

1948

Name: Sophia Phillips Nelson

Negro

Language and Literature

Position: Assistant Professor of English,  
West Virginia State College

College: University of Pittsburgh, B. A., 1938 (with honor)  
Atlanta University, M.A., 1940  
University of Pittsburgh, 1945-47

Plan of work: to make an analytical survey of those publications and dissertations of 1936 to 1948 which deal (wholly or in significant part) with Shelley. Grant for a 12-month period beginning September 1, 1948 to continue studies at University of Pittsburgh.

Action of Committee: Granted \$1800

## SOPHIA PHILLIPS NELSON

Assistant Professor of English  
West Virginia State College  
Institute, West Virginia

Language and Literature

think  
Jones F. Pillsbury is all out for her  
graduate  
'most talented + promising student now  
working in English at Pitt  
He fills 2 pages with almost fulsome  
praise.  
Other (less scholarly) testimony also  
high.

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 Assistant Professor of English, West Virginia State College  
 Institute, West Virginia

Plan of Work To make an analytical survey of those publications and dissertations of 1936 to 1948 which deal (wholly or in significant part) with Shelley.  
 Requests grant for one year beginning September 1948. Wishes to work toward the Doctor of Philosophy degree in English at the University of Pittsburgh under the supervision of Dr. W. George Crouch.

Personal Data Born Lowndes County, Alabama, January 1918 Age: 30  
 Single Draft Status:

Undergraduate Work University of Pittsburgh, B.A., 1938 (with honor)

Graduate Work Atlanta University, M.A., 1940  
 University of Pittsburgh, 1945-47

Special Study American Friends Service Committee Seminar in International Relations, June-August, 1944.

Experience Recreational leader, Pittsburgh Bureau of Recreation, 1938, @105 per mo.; junior visitor, Pennsylvania Dept. of Public Assistance, Pittsburgh, 1939, \$1140; teacher, B. T. Washington High School, Atlanta, Ga., 1940-41, \$800; teacher, St. Phillip's Jr. College, San Antonio, Tex., 1941-42, \$945; teacher, Livingstone College, Salisbury, N.C., 1942-45, \$1125-\$1620-\$1800; teacher, Ft. Valley State College, Ga., 1945, \$325 for 10 weeks; part-time program worker, Scho Community House Pittsburgh, 1947, \$1020.

Accomplishments Investigated the treatment of the Negro in Georgia fiction from 1920 to 1940 and submitted a thesis on that subject in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Master of Arts degree at Atlanta University.

Scholarships Penn. State Scholarship, \$1000, Univ. of Pittsburgh, 1934-38; Atlanta University Scholarship, \$194, 1938-39; Graduate Council of Univ. of Pittsburgh granted a \$90 tuition scholarship during school year 1946-47.

References  
 Harrison H. Ferrell, West Virginia State College  
 Frederick D. Drew, Livingstone College  
 Putnam Fennell Jones, University of Pittsburgh  
 Nathaniel P. Tillman, Atlanta University

## Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$2812
From Applicant	312
From Fund	<u>\$2500</u>

Sent to Committee

AMOUNT GRANTED 1800