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GENERAL INTRODUCTION

PROVENANCE

The papers were received from Lady Merrison in 2001.

OUTLINE OF THE CAREER OF SIR ALEC MERRISON

Alexander Walter Merrison was born in Wood Green, London on 20 March 1924. He attended Tottenham Grammar School and then Enfield Grammar School, before going on to King's College London (which had been evacuated to Bristol during the Second World War) where he graduated B.Sc. with First Class Honours in 1944. Merrison's first appointment was as an Experimental Officer working on radar at the Signal Research and Development Establishment, Christchurch, Hampshire 1944-1946. In 1946 Merrison joined the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, as Senior Scientific Officer where he began research in nuclear physics and developed some of the earliest neutron spectrometers. He remained at Harwell to 1951, when he moved to the University of Liverpool as Leverhulme Fellow and Lecturer (Ph.D. 1957). Here he changed the direction of his research and began work on elementary particle physics, a discipline beginning to flourish with the development of proton synchrotron machines. He continued this line of research for the next ten years at Liverpool and CERN, where he was Senior Physicist 1957-1960. Merrison returned to Liverpool in 1960 to take up the Chair in Experimental Physics, holding this post to 1969. In 1962 Merrison was also appointed the first Director of the new Daresbury Nuclear Physics Laboratory, where he was responsible for the construction of the 5 GeV electron synchrotron 'NINA'. The Laboratory was officially opened in 1967.

In 1969 Merrison left Liverpool to become Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bristol. Although he initially intended to serve for ten years, he held the post to 1984. During his term of office, he presided over many changes in University structure and funding and oversaw a considerable expansion in size, although towards the end of his tenure he was faced with the need to make controversial reductions in some departments as the government reduced its funding of higher education.

Merrison combined his Vice-Chancellorship with a number of other responsibilities. These included service on government committees. In 1970 Merrison was appointed Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry into the design and creation of steel box girder bridges (reporting in 1973). In 1973 he was made Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry into the Regulation of the Medical Profession. This reported in 1975 and its recommendations were very largely incorporated in the 1978 Medical

Practitioners Act. In 1978 Merrison was appointed a member of the Severn Barrage Committee established by the Department of Energy under the chairmanship of H. Bondi to assess the advantages and disadvantages of a 'scheme for harnessing the tidal energy of the Severn Estuary' and advise the Government on whether to proceed. The Committee reported favourably on the project in 1981. In 1976 Merrison was appointed Chairman of the Royal Commission into the National Health Service. It reported in 1979 and although some of its key recommendations were resisted at the time, a number were adopted in later NHS reforms.

Other responsibilities of Merrison included the Chairmanship of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals 1979-1981, a post he took on at a particularly difficult time for the higher education sector, and the Chairmanship of the Advisory Board for the Research Councils 1978-1983, succeeding Sir Frederick Stewart. Internationally, his association with CERN resulted in his being made President of the CERN Council in 1982. He served to 1985 and his presidency saw Spain rejoining the project and he campaigned to retain UK membership of CERN. As an eminent figure in Bristol life, Merrison also took on a number of local responsibilities. He served as a Governor of the Bristol Old Vic theatre and other city involvements included the *Bristol Evening Post* and Bristol Waterworks Company.

On retirement from the Vice-Chancellorship of Bristol, Merrison's career took another direction when he became a Director of Lloyd's Bank and Chairman of its Western Regional Board. He was also Chairman of the Western Provident Association.

Merrison received the Institute of Physics' Charles Vernon Boys Prize for 1961 for his work on the measurement of electron decay. He was elected to the Fellowship of the Royal Society in 1969 and knighted in 1976. He received honorary degrees from a number of universities including Bristol, Bath and Liverpool and was appointed High Sheriff of Avon for 1986-1987.

Merrison died on 19 February 1989. He was survived by his second wife, Maureen, Lady Merrison, with whom he had a son and a daughter, and two sons from his first marriage. His first wife Beryl died in 1968.

For further information on the life and work of Merrison see E. Gabathuler, 'Sir Alexander [Alec] Walter Merrison, D.L. 20 March 1924-19 February 1989', *Biographical Memoirs of Fellows of the Royal Society*, vol 48 (2002).

DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

The material is presented in the order given in the List of Contents. It covers the period 1931-2002 but principally covers his career from the late 1960s.

Section A, Biographical, includes extensive biographical material, including obituaries and tributes and articles composed in his lifetime. Documentation of his career, honours and awards includes the Institute of Physics' C.V. Boys Prize, Merrison's election to the Fellowship of the Royal Society and various honorary degrees and fellowships, chiefly from the 1980s. There are diaries for the year 1969 and much of the 1980s, which complement his engagement diaries in section B. Other material includes the letters of condolence received by Lady Merrison from friends and colleagues after his death and newspaper cuttings and photocopies of articles about Merrison.

Section B, University of Bristol, is short. It includes material relating to his appointment at and retirement from Bristol and some of the functions he attended. Most significant is the complete run of his engagement diaries as Vice-Chancellor covering the period 1971-1984.

Section C, Publications, includes a short sequence of drafts 1969-1979, mostly relating to particle physics, and a longer sequence of off-prints covering the period 1950-1988. The subjects covered include early work on neutron detectors, research on electron decay and particle physics, and the design of synchrotrons, as well as later publications on issues such as university research and science and government. This sequence is of particular note as Merrison often kept related correspondence and papers with his filed off-prints. The section concludes with a short sequence of editorial correspondence, reviews and letters to the press.

Section D, Lectures and broadcasts, covers the period 1965-1988. It includes lectures, orations and talks given as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bristol and speeches to national and local associations and societies as chairman of a government committee or in another official capacity. There are few lectures on purely scientific topics. Subjects typically include the funding and administration of universities, the relationship between science and government and funding of medical care. Most of the material is typescript notes for the lectures and not all have either a title or indication of the occasion.

Section E, Societies and organisations, is the largest in the collection. It includes documentation of Merrison's connection with 29 Bristol, national and international organisations. The largest component of this section relates to his service for the Department of Energy on the Severn Barrage Committee, the documentation providing comprehensive coverage of the work of the Committee in assessing the potential advantages and difficulties involved. Although material relating to some of Merrison's other significant associations, such as his chairmanship of the Royal Commission on the

National Health Service, is sparse, there is documentation of Merrison's connection with scientific bodies such as CERN, with papers covering his Presidency of the Council 1982-1985, and the Institute of Physics (President 1984-1986). There is extensive material relating to his Chairmanship of the Universities Superannuation Scheme as a member of the Management Committee, director and later Chairman. The section includes some coverage of Merrison's support for local causes such as the Avon Riding Group for the Disabled. There is also documentation of his post-retirement work as a director of Lloyd's Bank and the Western Provident Association.

Section F, Correspondence, is slight. It dates from 1969 to 1988 and chiefly relates to Merrison's official engagements and responsibilities as Vice-Chancellor, chairman of the Advisory Board of the Research Councils, chairman of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals, and other offices and posts. There are also sequences of postcards and other informal greetings, invitations to functions and occasions including funeral and memorial services, and references and recommendations.

There is also an index of correspondents.

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Bath, 2003

SECTION A

BIOGRAPHICAL, A.1-A.174

1931-2001

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A.1-A.67	OBITUARIES AND MEMORIALS	1989-2001
A.1-A.5	Obituaries. Newspaper cuttings and notices from various newsletters, reports and bulletins. At A.1 is the Royal Society biographical memoir of Merrison by E. Gabathuler. 5 folders.	1989
A.6-A.13	'Memorials AWM in Memoriam'. Content of folder so inscribed.	1989-1992
A.6	Order of service for the thanksgiving service for the life of Merrison, St Mary Redcliff, Bristol, 23 February 1989.	1989
A.7-A.12	Memorial Service, Bristol Cathedral, 8 June 1989.	1989
A.7, A.8	Correspondence. Includes copy of the address by Lord Flowers. 2 folders.	1989
A.9	Order of service.	1989
A.10	Printed brochure of Lord Flowers' address at Merrison's Memorial service.	1989
A.11	Draft list of those attending.	1989
A.12	Bound list of those attending, with signatures.	1989

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- A.13 Service of Thanksgiving, St Mary's, Capel-Y-Ffin, Powys, 1992
19 May 1992.
- This service was to mark the church restoration and the unveiling of a memorial window to Merrison. The Merrisons had a cottage at Maes-Y-Ffin.
- Brief correspondence and order of service.
- A.14, A.15 Tributes and biographical articles. 1989
- Includes correspondence, copies of tributes, etc.
- 2 folders.
- A.16-A.26 Donations, commemorations and memorials. 1989-2001
- Correspondence *re* the opening of the Merrison Lecture Theatre at Daresbury Laboratory, donation of a medieval manuscript to CERN and tree planting at Bristol University. Also includes a photograph.
- 11 folders.
- A.27-A.67 Letters of condolence. 1989-1990
- Arranged by Lady Merrison in sections A to I by institutions and in alphabetical order.
- A.27, A.28 Index of correspondents.
- 2 folders.
- A.29-A.43 Section A. 1989-1990
- Alphabetical sequence of names.
- 15 folders.
- A.44-A.48 Section B. 1989
- University of Bristol.
- 5 folders.

