

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

The Collection of H Ogden Brainard

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## INTRODUCTION

H Ogden Brainard was born in Vicennes, Indiana on March 6, 1905. He attended public schools in Charleston, Illinois and graduated from Eastern Illinois University in 1925.

Brainard taught and coached students at Atlanta, Illinois High School from 1925 to 1927; and taught at Morris, Illinois High School from 1927 to 1931.

He received his J.D. Degree from the University of Illinois Law School in 1933. Brainard was admitted to the State of Illinois Bar in 1933. He was also admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Appeals, and the U.S. District Courts. He had a general practice and had experience in trial work in the State and Federal Courts. From 1933 to 1935 Brainard formed part of the legal staff of the Federal Land Bank of St. Louis, but in 1935 returned to Charleston, Illinois to set up a general practice. He was the Federal Conciliation Commissioner from 1939 to 1941, the City Attorney from 1941 to 1944, and the attorney for the Community Unit School District # 1 for Coles and Cumberland Counties.

H Ogden Brainard had a number of professional and

non-professional affiliations and honors. He was active in the Illinois State Bar Association, but also retained a great interest in the welfare of his undergraduate college, Eastern Illinois State Teacher's College (now Eastern Illinois University).

Brainard organized the Eastern Illinois University Foundation in 1953, and was a member of the Board of Directors. Six associations are beneficiaries of his will: The EIU Foundation, U of I Foundation, Community School District, Community Church, Illinois Bar Association, and the City of Charleston.

Brainard was also active in the community serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the Charleston Community Memorial Hospital Foundation, Inc. and President of the Coles County Savings and Loan Association, among other appointments.

For a complete list of Brainard's civic, professional and non-professional duties, see **Series 3: Biographical Date, Folder 1.**

Brainard died February 29, 1992. His files were entrusted to Eastern Illinois University on March 12, 1992.

This inventory describes the contents of five boxes of H Ogden Brainard's personal items, including personal and professional correspondence, alumni awards, and newspapers. The items are grouped in series at the folder level, in chronological order. There are 2 cubic feet of manuscripts, 2 boxes of artifacts and fifty-nine newspapers.

### Bibliography

"Biography: Personal Data [for H Ogden Brainard]."  
Unpublished manuscript dated November 14, 1972.

Interview with Stephen C. Falk, Vice President for Institutional Advancement/Foundation Executive Officer, Brainard House, March 15, 1994.

**BOX 1** (1 cubic foot)

**Series 1**

**Personal Correspondence**

Arranged chronologically by year

Telegram from Western Union, June 11, Santa Rosa, California stating that Pauline passed away Tuesday morning. Note from Mrs. Hesler congratulating Brainard on being the recipient of the Glen Hesler award.

**Folder 1 -**

1. Telegram to Myrtle Brainard From Alvin, no date
2. Note to Brainard from Mrs. A. Glen Hesler, 9 May 1985

**Series 2**

**Professional Correspondence**

Arranged chronologically by year

Death announcement card of business associate and friend William Switz. Card announcing the formation of partnership between Brainard and Bower in Charleston, Illinois. A letter from Frank giving Brainard acclaim for being a "distinguished alumnus."

**Folder 1 -**

1. William Switz, Death Announcement, November 25
2. Brainard and Bower partnership announcement, 1 July 1961
3. Letter to Brainard from Frank [Brady], 14 October 1987

**Series 3**

**Biographical Data**

Arranged chronologically by year

Chronology of Brainard's career, life and achievements.

**Folder 1 -**

1. Brainard Biography/Personal Data
2. Biographical Data

**Series 4**  
**Panther Club**

Panther Club lists of members. Fundraising tips from the Eastern Illinois University Panther Club membership drive, a pie graph of the Panther Club budget and a gold level parking permit for football and basketball games.

**Folder 1 -**

1. Panther Club Prospect List, no date
2. Panther Club Paid List, no date
3. "Additions - Panther Club Prospect List" 22 May 1978
4. Panther Club Prospect List 1979
5. Panther Club Paid Prospect List 1979

**Folder 2-**

1. Fundraising Instructions, March 1979

**Folder 3 -**

1. Panther Club Budget 1978-79, 1979-80

**Folder 4 -**

1. Gold Level Parking Pass 1991-92

Series 5  
University Correspondence

Arranged chronologically by year

Resume sent to Brainard on S.E. Thomas. Letter nominating Brainard for an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. A memorandum suggesting putting a display about Brainard at the Brainard House and a letter recognizing Brainard's work with the Eastern Illinois Foundation Board.

