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Abstract: Jerome Alexander (1876-1959) was the pre-eminent American scientist in the field of colloidal chemistry, the study of substances neither in suspension nor solution, which was pertinent to many other areas of chemistry. In addition to translating a seminal work in the field, Richard Zsigmondy's Colloids and the Ultra-Microscope, he wrote Colloid Chemistry (1919), and edited and contributed to Colloid Chemistry: Theoretical and Practical, the seven-volume standard work in the field. He also published poetry and essays. Collection consists of correspondence, 1880-1953, primarily letters exchanged with chemists and physicists, including many Nobel Prize winners, concerning their contributions to Colloid Chemistry: Theoretical and Practical. Correspondents include Mario Ascoli, W. Bancroft, W.M. Bayless, Lord Beaverbrook, Sir William Henry Bragg, Sir William Lawrence Bragg, C. Bridges, A.H. Compton, P. Debye, Albert Einstein, H. Eyring, W.B. Harvey, H.B. Jennings, Alfred Korzybski, E.O. Lawrence, W.J. Mayo, R.A. Millikan, G.B. Pegram, W. Ramsey, A.B. Searle, T. Svedberg, E.C. Urey, E.B. Wilson, and Richard Zsigmondy.

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**Names**
Alexander, Jerome, 1876-1959
Ascoli, Mario
Bancroft, Wilder D. (Wilder Dwight), 1867-1953
Bayless, W. M
Beaverbrook, Max Aitken, Baron, 1879-1964
Bragg, William Henry, 1862-1942
Bragg, William Lawrence, Sir, 1890-1971
Bridges, C
Compton, Arthur Holly, 1892-1962
Debye, Peter J. W. (Peter Josef William), 1884-1966
Einstein, Albert, 1879-1955
Eyring, Harden Romney
Jennings, H. B
Korzybski, Alfred, 1879-1950
Lawrence, Ernest Orlando, 1901-1958
Mayo, William James, 1861-1939
Millikan, Robert Andrews, 1868-1953
Pegram, George Braxton, 1876-1958
Ramsey, William, Sir, 1852-1916
Searle, Alfred B. (Alfred Broadhead), 1877-1967
Svedberg, Theodor, 1884-1971
Urey, Harold Clayton, 1893-1981
Wilson, E. Bright (Edgar Bright), 1908-
Zsigmondy, Richard