

Guide to the Junius Flagg Brown Papers

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TITLE: Junius Flagg Brown papers

DATES: 1936-1998

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LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The papers contain photocopies of FBI records pertaining to Junius Brown's association with the Communist Party, USA; the unpublished manuscript of his autobiography, "The Impact of Psychology on the Twentieth Century;" and correspondence related to the revision of his second book, *Psychodynamics of Abnormal Behavior*.

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Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Biographical / Historical

Junius Flagg Brown, prominent social and clinical psychologist and psychotherapist, was born in Denver, Colorado, on August 3, 1902. After graduating from Yale University in 1925, he studied at the University of Berlin, where he was strongly influenced by the Gestalt school of thought. On his return to the United States, he earned a Ph.D. from Yale University in psychology. In 1936 he published *Psychology and the Social Order*, a seminal text for both Gestalt theory and the study of psychology. He was a professor of psychology at the University of Colorado and the University of Kansas, and became the first chief psychologist of the Menninger Clinic in 1939. From 1945 to 1959, he lived in California and worked as a psychotherapist. During the 1930s, Brown was a supporter of the Communist Party, USA. Junius Brown died in Beaumont, California, in 1970.

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| b. 1, f. 1 | FBI file | 1936-1998 |
| b. 1, f. 2 - 11 | "The Impact of Psychology on the Twentieth Century" English A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at beinecke.library@yale.edu to request access to the digital copy. | undated |
| b. 1, f. 12 | <i>Psychodynamics of Abnormal Behavior</i> | 1951-1953, undated |

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Communism -- United States
Gestalt psychology
Psychology
Psychotherapy

Names

Brown, J. F. (Junius Flagg), 1902-1970

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