He was the author of several books and published in numerous technical and scientific journals, as well as in the *Friends Intelligencer*, including in the fall of 1948 after which the first meeting of SSRS was convened at Haverford College. He was the founder and president of SSRS from 1949-1950. Victor Paschkis was a member of the Society of Friends.

Otto Theodor Benfey (1925-) was born in Germany, received his B.S. from London University in chemistry in 1945 and a Ph.D. in 1947. He was a post-doc fellow at Columbia University in 1947. He came to Haverford College as an assistant professor in 1948. He served as president from 1952-53, as well as librarian and delegate at large in the SSRS. OTB was a member of the Society of Friends.

Theodore Brinton Hetzel (1906-1990) was born in Germantown, PA and attended Haverford College, graduating Phi Beta Kappa in 1928. He completed graduate studies in mechanical engineering at the University of Pennsylvania, the Technical University of Munich (Germany), and Penn State University. He returned to Haverford College in 1936 as a member of the faculty and later chair of the Department of Engineering, remaining on the faculty until 1972. Hetzel served on the Indian Committees of the American Friends Service Committee and Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. Adopted by the Seneca Indians, he was given the Indian name "Our friend."

(Information from internal evidence, from the T.B. Hetzel papers and from the July 27, 2007 letter and August 11, 2007 email of Franklin Miller (in box 1 of collection))

SUBJECT HEADINGS

Benfey, O. Theodor †q (Otto Theodor), †d 1925-
Bethe, Hans A. †q (Hans Albrecht), †d 1906-2005
Born, Max, †d 1882-1970
Carlson, Anton
Einstein, Albert, †d 1879-1955
Miller, Franklin, †d 1912-
Muste, Abraham John, †d 1885-1967
Paschkis, V. †q (Victor)

Science -- Moral and ethical aspects
Technology -- Moral and ethical aspects

ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION

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SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

The collection provides an in-depth look at the founding, history, activities and correspondence of the Society for Social Responsibility in Science. Included are minutes of council and annual meetings from the year before its inception in 1949 and until its culmination in ca. 1976. There is extensive correspondence of officers, especially Victor Paschkis, Franklin Miller and Otto Theodor (Ted) Benfey, but also of other officers, such as Herbert Jehle, Theodore Hetzel, Truman Kirkpatrick, Jane Oesterling and Edward Ramberg, often discussing what the core or nature of the organization should be.

Probably the most stellar correspondent who also became a member of SSRS is Albert Einstein writing in 1950 on his involvement with atomic weapons as theoretical, rather than practical, and his decision not to be involved in war work. Other important scientists or others who were correspondents are: Emily Greene Balch, Hans Bethe, Max Born, Anton Carlson, Aldous Huxley, Kathleen Lonsdale, Samuel Marble, A.J. Muste, Shigeru Oae, Priyadarajan Ray, Dorothy Thompson, Gilbert White and Norman Whitney. One of the primary topics, not only in the correspondence, but across the various efforts of the organization was how to attract and keep members. Toward this end, SSRS published a

monthly newsletter, and all the extant copies of the SSRS newsletter from 1949 to 1974 have been assembled here.

Several committees were formed by the SSRS, one of them, the Occupational Division, offered assistance to scientists seeking employment. Other committees were the Education Committee providing programs for an understanding of the work of SSRS to the public; the Small Tools Committee, which put tools "on the ground" in various foreign countries in order to assist in a variety of development projects, especially subsistence rural living. It also distributed books which had belonged to scientists who no longer needed them; also, the Nominating Committee and Executive Committee.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Series I. Founding Documents

Box 1: Constitution; Minutes of Council and Annual Meetings, Members, 1948-76

Note: Also includes letters to members relating to the constitution

Constitution and By-Laws, 1949 & 1956 & ca. 1970. 1 folder (6 items)

Members and Meetings, 1948-50. 1 folder (ca. 50 items)

Note: Includes minutes of council and annual meetings, agenda, issues, treasurer's reports and members from the founding meeting at Haverford College, June, 1948

Members and Meetings, 1951-52. 1 folder (ca. 30 items)

Note: Includes minutes of council and annual meetings, agenda, issues and members; also a photo of Council members, 1951

Members and Meetings,, 1953-55. 1 folder (ca. 60 items)

Note: Includes minutes of council and annual meetings, agenda, issues and members

Members and Meetings,, 1956-76. 1 folder (ca. 20 items)

Note: Includes minutes of council and annual meetings, agenda, issues, conference and members and restatement of purpose (1969-70)

Local Meetings, 1950-51. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Includes: speeches at meetings, agenda and resolutions

Series II. Correspondence

Box 2: Correspondence, A-M (Miller)

Note: Many of the letters relate to membership in SSRS and reasons individuals feel their membership would be appropriate

Letter writers, A-C., 1 folder (ca. 40 items).

Note: Documents, other than letters, by authors listed here are included along with – or instead of – letters, as arranged by the originating body.

