

SIMEON SAUNDERS BOOKER, JR.

Newspaper reporter, Afro-American Papers, Baltimore  
1619 Druid Hill Avenue, Baltimore 17, Maryland

Creative Writing

*In suspicious of formal courses in  
 creative writing  
 Not at all good marks in college  
 Very mild comment by everybody*

Name Simeon Saunders Booker, Jr. Field: Creative Writing

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Plan of Work

To take graduate training in creative writing preparatory to publication of poetry in book form and fiction and non-fiction in national magazines and papers.

Requests grant for one year beginning September, 1944. Will work toward M.A. at Columbia University under Professor Donald Clark. Seeks training for independent career in professional writing.

Personal Data Born Baltimore, Maryland, August, 1918.  
Single.

Age: 26  
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Undergraduate Work Youngstown College, 1937-39.  
Virginia Union University, B.A., 1942.

Graduate Work

Experience Reporter, Afro-American Papers, 628 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Maryland, June-September, 1942, \$900; inspector, Bartlett-Haywood, Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, 1942-43, \$2000; supervisor, Crown Cork & Seal Co., Eastern Avenue, Baltimore, March-July, 1943, \$2000; reporter, Afro-American Papers, 628 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore, 1943- , \$1440.

Accomplishments National Writers Club.  
Publicity director at Virginia Union University.  
Unpublished short stories and poems.  
Publications: Poetry (Horizon House: Muse of 1942; America Speaks).  
Poems in Crisis, NYPS, and Opportunity.  
Short stories in Pittsburgh Courier, ANP, Afro-American.

References  
Langston Hughes, writer, New York City  
George Schuyler, writer, Pittsburgh  
A. P. Davis, Virginia Union University  
Claude Barnett, Associated Negro Press, Chicago  
Carl Murphy, Afro-American Newspapers, Baltimore  
Frank Imandt, literary agent, New York City

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed \$1,550  
From Applicant -  
From Fund \$1,550

Sent to Committee

AMOUNT GRANTED