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A.49-A.51	Section C. Various universities. 3 folders.	1989
A.52-A.56	Section D. Organisations. 5 folders.	1989
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A.59	Section F. Judges.	1989
A.60	Section G. Western Provident Association.	1989
A.61	Section H. Schools.	1989
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A.63	'Replied but need not be listed.' Content of folder so inscribed.	1989
A.64	'Replies to my letters.' Content of folder so inscribed.	1989

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A.65	'Apologies for memorial service.' Content of folder so inscribed.	1989
A.66	'Letters about memorial service.' Content of folder so inscribed.	1989
A.67	'Letters written after service.' Content of folder so inscribed.	1989
A.68-A.80	AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL	c. 1960-1994
A.68	Curriculum vitae and personal data.	1989, n.d.
A.69	'Career in physics', by Merrison. 12 pp manuscript.	n.d.
A.70	Correspondence <i>re</i> Merrison's war time family placement.	1971
A.71	Interview about Merrison with Mrs V. Clarke ('Auntie Freda').	1989
A.72	Transcript of Merrison's interview of Sir James Chadwick.	1968
A.73	Article for the <i>Physics Bulletin</i> based on an interview of Merrison.	1978
A.74-A.78	Entries from <i>Who's Who</i> and other directories. 5 folders.	1985-1994

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A.74	<i>Dictionary of National Biography.</i> Includes correspondence.	1993-1994
A.75	<i>Who's Who in the City.</i>	1988-1989
A.76	<i>Who's Who</i> corrected entries.	1985-1988
A.77	<i>International Who's Who.</i>	1986
A.78	<i>Directory of Directors.</i>	1987-1989
A.79	Choice of a portrait painter. Correspondence; article on Merrison's portrait in the University of Bristol newsletter.	1983-1994
A.80	Passports. Three passports of Merrison and one of his first wife.	c.1960-1989
A.81-A.117	CAREER, HONOURS AND AWARDS	1961-1989
A.81-A.103	Professional honours and awards	1961-1984
A.81	Charles Vernon Boys Prize, Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, London, 7 March 1961.	1961
A.82	Fellowship of the Institute of Physics, Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 4 July 1961. Includes covering letter with the certificate.	1961

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| A.83 | Medal of the Abo Akademi c.1968.

Abo Akademi is the Swedish University of Finland. | c.1968 |
| A.84, A.85 | Fellowship of the Royal Society, London 20 March 1969.

Certificate, correspondence and documents relating to new Fellows.

2 folders. | 1969 |
| A.86 | John Snow Medal, Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland, 1975. | 1975 |
| A.87, A.88 | Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science, New University of Ulster, 9 July 1976.

Congregation programme and certificate.

2 folders. | 1976 |
| A.89 | Honorary Fellowship, Faculty of Community Medicine of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom, 26 June 1980. | 1980 |
| A.90 | Honorary degree of Doctor of Science, University of Southampton, 10 July 1980.

Certificate, congregation programme and dinner menu. | 1980 |
| A.91 | Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science, University of Leeds, 19 May 1981.

Certificate, correspondence and copy of the presentation address. | 1981 |
| A.92 | Studiosa Erga Consilia Internationalia Voluntas, Genavae, Switzerland, 1982. | 1982 |

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A.93, A.94	Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science, University of Liverpool, 6 September 1982. Correspondence, order of proceedings and transcript of the orations, certificate. 2 folders.	1982
A.95	13th Commonwealth Universities Congress Medal, 1983, presented by the University of Birmingham. Merrison received the medal as President and Chairman of the Association of Commonwealth Universities.	1983
A.96	Honorary Fellowship of the Royal College of Psychiatrists, 1983. Certificate.	1983
A.97	Honorary Fellowship of the Institution of Structural Engineers, London, 8 December 1983.	1983
A.98	Honorary Fellowship of the University of Bristol, 1984. 1 letter only.	1984
A.99	Medal of the University of Jyvaskylan (Finland), undated.	n.d.
A.100	Medal of the University of Helsinki (Finland), undated.	n.d.
A.101-A.117	Civil honours and celebrations	1971-1989
A.101	Deputy-Lieutenant of the County of Avon. Correspondence and certificate.	1974

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A.102	Knighthood. Correspondence.	1976
A.103-A.106	Honorary Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Haberdashers. Merrison was admitted to the Freedom of the Company in 1981.	1971-1985
A.103	Correspondence.	1980-1982
A.104	Certificate.	1982
A.105	Membership lists.	1982, 1985
A.106	Copy of 'A Short Description of the Worshipful Company of Haberdashers' by H. Prevett.	1971
A.107, A.108	60th birthday party, March 1984. Correspondence. 2 folders.	1984
A.109	Dinner at the Mansion House, Bristol, in Honour of Sir Alec Merrison, 6 September 1984.	1984
A.110, A.111	Joint birthday celebrations. Lady Merrison organised a party to celebrate the birthdays of Merrison, his daughter and Maurice Jacob (President of the Société Française de Physique). Correspondence, menu and guest list. 2 folders.	1986

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A.112-A.117	High Sheriff of the County of Avon. Merrison served as High Sheriff 1986-1987.	1983-1989
A.112-A.114	Correspondence. Includes correspondence <i>re</i> appointment. 3 folders.	1983-1989
A.115	Official Opening of the Research Institute for the Care of the Elderly, Bath, 16 April 1986. Programme of the visit.	1986
A.116	Services of worship attended by Merrison as High Sheriff.	1986
A.117	Dinners in honour of the High Sheriff.	1984-1988
A.118-A.125A	DIARIES A.118-A.125 are working diaries for the years 1969, 1980, 1981, 1985-1988.	1969-1988
A.118	1969	
A.119	1980	
A.120	1981	
A.121	1985	
A.122	1986	

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A.123	1986 Committee meeting dates only.	
A.124	1987	
A.125	1988	
A.125A	1970. 12pp manuscript travel diary.	
A.126-A.146	FAMILY AND PERSONAL	1931-1994
A.126-A.128	Merrison's personal correspondence. 3 folders.	1969-1987
A.129	Miscellaneous official documents. Driving licence, marriage and death certificates; birth certificate of Merrison's first wife.	1931-1989
A.130	Interviews with Lady Merrison for the University of Bristol Newsletters.	1970
A.131-A.134	Lady Merrison.	1970-1994
A.131-A.133	Lady Merrison's correspondence. Mainly letters of thanks for social invitations. 3 folders.	1971-1994

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| A.134 | Greetings and postcards from friends and family. | 1976-1984 |
| A.135-A.140 | Leisure and interests. | 1979-1989 |
| A.135 | Brochure of beekeeping equipment.

A note explains that Merrison had been interested in beekeeping since he was a child. | 1981 |
| A.136-A.138 | Ephemeral Book Society.

Correspondence.

Merrison was a member of the society from 1979 to 1989.

3 folders. | 1979-1989 |
| A.139 | Rotary Club.

Correspondence.

Merrison was an honorary member of the Rotary Club. | 1980-1982 |
| A.140 | Social Book Club.

Correspondence and minute of meetings.

Merrison was a member from 1979 to possibly 1984. | 1979-1984 |
| A.141-A.146 | Charities and societies.

Merrison kept records of some of the charities and societies to which he donated. | 1982-1989 |
| A.141 | The Anchor Society.