Letter writers include:

M. Allen, American Friends Service Committee, Antioch Press (Freeman Champney), John Baer, Roland Bainton, C. Edward Behre, Jeanette Allen Behre, OttoTheodor Benfey, Francis K. Benner, Lewis Berg, H.W. Berke, Hans Bethe, J.S. Bixler, Bart Bok, Max Born, Harrison Brown, Richard Burling, P.V. Cardon, Anton Carlson, C. Reed Cary, John Chittum, Vincent Cochrane, Collector of Internal Revenue, W.D. Collins, G.H. Conant, Kenneth Cooper, Emily F. Cooper, Edward Corson, Frank E. Cotton, Nancy Cross, Walter Cuthbert

Some highlights include:

American Friends Service Committee (Nora Booth) to Victor Paschkis.. Philadelphia, PA., 1951 4/2. [in response to Booth's letter, VP explains that SSRS is not a Quaker organization, though Friends' influence is strong and the present Council is made up entirely of Friends

Antioch Press (Freeman Champney) to Victor Paschkis. 1950. [re stationery for SSRS]

Benfey, O. Theodor. 1950-52. 11 items. Including:

Paschkis, Victor to Ted Benfey. 1950 2/20. [the council of SSRS has sent a telegram to Pres. Truman (not present)]

Benfey, O.T. to Victor Paschkis. Haverford, Pa., 1950 3/2. [SSRS should avoid having any connection with any organization that appears to have Communist leanings, though strong Democratic Socialist views are welcome]

Benfey, O.T. to Victor Paschkis. Haverford, PA, 1950 7/16. [all who can must plead with U.S. government not to use the atom bomb as threat or weapon in the Korea fighting]

Bethe, Hans A. to VP. Seattle, 1950 7/13. [disapproves of use of hydrogen bomb by a civilized country and considers it the duty of scientists who know the subject to state their disapproval publicly. However, does not approve of action by scientists against the wishes of the society in which they live]

Born, Max. Excerpt from undated letter to Victor Paschkis. Copy. [the answer to the argument that if all Western scientists signed on to the SSRS idea of non-participation in defense activities, that Soviet scientists should be encouraged to do so as well; Born,

an honorary member of the Academy of Science of the USSR, would be willing to help in such an attempt, though better coming from Einstein or Pauli

Carlson, Anton J. to VP. 1949-1953. 8 items. [1950 3/24: agrees to speak at meeting, taking the positive side of the question "Should a scientist take social and moral responsibility for his profession work?" if he is in the country]

Collector, IRS. 1949-1951. [re establishing tax exemption for contributions to SSRS]

Corson, Edward. From article in Sciences News Letter, 1950.ca. 25 items. [Corson has called on scientists to stop new theoretical work on the A-bomb (from *Science News*, 1950 3/18.) Note: Corson was a member of the Manhattan Project team, and the letters here generally are about his and others' attempts to find him employment. According to VP, Corson's passport was withdrawn and his employment terminated due to his position as stated above]

Letter writers, D-F., 1 folder (ca. items).

Letter writers include: Cuthbert Daniel, Janet Daniel, Leonard Dart, C. E. Davies, Seymour Eichel, Albert Einstein, Joe Engelberg, Paul Fall, Edwin Feinberg, Thomas Ferington, Ada Field, George Field, Hazel Field, F.W. Fox, Evelyn France, Lawrence Frank, Lawrence Freistadt, Nelson Fuson.

Some highlights include:

Daniel, Cuthbert to Victor Paschkis. 1948-49. 6 items. [approves highly of the draft statement of principles and aims (presumably of the group that would become SSRS), and asks whether it will include unqualified opposition to all war; to which VP responded that the clause had been changed from "Unqualified opposition to all war" to "unqualified opposition to trends to all war."] Accompanying is an appendix to the original SSRS mission state, including suggested names of the organization and a proposed statement of principles.

Einstein, Albert. 1950- ca.1952. 23 items. Here are letters both to and from Einstein, including 6 from Einstein, 4 from A.J. Muste, 10 from Victor Paschkis. The first is a carbon copy of a letter by A.J. Muste to Einstein on Jan. 19, 1950 (which, according to the letter is not the first sent by Muste to Einstein, and, in a 2nd letter from 1/19/1950, that he has also written to Oppenheimer and Harold Urey)

Muste, A.J. to Albert Einstein. 1950 1/19. [consequent to the bombing of Hiroshima & Nagasaki, he excoriates the use and further stockpiling by the U.S. of hydrogen or other bombs, believing that Russia would only follow suit on a path to dominance in weaponry, and urging Einstein to work against such an action; if necessary, the U.S. should unilaterally abandon the policy of the cold war; Einstein and other leading scientists should refuse any further connection with weapons of mass destruction];

Einstein, Albert to A.J. Muste. Princeton, NJ. 23 Jan. 1950. Copy. [states he never took part in any work of a military-technical nature nor worked for the atomic bomb, but only established the relationship between mass and energy in 1905; in 1939, he signed a letter to Pres. Roosevelt drawing attention that the possibility of making such a bomb existed, and because the Germans were working on such a project; on the cold war, states that people in power in the U.S. have no intention of avoiding the "cold war," nor those in power in USSR, beginning after death of Roosevelt (Truman Doctrine)]

In his response (Jan. 26, 1950), Muste says he did not mean to imply that Einstein participated in military-technical work involved with the atomic bomb, but asks whether it is not his responsibility to intervene;

Paschkis, Victor to Albert Einstein. 1950 2/6. carbon copy. [invites Einstein to join SSRS, as one of a group of scientists who cannot work on destructive projects irreconcilable with their conscience; would welcome the opportunity of meeting with him to discuss Truman's order to development a hydrogen bomb] Einstein's secretary responds saying Einstein will meet with him & Dr. Vail. This did happen and Einstein agreed to draft a letter regarding these issues.

Einstein, Albert to Victor Paschkis. Princeton, NJ, 1950 3/4. TLS [agrees to join SSRS, that the organization will develop in scientific workers a sense of responsibility and courage to resist dangerous inducement for work associated with mass destruction. "Individual Conscience before the letter and the intentions of State Law. This was recognized implicitly in the Nuernberg Trials."]

Einstein, Albert to Victor Paschkis. Princeton, NJ, 1950 3/15. Copy. [cannot permit the publication of his letter in the press, as it would "provoke an inimical public reaction detrimental to our cause." (see letter of 1950 3/4)]

After this, Paschkis requested a letter from Einstein that could be published, and Einstein sent text in German, accompanied by his secretary, Helen Dukas' letter of May 6, 1950, on Einstein's letterhead. Paschkis sent him a translation for his approval (not present; see copy of letter from VP to Herbert Jehle, ca. 1950, in the Jehle file for what appears to be a translation)

Einstein, Albert to Victor Paschkis. Princeton, NJ., 1950 6/21. TLS [finds the translation satisfactory and gives consent to publish it.]