**Folder 1 -**

1. Resume to Brainard from Asa M. Riyle,  
25 September 1963

**Folder 2 -**

1. Letter to Dwight Connelly,  
no date
2. Letter to David J. Maurer from Robert G. Buzzard,  
19 December 1972
3. Letter to Vice President Falk from Daniel E. Thornburgh,  
12 August 1991
4. Letter to Brainard from Stanley G. Rives,  
4 December 1991

Series 6  
University Publications

Arranged by publication and year.

- Folder 1 - The Eastern Newsletter, October 1956**
- Folder 2 - The Eastern Newsletter, October 1957 (3 copies)**
- Folder 3 - The Eastern Newsletter, April, July, 1958**
- Folder 4 - The Eastern Newsletter, Vol. 22, No. 3, 4**
- Folder 5 - The Eastern Newsletter, Vol. 23, No. 3**
- Folder 6 - The Eastern Alumnus, October, December, 1957**
- Folder 7 - The Eastern Alumnus, September, 1958**
- Folder 8 - The Eastern Alumnus, Spring, Winter, 1980**
- Folder 9 - Eastern News, December 10, 1978, December 14, 1978**

Folder 10 - Eastern Illinois University Bulletin, December 1963 (3 copies)

Folder 11 - Eastern Illinois University Bulletin, 1 July 1965

Folder 12 - Homecoming Souvenir Program, 10-11 October 1958

Folder 13 - "Education Today" October 1958

Folder 14 - "College of Law Alumni Association, University of Illinois," March 1965

Folder 15 - "Panthers Today" 24 September 1988

Series 7

University Special Event Pamphlets

Arranged chronologically by year

Doudna invitation of the inauguration as third president of Eastern Illinois University. Commencement program at Eastern, includes honorary degree of Doctor of Laws for Brainard. The Arts at Eastern celebrating the festival of the arts and a publication on the creation of the foundation at Eastern by Brainard.

**Folder 1 -**

1. "The Inaguration of Quincy von Odgen Doudna,"  
21 October 1957

**Folder 2 -**

1. "Dedication of McAfee Gymnasium,"  
23 March 1968

**Folder 3 -**

1. "Seventy-Fourth Annual Commencement"  
1973

**Folder 4 -**

1. "The Arts at Eastern,"  
1978-79

**Folder 5 -**

1. "Eastern Illinois University Foundation: A History,"  
no date

Series 8

Alumni Activities

Arranged chronologically by year

Correspondence -

**Folder 1 -**

1. Letter to Brainard from Stanley Elam,  
22 October 1952

News Clippings -

**Folder 1 -**

- 1 "Brainard Succeeds Hutton as EIU Alumni President,"  
28 October 1957

**Folder 2 -**

1. "Special Gifts Division,"  
5 November 1957

**Folder 3 -**

1. "Family Members Present \$30.000 Gift to Air Condition EIU Student Union Building,"  
21 April 1958

**Folder 4 -**

1. Photograph from the Eastern Alumnus,  
1 June 1958

**Folder 5 -**

1. "Second 'Opening' Dinner,"  
30 November 1958

**Folder 6 -**

1. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
2 December 1958 (2 copies)

**Folder 7 -**

1. "EIU Student Union Receives \$30.00 Gift," from The Daily Journals-Gazette and Commercial Star, Mattoon, Illinois

**Folder 8 -**

1. "EIU Faculty Members Prepare Lesson Plan on Bill of Rights,"  
from the Charleston, Illinois Courier-News,  
11 July 1968

**Folder 9 -**

1. "Successful Starts," Charleston, Illinois Times-Courier,  
19 January 1978 (filed in Box 3)

**Folder 10 -**

1. "Foundation Celebrates 25 Years of Service," Charleston,  
Illinois, Times-Courier,  
20 April 1978

**Folder 11 -**

1. "Charleston Rotary Club celebrates 50th Birthday"

**Folder 12 -**

1. Charleston Town Crier,  
10 December 1978

**Folder 13 -**

1. "Eastern National Champions," Times-Courier,  
11 December 1978

**Folder 14 -**

1. Charleston, Illinois Times-Courier,  
10 August 1981 (2 copies)

**Folder 15 -**

1. Times-Courier,  
11 August 1981

**Folder 16 -**

1. Herald and Review, Decatur, Illinois,  
23 August 1981, p. A5, A6

**Folder 17 -**

1. "To Increase Widger Fund,"  
no date

**Folder 18 -**

1. "New Search for Funding Director Begins,"  
no date

**Folder 19 -**

1. "Eastern to Honor Brainard Sunday,"  
no date

**Series 9**

**Endowments**

Arranged chronologically by year

**Folder 1 -**

1. "Resolution to Establish the Old Main Memorial Academic  
Scholarship and Award Endowment,"  
no date

**Folder 2 -**

1. "H. Odgen Brainard Endowment,"  
15 March 1990

**Series 10**

**Charleston High School Memorials**

Arranged chronologically by year

Newsclipping of Brainard's friend Warner who was a former Eastern Hall of Famer and a program and news article about the basketball teams in 1921, 1934 and 1957.

