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## Summary Information

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## Biographical/Historical note

John Brockway Nelson, researcher in animal pathology in the Department of Animal and Plant Pathology, Rockefeller Institute at Princeton, New Jersey from 1925 until 1950 and from 1950 until his retirement in June 1974 at the New York Laboratories. He worked primarily with diseases of the respiratory tract in animals and with latent viruses and tumors of mice. On his retirement, he presented without restriction, his professional correspondence, 1954-1974 to The Rockefeller University Archives.

### Biographical note

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| 1894 | Born December 9 at Newburyport, Massachusetts |
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|-----------|---|
| 1917      | B.S. (Microbiology) Massachusetts Agricultural College  |
| 1918      | Harvard-M.I.T. School of Public Health  |
| 1918-1919 | U.S. Army Medical Department  |
| 1919-1920 | Public Service Laboratories (State Department of Health) Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Kentucky  |
| 1922-1923 | A.M. (Bacteriology and Pathology) Harvard University Assistant to Dr. Bronfenbrenner, Harvard Medical School  |
| 1923-1924 | Ph. D. (Bacteriology and Pathology) University of Missouri Assistant in Department of Animal Husbandry  |
| 1924      | Instructor, Department of Microbiology, Univ. of Mass. (Fall term)  |
| 1925-     | Assistant, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research at Department of Animal and Plant Pathology, Princeton, New Jersey  |
| 1929-     | Associate, RIMR at Princeton, N.J.  |
| 1938-     | Associate Member, RIMR at Princeton, N.J.   |
| 1942-1944 | Consultant to the Secretary of War, Army Epidemiological Board, Commission on Tropical Diseases (field and laboratory work on bacillary dysentery) ; Member of special subcommission to India for study of enteric diseases; temporary consultant on diseases of laboratory animals, University of Chicago metallurgical laboratory (Manhattan Project) |
| 1958      | Griffin Award. Animal Care Panel, Chicago   |
| 1965-     | Emeritus, Rockefeller University, New York, N.Y.  |

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| 1974 | Closed laboratory. Retired |
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Member of: American Association Adv. Sci. Animal Care Panel, Society of Experimental Pathology, Society Bact., Society of Experimental Biology

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## Scope and Contents note

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Correspondence, professional, and collected papers. Includes biographical material, bibliography and notes. Primarily a collection of professional correspondence.

John B. Nelson's chief scientific interest centered in naturally acquired diseases in laboratory animals, mainly mice and rats. The correspondence deals with strains of mice for experimental work, animal care facilities, care of experimental animals, publications, breeding, autopsies and tissue analyses.

The letter to George W. Corner gives a review of his scientific achievements up to 1959.

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## Arrangement note

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- Diseases
- Pathology
- Medicine, Preventive
- Prevention and health
- Cell and biomolecular sciences
- Tumors in animals
- Biology -- Research
- Medical sciences
- Medical research
- Life sciences
- Animals -- Diseases
- Nelson, John B. (John Brockway)
- Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research

- Rockefeller University

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| "Note for JBN/GRC paper scheduled 10/60 ACP St. Louis Techniques for breeding and maintaining SPF Swiss Mice." | box 1     |
| Autopsies on healthy mice of a new colony, 1959 January 21, 1959 February 26                                   | box 1     |
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| Report on Special CFE Rats, 1969 December 16   | box 1     |
| Lecture for Vincent Group Lab. at Rutgers University, 1959 April 29  | box 1     |
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| Untitled. On native diseases of laboratory animals chiefly mice, undated                                       | box 1     |
| Untitled. On chronic respiratory disease (CRD) in rats and mice, undated (September 24)                        | box 1     |
| Correspondence   |           |
| A  | box 1     |
| Acha, Pedro N.   |           |

Adams, Harriet Pettingell

Adler, H.E. NY Acad of Sci. Conference on mycoplasmas, 1966  
May 10-13

### Scope and Contents note

Includes reference to Theobald Smith.