Einstein, Albert to Victor Paschkis. Princeton, NJ, 1950 11/27. TLS [it would be good, but unsuccessful, to reach scientists behind the Iron Curtain, as they are completely dependent on state powers, so must do whatever work is asked of them. Many believe attempts to persuade people not to do potentially destructive work to be harmful, though he does not agree. The belief would be justified if Western powers were not more aggressive and technically more powerful than the other party. "Under the prevailing circumstances, I am convinced that it means working for the good cause by not participating in war work. For these reasons it seems to me that a personal discussion of the problem could not lead to any practical result."]

[Paschkis, Victor?] to the Council. Neshanic Sta., NJ, 1950 10/15. [Max , Pauli states that the main objection to the cause of SSRS is that only if Russian scientists sign on to non-proliferation would Western scientists be willing to do so, for fear of weakening the West otherwise. Asks if Einstein and others should be approached] Carbon copy.

Paschkis, Victor to Albert Einstein. [ca. 1952] Carbon copy. [states that the Phila. Inquirer of Oct. 24, 1952 published an article stating that Einstein recommended the building of the atomic bomb because no nation should lose in the world's armaments race, and if peace cannot reign, nations must prepare for war. Paschkis asks if there is any truth to the article]

Ferington, Thomas to Franklin Miller. Princeton NJ, 1955 8/31. [does not think SSRS should become a pacifist organization, as not all scientist are pacifists, but rather the organization should stress the responsibility of the individual for the use to which his work is put]

Letter writers, G-K,. 1 folder (ca. items).

Letter writers include:

W.A. Gross, Danforth Hale, Frank Hale, William Halpern, J.J. Hancock, David Hill, Marion Hollingsworth, Lewis Hoskins, George M. House, Aldous Huxley, Institute of International Education, International Development Placement Association (Peter Weiss), Herbert Isenburger, Kenneth Ives, Abigail Jackson, Herbert Jehle, Forrest Johnson, Victor Kaufman, Truman Kirkpatrick, Lee Klein, Koinonia Foundation, Bill Kuenning, F.L. Kunz

Highlights include:

Lewis Hoskins to Theodor Benfey. 1952. 3 items. [in re the AFSC statement on academic freedom, Benfey asks whether the statement affirms the inner integrity ; Hoskins clarifies on integrity of all individuals, and even if that is not the case, individuals should be treated as if they had inner integrity]

Huxley, Aldous and Victor Paschkis. 1951. 3 items, 1 TLS by Huxley.. [Huxley responds to an invitation to become a member of SSRS by stating he is not a scientist, but a man of letters]

International Development Placement Association (Peter Weiss) and Theodor Benfey. 1952-53. ca. 20 items. [various issues, including job placement for a Nigerian friend and others, writing an article about the Association for the SSRS newsletter, potential members; 1952 22/15: has read of Bayard Rustin's trip to West Africa; a copy of Weiss' paper: "The Mechanics of Benefaction;"]

Jackson , Abigail and Theodor Benfey. 1952. 5 items. [1952 3/2: Benfey responds to questions from Jackson on the moral choices scientists must make regarding the ends for discovery or development in sciences]

Jehle, Herbert and Victor Paschkis. 1950-1951. ca. 25 items. [discussions about members or potential members, esp. Bill Shapley and his position, vis a vis Russia; Jehle to VP. May (middle), 1950: Bethe went to Los Alamos under the express condition that will do nothing whatever on the H bomb, so he should be invited to join; Jehle to VP. June (end), 1950: writing a book review of a book on Einstein; VP to Jehle. 1950 6/25:

includes a translation of Albert Einstein's statement in German (see Einstein) and from VP, that having Einstein as a member of SSRS is controversial, since some perceive him as a "fellow traveler;"]

Kirkpatrick, Truman to Don DeVault. Lombard IL, 1955 9/12. [limitations on might be printed in the SSRS newsletter]

Koinonia Foundation and O.T. Benfey. 1951-52. ca. 15 items. [Benfey to L. & M. Ruddell (Koinonia Fdtn). 1951 12/16: see parallels between their two organizations

Letter writers, L-M. 1 folder (ca. items).

Letter writers include:

Gabriel Lasker, Winthrop Leeds, Jessica Lewis, Philip MacDougal, Samuel Marble, R. Bruce Martin, Robert Martin, Roberta Martin, Roy Martin, M. Avramy Melvin, Richard Milburn, Catharine Miles, Franklin Miller, George Moriarty, Marriott C. Morris, Philips Moulton, A.J. Muste

Highlights include:

MacDougal, Philip. 1949-1952. ca. 20 items. [1949 12/11: in a copy of letter to Hans Bethe, MacDougal states that Bethe as head of a committee of 12 physicists, had urged the American government to forswear the use of the H bomb, except if first used by an enemy, and that the committee had received no reply or, and should so state publicly, and indeed, Truman's threat to use a fusion bomb on N. Korea, with advocacy by a number of people; this letter was troubling to VP, as he stated they represented only MacDougal's views, rather than the NY chapter's and its ramifications were to be discussed with the SSRS Council (most of the following letters deal with this issue; Hans Bethe to VP. Los Alamos, NM, 1951 1/26: understood that MacDougal's letter only expressed his own views; MacDougal, P.S. to Franklin [Miller]. Carmel, CA, [1951?] 4/14: MacDougal resigns from SSRS] Note: MacDougal called himself convener of the NY chapter of SSRS

Marble, Samuel (Pres., Wilmington College) and VP. 1951. ca 10 items. [VP to Samuel Marble. 1951 6/20: states that SSRS is in sympathy with the project o Wilmington College to undertake research to meet the technical problems in underdeveloped areas and that the project might be linked to Haverford College's rehabilitation training program (Social and Technical Assistant program)]

Muste, A.J. (Secretary, Fellowship of Reconciliation) and VP. 1949-52. ca. 25 items. [Issues relating to FOR and: Muste, A.J. to V.P. 1949 9/26; Truman's recent announcement confirms that the atomic armaments race is on, and a statement by scientists who dissociate themselves from atomic war might be powerful; Draft of a statement (Fellowship of Reconciliation?) on Russia-United States Relations, Oct. 1949]

Box 3: Correspondence, N-Z (Miller)

Letter writers, N-O. 1 folder (ca.15 items).

