

1947

Name: THOMAS HAL PHILLIPS

White

Creative writing

Position: Graduate student in English,
University of Alabama

College: Hinds Junior College, diploma, 1939-41
Mississippi State College, B.S., 1943
University of Alabama, 1946-

Plan of work:

To write a novel

Action of Fellowship Committee: granted \$1500



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Graduate Student in English
University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

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Amazing testimony

Name Thomas Hal Phillips Field: Creative Writing

Graduate Student in English
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Plan of Work To write a novel dealing with a Southerner of good will who in the last weeks of his life, reflecting on his sixty-two years, attempts to rectify the wrongs he has committed, often unwittingly, both as an individual and as a member of his Mississippi community.

Requests grant to begin June 1947 thru June 1948. Wishes to study at University of Alabama for M.A. degree under Professor Hudson Strode.

Personal Data Born Kossuth, Mississippi, October 1922
Single, one dependent

Age: 24
Draft Status: Lt. (jg)
USNR - inactive status

Undergraduate Work Hinds Junior College, diploma, 1939-41
Mississippi State College, B.S., 1943

Graduate Work University of Alabama, 1946-
(Now enrolled in special study of creative writing)

Experience Interviewer of Old-Age clients, Dept. of Public Welfare, Corinth, Mississippi, summers 1940 and 1941, \$900; Director of boys' camp, Y.M.C.A., Vicksburg, Mississippi, summer, 1942, \$1500.

Accomplishments Phi Theta Kappa (junior college equivalent to Phi Beta Kappa)
Gold Triangle (for distinguished work in the Y.M.C.A.)
Three-act Play, "The Sign of the Heart" won third place in the Mid-South Play Contest for 1946. (Chairman of judges, John Mason Brown)

Publications: "Peach Blossoms" - poem - Kaleidograph, August 1944
"The Beaches" - poem - Driftwood, March 1945
"Broken Sleep" - poem - " August 1945

Scholarships: YMCA Scholarship, Mississippi State College, 1941-42, \$30. per month.
Fellowship, instructor in trigonometry, Mississippi State College,

References 1942-43, \$30. per month.

Hudson Strode, University of Alabama
Edward Kimbrough, " " "
Brooks Forehand, University of Alabama
Herbert Drennon, Mississippi State College
Robert Gibbons, Novelist, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Sent to Committee



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Budget Summary	
Total Amount Needed	\$2325
From Applicant	825
From Fund	\$1500
AMOUNT GRANTED	
\$1500	