

## **THE GEORGE DANIELS PAPERS**

The Oskar Diethelm Library  
DeWitt Wallace Institute for the History of Psychiatry  
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### **Provenance**

The George Daniels Papers were donated by Dr. George Daniels to the Archives of Psychiatry (now the Oskar Diethelm Library) at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center in 1979. The collection is housed in one .4 cubic ft. box.

There are no restrictions regarding use of the collection.

### **Biography**

George Eaton Daniels was born on May 17, 1896 in Massachusetts and died in 1987. He received his M.D. degree from Harvard University in 1922. His analysis was in Berlin with Franz Alexander, and he was supervised by Sandor Rado. On his return to the United States, he continued his training at the New York Psychoanalytic Institute. He subsequently became an instructor, a training analyst, and one of its directors. He also served as secretary of the New York Psychoanalytic Society from 1936 to 1939, and as a vice president of the American Psychoanalytic Association from 1939 to 1940.

In 1928, Daniels began to practice psychiatry and psychoanalysis in New York. He also became an instructor and clinical professor of psychiatry at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center. From 1945-1957 he was on the staff of the Psychoanalytic Center (then the Clinic), where he was a training analyst, teacher, and sought-after supervisor. He was the director of the Psychoanalytic Clinic from 1957 to 1961.

Daniels helped found the Association for Psychoanalytic Medicine, originally named the Association for Psychoanalytic and Psychosomatic Medicine. The "Psychosomatic" was soon

dropped in the interest of brevity, but its early presence is an indication of how important the area was to Daniels and to some of his early colleagues. He was the Association's first president.

Throughout his long professional career, Daniels remained close to medical practice and medical illness, seeing the latter as a unitary response in which the emotions were an integral part. Together with various colleagues he had nearly forty publications. He wrote extensively about the gastro-intestinal tract, particularly ulcerative colitis. He also wrote on diabetes mellitus, sex hormones and hormonal replacement therapy, and on the mental aspects of tuberculosis.

## Scope and Content

The George Daniels Papers are by no means his entire personal papers. This small collection is comprised only of material he sent to the Archives and consists of some biographical information; his relationship to the Association for Psychoanalytic Medicine and the Columbia Psychoanalytic Clinic is expressed through bulletins and a published history that he wrote. Texts of several talks he presented about mental health, ulcerative colitis, and comprehensive medicine are included. Reprints of some of his articles complete the collection. The years of the collection range from 1933 to ca. 1978.

## Inventory

### Box # 1

Folder 1	Curriculum vitae, biographical information	1968-ca. 1978
2	George Daniels' manuscript. "History of the Association for Psychoanalytic Medicine and the Columbia Psychoanalytic Clinic," and related notes	1969-1975
3	Columbia University. Bulletin of the Psychoanalytic Clinic for Training and Research	1941-1953
4	Columbia University. Bulletin of the Psychoanalytic Clinic for Training and Research	1954-1976
5	Texts of addresses "Psychiatry in Medicine" "The Mental Health of the Soldier" "An Adventure in Comprehensive Medicine"	1921-ca. 1965
6	Text of talk "Comprehensive Medicine with Particular Reference to Ulcerative Colitis"	1965

7	Text of commencement address "The Changing Face of Psychiatry"	1967
8	Text of talk "Ulcerative Colitis"	1969
9	Reprints by George Daniels about the Association for Psychoanalytic Medicine and the Columbia Psychoanalytic Clinic	1956-1971
10	Scientific reprints	1933-1943
11	Scientific reprints	1944-1956
12	Scientific reprints	1960-1975