Correspondence and brochure. | 1986-1988 |

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A.142	Dolphin Society. Correspondence.	1982-1988
A.143	Grateful Society. Correspondence and newsletter.	1988
A.144	The National Trust. Deed of covenant.	1983
A.145	The Royal Society for the Encouragment of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce. Correspondence. Merrison was a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.	1987-1988
A.146	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. Correspondence.	1989
A.147-A.170	PRESS CUTTINGS	1969-2000
A.147-A.152	Merrison Press cuttings and photocopies of articles on Merrison. 6 folders.	1969-1984
A.153-A.170	'People Associated with Merrison'. Contents of folder so inscribed. Articles and obituaries of colleagues of Merrison, arranged in alphabetical order. 18 folders.	1982-2000

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A.171-A.173	PHOTOGRAPHS	c.1975, 1988, n.d.
	Portrait photographs of Merrison and photographs with colleagues.	
A.171	Portrait photograph.	c.1975
A.172	Merrison and colleagues in Rome, Italy, September 1988.	1988
A.173	Portrait photographs at various dates.	n.d.
A.174	MISCELLANEOUS	1979, n.d.
	Details of a visit to India, humorous texts and records of Merrison's daughter's growth as a baby.	

SECTION B	UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL, B.1-B.38	1968-1987
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B.1	Correspondence. Correspondence <i>re</i> Merrison's appointment and details of the position.	1968-1969
B.2	Copy of the 'University of Bristol Gazette' announcing the appointment of Merrison as Vice-Chancellor.	1969
B.3	'Sir Alec His Pavan for Piano Solo, Raymond Warren'. 4pp of musical notation written in honour of Merrison by the Head of the Music Department at the University of Bristol.	1976
B.4	Correspondence <i>re</i> salary.	1970-1983
B.5-B.29	Copies of the Vice-Chancellor's engagement diaries, with manuscript annotations, on A4 sheets.	1971-1984
B.5	18 January - 3 July 1971.	1971
B.6	5 July - 25 December 1971.	1971
B.7	10 January - 1 July 1972.	1972
B.8	3 July - 23 December 1973.	1973
B.9	7 January - 22 June 1974.	1974

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B.10	9 September - 22 December 1974.	1974
B.11	13 January - 5 July 1975.	1975
B.12	7 July - 20 December 1975.	1975
B.13	12 January - 26 June 1976.	1976
B.14	5 July - 24 December 1976.	1976
B.15	10 January - 2 July 1977.	1977
B.16	4 July - 24 December 1977.	1977
B.17	9 January - 1 July 1978.	1978
B.18	3 July - 23 December 1978.	1978
B.19	15 January - 30 June 1979.	1979
B.20	2 July - 23 November 1979.	1979
B.21	7 January - 5 July 1980.	1980
B.22	7 July - 21 December 1980.	1980
B.23	12 January - 4 July 1981.	1981

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B.24	6 July - 19 December 1981.	1981
B.25	25 January - 3 July 1982.	1982
B.26	5 July - 25 December 1982.	1982
B.27	17 January - 2 July 1983.	1983
B.28	4 July - 24 December 1983.	1983
B.29	16 January - 14 July 1984.	1984
B.30	Lists of University committees, annotated by Merrison.	N.d.
B.31-B.34	RETIREMENT AS VICE-CHANCELLOR	1982-1984
B.31	Correspondence. Colleagues responding to Merrison's retirement.	1982-1983
B.32	Copy of the University of Bristol's Report of the Senate to the Council announcing Merrison's retirement.	1984
B.33	Copies of the University of Bristol Newsletter announcing Merrison's retirement.	1982, 1984
B.34	List of contributors to a presentation made by the Chancellor of the University to Merrison on the occasion of his retirement.	1984

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B.35-B.38	CELEBRATIONS AND EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL	c.1970-1987
B.35	Colour photographs of an award of Honorary Degree to the US Ambassador to the UK.	c.1970
B.36	University of Bristol Centenary Celebrations. Copy of souvenir programme and programme of the centenary open day.	1976
B.37, B.38	International Conference to Celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Discovery of the Pi Meson, Bristol, 22-24 July 1987. Correspondence and list of attendees. Also includes bulletins and conference programme. 2 folders.	1986-1987

SECTION C PUBLICATIONS, C.1-C.67 1949-1988

C.1-C.13 DRAFTS

C.14-C.52 OFF PRINTS

C.53-C.67 LETTERS, REVIEWS AND EDITORIAL
CORRESPONDENCE

C.1-C.13 DRAFTS 1969-1979

C.1-C.3 'The Design and Use of Large Electron Synchrotrons', in
Evolution of Particle Physics, Academic Press (c. 1969). c. 1969

Includes correspondence, drafts and background material.

3 folders.

C.4, C.5 'Particle Physics', in *Growth Points in Science*, c.1972
Department of Education and Science, c. 1972.

Correspondence, draft and background material.

2 folders.

C.6, C.7 'Science, Scientists and Government', in *Physics Bulletin*, 1973
vol. 24 (1973).

Correspondence, off print and background material.

2 folders.

C.8-C.11 'Particle Accelerators' in *The Twentieth Century* 1970-1974
Encyclopaedia, Il Istituto Della Enciclopedia Italiana
(1974).

Correspondence and drafts.

4 folders.

Publications, C.1-C.67

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| C.12, C.13 | 'The Future of Research in the Universities', in <i>The Guardian</i> (15 November 1979).

Correspondence, draft and off print.

2 folders. | 1979 |
| C.14-C.52 | OFF PRINTS

In some cases Merrison kept correspondence and papers relating to an article with the published off print. | 1950-1988 |
| C.14 | 'A High-Efficiency Neutron Detector', with J.C. Duckworth and A. Whittaker, in <i>Nature</i> , vol. 165 (14 January 1950). | 1950 |
| C.15 | 'The Harwell Time-of-Flight Neutron Spectrometer', with E.R. Wiblin, in <i>Nature</i> , vol. 167 (3 March 1951). | 1951 |
| C.16 | 'The Total Neutron Cross-sections of Cobalt, Silver, Iodine, Aluminium, Nickel and Gallium Between 1eV and 5 keV', with E.R. Wiblin, in <i>The Proceedings of the Royal Society</i> , vol. A.215, p. 278 (1952). | 1952 |
| C.17 | 'The Development of a Neutron Spectrometer for the Intermediate Energies', Merrison <i>et al</i> , in <i>Proceedings of the Institution of Electrical Engineers</i> , vol. 101, Part II, p. 248 (1954). | 1954 |
| C.18 | 'A Fast Multiple Coincidence Circuit', With B. Collinge and D. Eccleshall, in <i>Journal of Scientific Instruments</i> , vol. 33, p. 72 (1956). | 1956 |
| C.19 | 'Measurement of the Panofsky Ratio with a High-Energy Pair Spectrometer', with J.A. Kuehner and S. Tornabene, in <i>Proceedings of the CERN Symposium on High Energy Accelerators and Pion Physics</i> , Geneva, 11-23 June 1956', pp. 241-242, (1956). | 1956 |

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| C.20 | 'The Production of Mesons in Nucleon-Nucleon Collisions', in <i>Proceedings of the CERN Symposium on High Energy Accelerators and Pion Physics, Geneva 11-23 June 1956</i> , pp. 329-333. | 1956 |
| C.21 | 'The Capture of Negative Pions in Hydrogen and Deuterium-I: Hydrogen', with J.A. Kuehner and S. Tornabene in <i>Proceedings of the Physical Society</i> , vol. 73, p. 545 (1959). | 1959 |
| C.22 | 'The Capture of Negative Pions in Hydrogen and Deuterium-II:Deuterium', with J.A. Kuehner and S. Tornabene in <i>Proceedings of the Physical Society</i> , vol. 73, pp. 551 (1959). | 1959 |
| C.23 | 'Energy Dependence of Positron Asymetry from Polarized Muon Decay in Emulsion', with C. Casagnoli and A. Manfredini, in <i>Il Nuovo Cimento</i> , Serie 10, vol. 9, pp. 186-187 (1958). | 1958 |
| C.24 | 'Electron Decay of the Pion', Merrison <i>et al</i> , in <i>Physical Review Letters</i> , vol. 1, no. 7, (1958). | 1958 |
| C.25 | 'The Electron Decay Mode of the Pion', Merrison and al, in <i>Il Nuovo Cimento</i> , Serie 10, vol. 13, pp. 1240-1262, (1959). | 1959 |
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| C.30 | 'Counter Techniques in High Energy Nuclear Physics: Rare Decays of π and μ Mesons', C.V. Boys Lecture, in <i>Proceedings of the Physical Society</i> , vol. 78, p. 1116, (1961). | 1961 |
| C.31 | 'Recent Advances in Pion and Muon Physics', in <i>Philosophical Magazine Supplement</i> , vol. 41, p.1, (1962). | 1962 |
| C.32 | 'Framework for Binary Consummation', Merrison <i>et al</i> , in <i>Universities Quarterly</i> , (Spring 1973).