**Folder 1 -**

Newsclipping -

1. "Former CHS Coach, Eastern Great Dies," Errett Warner  
2 pages, no date

**Folder 2 -**

1. Program of Charleston High School Basketball teams, 1921, (Brainard's team), 1934 and 1957. Newsclipping attached honoring the teams. Times-Courier, Feb 10, 1969

**BOX 2**(1 cubic foot)

**Series 11**

**Records Relating to Personal Life**

1. Scrapbook-

Contains newsclippings of Brainard's life and career.

2. Scrapbook Page -

A. Postcards

1. "Souvenir Folder of the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas"  
28 January 1945 - 3 February 1945

2. Braniff Airplane (Braniff International Airways) San Antonio to Dallas flight

3. St. Anthony Hotel, San Antonio Texas  
February 1952

B. Newspaper Clipping

"Local Woman's Father Dies in St. Louis"  
18 February 1952

C. verso "Alumni Response 'Heart-warming,' Lord Scholarship Fund Hits \$8,000 Peak." pages from the Eastern Alumnus,  
21 March 1953

**BOX 3**

**Series 12**

**Alumni Awards**

**Folder 1 -**

1. Introductory speech for H. Ogden Brainard's Distinguished Alumnus Award

2. Award Plaque, Panther Century Club;  
(no folder) H. Ogden Brainard 1979-1980; Ron Stearns Printing and Photo Plak, Charleston, Illinois

3. Award Plaque, EIU Panther Club: H. Ogden Brainard, Ron Stearns Printing and Photo Plak, Charleston, Illinois

Series 13

Awards from Eastern Illinois University

1. Eastern Illinois University Pin, Ballou Reg'd
2. Glass Mug, with paper that reads: "A Special Panther Gift for Gold Division Panther Club Memebers," Imprinted Products San Diego, CA '91
3. EIU Solar Calculator
4. Century Club Gold Card Plaque with Vinyl Enclosure, H. Ogden Brainard Athletic Excellence Scholarship Opportunities 1965-66, 1966-67
5. Eastern Illinois University EIU Club Membership Card, July 1, 1987-June 30, 1990
6. Membership Plaque Eastern Illinois University Athletic Hall of Fame, September 14, 1986
7. Eastern Illinois University Gold Level, 1988-1989
8. Award Plaque Century Club, Athletic Excellence, Scholarship Opportunities
9. Paperweight - Eastern Illinois University Logo, 1986
10. Paperweight - 1899 Old Main Title, EIU President's Club 1987
11. 2 Pens - "Eastern Illinois University Panther Club," Maker-Centennial USA
12. 1 Pen - Engraved: "H. Ogden Brainard," Maker-Cross USA
13. Printing Block - "old Main," Charleston, Illinois
14. Pennant - "Go Panthers," 1987-1988
15. Videotape - "Brainard House Dedication," VHS RT 120 Gemini, (not previewed)

BOX 5 (59 Newspapers)

Series 14

VARIOUS NEWSPAPERS, NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS AND MAGAZINE COVERS

Arranged chronologically by year

Articles and magazine covers that deal with the life and death of movie stars from the 30s, 40s and 50s, and the Royal family primarily.

1. Cover page - Collier's,  
11 July 1942
2. Magazine Section - "We Applaud the Girl Who Broke Her Back "
3. Magazine Page - "Jessica Dragnette"
4. Newspaper Clipping - "Tyrone Power Dies of Heart Attack"
5. Newspaper Clipping - "As British Royalty First Set Foot In United States," The Charleston Daily Courier
6. Newspaper Clipping - "King and Queen Attend Church with Roosevelt"
7. Magazine Page - "Chase and Sanborn Radio News"
8. Page 3 and 4 from The Charleston Daily Courier,  
"Photos Review Highlights In Careers of Post and Rogers"
9. St. Louis Post-Dispatch, "At the Movies-Amusements"
10. Newspaper Clipping - "Royal Wedding"
11. Newspaper Clipping - Chicago Sunday Tribune,  
1 December 1935
12. Magazine Page - "Crosby Kidnapping Scare," page 7 and 8
13. Magazine Page - "The Radio Playbill: This Week"- 'One man's Family,'  
page 5 and 6
14. Magazine Page - "Of This Week," page 5 and 6

