

Name James Myers Thompson

Field: Creative Writing

Free lance writer
1640 Westwood Boulevard
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Plan of Work

To obtain, by interviews, first-person histories of workers in every branch of coal mining in Oklahoma, so arranged and edited as to give a complete picture of the industry, from its earliest beginnings in the State to the present.

Seeks no degree. Probable duration of study one year, beginning as soon as possible.

Personal Data Born Anadarko, Oklahoma, September, 1906.
Married, three children.

Age: 33

Undergraduate Work University of Nebraska, three quarters.

Graduate Work

Experience Writer, Federal Writers Project, Oklahoma, May-Sept., 1936, \$900; editor, same, Sept. 1936 - Nov., 1937, \$1500; state editor, same, Nov. 1937 - April, 1938, \$1800; director, same, 1938 - Sept., 1939, \$2300; project closed at the end of 1939; now free lance writer.

Accomplishments

Publications: Viking Press bought first and only novel but has not published it. Stories and articles in following magazines: True Detective Mysteries, Famous Detective Cases, Startling Detective, Daring Detective, Dynamic Detective, Master Detective, Real Detective, Texas Monthly, Prairie Schooner, Distributor and Dispenser, Office Economist, Monumental World, Nebraska Farmer, etc.

References

B. A. Botkin, Folklore Editor, WPA Writers Project, Washington, D. C.
David Zablodowsky, Editor, Viking Press, New York City
Jim Hughes, Assistant Commissioner of Labor, Oklahoma City
W. A. Pat Murphy, Commissioner of Labor, Oklahoma City
W. T. Couch, Director, University of North Carolina Press

wrote for novel criticism 3/4 *rec'd 3/8*

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1550.00
From Applicant	---
From Fund	\$1550.00

AMOUNT GRANTED

Plan of Work
Transcripts

Photograph
Exhibit Material

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