Transcript of discussion between Merrison, C. Crouch, B. Ford, A.H. Halsey, J.E. Skinner and G. Tolley. Also includes correspondence. | 1973 |
| C.33, C.34 | 'The University's Role in Industry', in <i>The Evening Post's 1974 Review of West Country Industry and Commerce</i> .

Also includes correspondence and background material.

2 folders. | 1974 |
| C.35 | 'Predicting the Future', in <i>Physics Bulletin</i> , (June 1974).

Also includes correspondence. | 1974 |
| C.36 | 'Report on the 5th General Assembly of the Standing Conference of Rectors and Vice-Chancellors of European Universities (CRE)', <i>Nature</i> , (1974).

Also includes correspondence. | 1974 |
| C.37 | 'Is Usefulness a Useful Concept?', in <i>Physics Bulletin</i> , November 1974.

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- /... See also C.44, D.25, D.26.
- C.38 'Is the Quinquennial System Dead?' in *Physics Bulletin*, February 1975. 1975
Also includes correspondence.
- C.39 'Don's Diary', in *The Times Higher Education Supplement*, ca July 1975. 1975
Also includes correspondence.
- C.40 'What must we do about the Education of Physicists?', in *Physics Bulletin*, August 1975. 1975
- C.41 'The Education of Ministers of State', in *Universities Quarterly*, Winter 1975. 1975
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- C.42 'Pure and Applied', in *Physics Bulletin*, January 1976. 1976
Also includes correspondence.
- C.43 'Dentists and Doctors: The Concept of the Professional Man', in *British Dental Journal*, 7 September 1976. 1976
Also includes correspondence.
- C.44 'The Concept of Usefulness', *Nature*, vol. 268, no. 5615, (1977). 1977
See also c.37, D.25, D.26.
- C.45 'The Early Years of NINA', in *NINA Scrapbook, A Collection of Talks Given at the 10th Birthday Celebrations of NINA on 22 December 1976 and at the Closing Ceremony on 1 April 1977*, Science Research Council, Daresbury Laboratory (1977). 1977

Publications, C.1-C.67

- C.46 Untitled article published in *Pulse*, January 1978. 1978
- Two drafts starting with 'The problem with writing about oneself is that one can't then blame the reporter for getting it wrong.'
- C.47 Untitled article published in *Pulse*, c.1978. c.1978
- Also includes correspondence. Written on the occasion of the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the NHS.
- C.48 'Universities as Evolving Institutions?', in *New Universities Quarterly*, Summer 1980. 1980
- Transcript of discussion between Merrison, M. Preston and B. Ford.
- C.49 'Patients, not Underpants', in *British Medical Association News Review*, April 1984. 1984
- Also includes correspondence.
- C.50 'Tomorrow and Tomorrow's Physicist', in *Physics Bulletin*, vol. 36, (1985). 1985
- This paper was the Presidential Address to the Institute of Physics delivered on 8 May 1985.
- C.51, C.52 'The Defensive Cook', with Adriana and Benedict Merrison, in *But the Crackling is Superb, An Anthology on Food and Drink by Fellows and Foreign Members of the Royal Society*, ed. Nicholas and Giana Kurti, pp. 96-99, (1988). 1988
- Includes correspondence and a copy of the book.
- 2 folders.

Publications, C.1-C.67

C.53-C.67 **LETTERS, REVIEWS AND EDITORIAL
CORRESPONDENCE** **1949-1997**

Material relating to Oxford University Press is at E.357-
E.366.

C.53, C.54 General editorial correspondence. 1968-1997

Correspondence *re* request for a regular leader article in
the *Physics Bulletin* and other requests for reviews and
articles.

2 folders.

C.55-C.67 Alphabetical Sequence. 1949-1987

C.55 *Guardian*, Obituary of Lord Flowers, prepared in
advance. 1986

Drafts and correspondence.

C.56 *Institute of Physics Journal*. 1968

'Sources of Physics Teaching, Part I and II' (4 December
1968). Also includes correspondence.

C.57 *Nature*, 4 June 1949. 1949

Reply (with J.C. Duckworth) to J.D. Cockcroft's article
'High Energy Electron Accelerators as Pulsed Neutron
Sources' published in *Nature*, vol. 163, no 4153 (4 June
1949.)

C.58 *Nature*, c. May 1969. 1969

Review of Robert Jungk, *The Big Machine*.

C.59 *Nuovo Cimento*. 1970

Refereeing.

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C.60	<i>Physics Education</i> . Refereeing.	1970
C.61	<i>The Times Higher Education Supplement</i> . Comment on Sir Keith Joseph's article 'The Pursuit of Truth or Relevance', November 1974.	1974
C.62	<i>The Times</i> , 31 October 1986. Reply to 'Science and Society' published in <i>The Times</i> , 31 October 1986.	1986
C.63	<i>The Times</i> , November 1986, letter to the Editor.	1986
C.64	<i>The Times</i> , 13 October 1987, letter to the Editor.	1987
C.65	<i>University Quarterly</i> , April 1972. Review of Leonard Greenbaum, <i>A Special Interest</i> , with correspondence.	1972
C.66	<i>University Quarterly</i> , Summer 1975. Review of G.C. Moodie and R. Eustace, <i>Power and Authority in British Universities</i> .	1975
C.67	Review of John Strutt's <i>Life of John William Strutt Third Baron Rayleigh</i> . No evidence of the publication in which this appeared.	1969

SECTION D	LECTURES AND BROADCASTS, D.1-D.83	1965-1988
D.1-D.71	LECTURES	1967-1986
D.1	General correspondence.	1981
D.2	Untitled speech at the inauguration of the electron synchrotron NINA, Daresbury Laboratory, 1967. Typescript draft. Prime Minister Harold Wilson presided at the opening.	1967
D.3	'Big Science', Address to the British Association for the Advancement of Science, Exeter, 4 September 1969. Typescript draft with manuscript corrections.	1969
D.4	'Research, Scholarship and Contemplation', occasion unknown, c. 1970. Typescript draft.	c.1970
D.5	Untitled talk beginning 'Cannon [<i>sic</i>] Liddon tells us that Bishop Strong told him that....', occasion unknown, c. 1970. Typescript draft.	c.1970
D.6	'Talk to International Conference on Steel Box Girder Bridges', c. 1972. Typescript draft.	c.1972
D.7	Untitled talk to Bristol Structural Engineers, Bristol, 9 March 1973. Typescript draft with manuscript corrections.	1973

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| D.8 | 'How is Academic Shape of University Determined?', talk to academic staff, University of Bristol, 24 October 1973.

Typescript draft. | 1973 |
| D.9 | 'Vice-Chancellor's Address to Degree Congregation', University of Bristol, January 1974.

Typescript draft. | 1974 |
| D.10 | 'Personal Views, West of England Headmasters and Head Mistresses meeting', 26 January 1974.

Manuscript draft. | 1974 |
| D.11 | 'Incorporated Society of Musicians', occasion unknown, 20 April 1974.

Typescript draft. | 1974 |
| D.12 | 'How does Government get Scientific Advice?-Rothschild Episode', December 1974.

Two different typescript drafts. | 1974 |
| D.13 | 'Crookshank Lecture', The Royal College of Radiologists, London, 16 May 1975.

Typescript draft with manuscript corrections. | 1975 |
| D.14 | 'Electricity Demand and Predicting the Future', 6 June 1975.

Typescript draft. | 1975 |
| D.15 | 'Doctor and Patient - The Regulation of a Profession', John Snow Memorial Lecture, Royal College of Physicians, London, 19 September 1975.