Note: Jane Oesterling was membership chairman of SSRS in 1956

Letter writers include:

The Nation, National Guardian, Victor Nekrasoff, D.W. Niehuis, Noyes, Katherine, Robert Oehlcke, Jane Oesterling, Samuel Olanoff, Our Planet, Owen, G.E.

Highlights include:

The Nation (Martin Solow) to Franklin Miller. NY, 1954 5/3. [have published an article on Robert Oppenheimer, which SSRS wants as a mailing to its subscribers]

The Nation (Freda Kirchway, President) to VP. NY. 1950. 7 items. [invites VP to represent SSRS at the conference sponsored by The Nation "The Atomic Era – an it Produce Peace and Abundance."]

National Guardian. 1954 9/27. Article relating to SSRS

Letter writers, Paschkis, Victor, 1948-57 & n.d.. 1 folder (ca.80 items).

Note: Victor Paschkis was one of the founding members of SSRS, and his letters invite individuals to become members, serve as officers, write for the newsletter, solicit and receive contributions. It is of interest to note the names of some recipients of his letters, such as Henry J. Cadbury, Max Born, David Lilienthal, Robert Oppenheimer, Hans Bethe, Douglas Steere. Letters are arranged chronologically.

Highlights include:

To Paul Fall. 1950. 3 items. [re his speaking at convocation of Paul Fall as president of Hiram College]

To Lillian Smith. 1950 4/17. [has read her books *Strange Fruit* and *Killers of the Dream* and sends her information about SSRS]

To Charles Coulson and Prof. Yasushi Nishiwaki. 1954 7/25. [on Prof. Nishiwaki's next visit, perhaps he would present at various SSRS meetings and the annual SSRS meeting]

To the Editor of the Bulletin of Atomic Scientist. N.d. [scientists who continue working on the bomb are to be held accountable for the future destruction it will cause more so than politicians who employ it.]

Letter writers, P. 1 folder (ca.15 items).

Letter writers include:

Maud Paige, Joseph Pantaleone, - Pauli, William Pearlman, Drew Pearson, Peoples Mandate Comm., Jack Peterman, Abraham Pollack, Norman Polster, Henry Pommer, David Pomeroy, J. Addison Potter, Ralph Powell, Charles Price

Highlights include:

VP to Maud Paige. 1950 3/16. [for various reasons, it is not possible to approach individual scientists in India, nor in other countries, both because time consuming and probably not very effective]

Pantaleone, Joseph to VP. Trenton, NJ, 1950 3/28. [representing United World Movement, Pantaleone states the differences with United World Federalists: they agree there should be world government, that war cannot be prevented under there is a stable federal government; but their organization advocates unity in variety]

V.P. to Drew Pearson. Neshanic Station, NJ, 1950 1/27. [asks Pearson about scientist who he mentioned on his radio broadcast who would not work on the hydrogen bomb]

Peoples Mandate Committee (Mabel Vernon) to dear Friend. Washington, D.C., 1950 3/31. [their committee is working to secure a special session of the UN General Assembly to cause the prohibition of all weapons of mass destruction and toward general disarmament]

VP to Charles Price. 1950 2/9. [glad a World Federalist is running for the Senate, and agrees that security can only be obtained through world law, and that our rights cannot be defended through violence]

Letter writers, Q-V. 1 folder (ca. 35 items).

Letter writers include:

Edward Ramberg, Michael Rice, C. H. Richardson, J. Kenneth Richmond, S.S. Roback, Rosebury Phillips, Ralph Sackley, William W. Sayre, P. Daniel Schultz, William Scott, Anatol Shneiderov, Philip Siekevitz, J. Cecil Smith, Roland F. Smith, Selden Smyser, H.C. Steinmetz, Mrs. Richard Stow, Albert Strom, Hale Sutherland, Charles Swift, Howard Teaf, Floyd Tyson, J.A. Van Alen, Calvin Vander Werf, James Velle, Martin Vorhaus

Highlights include:

Rosebury, Phillips to British Assoc. for the Advancement of Science. N.d. [The American Association of Scientific Workers deplores that the British Association has not

reelected for membership J.D. Bernal because of his political views] The minute of the Association on this point is included.

Shneiderov, Anatol to VP. 1950. 3 items. Includes his report "Education for Freedom."

Smith, Roland F. to VP. 1950. 3 items. [VP to Smith, 1950 5/3: if he is interested, he could write to Oppenheimer, Wigner and Bethe who are all struggling with the morality of the arms race]

Swift, Charles to Ted {Benfey?}. 1952 3/25. . [reporting on the Koinonia Conference, discusses topics , including relief, education, investment, speakers Rep. Walter Judd, industrialist David Hervey, Miss Ketrell, Barrington Dunbar, others]

Van Allen, J.A. to FM. 1959. 1 items. [in response to FM's question, sends information on recorded data received from Explorer IV or 1958 Epsilon]

Vorhaus, Martin to VP. Sacramento, 1951 2/27. [the Friends Medical Society is not ready to consider affiliation with SSRS]

Letter writers, W-Z. 1 folder (ca. 60 items).

Letter writers include:

Gladys Walser, War Resisters League, *Washington Post*, Eugene Weaver, Rachel Welch, J. Huston Westover, *WFSW Bulletin*, Gilbert White, Norman Whitney, Benn Williford, Norbert Wiener, Eleanor Wixom, Robert Wixom, Max Wolff, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, World Events, De Witte, Wykoffe, D. Robert Yarnall, Fred Zwick

Highlights include:

Washington Post. November 24, 1957. [article on the desirability of a conference of scientists opposed to nuclear war as proposed by Soviet scientists, though the Post is definite that it should not happen behind the Iron Curtain]

White, Gilbert and VP. Haverford, Pa. 1950. 11 items. [glad to have SSRS meet at Haverford College (10/2); understands that White would be willing to become a member of SSRS; White (3/6); White would be willing to invite Dr. Oppenheimer, if VP thought his invitation would carry more weight 3/6]

Whitney, Norman and VP. 1951. 4 items. [VP: has heard rumors that Truman does not feel at ease in the military clique in which he finds himself; press and radio favor military strength rather than reason; important to reason out how to avoid economic disaster if a shift from armaments; if the peace movement is linked with an attempt to avoid unemployment, at least some unions might go along; suspects that readiness for war comes from a subconscious willingness to gamble: high income now against personal survival (1/4); "Thoughts on Waging Peace", n.d.]

Wixom, Robert. Statement as a conscientious objector

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (Annalee Steward) to Suzanne Paschkis. Washington, D.C., 1950 3/1 [WILPF is working hard to try to stop the manufacture of the H-bomb.,

Unidentified:

To Karl Lienan. n.y., 9/12. [At what sounds like one of the founding meetings of SSRS, the writer, who is from NY, agrees with Franklin Miller that the organization should not be a pacifist one, rather opposed to militarism, but not necessarily against violence; ideas for SSRS newsletter; suggests Karl Lienan should join; hopes Wiener will, as well; sent Lienan article on Great Utopia and discusses social organization]

Box 4: Correspondence, A-Z and Materials re Publication (Benfey)

Letter writers, A-G., 1 folder (ca. 40 items).

Note: A number of the letters deal with publishing Benfey's articles or letters or talks.

Letter writers include:

Howard Alexander, Am. Assoc. for the Advancement of Science, Am. Chemical Soc., Albert Baez, O.T. Benfey, Bull. Of Atomic Scientists, David Burger, Barrow Cadbury, Chicago Tribune, Chemical & Engineering News, Norman Clarke, Rudolf Clemen, Vincent Cochrane, Comm. For Nuclear Information, Barry Commoner, Doubleday & Co., Francis Dry, Joseph Elkes, Errol Elliott, Joseph Engelberg, Ada Field, R.W. Freedman, Elmer Goetz

Highlights include:

Benfey, O.T. to Herbert Jehle. 1951 10/15. Submits a possible article for the SSRS newsletter

Benfey, O.T. to Martin Buber. Haverford, Pa., 1952 5/14. [recollects Buber's talk at Haverford and his interest in SSRS]

Benfey, O.T. "The Franck Report:" an explanation of the report on the possible post-war effects of the atomic bomb several weeks prior to its use on Japan by a group of scientists headed by James Franck, extracts of which were published in SSRS Newsletter.

Benfey, O.T. 1953 6/10. Submits biographical information about himself as a new delegate at large to the SSRS Council.

Benfey, O.T. to Truman Kirkpatrick. Richmond, IN, 1956 19/25. [discussion of atomic energy, including a report from National Acad. Of Sciences about the effects of radiation; what does it mean to have a "commanding lead" in amount of nuclear weapons once each side can obliterate the other with existing weapons]

Cadbury, Barrow and Kathleen Lonsdale. England, 1957 4/? TLS. [a letter directed to statesmen and others about the idea of appointing a Minister of Peace and Goodwill in every country and their duties]

Clarke, Norman to O.T.B. Essex, Eng., 1954 8/9. [re formation of a Quaker scientists' fellowship]

Cochrane, Vincent to OTB. Middletown, CT, 1950 & n.d. [OTB nominated for president, delegate-at-large and secretary-treasurer of SSRS] OTB did serve as president and delegate-at-large.

Letter writers, I-W., 1 folder (ca. 120 items).

Note: Letters include topic of membership, including Japanese and German members of SSRS; also content for newsletter. Truman Kirkpatrick was editor of the SSRS newsletter for some period of time.

Letter writers include:

Syoji Ishimura, Istanbul American College, Herbert Jehle, A. Kastler, Truman Kirkpatrick, Paul Lacey, Chauncey Leake, D.R. Malhotra, Franklin Miller, A.J. Muste, Shigeru Oae, H.S. Osgood, Victor Paschkis, Ward Pigman, Norman Polster, H. Pouget, Edward Ramberg, Priyadarajan Ray, The Reporter, Suzanne Rette, J.W. Robinson, Gordon Rogers, Harold Schilling, William Scott, James Staver, F. Steingardt, Jean Whitall, George Wright

Highlights include:

Jehle, Herbert to Dr. and Mrs. Yukawa. 1955 2/14. [hopes a number of prominent scientists – including Einstein, Born, and the Yukawas, will sign on to a public concern for the state of international relations]

Jehle, Herbert to OTB. 1954 12/8. [new biography of Alfred Nobel and his thoughts on achieving peace; believes that a war party is emerging in U.S., including such senators as McCarthy]

Kirkpatrick, Truman to Bill [Scott?]. Lombard, Ill, 1956 11/7. [300+ scientists have issued public statement to correct false statements about H-bomb put out by Eisenhower campaigners; these scientists should be recruited by SSRS]

Malhotra, D.R. to OTB. Ajmer, India, 1953 8/29. [would be pleased to be the SSRS rep in India]

Oae, Shigeru and OTB. 195-53. 16 items. [Shigeru's ideas for SSRS, his work as a chemist, both in Japan and at U. Kansas]. Shigeru is a Quaker.

