

## JOHN HENRY HUDSON JONES

Clerk, in charge of mailing supplies and  
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## Criticism

Has had only 3 years of college  
and pretty rotten record for  
these years - at Lehigh

This business of criticism of  
other peoples writing seems to  
me not very constructive - esp  
if he tries to weave economic  
theory into his literary judgments

In spite of Beery Baldwin's stray  
words, he's at the bottom for me

Name John Henry Hudson Jones Field: Criticism

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Plan of Work

To do a critical analysis of seven recent and contemporary Negro writers with introductory and concluding critical essays. The writers are Charles W. Chesnutt, Paul Laurence Dunbar, James Weldon Johnson, Claude McKay, Sterling A. Brown, Langston Hughes, Richard Wright.

Requests grant for one year beginning May, 1945.

Personal Data Born Little Rock, Arkansas, January, 1918.  
Married.

Age: 27  
Draft Status: 4F

Undergraduate Work LeMoyne College, 1935-38.

Graduate Work

Experience Odd jobs, 1940-43; pickup man, Central Blending and Dyeing Company, Fur Dyers, 252 West 29th Street, New York City, 1943, \$2500; clerk, CIO PAC, 205 East 42nd Street, New York City, 1944- , \$2340.

Accomplishments Has made complete study of "Negro Writing Since 1918" and a study of trade union cultural activity since 1935, in preparation for a treatise on the subject.

Publications: "A Negro Paints the Migration," March, 1942, Preface (article a critique of Jacob Lawrence's painting); "Poetry Versus Facts," November 3, 1942, New Masses; "Along the New York Labor Front," May 27, 1944 and June 3, 10, 17, 1944, Pittsburgh Courier; "Still the Ivory Tower," July 18, 1944, New Masses.

References

- Alain Locke, Howard University
- Joseph Gaer, CIO PAC, New York City
- Dwight J. Bradley, " " " "
- Clark Foreman, " " " "
- James A. Dombrowski, Nashville
- C. B. Baldwin, New York City
- J. Raymond Walsh, " "

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1,600
From Applicant	100
From Fund	\$1,500

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee

