

Name Jack Happel Boone

Field: Creative Writing

Instructor in the Short Story

University of Iowa (will return to South after this year)

*December, Tenn.*

**Plan of Work** A novel of West Tennessee: the folk of the small town, the hills and the bottomlands. The proposed work will not be a hill novel in the main, as my locale will be the small town in its relation to the people of the outlands. The theme will have to do with the families who poured in from the hills to become the leaders in the town of their choosing, or remained to compose its undercurrent of population. I shall endeavor to show how the depression brought about the decay of many of the older, more stable families; how the backwash from the hills and swamps deserted the land and overflowed the town to take relief jobs and the effect this had on the community proper. The story will revolve about two families.

**Personal Data** Born Trenton, Tennessee, January, 1908. Single

Age: 32

**Undergraduate Work** West Tennessee State Teachers College, 1925-28.

Vanderbilt University, B. A., 1930.

**Graduate Work**

Vanderbilt University, M. A., 1932.

**Experience**

Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University, 1931-32, \$500.

Chief Editor, Federal Writers' Project, Nashville, 1932-35, \$1200.

English instructor, Clemson College, South Carolina, 1938-39, \$1200.

Short Story Instructor, University of Iowa, one semester, 1939-40, \$500.

**Accomplishments**

M. A. thesis: "The Melville Method: a Study of Melville's Sea Stories."

**Publications:**

Many short stories, published in such magazines as Household, Story, etc. One, entitled "Big Singing" was reprinted in the O'Henry Memorial Volume of Prize Stories for 1932; another, "It Sure Whips Me" was listed in O'Brien's Roll of Honor, Best Short Stories of 1937.

Novel: Dossie Bell Is Dead, Frederick A. Stokes Publishing Co., 1939.

*Has applied for Guggenheim Fellowship*

**References**

Mr. Wilbur L. Schramm, Professor of English, University of Iowa

Mr. John Crowe Ransome, Professor of English, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio

Mr. Brett Stokes, F. W. Stokes Company, New York City

Mr. Nelson A. Crawford, Editor, Household, Topeka, Kansas

Mr. Donald Davidson, Professor of English, Vanderbilt University

**Budget Summary**

Total Amount Needed	\$1600.00
From Applicant	---
From Fund	\$1600.00

Plan of Work   
Transcripts

Photograph   
Exhibit Material

Sent to Committee

Vanderbilt University

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