Ray, Priyadarajan to OTB. Calcutta, 1953. [description of castes and religion in India]

Rette, Suzanne to OTB. 1952 8/14. [informs of a group of teachers and scholars in France who oppose all current military operations and other moves toward world peace]

Scott, William to SSRS members and associates. Philadelphia, 1956 8/1. [speaks of the mission and projects of SSRS] Scott is pres. Of SSRS at this time

Steingardt, F. 1950. Papers of Steingardt, including c.v., in order for him to come to Johns Hopkins University from Israel

Materials for article on the evolution of a scientist's conscience. 1 folder

First published in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientist, vol. XII, no. 5, May 1956 under the title "The Scientist's Conscience: Historical Considerations," and later expanded for the *Guilford Review* in 1979.

Includes:

- Notes, published materials

Manuscripts and typescripts. 2 folders.

Note: Here are assorted pieces by O.T. Benfey relating to SSRS or other of Benfey's publications

Box 5: Correspondence: Franklin Miller, Victor Paschkis, Herbert Jehle, Jane Oesterling and Truman Kirkpatrick (Miller)

Note: All the above were office holders in SSRS

Franklin Miller and Herbert Jehle, 1951-1957. 1 folder (ca. 75 items)

Note: Herbert Jehle was in the physics department at the University of Chicago and the University of Nebraska. See also Jehle's correspondence in the general correspondence, box 1.

Correspondence concerns making SSRS information available, especially the SSRS newsletter, price, reprints, as well as policy issues re membership. There are some scattered letters from people other than Jehle and Miller, but they are meant to be seen by them; also including press clippings and some brochures.

Highlights include:

Jehle, Herbert to FM. 1951 20/28. [Einstein wrote a letter to Italian scientists published in "Impact" in Oct. 1950 and wonders if permission is needed for SSRS to reprint it]

Born, Max to Mr. Ewbank. Bad Pyrmont, Germany, 1956 12/28. carbon copy of Ewbank's full quotation of Born's letter to him which he sent to FM, VP and others. [according to a book on a man named Kaptiza, he was the real inventor and initiator of the atom bomb – a statement that may turn out to be a complete invention]

Franklin Miller, 1949-1977 (bulk: 1949-1955. 2 folders (ca. 150 items))

Note: Correspondence in A-Z arrangement. Many of the letters deal with membership or employment issues

Some letter writers include: Samuel Allison, Australian scientists, James Anderson, Max Born, Theodor (Ted) Benfey, Stephen Cary, Lyubo Dradic, Theodore Hetzel, Herbert Jehle, Franklin Miller, Shigeru Oae, Daniel Smiley, Joseph Stokes, Dorothy Thompson, Gilbert White

Highlights include:

Australian scientists 1950 9/14. [pledge their support to the work of SSRS with a list of signers]

Benfey, O. Theodor. 1953 1/10. [glad they have put forward a resolution warning scientists about McCarthyism; one worry was that communists would champion civil rights, rather than "true liberals"]

Born, Max. 1951 2/21. [not familiar enough with work of SSRS to write an article for their newsletter]

Miller, Franklin to Hideki Yukawa. Gambier, Ohio, 1954 9/3. [has received a letter from Shigeru Oae who mentions Yukawa's position that as a scientist he would not perform research in connection with atomic weapons, a position that is not in favor in U.S. where people are afraid of the Russians and many have given up their convictions in the face of a larger danger, as they see it. He & others in SSRS stand for peace and constructive use of scientific capabilities; hopes Yukawa will join SSRS]

Oae, Shigeru. Osaka, [1954] 8/20. [mentions Hideki Yukawa, a Nobel prize winner, and suggests him for membership]

Thompson, Dorothy. New York, 1950 1/12. [response to FM's letter to her: in her collected data on anti-Nazi resistance movement, there was not one scientist in the group; is very interested in the work of SSRS]

Victor Paschkis, 1953-1956. 1 folder (ca.60 items)

Note: Primarily letters relate to the newsletter, details about meetings, e.g. date and time, distribution of leaflets, finances. Primary correspondent of VP's is Franklin Miller,

Highlights include:

to Franklin Miller, Herbert Jehle, Truman Kirkpatrick. 1953. 6 items. [Generally, about publicity for SSRS, but also: 1953 11/8: reports on a visit with Mezerik and that issues such as attracting new members, publications were discussed]

to FM. 1954 4/5. [feels they should try again to affiliate with AAAS (American Association of Atomic Scientists?)]

VP to John Alcock. 1954 5/31/ [notes that SSRS has strong Friends connections]

to SSRS members: n.d. [Oppenheimer "affair" which has stirred the scientific community and resulted in articles in The Nation which SSRS has agreed to circulate to its members]

to Kazuo Kondo. Hidden Springs, 1954 9/6. [letter explaining application and other membership information re SSRS]

to Mrs. S.K. Allison. 1954 11/4. [SSRS has not approved a formal tie with AAAS because of the latter group's limitations of their objectives]

to FM. 1955 3/23. [Lewis Mumford has conditionally agreed to become a member of SSRS]

Jane Oesterling, 1957. 1 folder (5 items)

Correspondence while Oesterling was membership chairman

Truman Kirkpatrick, 1954-57. 1 folder (ca. 90 items)

Correspondence, primarily internal, on issues relating to the SSRS newsletter while Kirkpatrick was its editor.