Alpers, David

Anderson, Marilyn J. Nat'l Acad, of Sci

Andervont, H.B. Journal of the National Cancer Institute

Arbuckle, L.D.

Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (J.M. Blumberg)

Armiger, Lois C.

B

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Baernstein, H.D. Jr.

Bailen, Harold

Baker, Dennis

Bakke, John L.

Bang, Frederik B.

Banks, Donald R.

Barile, Michael F.

Barker, Rosalind

Barksdale, Lane

Barry, Guy T., 1964 May

### Scope and Contents

Deals with organizational changes at University Term.  
Memorial Research Center.

Bartlema, H.C.

Bayless, William A.

Bekkum, D.W. van

Benjamin, Stephen A.

Berg, Robert B.

Blieck, L. de

Bostick, Warren L.

Boyer, Clyde I.



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Bredt, W.

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Bewer, N.R.

**Scope and Contents**

Animal Care Panel - Office of the editor

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Briggs, John D.

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Bronk, Detlev W.

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Brown, Arthur.

**Scope and Contents**

USArmy, Virus and Rickettsia Division.

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Brown, D.H.

**Scope and Contents**

Animal Care Panel

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Brown, Robert S.

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Burkhart, Robert J.

**Scope and Contents**

NY Acad, of Sci. Program Chairman

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Burns, Kenneth F.

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Callis, J.J. Encl. from E.W. Smillie, 1957

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Campbell, C.

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Campbell, Frank L., 1963

**Scope and Contents**

nomination to Advisory Council Inst, of Laboratory  
Animal Resources NAS

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Carpenter, Charles P.

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Carter, Philip B.

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Carworth Farms Inc.

**Scope and Contents note**

Correspondents include: Ruth Michels, C.N. Wentworth  
Cumming, Dennis E.J. Baker J.W.; Cumming, Edith L.W.  
Cumming, Mildred Bevelander.

Carworth Laboratories.

Carworth Inc.

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Cass, Jules S.

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Chappell, W. Adrian

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Charles, R.T.

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Charles River Breeding Laboratory signed Henry Foster

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Christensen, L.R.

**Scope and Contents note**

Includes "Methods for the identification of mycoplasmas";  
personal letters in regard to changes in the research world  
and at RU.

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Cieciura, S.J. Charles Pfizer and Co.

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Clark, Paul F.

**Scope and Contents**

Some anecdotal recollections of Theobald Smith

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Cobb, Sidney

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Coffey, Julia M.

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Cohen, Bennett J.

**Scope and Contents**

Refusal of University of Mich, offer

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Coltorti, Mario

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Conklin, Ruth E.

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Conrad, Robert D., 1969 March

**Scope and Contents**

Lecture series University Calif., Davis

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Cooper, John A.D.

**Scope and Contents**

"Animal Quarters for Teaching and Research"

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Corner, George W.

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Correa, Walter Mauricio

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Cotchin, Ernest Nuffield Conference, 1966

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| Darrow Laboratories                               |       |
| Davey, D.G.                                       |       |
| Dienes, Louis                                     |       |
| Dill, David B.                                    |       |
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| Army Chemical Center                              |       |
| Dolan, Margaret, M.                               |       |
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| Including paper on PPLO.                          |       |
| Dolman, C.E.                                      |       |
| <b>Scope and Contents</b>                         |       |
| On biography of Theobald Smith                    |       |
| Doloway, William C., 1956                         |       |
| <b>Scope and Contents</b>                         |       |
| Animal Care Panel 1956 Program Committee          |       |
| Dubois-Prieels, A.M.                              |       |
| Duncum, Barbara Nuffield Foundation               |       |
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| Dunn, Thelma B.                                   |       |
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| Easterday, O.                                     |       |
| Ebbesen, P.                                       |       |
| Edward, A.G., 1968                                |       |
| <b>Scope and Contents</b>                         |       |
| Visiting lecture series. University Calif., Davis |       |
| Elias, Cloyd L.                                   |       |
| Elliot, Stuart D.                                 |       |

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University of Cambridge visit

Erickson, Cyrus C.