15. Magazine Pages - "Great Americans Think About Radio,"  
pages 1-4
16. Magazine Page - "Of This Week," page 5 and 6
17. Magazine Page - "Coming Events," page 3 and 4
18. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
6 April 1933
19. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
16 August 1935
20. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
20 May 1936
21. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
4 December 1936
22. Chicago American,  
9 December 1936
23. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
10 December 1936
24. St. Louis Post Dispatch,  
10 December 1936
25. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
11 december 1936
26. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
12 December 1936
27. Herald Examiner,  
13 december 1936
28. St. Louis Globe-Democrat,  
13 December 1936
29. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
14 December 1936

30. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
16 December 1936
31. St. Louis Post-Dispatch, "Rotogravure Picture Section"  
27 December 1936
32. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
31 January 1937
33. Chicago Sunday Tribune, 1 page,  
5 February 1939
34. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
9 June 1939
35. Chicago Sunday Tribune,  
15 February 1942
36. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
6 May 1942
37. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
28 October 1944
38. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
28 October 1944
39. "The Everyday Magazine," section from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
4 November 1944
40. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
29 November 1944
41. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
29 November 1944
42. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
13 April 1945
43. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
13 April 1945
44. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
14 April 1945
45. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
15 April 1945
46. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,
47. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
22 April 1945

48. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
5 May 1945
49. "The Everyday Magazine," section from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
6 May 1945
50. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
7 May 1945
51. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
9 May 1945
52. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
14 May 1945
53. "The Everyday Magazine," section from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
15 May 1945
54. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
3 June 1945
55. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
19 November 1947
56. St. Louis Post-Dispatch,  
20 Novemebr 1947
57. "The Everyday Magazine," section from the St. Louis Post Dispatch,  
21 July 1947
58. The Charleston Daily Courier,  
8 May 1952
59. The Charleston Daily COurier News,  
7 April 1964

## Photographs

Temporarily stored in the back of BOX 1. Photographs need proper conservation and should be removed from frames.

**Folder 1** - Unidentified photograph of woman and child

**Folder 2** - Sepia-tone Portrait, in original folder mat, of H. Ogden Brainard from Allen Studios, Inc.

**Folder 3** - Black and White Portrait, in original folder mat, of Brainard from Bertram Studio, Charleston, Illinois

**Folder 4** - Color Photograph of Brainard, in original folder mat, "A Happy Participant," "Owen Roll February 19, 1971, Danville"

**Folder 5** - Color Photograph of Panther Club, circa 1991

**Folder 6** - Two Black and White Photographs-

Photograph A. "September 18, 1958 Dedication of New Buildings and beginning of calvacade uptown, around the square. Lincoln and Douglas Debate Centennial"

Photograph B. "September 18, 1958 Dedication of New Buildings. Governor Stratton, President Doudna, and Ogden. Lincoln and Douglas Debate Centennial"

**Folder 7** - 5 Color Photographs-

A. Awards Convocation

B. "Hazel's Doctorate 1990"

C. "1989 Harold and Winnie's 50th"

D. Brainard's 86th Birthday 1991

E. Brainard's 86th Birthday 1991

**Folder 8** - Framed Color Photograph of Old Main

**Folder 9** - Framed Black and White Photograph of Brainard graduation (in BOX 2)

**Folder 10.** - Watercolor Print of "Tarble Arts Center," N.S. Emmerich, 146/150 on folder, H. Ogden Brainard; President's Club 1988; Eastern Illinois University Foundation"

DISCARD

BOX 1

University Publications-

Triple copies of Newsletters and Bulletins should be discarded. Library should have copies.

**Folder** - Miscellaneous newspaper clippings

Scrapbook -

There is some personal information in the back that should be transcribed before discarding. The scrapbook is in poor condition, has torn and yellowing pages. Very fragile.

BOX 2

Magazines, newspaper clippings and cut out magazine covers and pages of actors from the 30s, 40s and 50s.

Magazines -

Liberty (5 issues)

April 10, 1937

April 24, 1937

February 28, 1942

March 7, 1942

July 25, 1942

Movie-Radio Guide,

February 14-20 1942

BOX 5

Newspaper -

Charleston, Mattoon, St. Louis papers should be available on microfilm. If library owns copies, discard these files. There is no personal information in this box.

Magazine Pages-

Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy  
October 6, 1937

Tyrone Power- NBC Sunday Night"  
Novemembr 6, 1937

Cover of Liberty Magazine- George VI and Edward VIII  
May 20, 1939

Cover of Liberty Magazine- Captain Colin P. Kelly  
June 6, 1942

Redbook- Picture of the month- Madeleine Carroll

Parade- Eisenhower painting  
October 30, 1955

Newspaper Clipping-

Clark Gable and wife Kay Williams  
1955