Box 6: Office Holders; Topics; Miscellaneous

Note: Contents primarily correspondence

President (Franklin) Miller. 1 folder (3 items)

Including:

"The Window Washing Theory of Social Responsibility," n.d. TS.

President (William) Scott, 1954-57. 1 folder (ca. 30 items)

Note: Primarily internal correspondence, as between Scott & FM or VP

Vice-President Victor Paschkis, 1951-53. 1 folder (ca. 60 items)

Note: Primarily internal correspondence, as between VP & Ted Benfey.

,Including:

- concern in 1952 for flagging memberships and individuals willing to devote time to make SSRS
- "The Scientist and Social Responsibility," 1952 1/? TS.

Secretary/Treasurer (Edward A Ramberg, Vincent Cochrane & Walter Gormly), 1949-1955. 1 folder (ca. 70 items)

Note: Primarily internal correspondence, as between Edward Ramberg & Ted Benfey and VP who were both Presidents of SSRS during this time

Delegates-at-Large, 1950-51. 1 folder (ca. 75 items)

Note: internal correspondence, especially about attendance at meetings, issues for the meetings and representation of SSRS delegates at conferences

College Students, 1950-51. 1 folder (ca. 30 items)

Note: primarily correspondence related to bringing college science students into SSRS

Education Committee and Miscellaneous Literature Received. 1 folder (ca. 25 items)

Note: the "literature" is published articles; other materials include lists of members. It is unclear what the "Education Committee" refers to

Foreign, 1955-57. 1 folder (ca.25 items)

Note: Primarily correspondence with non-U.S. scientists, especially Mischa Cotlar of Argentina

Including:

- Born, Max to Truman Kirkpatrick. Bad Pyrmont, Germany, 1957 5/1.[requesting copies of SSRS newsletter]

Local Groups, 1950-53. 1 folder (ca. 40 items)

Note: Primarily correspondence with members in various areas across America

Miscellaneous reports & correspondence, 1956-68 (ca. 10 items)

Note: includes report of Pres. Bill Scot, 1956 & reports of various SSRS committees, 1966; press release of SSRS against use of any nuclear weapons in Vietnam War

Box 7: Interoffice & External Correspondence

Interoffice Correspondence from August 1949 to Sept. 1950. 1 folder (ca. 110 items)

Note: Arranged chronologically. Issues include whom to invite to membership, publicity, financial issues, methodology

Letter writers include:

Theodore Hetzel, Victor Paschkis, William Scott, Vincent Cochrane, Dan Hale, Philip Mac Dougal, Freda Kirchway, William Hewitt

Highlights include:

Copy of the SSRS constitution, as adopted at the meeting at Haverford College, Haverford, PA , 1949 9/9.

Draft of changed by-laws. 1950 9/24.

List of original officers of SSRS. 1949 9/30.

Paschkis, Victor to members of the Council and Executive Committee. 1950 1/29. [given the President's approval of the H-bomb, Council should send a protest telegram opposing the H-bomb and advocating non-cooperation b SSRS members]

Cochrane, V. to Paschkis, Miller and Scott. 1950 3/15. [problem of SSRS appearing as "fellow-travelers" if they associate with left-leaning groups] This is one of a number of letters at this time with the concern of appearance of political affiliation in the time of McCarthyism.

Kirchway, Freda to VP. 1950 3/17. [need for discussion of peace time use of atomic energy]

Hetzel, Theodore to FM. 1950 3/21. [approves of cooperation with WILPF]

Interoffice Correspondence from Oct.. 1950 to Dec. 1952. 1 folder (ca. 110 items)

Note: Materials are arranged chronologically. Issues include whom to invite to membership, publicity, financial issues, methodology

Letter writers include:

Victor Paschkis, Edward Ramberg, William Hewitt, Philip MacDougal, Ted Benfey, Herbert Jehle

Interoffice Correspondence, 1954-55. 1 folder (ca. 40 items)

Note: Along with correspondence, include issues of concern to council members, e.g. non-cooperation with war work

External Correspondence, 1950-53. 1 folder (ca. 70 items)

Note: Primarily correspondence by office holders with applicants for membership Among the letter writers is Emily Greene Balch

Series III: Committees

Box 8: Occupational Division; Education Committee; Nominating Committee; Small Tools Committee; Executive Committee

.Note: A number of services were offered to members of SSRS, one of them being assistance in seeking employment. The Occupational Division was in charge of this effort. Ted Hetzel was for a time chair of the Division, so a large number of early letters are by and to him, especially from Victor Paschkis. Running through some portion of these letters in the early years was concern about potential Communists or Fellow travelers becoming members of SSRS. Franklin Miller is also a frequent correspondent in the early years

Occupational Division, 1949-1955; 1969-1970. 2 folders.

Contents of folders primarily is letters relating to employment, but also on the ethical responsibilities of science and scheduling meetings.

Folder 1: ca. 70 items

Folder 2: ca 30 items. Included is the 1970 SSRS conference "Science and Human Values in a Technological Society:

Nominating Committee, 1955.. 1 folder (ca. 20 items)

Note: Includes names and some biographical information about potential office holders

Education Committee, 1954-57.. 1 folder. (ca. 60 items)

Note: Re programs sponsored by SSRS, including agenda of some programs, to afford understanding of the work of SSRS

Small Tools Committee, 3 folders (ca.150 items)

Note: Related to putting tools "on the ground" in various foreign countries in order to assist in various development projects, especially subsistence rural living. Also, distribution of books belonging to scientists who no longer use them. Along with informational pieces, there is correspondence especially with Norman Polster

Box 9: Membership Issues

Membership, 1949-1953. 1 folder (ca. 100 items)

Note: Composed primarily of correspondence from FM and to him, especially from VP, and on the issue of potential members, procedures for membership, meetings and newsletter. Occasionally, there is letterhead and FM is Educational Committee chair, but the issues addressed seem more related to membership.

