

Bruce Franklin to sue FBI over release of documents

H. Bruce Franklin, fired as a tenured professor from Stanford University in 1972, said he will sue the FBI for refusing to release documents detailing attempts to harass and discredit him.

Franklin was fired from Stanford after a faculty advisory board decided he had incited Stanford students to violence during campus demonstrations in 1971 against the Vietnam war.

Last year he was appointed a professor at the Newark, N.J., campus of Rutgers University. He teaches 19th Century American literature, composition, and science fiction.

Franklin said Friday the FBI has failed to comply with his request under the Freedom of Information Act to release its file on him. "We feel there's been very, very little compliance with the law," he said.

He added he will file another suit against the FBI and the CIA for violating his constitutional rights when they allegedly conducted a campaign to discredit him.

Franklin has two other suits pending, one against Stanford for dismissing him despite his tenure. The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has filed a suit on Franklin's behalf against regents of the University of Colorado for refusing to hire him in 1974.

On Thursday the ACLU in Denver disclosed more than 100 pages of FBI documents on Franklin.

"This is what is frightening to American society," Franklin said. "They (the FBI) made a decision that my politics were unacceptable and they decided to 'neutralize' me."

The documents contain information that federal agents began an "elaborate" campaign in 1966 to discredit Franklin and put him in prison, the English professor said.

"The campaign consisted of spreading rumors, sending false documents signed by me and sending false documents to me," Franklin said.

Aline Brough of Atherton dies

G. Aline Brough of 65 Selby Lane, Atherton, died Friday of heart attack at Sequoia Hospital, Redwood City. She was 80 years old.

Mrs. Brough, a native Chicago, moved to Atherton years ago to live with her sister, Judith Anna Sroka, to her daughter, Mrs. [Name], survived by a son, Wil [Name] of Chicago, and 11 grand-

Services will be held 2 p.m. at the Johnstons, January, 650 Live Park, Interme Bronswood, Cal. Ill. The family will be contacted by [Name].