Typescript draft with manuscript corrections. | 1975 |

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| D.16 | Untitled lecture for the British Society for Social Responsibility in Science, 26 November 1975.

Typescript draft. | 1975 |
| D.17 | 'Predicting the Future-Nuclear Energy', c. 1975.

Typescript draft with manuscript notes. | c.1975 |
| D.18 | 'Doctor and Patient - Contract', Yeovil, Somerset, 26 January 1976.

Typescript draft. | 1976 |
| D.19, D.20 | 'Science Policy for a Mature Society, Science and our Education', Lecture at the 142 nd Annual American Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, 18-24 February 1976.

Two typescript drafts with travel and presentation details.

2 folders.

See also D.79 for audio cassette tape recordings of Merrison's lecture and presentations of other scientists. | 1976 |
| D.21 | 'Advise and Consent (Government and its Independent Advisers)', 55th Earl Grey Memorial Lecture, 26 April 1976.

Typescript draft with manuscript corrections. | 1976 |
| D.22 | 'Doctors for 1984', Bath, 2 December 1976.

Typescript draft with manuscript corrections. | 1976 |
| D.23 | 'NINA 10th Anniversary Lectures', 21 December 1976.

Typescript notes with corrections and list of slides. | 1976 |

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- D.24 Oration for Richard Hill, University of Bristol, Degree
Congregation, c. 1976. c.1976
- Typescript draft with corrections and photographs of the
ceremony.
- Richard Hill was the Chairman of the University of Bristol
Council.
- D.25 'Government and the Funding and Usefulness of
University Research - Is Usefulness a Useful Concept?',
Science and Government Lecture II, 24 January 1977. 1977
- Typescript.
- See also C.37, C.44, D.26.
- D.26 'Research Councils and the Concept of Usefulness', 21
April 1977. 1977
- Typescript and manuscript notes.
- See also C.37, C.44, D.25.
- D.27 Untitled speech, Degree Congregation, University of
Bath, 7 July 1977. 1977
- Typescript notes.
- D.28 Untitled speech on the value of scientific research,
Abingdon, September 1977. 1977
- Typescript notes with corrections.
- D.29 'Decentralisation of Health Care Decision-Making',
Financial Post Conference on Ailing Health Care, April
1978. 1978
- Typescript draft with manuscript corrections.

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| D.30 | 'A Spectator's View of Medicine', Truro, Cornwall, 13 April 1978.

Typescript notes. | 1978 |
| D.31 | 'Science and Society', Rank Prize Fund Ceremony, September 1978.

Typescript draft and notes of the speech. | 1978 |
| D.32 | 'The Analysis of Power', Bristol Chamber of Commerce, 5 April 1979.

Programme of the day conference.

Merrison acted as chairman. | 1979 |
| D.33 | Untitled speech, ? National Pharmaceutical Association, 24 May 1979.

Manuscript notes. | 1979 |
| D.34 | Oration for Walter Scheel, University of Bristol Degree Congregation, 10 September 1979.

Typescript notes. | 1979 |
| D.35 | 'Patient and Provider: The Idea of a National Health Service', Telford Memorial Lecture, Manchester Medical Society, 19 December 1979.

Typescript notes. | 1979 |
| D.36 | Speech for the installation of Sir Michael Swann as Chancellor of the University of York, York, 9 May 1980.

Typescript notes with manuscript corrections, and programme of the ceremony. | 1980 |

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| D.37-D.39 | 'How to Pay for Health Care?', Newcastle Hospitals Foundation Lecture, Newcastle upon Tyne, 15 May 1980.

Includes typescript notes and slides.

3 folders. | 1980 |
| D.40 | 'A Tribute to India', occasion unknown, January 1980.

Manuscript draft. | 1980 |
| D.41 | 'What must we do about Science?', occasion unknown, c.1980.

Typescript notes. | c.1980 |
| D.42 | 'The Place of Private Medicine', occasion unknown, c.1980.

Typescript notes. | c.1980 |
| D.43 | Oration for A. M. Barrett, (Honorary Doctor of Science), University of Leeds Degree Congregation, 19 May 1981.

Copy of speech, order of proceedings, guest list, etc. | 1981 |
| D.44 | 'Speech to Convocation', occasion unknown, 22 March 1982.

Typescript notes. | 1982 |
| D.45 | 'Talk to Conference of Vacuum Group', Chester, 30 March 1982.

Manuscript draft. | 1982 |
| D.46 | 'The Insoluble Problems of Health Care', Medical Society of London Annual Oration, 10 May 1982.

Typescript notes with corrections and correspondence. | 1982 |

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Lectures and broadcasts, D.1-D.83

- /... The oration was later published in volume 38 of the *Transactions of the Medical Society*.
- D.47 'The Current State of Links Between Universities and Industry in the Field of Science and Technology and Prospects for Future Development', Address to Parliamentary and Scientific Committee, House of Commons, 25 May 1982. 1982
Typescript draft and notes with corrections.
- D.48 Oration for Kingman Brewster, University of Bristol, Degree Congregation, c.1982. c. 1982
Typescript notes with corrections.
- D.49 'Truth and Imagination in Science', Royal College of Psychiatrists, 6 July 1983. 1983
Typescript notes with manuscript corrections.
- D.50 'Opening of LEP' [Large Electron-Positron (Collider)], CERN, Switzerland, 13 September 1983. 1983
Typescript notes.
- D.51 'Fostering Excellence in Universities, the Need to Identify and Support the Most Able Individuals', The Hague Club, 16 September 1983. 1983
Typescript notes.
- D.52 Address at the opening of the Cornwall Postgraduate Centre, Royal Cornwall Hospital, Treliske, 17 October 1983. 1983
Programme of the ceremony.
- D.53 'A Plain Physicist's Guide to Nuclear Weapons', South West Branch, Institute of Physics, 1 December 1983. 1983
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- /... The title is taken from the original folder containing the manuscript draft.
- D.54 Speech in Honour of Sir Alfred Pugsley's 80th Birthday, Bristol, 1983. 1983
Typescript notes.
- D.55 'Is the National Health Service serving us well?', Royal Institute of Public Administration, 12 January 1984. 1984
Typescript draft with figures.
- D.56 'Talk to Southern Universities Regional Administrative Training Programme-Senior Staff Seminar', 19 January 1984. 1984
Typescript notes.
- D.57 Speech to Degree Congregations, University of Bristol, July 1984. 1984
Typescript notes.
- D.58 Opening and Closing speeches, CERN 30th Anniversary celebrations, CERN, Switzerland, 21 September 1984. 1984
Printed brochure of the speeches, programme and menu with autographs of King Juan Carlos, Queen Sophia and Princesses Cristina and Elena of Spain.
- D.59 'How does Science Change Medicine?', Boehringer-Ingelheim conference, Germany, 9-11 May 1985. 1985
Typescript notes.
- D.60 Untitled manuscript notes starting: '1. Large part of science is the orderly and logical working from one position to the next', Rutherford Laboratory, 20 September 1985. 1985

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| D.61 | 'Entertainment not Enlightenment', occasion unknown, possibly to Institute of Physics, c.1985

Manuscript notes. | c.1985 |
| D.62, D.63 | Address at Memorial Service for Arthur Roderick Collar, Bristol Cathedral, 13 May 1986.

Correspondence, typescript notes, obituaries and biographical notes on Collar.

2 folders. | 1986 |
| D.64 | 'Notes for Cambridge', talk on James Chadwick, undated.

Typescript notes with manuscript corrections. | N.d. |
| D.65 | 'Collaboration in Research on a National and a European Basis', occasion unknown, undated.

Typescript notes. | N.d. |
| D.66 | Oration for Sir Peter Kent at unidentified degree congregation.

Typescript notes. | N.d. |
| D.67 | Untitled manuscript notes 'on physicists' starting: 'The end of the 19th Century saw a great synthesis in our picture of the physical world around us', undated. | N.d. |
| D.68 | 'Interrupt', occasion unknown, undated.

Manuscript notes starting 'You are a physicist...'.

Also includes photocopies on Stanton Drew stone circle and transparencies. | N.d. |
| D.69 | 'Myths of the NHS', occasion unknown, undated.

