

Name **Robert Bruce Kennon**

1946

Negro   
White Southerner

Position **Carpenter, AF of L**

Special Field **Economics**  
Group

College **San Francisco Jr. College, 1937-38**  
**University of California, A.B., 1944**  
University **University of California, M.A., 1945**

Plan of Work:

To make a field trip to Ethiopia and London for the purpose of gathering information to expand on M. A. thesis into a book on economic development of Ethiopia . *London School of Economics*

Action of Fellowship Committee:

Granted \$2500  
Extension \$1000

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## ROBERT BRUCE KENNON

Carpenter, AF of L  
Berkeley, California

## Economics

Quite excellent project: study of  
economics and "modernizing" of  
Ethiopia there and at London  
Excellent, careful references

A young man of good background  
Has practical experience and  
a good M A  
A gentle - but probably a good one

1946 MM

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Requests grant for seven months beginning March, 1946. Wishes to work toward Ph.D. at the London School of Economics and Political Science.

*Must put in full year & go to London first - Get names of people who have been to Ethiopia - ?*

**Personal Data** Born Flatonia, Texas, January, 1920. **Age:** 26  
Single, one partial dependent. **Draft Status:** 4F

**Undergraduate Work** San Francisco Junior College, Junior Certificate, 1937-38.  
University of California, A.B., 1944.

**Graduate Work** University of California, M.A., 1945.

**Experience** Carpenter, 1940-45, \$2,000 per year.

*Weaver - B+. (should go to Lond. School before teaching Ethiopia)*

**Accomplishments** Master's thesis: A Population and Resource Survey and Suggestions of Projects for Economic Development of Ethiopia. Chosen in June, 1945, by Chairman, Economics and Political Science Department, University of California, as student most suited to escort Emmanuel Abraham, Emperor Haile Selassie's Secretary and Director of Education of Ethiopia, in a tour of the Berkeley School System.

**Research:** Graduate study at University of California, "The Influence of Emperor Haile Selassie on Contemporary Political Thought"; Research assistant to Dr. J. Condliffe, University of California, in "A Survey of the Trading and Commercial Relations of Ethiopia from Antiquity to the Moslem Invasions".

**References**

John B. Condliffe, University of California  
Emmanuel Abraham, Director of Education of Ethiopia  
Frank Russel, University of California  
Melvin Knight, University of California  
Alexander Gerschenkren, Washington, D. C.

**Budget Summary**

Total Amount Needed \$2,500  
From Applicant 500  
From Fund \$2,000

**AMOUNT GRANTED**

Sent to Committee

*Grant \$2500*  
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