

1945

Name Donald Lee West

Negro   
White Southerner

Position Superintendent, Lula Public Schools, Georgia

Special Field Education  
Group

College Lincoln Memorial University, A.B., 1929.

University Vanderbilt University, B.D., 1933.  
Oglethorpe University, M.A., 1944.

Plan of Work:

By making three divisions of twelve months period - one quarter at Ohio State, one in visitation and observation of outstanding community schools, and two at University of Georgia - try to learn better ways of helping rural schools to improve health, citizenship, economic standards, appreciation for beauty and native folk culture.

Action of Fellowship Committee:

\$1,800

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UNIVERSITY

Author of three books of verse; On faculty of Oglethorpe University, Georgia, 1946

Faculty advisor for Stormy Petrel

1947 Working on a novel, No Lonesome Road

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Oglethorpe U.  
Atlanta, Ga.

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DONALD LEE WEST

Graduate student, Columbia University  
New York City

Education

Doubtless top man  
A credit to our lists  
I'm not sure how long  
we should "indulge" him  
in refraining from making  
his living in actual work  
The "minus" is only because  
fear subsidy may do him harm

## DONALD LEE WEST

Superintendent, Lula Public Schools  
Lula, Georgia

## Education

A fine homely type: Supt /  
Schools of a Georgia County town  
Just the type we want to  
help. And everybody agrees that  
this is just the man.

A little over six afternoon off,  
but still young enough to  
put in 25 years of solid  
work in Georgia

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Requests grant for one year beginning September, 1945. Will return to present position. Wishes to work toward Ed.D. at the University of Georgia under the supervision of Dean Kenneth Williams.

**Personal Data**

Born Cartecay, Gilmer County, Georgia, June, 1908.  
Married, two children, one partial dependent.

**Age:** 37  
**Draft Status:** 4D

**Undergraduate Work**

Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tennessee, A.B.  
Vanderbilt University, B.D., 1933.

**Graduate Work****Special Study:**

Oglethorpe University, M.A., 1944.  
International Peoples College, Elsinore, Denmark, 1934-35.  
University of Georgia, 1944- .

**Experience**

Pastor, Christian Fellowship Parish, Bethel, Ohio, 1938, 1939-40,  
\$2000; superintendent, Lula Public Schools, Lula, Georgia,  
1941- , \$2200.

**Accomplishments**

B. D. thesis: Knott County, Kentucky, An Original Research Study.  
Master's thesis: Trends among Modern American Negro Writers.  
Book of poems, Toil and Hunger, Hagglund, 1940.

**References**

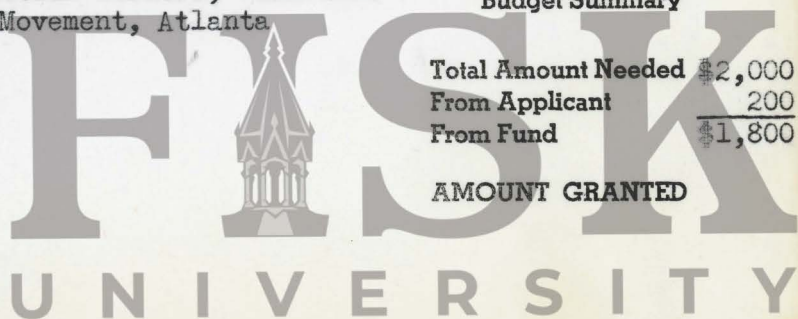
Jane Franseth, University of Georgia  
Kenneth R. Williams, " "  
Alva W. Taylor, Conference of Southern Mountain Workers, Nashville  
Josephine Wilkins, Citizens' Fact-Finding Movement, Atlanta  
Henrietta Buckmaster, New York City  
John E. Jones, Postmaster, Lula, Georgia

**Budget Summary**

Total Amount Needed	\$2,000
From Applicant	200
From Fund	\$1,800

**AMOUNT GRANTED**

Sent to Committee



Name Donald Lee West Field: Education  
 Graduate student, Columbia University  
 427 Furnald Hall, Columbia University, New York City

Plan of Work To spend one more term at University of Georgia, after which I should have degree; to use remaining time in research in Southern folk background, particularly the poor non-slave owning whites and Negroes prior to Civil War; material to be incorporated in a book on Southern history for which I have publisher contract. Also, with other Southern educators, working on special project of developing a SOUTHERN EDUCATION SERVICE which will help make available certain materials, especially to rural schools, teachers, community clubs, dealing with basic role of education in building a democratic society.

Requests grant for one year beginning September, 1946. Wishes to spend spring and summer terms and one more at the University of Georgia under the supervision of Dean Kenneth Williams.

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Undergraduate Work Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tennessee, A.B., 1929.  
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Graduate Work Oglethorpe University, M.A., 1944.  
 University of Georgia, 1945- .  
 Columbia University, 1945- .

Special Study: International Peoples College, Elsinore, Denmark, 1934-35.  
 Experience University of Georgia, 1944.

Experience: Pastor, Christian Fellowship Parish, Bethel, Ohio, 1938, 1939-40, \$2,000; superintendent, Lula Public Schools, Lula, Georgia, 1941- , \$2,200.

Accomplishments B. D. thesis: Knott County, Kentucky, An Original Research Study.  
 Master's thesis: Trends Among Modern American Negro Writers.

Publications: Book of poems, Toil and Hunger, Hagglund, 1940; Clods of Southern Earth, collection of poems, will be brought out in April by Boni & Gaer, Inc.; same publisher will bring out two future books: a novel, No Lonesome Road, and a history, The Unsolid South.

Scholarships: Julius Rosenwald Fund fellowship, 1945, \$1,800.

References

- Dwight Bradley, New York City
- Joseph Gaer, " " "
- W. E. B. DuBois, " " "
- L. D. Haskew, " " "
- Shirley Graham, " " "
- William R. Smith, Macon, Georgia
- Robert Strozier, University of Chicago

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Plan of Work Photograph  
 Transcripts Exhibit Material

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