Manuscript notes. | N.d. |

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D.70	Untitled manuscript notes starting '1. How to approach-not somewhat dry classification of observable particles nor of their constituents', undated. Also includes slides.	N.d.
D.71	'Speech for Evan Wright, Registrar and Secretary of the University of Bristol on his retirement party, University of Bristol, undated. Manuscript notes from notebook.	N.d.
D.72-D.78	BROADCASTS	1965-1983
D.72	'Tools of Science No 4: The Proton Synchrotron', BBC 2 Television, Bristol, 6 May 1965. Programme for the recording with Merrison's notes.	1965
D.73	'Overheard on a Train', BBC Radio, February 1981. Typescript notes and correspondence.	1981
D.74	'The World at One', Interview <i>re</i> staff reduction at Bristol University, BBC Radio 4, 7 October 1981. Payment slip only.	1981
D.75	Contribution to the programme 'Public Life', BBC West, February 1982. Correspondence only.	1982
D.76	Contribution to the programme 'Panorama', BBC Television, October 1982. 1 letter only.	1982

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| D.77 | Contribution to the programme 'Science Now', BBC Radio 4, November 1982.

1 letter only. | 1982 |
| D.78 | Contribution to the programme 'Horizon' on British Science Policy, BBC Television, February 1983.

Correspondence. | 1983 |
| D.79-D.83 | NON-TEXTUAL MATERIAL | 1976-1988 |
| | Audio recordings and photographic slides. | |
| D.79 | Audio cassette recording of the 142 nd Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, 18-24 February 1976. See also D.19, D.20.

2 cassette tapes. | 1976 |
| D.80 | Audio cassette recording of the British Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, University of Bristol, 1-5 September 1986. | 1986 |
| D.81 | Audio cassette recording of the Opening and Closing Plenary Sessions of the 14th Commonwealth Universities Congress, Perth, Australia, 7-12 February 1988. | 1988 |
| D.82 | Box of slides used to illustrate lectures. | N.d. |
| D.83 | Miscellaneous slides on the National Health Service and the Power Advisory Board. | N.d. |

SECTION E **SOCIETIES AND ORGANISATIONS, E.1-E.518** **1967-2001**

E.1-E.5	ASSOCIATION OF COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITIES
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E.7	AVON RIDING GROUP FOR THE DISABLED
E.8-E.12	<i>BRISTOL EVENING POST</i>
E.13-E.35	BRISTOL OLD VIC TRUST
E.36-E.39	BRISTOL WATERWORKS COMPANY
E.40-E.42	CECIL POWELL LECTURE TRUST
E.43-E.59	CERN
E.60-E.62	ST CHRISTOPHER'S SCHOOL (BRISTOL)
E.63-E.69	CLIFTON COLLEGE/CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
E.70	COUNCIL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTES (CSTI)
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E.73, E.74	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE
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E.219-E.221	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY

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E.222, E.223	EUROPEAN PHYSICS SOCIETY
E.224-E.244	HARKNESS FELLOWSHIPS
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E.273-E.351	INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR CHILD STUDIES (BRISTOL)
E.352-E.356	LLOYDS BANK PLC
E.357-E.366	OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS
E.367-E.371	ST PETERS HOSPICE DEVELOPMENT APPEAL (BRISTOL)
E.372-E.378	PUGWASH CONFERENCES ON SCIENCE AND WORLD AFFAIRS
E.379-E.382	ROYAL COMMISSION ON THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE
E.383-E.385	ROYAL SOCIETY
E.386	STANFORD UNIVERSITY
E.387-E.475	UNIVERSITY SUPERANNUATION SCHEME
E.476-E.518	WESTERN PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION LTD

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E.1-E.5 ASSOCIATION OF COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITIES 1984-1986

Merrison was Chairman of the Association of Commonwealth Universities between 1982 and 1983, though the surviving material post-dates this.

E.1 Correspondence *re* recommendation for award and review of the selection of Commonwealth Scholars. 1984-1985

E.2 Agenda and minutes 1984-1985

Includes the agendas and minutes of the Special Group on Future Developments, the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission and the Panel of Advisers.

E.3 Memoranda, notes and brochures. 1984-1986

E.4 Accounts. 1984

E.5 Lists of scholarships awarded by the Selection Committee. 1985

E.6 AVON AND SOMERSET CONSTABULARY 1985

Correspondence and spiral-bound notes.

A Civil Defence early warning system had been installed in Hinton Blewett, where Merrison lived as University of Bristol Vice-Chancellor and routine tests were conducted by the Avon and Somerset Constabulary.

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E.7 AVON RIDING GROUP FOR THE DISABLED 1981

Brief correspondence *re* the appointment of Merrison as President, brochure.

Merrison was President of the Group, which campaigned to create a riding centre for the disabled.

E.8-E.12 BRISTOL EVENING POST 1978-1989

Merrison was a Director between 1979 and 1989.

E.8 Correspondence *re* Merrison's pension. 1978, 1989

E.9, E.10 Notes and report. 1982
2 folders.

E.11 1984 and 1985 Reports and Accounts. 1984-1985

E.12 1985/1986 budget. 1985

E.13-E.35 BRISTOL OLD VIC TRUST 1983-1986

Merrison was Governor from 1969 to 1987 and Chairman between 1971 and 1987.

E.13-E.21 Correspondence. 1983-1986

Correspondence *re* funding and accounts, appointment of staff, art development strategy and performance programme.

8 folders.

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E.22-E.26	Agenda and Minutes. Minutes of the Governors' meetings and Bristol Old Vic Theatre School Sub-Committee arranged in chronological order. 5 folders.	1983-1985
E.27-E.32	Correspondence <i>re</i> appointment of General Manager. 6 folders.	1983
E.33	Agreement between Bristol Old Vic and the Artistic Director Leon Rubin.	1986
E.34	Copy of 'The Theatre Royal, Bristol. Proposal for Research Amongst Existing and Potential Theatre-goers in Bristol'.	1984
E.35	Newspaper cuttings <i>re</i> the Old Vic.	1983-1984
E.36-E.39	BRISTOL WATERWORKS COMPANY Merrison was on the Board of Directors April 1984-1989.	1983-1989
E.36	Correspondence <i>re</i> terms of appointment.	1983, 1989
E.37	Agenda and chairman's statement for the Annual General Meeting.	1985
E.38, E.39	Reports and Accounts. 2 folders.	1984-1985

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E.40-E.42	CECIL POWELL LECTURE TRUST	1974, 1985
	Merrison was a trustee.	
E.40	Correspondence <i>re</i> the cancellation of the annual lecture in 1984 and trustee membership.	1984-1985
E.41	Trust deed and appointment of a new trustee.	1974, 1985
E.42	Accounts.	1985
E.43-E.59	CERN	1979-2001
	Merrison was President of the CERN Council 1982-1985.	
E.43-E.45	Correspondence <i>re</i> the appointment of a new Director and general and management strategies. 3 folders.	1984
E.46-E.50	Committee papers.	1984
E.46	Agenda and minutes of the Committee of the Council.	1984
E.47, E.48	Agenda and minutes of the Finance Committee. 2 folders.	1984
E.49	Reports and notes on 'conversation' in the President's Group.	1984
E.50	Agenda and minutes of the Sessions of the Council.	1984

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E.51	Draft paper and notes for discussion.	1984
E.52	Introduction by Merrison at the memorial gathering for Sir John Adams, CERN, 27 April 1984.	1984
E.53	Miscellaneous manuscript notes starting 'Longer period of D.G'.	n.d
E.54, E.55	Copies of CERN bulletins with articles on colleagues of Merrison. Also includes a photograph. 2 folders.	1989-2001
E.56	Newspaper cutting and black and white photograph.	1983-1984
E.57-E.59	Promotional printed photographic album and brochures. Merrison is featured in this publicity material. 3 folders.	1979-1994
E.60-E.62	ST CHRISTOPHER'S SCHOOL (BRISTOL) Merrison was a member of the School Council.	1981-1984
E.60	Correspondence <i>re</i> educational provision.	1983
E.61, E.62	Agenda, minutes and accounts. 2 folders.	1981-1984

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E.63-E.69	CLIFTON COLLEGE/CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS	1984-1985
	Merrison was chairman of a working party investigating the possibility of collaboration between Clifton College and Clifton High School for Girls.	
E.63	Correspondence <i>re</i> collaboration between Clifton High School for Girls and Clifton College.	1984-1985
E.64, E.65	Agenda and minutes. 2 folders.	1984-1985
E.66-E.69	Reports, accounts and press release. 4 folders.	1984-1985
E.70	COUNCIL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTES (CSTI)	1985
	Merrison was Chairman of the CSTI. Correspondence.	
E.71, E.72	DARESBUY LABORATORY (SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL)	c.1967, 1978
	Merrison was the first Director of the Laboratory, serving between 1962 and 1969 and presiding over its construction and opening.	
E.71	Large photographic album showing various stages of construction, inaugurations and celebrations.	c.1967

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E.72 Laboratory brochure featuring Merrison. 1978

E.73, E.74 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE 1981-1985

Merrison was a member of the Committee of Enquiry into the Academic Validation of Degree Courses in Public Sector Higher Education 1984-1986.

