

KENNETH BROWN BILLUPS

Supervisor, Music Department, Douglass High School
Webster Groves, Missouri

Music - education

I heard Billups conduct his
interracial choir in St. Louis,
I thought it was terrible!
Project is not wise, in creative sense
Scope & I think non-productive

1946 LM

Name Kenneth Brown Billups **Field:** Music - Education
Supervisor, Music Department, Douglass High School, Webster Groves, Missouri;
4931 Fountain Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Plan of Work To prepare study courses on Negro music, suitable for inclusion in school curriculums; and to organize interracial choirs.

Requests grant for one year beginning June, 1946. Seeks position in an accredited white or Negro college interested in placing such a course of study in its curriculum for teachers. Wishes to attend Northwestern University under the supervision of George Howerton, Anne Pierce, and John W. Beattie.

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Personal Data Born St. Louis, Missouri, April, 1918. **Age:** 28
Married, two dependents. **Draft Status:** 4F

Undergraduate Work Stowe Junior College, St. Louis, 1935-36.
Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri, 1937-40, A.B.

Graduate Work Northwestern University, Summers, 1943-44-45.

Experience Student instructor high school music, Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri, 1940, NYA Project; Supervisor of Music, NYA., St. Louis, Missouri, 1940-42, \$1800; Supervisor of Music, Douglass High School, Webster Groves, Missouri, 1942- , \$2050; Director of Vocal Music, Homer Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri, 1942- , \$260; Minister of Music, Antioch Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri, 1943-45, \$300; Director, Legend Singers, organized 1940, and Cosmopolitan Choir, organized 1944.

Accomplishments Lambda Epsilon Mu, honorary Muscial Society; Vice-President, St. Louis Branch of National Association of Negro Musicians.

See Committee Folder for creative work and publications.

Scholarships Lincoln University, NYA student assistant, 1938-40.

References

Jack Sexton, Program Director, Station KMOX, St. Louis, Missouri
George Howerton, Northwestern University
Clarence H. Wilson, National Assn. of Negro Musicians, St. Louis
O. O. Morris, YMCA, Chicago
Herman Dreer, Stowe College, St. Louis

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed \$2,320
From Applicant 320
From Fund \$2,000

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee

