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JAY SAUNDERS REDDING

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Head, Department of English
State Teachers College
Elizabeth City, N. C.

English & American Literature

This is the author of 'To Make a
Poet Black' a successful recent
book. Couch speaks very highly
of Redding. Any grant in such
a case would be highly speculative.
But this man has a good
project and good behind him
& ability to do this kind of thing

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(Maybe X mental  present book
has been appraised by impartial witnesses
UNIVERSITY

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English Language and Literature

I rated this man A two years ago when he wanted to go on in creative writing.

"To Make a Poet Black" did not have great success.

I don't see that grubbing for a doctorate in ancient English will be more than a doctorate

and we have only Hastings & Brown for scholarly testimony and he certainly doesn't go all out

Name Jay Saunders Redding **Field:** English
Language and Literature
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Plan of Work

To do graduate work for the doctorate in English literature, specifically in sixteenth and seventeenth century dramatic literature.

Wishes to work at University of Pennsylvania under Professors Black and Shaaber; has been admitted. Probable duration of work fifteen months, beginning September 1942.

Applied 1940.

Personal Data Born Wilmington, Delaware, October 1906. Married, one child. **Age:** 35

Undergraduate Work Brown University, Ph.B., 1928.

Graduate Work Brown University, M.A., 1932. 1932-33.
Columbia University, 1933-34.

Experience Instructor, Morehouse College, 1928-31, \$1400; instructor, Louisville Municipal College, 1934-36, \$1700; head, English Department, Southern University, 1936-38, \$1500; head, English Department, State Teachers College (Elizabeth City, North Carolina), 1938 -, \$1800.

Accomplishments Case studies of Negroes in the South for the University of North Carolina.

Publications: To Make a Poet Black, University of North Carolina Press, 1939.
"First Appendix", the Carolina Review, May 1939.
The Bed of the River (in progress).

Fellowships: Undergraduate tuition scholarships, 1927-28, \$400.
Assisting fellowship, Brown University, 1932-33, \$500. Special fellowship (Rockefeller Foundation) from University of North Carolina, 1940-41, \$1400.

References

Mr. Harold L. Trigg, President, State Teachers College, N. C.
Mr. N. C. Newbold, Director, Division of Negro Education, Raleigh.
Mr. W. T. Couch, Director, University of N. C. Press.
Mr. William G. Hastings, professor of English, Brown University.
Mr. Henry S. Wilson, Louisville Municipal College.

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$2,296.
From Applicant	250.
From Fund	\$2,046.

Sent to Committee