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Am. Soc. Exp. Path. Nomination of Ira Singer.  
Nomination of Roy E. Ritts, Jr.

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Fabricant, C.G.

Fallob, R.J.

Farrow, Wendall M.

Feinman, Marc., 1966

## Scope and Contents

NY Acad. Sci. 1966 paper

Fernandes, Mario V.

Ferrigan, Lawrence W.

Fjelde, Audrey

Flatt, Ronald E.

Flinn, Waldo. Account, 1960-1961 1965-1966

Forbes, Martin

Ford, Arthur C. Jr.

Foushee, Smith

Franklin, John

Frenkel, J.K.

Freundt, E.A.

Frey, Ruth D. Secretary for Dr. Rowe

Friedman, Mark H.

Friedman, Robert M.

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Furness, Franklin., 1960

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| Gailmor, William S.  |       |
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| Veterinary Dispatch  |       |
| Galton, Mildred M.   |       |
| Garvey, Joseph J.  |       |
| Gay, Frederick W., 1959  |       |
| <b>Scope and Contents note</b>   |       |
| Includes comments on paper submitted to Infection and Immunity; 1959 PPLO conference NYAcad Sci. |       |
| Gianforte, Edward M.   |       |
| Gledhill, A.W.   |       |
| Gleiser, Chester A.  |       |
| Godzik, Joseph R.  |       |
| Goldfarb, Ronald H.  |       |
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| Gowen, John W.   |       |
| Graham, W.R.   |       |
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| Hinshaw, William R.  |       |
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| Huebner, Robert J.  |
| Huttrer, Charles P. |

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| Jacobs, Harry Lewis   |       |
| Jansen, J.  |       |
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| Jonas, Albert M.  |       |
| Jones, Wallace A.   |       |

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Keville, William A.

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Lord, Geoffrey H., 1961 August

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Am. Veterinary Med. Assoc. Symp

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Lozano, Juan Mermejo

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McAnuff, J.W., 1966 April

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Nuffield Foundation. Symposium "The Pathology of Spontaneous Diseases in Rats and..."

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McCay, CM

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McGhee, R. Barclay, 1961 January 30

## Scope and Contents note

Includes 1961 Jan. 30 letter regarding integration of zoology class.

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Maciag, William J.

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McMaster, P.D., 1957

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Mahoney, William L.

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Estate of deceased sister

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Manaker, Robert A.

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Martin, J.H.

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Maurer, Fred D.

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Mitchell, Lawrence C.

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Moloney, William C.

Montgomery, Charles A., Jr.

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Passey, R.D.

Peters, Arthur C.

Peterson, Becky

Petherbridge, Wilbur R., 1962 March

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Piazza, Marcello

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| Pitts, Grover C.                                    |       |
| Poiley, Samuel M.                                   |       |
| Pollard, Morris                                     |       |
| Powelson, Dorothy                                   |       |
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| Riet, F. van der                                    |       |
| Riley, Vernon                                       |       |
| Robnett, Aussey H.                                  |       |
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| Romaker, Robert                                     |       |
| Rosenthal, Melvin S.                                |       |
| Ross, Martin A.                                     |       |
| Rowe, Wallace P.                                    |       |
| Rozdilsky, B.                                       |       |
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| Ruchman, Isaac                                      |       |
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| Sackey, F.M.A.                                      |       |
| Sacquet, E.   |       |
| Sanders, Murray                                     |       |
| Sapanski, W.B., 1964 June 19                        |       |
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| Schneiderman, Howard A.                             |       |
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| Schwentker, Victor                                  |       |
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Shimkin, Michael B.

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Simmons, M.L.

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Simon, Harold J.

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Slanitz, Charles A., 1955 December 1-2

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| Tarnowski, George S.                |       |
| Taylor, Martha                      |       |
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| Tobach, Ethel                       |       |
| Tobian, Louis                       |       |
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Williams, Fletcher P., Jr.

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