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Abstract

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Biographical Note

Born in Austria in 1931, Dr. Henry H. Bauer (Ph.D. 1956, University of Sydney, Australia) is Emeritus Professor of Chemistry and Science Studies, and Emeritus Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences (1978-1999) at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He frequently wrote and spoke about scientific unorthodoxies (e.g., Loch Ness monster, Velikovsky), ethics in science, as well as the politics of higher education. Dr. Bauer is one of the founding members of the Society for Scientific Exploration (SSE), and served as Editor-in-Chief for the Journal of Scientific Exploration from 2000-2007. He has published several books, including *The Enigma of the Loch Ness Monster: making Sense of a Mystery* (1986), *Beyond Velikowsky: The History of a Public Controversy* (1984), and *To Rise Above Principle: The Memoirs of an Unreconstructed Dean* (1988), which was published under the pen-name "Josef Martin."

Scope and Contents

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Separated Materials

The following books have been removed from the collection and catalogued for the rare book collection:

Breyer, B. *Publications, 1935-1954*.

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