E.73 'Academic Validation in Public Sector Higher Education', Report of the Committee of Enquiry into the Academic Validation of Degree Courses in Public Section Higher Education, April 1985'.

E.74 Also includes typescript notes by Merrison entitled 'Science and Government'.

E.75-E.215 DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY 1973-1988

E.55-E.79 Nuclear Power Advisory Board

E.80-E.215 Severn Barrage Committee

E.75-E.79 Nuclear Power Advisory Board 1973-1988

Merrison was a member of the Board between 1973 and 1976.

E.75, E.76 Correspondence *re* energy production strategy. 1973-1988
2 folders.

E.77 Notes on conversations by the Secretariat. 1973-1974
Also includes miscellaneous manuscript notes.

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E.78	Miscellaneous manuscript notes with copy of a paper entitled 'Energy for the next Generation'.	1986-1987
E.79	Newspaper cuttings.	1986-1987
E.80-E.215	Severn Barrage Committee	1979-1983
	<p>Merrison was a member of this Committee, established in 1978 by the Department of Energy under the chairmanship of H. Bondi, to assess the advantages and disadvantages of a 'scheme for harnessing the tidal energy of the Severn Estuary' and advise the Government on whether to proceed.</p> <p>The Committee reported favourably on the project in 1981.</p>	
E.80-E.83	Correspondence	1979-1983
	<p>Correspondence <i>re</i> visit to a Dutch barrage, the Severn tidal power, pre-feasibility studies, reports, costs and environmental impact, organisation of a symposium.</p> <p>4 folders.</p>	
E.84-E.87	Meeting agendas and minutes.	1979-1981
	4 folders.	
E.88-E.213	Memoranda, committee papers, progress reports, and draft and final reports.	1979-1981, n.d
E.88-E.93	June - October 1979.	1979
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E.99-E.103	February - June 1980. 5 folders.	1980
E.104-E.108	June - July 1980. 5 folders.	1980
E.109-E.113	July - August 1980. 5 folders.	1980
E.114-E.118	September 1980 (1). 5 folders.	1980
E.119-E.123	September 1980 (2). 5 folders.	1980
E.124-E.128	October 1980 (1). 5 folders.	1980
E.129-E.133	October 1980 (2). 5 folders.	1980
E.134-E.138	October 1980 (3). 5 folders.	1980
E.139-E.143	November 1980 (1). 5 folders.	1980

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E.144-E.148	November 1980 (2). 5 folders.	1980
E.149-E.153	November - December 1980. 5 folders.	1980
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E.204-E.208	March - April 1981. 5 folders.	1981
E.209-E.213	April 1981. 5 folders.	1981
E.214	Typescript notes on workshop programmes.	1979, 1981
E.215	Press releases and newspaper cuttings.	1979-1981
E.216-E.218	DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT	1973
	Merrison was Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry into the Basis of Design and Method of Erection of Steel-Box Girder Bridges. This was established in 1970 and reported in 1973.	
E.216	'Inquiry into the Basis of Design and Method of Erection of Steel-Box Girder Bridges', Report of the Committee, abridged version (33 pp).	1973

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E.217, E.218	Report of the Committee - Appendix 1 - Interim Design and Workmanship Rules, Part I-III. 2 folders.	1973
E.219-E.221	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY Merrison was Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry into the Regulation of the Medical Profession between 1973 and 1975. Its recommendations were very largely incorporated in the 1978 Medical Practitioners Act.	1973-1978
E.219	Correspondence.	1973
E.220	'Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the Regulation of the Medical Profession'.	1975
E.221	Signed copy of the Medical Practitioners Act 1978, also called the Merrison Act.	1978
E.222, E.223	EUROPEAN PHYSICS SOCIETY Merrison was Chairman of the Organising Committee of the Society's Seminar on International Research Facilities. See also E.245-E.272 (Institute of Physics).	1984-1989
E.222	Correspondence and papers.	1984-1989
E.223	Agenda and minutes of meetings of the Organising Committee.	1986

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E.224-E.244 HARKNESS FELLOWSHIPS 1983-1989

Merrison was Chairman of the UK Selection Board for Harkness Fellowships. Lady Merrison was also on the committee.

E.224-E.234 Correspondence *re* committee membership, candidates' applications and student reports. 1983-1986

11 folders.

E.235-E.238 'Lady Merrison'. Contents of folder so inscribed. 1986-1989

E.235 Correspondence. 1986-1989

E.236-E.238 Typescript report of visits to recipients of the Harkness fellowships by Lady Merrison. 1986

3 folders.

E.239-E.243 Records of interviews for candidate selection. 1985-1986

5 folders.

E.244 Biographical information on A.L. Atherton (Harkness Fellowship Director). 1984, 1985

E.245-E.272 INSTITUTE OF PHYSICS 1975-1985

Merrison was President of the Institute 1984-1986. He chaired the British Physics Olympiad Committee, represented the Institute of Physics on the Science and Engineering Professional Group and was a board member of the Fulmer Research Institute, a company owned by the Institute.

See also E.222, E.223 (European Physics Society).

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| E.245-E.247 | Correspondence.

Correspondence <i>re</i> Merrison's appointment as President, nomination of members of the Council, the Partnership Agreement of <i>Europhysics Letters</i> , nomination for the Holweck Prize 1985, shortage of physics teachers.

3 folders. | 1982-1985 |
| E.248 | Annual report of the Council. | 1984 |
| E.249-E.251 | British Physics Olympiad Committee.

This Committee, chaired by Merrison, was responsible for the UK team at the International Physics Olympiad, at which secondary school students competed in theoretical and practical physics tests. | 1984 |
| E.249 | Correspondence <i>re</i> appointment of Merrison as Chairman. | 1984 |
| E.250 | Miscellaneous papers.

Includes a list of committee members and supporters and sponsors and notes of the International Physics Olympiad. | 1984 |
| E.251 | Copy of the test paper. | 1984 |
| E.252 | Science and Engineering Professional Group.

Aide memoire for a meeting of the group. | 1985 |
| E.253-E.256 | Fulmer Research Institute.

Meeting notices, reports and accounts of the Institute and its subsidiaries.

The Fulmer Research Institute, Slough, was a company owned by the Institute of Physics.

4 folders. | 1984-1985 |

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| E.257-E.266 | 'Resources for Physics Education'. Contents of folder so inscribed.

This material relates to a report on physics education requested by the Institute of Physics Council. | 1975-1984 |
| E.257, E.258 | Correspondence.

2 folders. | 1984 |
| E.259-E.262 | Drafts and tables for 'A Policy Statement on Resources for Physics Education'.

4 folders. | 1984 |
| E.263-E.265 | Background material.

3 folders. | 1975-1984 |
| E.266 | 'Research and Development', newspaper cuttings and leaflet. | 1983-1984 |
| E.267-E.272 | Kendrew report.

Found with Merrison's Institute of Physics files.

A report entitled 'High Energy Particle Physics in the United Kingdom' (Kendrew Report) was published by the Science and Engineering Research Council to review the UK participation in the study of high energy particle physics. Members of the Council of the Institute of Physics commented on it. | 1985 |
| E.267 | Correspondence. | 1985 |
| E.268-E.271 | Copy of the report.