VP to FM. 1949 12/18. [congratulates FM on the quality of the first Newsletter]

FM to VP. 1950 5/30. [re question of publicity about Einstein's membership]

Benfey, Ted to FM. Haverford, Pa., 1953 1/10. [their society is rightly against McCarthyism and reasons]

Membership Committee, 1949-1955. 1 folder (ca. 60 items)

Note: Significant quantity of correspondence of V{, Ted Benfey and William Scott. Includes discussion of admission of social scientists into SSRS, ca. 1952

Membership procedure, 1950-51. 1 folder (ca. 20 items).

Membership applications, lists and approvals, 1950-54.. 2 folders (ca. 50 items)

Membership issues. 1953, 1964-68. 3 folders (ca. 100 items)

Note: discussion of bringing more German members into SSRS. Including:

- Correspondence with German scientist Werner Luck, including a long series of copies of letters among a number of people on various issues relating to the German SSRS group
- Membership Committee report, 1949-53
- Letters to members

Note cards containing names and addresses of potential SSRS members: 3 sets

Series IV: Miscellaneous

Box 10: Miscellaneous, Photographs, Publications

Overseas, 1951. 1 folder (ca. 30 items)

Note: Relates to membership outside U.S., especially correspondence with Charles Coulson; work of group Science for Peace (London)

Foreign members and contacts. 1 folder (ca. 15 items)

Note: Correspondence with members or potential members outside U.S.

Reports. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Note: Reports of committees, progress report for a conference session, treasurer's accounts

Miscellaneous, 1952, 1967 & n.d. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Includes:

- Herbert Jehle's conversation with White House staff member Walt Rostow on possible cessation of the Vietnam War during Christmas;
- What the SSRS organization should be (possibly by Herbert Jehle)
- Information from the Japanese Congress of Intellectuals concerning their peace organization
- Article from Tung World on whether the atomic bomb can affect weather

Miscellaneous and re Einstein letter. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Includes:

- Einstein's public statement on science and conscience as press release and as published in "Science," 1950
- Statement on Vietnam by certain SSRS members, 1967
- Essay by Herbert Jehle? Fragment
- Response to Victor Paschkis by P.M. [Philip MacDougal], 1953
- "Science, Liberty and Peace by Aldous Huxley. 1946. Review submitted to SSRS Newsletter

Photographs. 1 folder (5 items)

Group photos include: Victor Paschkis, Theodor Benfey, Franklin Miller, Edward Ramberg, Herbert Jehle, Shigeru Oae and many unidentified.

Publications. 1 folder (ca. 15 items)

Note: Here are publications of SSRS or by people connected with SSRS.

Includes:

- SSRS pamphlets, ca. 1949
- SSRS stationery
- Call to join by members of SSRS, n.d.
- Article by O.T. Benfey, 1955
- Newspaper clipping about SSRS. 1953
- "Science and Conscience" by Henry J. Cadbury
- "Notes on the Nature of Science" by Franklin Miller, Jr. et al
- "Three essays on Social Responsibility"
- "The Dilemma of the Scientist" by J. Bronowski.
- "Social Responsibility in Science: by Arthur E. Morgan
- "Social Responsibility in Science and Art" by Alex Comfort
- "Man and the Atom" by Max Born
- "Scientific Consideration for the Human Conscience." By Ralph E. Flanders. Presented at SSRS conference, 1956.
- Congress of Japanese Intellectuals. Oct. 1954. Bi-Monthly Report.

Box 11: Miscellaneous Topics

Note: Topic names were provided by Franklin Miller

A list of the topics includes:

- American Friends Service Committee
- College Physics: Readers Comments
- Communities and Dedicated Persons
- Federation of American Scientists Newsletter: 4 issues: 1957-59
- History of SSRS: Officers;. Minutes (1970); information on founding, including Constitution
- Infiltration: includes various publications relating to labor, military and socialism and letters which were sent to FM

Box 12: Miscellaneous Topics

Note: Topic names were provided by Franklin Miller

A list of the topics includes:

- Legislation: issues of the *Congressional Record*, U.S. legislation related to SSRS concerns, as well as some correspondence, including from E. Raymond Wilson and VP
- Library

- Miscellaneous from David Shapiro: mostly relating to the case of Morton Sobell
- Nancy Cross case on discrimination of women in science, including correspondence with Cross, a Ph.D. chemist
- United Nations: correspondence and cooperation
- U.S. government and national Point 4 activities
- Vietnam: including chemical warfare and information gathering on the effects of military use of chemical agents in Vietnam

Series V: Publications

Box 13: SSRS Newsletters, 1949-1974

Note: Some issues are missing, and these are noted in the box

Box 14: Materials related to SSRS Newsletters

Correspondence re newsletter, 1951-54. 1 folder (ca. 50 items)

Note: Includes suggestions re improvements, content, process and oversight of the newsletter. Many letters, particularly those of Herbert Jehle, afford other information as well. For example, Ted Benfey's letter of Jan 13, 1952 in which he tells of his naturalization process under the McCarran Act regarding pacifists. There is also a refusal to receive the newsletter based on the resemblance of "SSRS" to "USSR".

Material for future issues, 1951-54. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Newsletter used copy. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Letters to editors of magazines.. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Note: SSRS officers offer information about the society to various magazines.

Press releases. 1 folder (ca. 10 items)

Note: Information about SSRS to be disseminated, particularly "Open letter to Japanese People," and including letters relating to releases

Other publicity, 1949-76. 1 folder (ca. 20 items)

Note: Information disseminated, through press, panel discussions, including published material. Also, SSRS Review, a quarterly of Science and Society. April 1976, v. 3, no. 1; annual report of SSRS Newsletter, 1964-65