4 folders. | 1985 |

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E.272	Copy of 'Response to the Report of the ABRC/SERC Enquiry on High Energy Particle Physics.' Also includes a newspaper cutting.	1985
E.273-E.351	INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR CHILD STUDIES (BRISTOL) Merrison was Chairman of the Trustees.	1982-1985
E.273-E.302	Correspondence. General correspondence <i>re</i> the creation of a new International Centre for Child Studies in Bristol, staff management and appointment, fund raising etc. Also includes report on the newly created centre. 30 folders.	1982-1985
E.303-E.327	Agenda and minutes of meetings. 25 folders.	1982-1985
E.328	List of Trustees.	N.d.
E.329	Report to the Trustees.	1983
E.330-E.332	Statements of income and expenditure. 3 folders.	1983-1985
E.333	Application for registration as a charity.	1983
E.334-E.342	Appeal and fund-raising.	1983

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E.334-E.336	Appointment of Appeal Director. 3 folders.	1983
E.337-E.339	Fund raising management. Lists of potential donors and helpers. 3 folders.	1983-1984
E.340-E.342	Draft and final of appeal brochure. 3 folders.	1983
E.343-E.347	Building construction documentation. Plans, budgets, maps, photographs and feasibility studies. 4 folders.	1983
E.348, E.349	Notes on reports, articles and papers on children's living conditions and disabilities. 2 folders.	1984, n.d.
E.350, E.351	Miscellaneous papers. Includes typescript note on the management structure of the Centre, copy of annual report of the Muller Homes for Children, draft of a proposal to the 1983 'Blue Peter You Can Save a Baby Appeal.' 2 folders.	1982-1984
E.352-E.356	LLOYDS BANK PLC Merrison was appointed a Director of Lloyd's Bank UK Management Ltd and Chairman of the Bristol Regional Board.	1983-1989

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| E.352, E.353 | Correspondence <i>re</i> Regional Board members, charity appeals and Merrison's terms of appointment.

2 folders. | 1984-1989 |
| E.354 | 'Lloyds Personal.'

Correspondence <i>re</i> Merrison's appointment as Director and Chairman of Bristol Regional Board; 'statement of emoluments and material interests relating to Lloyds Bank plc and its subsidiaries.' | 1983-1989 |
| E.355 | Minutes of meeting of Directors. | 1983 |
| E.356 | Minutes of Lloyds Bank UK Management Ltd.

Also includes minutes of Lloyds Bank UK Management Equipment Committee. | 1983-1985 |
| E.357-E.366 | OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

Merrison was Editor of the Oxford University Press Science and Engineering Policy Series.

Correspondence <i>re</i> appointment of Merrison as Editor of the OUP's Science and Engineering Policy Series, and publication proposals some with extracts.

10 folders. | 1978-1984 |
| E.367-E.371 | ST PETER'S HOSPICE DEVELOPMENT APPEAL (BRISTOL)

Merrison was Chairman of St Peter's Hospice Development Appeal. | 1984-1985 |
| E.367 | Correspondence <i>re</i> the Appeal Committee. | 1984-1985 |

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E.368	Minutes of meetings.	1984-1985
E.369, E.370	Drafts of appeal brochure. 2 folders.	1984
E.371	Copy of the 'Financial Plan of Action.'	1985
E.372-E.378	PUGWASH CONFERENCES ON SCIENCE AND WORLD AFFAIRS	1977-1984
	Merrison was a member of the Executive Committee of the British Pugwash Group.	
E.372	Correspondence <i>re</i> Merrison's membership of the Executive Committee.	1984
E.373	Minutes of meetings.	1984
E.374	Miscellaneous papers. Includes list of members of the Executive Committee, notes on Proposed Activities of the British Pugwash Group, statement of the Pugwash Committee and a paper entitled 'Pugwash and the Scientific Community'.	1984
E.375-E.378	File on the nuclear arms race kept by Merrison. Includes papers, brochures and manuscript notes on the subject of the arms race.	1977-1982

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| E.379-E.382 | ROYAL COMMISSION ON THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE | 1976-1984 |
| | <p>Merrison was Chairman of the Royal Commission on the National Health Service. This was established in 1976. It reported in 1979 (Cmnd 7615) and although some of its key recommendations were resisted at the time, a number were adopted in later NHS reforms.</p> | |
| E.379 | Correspondence. | 1984 |
| E.380, E.381 | Reports and other documents. | 1976, 1979 |
| | <p>Contains copies of the final report (E.381), 'The Task of the Commission' and 'A Service for Patients, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Royal Commission Report'.</p> <p>2 folders.</p> | |
| E.382 | Programmes of symposia on the medical system which Merrison chaired. | 1979, n.d. |
| E.383-E.385 | ROYAL SOCIETY | 1981-1987 |
| | <p>Merrison was elected to the Fellowship in 1969. He was first editor of the journal <i>Science and Public Affairs</i> and was Treasurer-designate of the Society in 1986 (having subsequently to decline the appointment).</p> | |
| E.383 | Correspondence. | 1985-1986 |
| | <p>Correspondence <i>re</i> launch of new journal <i>Science and Public Affairs</i> and appointment of Merrison as editor; possible appointment as Treasurer, Royal Society.</p> | |
| E.384 | Royal Society annual dinner. | 1987 |

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| E.385 | Miscellaneous.

Includes copies of reports on 'Shortage of Physics Teachers' and 'A Study of Commissioned Research'. | 1981-1985 |
| E.386 | STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA, USA

3pp typescript entitled 'Notes on Stanford Visit.' | 1981 |
| E.387-E.475 | UNIVERSITY SUPERANNUATION SCHEME (USS)

Merrison was on the Management Committee of the USS as a representative of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals of the Universities of the United Kingdom. He later became a director and then Chairman. He was also a member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee. | 1979-1989 |
| E.387-E.408 | Correspondence.

Correspondence <i>re</i> actuarial valuations, Merrison's appointment to the Management Committee, duties of the chairman, staff appointment, committee membership and remuneration, management information requirements, consultants.

22 folders. | 1979-1989 |
| E.409-E.422 | Financial and General Purposes Committee agenda and minutes.

14 folders. | 1984-1985 |
| E.423-E.447 | Management Committee agenda and minutes.

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E.448	Committee membership information.	1985
E.449-E.453	Reports and accounts and administrative handbook. 5 folders.	1982-1984
E.454	Estimates of administrative expenses.	1984
E.455-E.466	'Valuation'. Contents of folder so inscribed.	1979-1986
E.455-E.457	Correspondence <i>re</i> valuation, solvency of the USS. Also includes memorandum and typescript notes. 3 folders.	1979-1984
E.458	Statistics and cash flow summary.	1983, 1984
E.459	Copy of 'Population, Pension, Costs and Pensioner's Incomes. A Background paper for the Inquiry into Provision for Retirement.'	1984
E.460-E.462	Miscellaneous. Valuation calculation, manuscript notes on solvency and on actuarialism, demography of USS. 3 folders.	1983
E.463-E.466	Notes, memoranda and reports. 4 folders.	1983-1986
E.467-E.473	<i>The Birth of a Pension Scheme - A History of the Universities Superannuation Scheme</i> by Sir Douglas Logan (Liverpool University Press, 1985).	1984, 1985

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E.467-E.472	Draft of <i>The Birth of a Pension Scheme</i> . 6 folders.	1984
E.473	Copy as published.	1985
E.474, E.475	Miscellaneous material. Includes 'Universities Superannuation Scheme, Individual Commentary 1984' and drafts and articles for the USS Newsletter. 2 folders.	1984-1985
E.476-E.518	WESTERN PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION LTD In 1983 Merrison became a director and in 1985 Chairman of the Western Provident Association.	1974-1989
E.476, E.477	Correspondence <i>re</i> Merrison's terms of appointment. 2 folders.	1983-1989
E.478	List of members of the Board.	1974-1985
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E.515	1981-1982 annual report and 'Avon Leagues of Hospital Friends a Record of Achievements, 1948-1981'.	1981-1982
E.516	Newspaper cuttings and notes on the future of hospital contributory schemes in Britain.	1981-1983
E.517	'A Study of the Development of Hospital Contributory Schemes in England and Wales' by Veronica Dawkins, September 1982.	1982
E.518	Miscellaneous material. Notes on the new Director, A.G. Wright.	1983-1984

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This material dates from 1969 to 1988 and chiefly relates to Merrison's official engagements and responsibilities as Vice-Chancellor, chairman of the Advisory Board of the Research Councils, chairman of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals, and other offices and posts.

There are also sequences of postcards and other informal greetings, invitations to functions and occasions including funeral and memorial services, and references and recommendations.

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