

1943

Name Gibbons, Robert Faucett (1915) Negro   
White Southerner

Position Part-time instructor in English  
Holder of Knopf Fellowship, Univ. of Alabama

College Alabama Polytechnic Institute, B. S., 1939;

University University of Alabama, 1933-36, 1940-43

Plan of Work: *w*

To write a novel dealing with race relations in the South.

Action of Fellowship Committee:

Granted \$1,500



U. S. D. A., A. A. A., 1934-41  
University of Alabama, part-time instructor, 1942.

Has held various teaching fellowships. Alfred A. Knopf fiction fellowship, 1942-43.

Short stories in New Republic, THE BEST AMERICAN SHORT STORIES OF 1942; Atlantic Monthly, Esquire, Mademoiselle.

Served with Navy.

Free lance writing (1946) in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Novel, Bright As the Morning, Knopf, 1943, awarded an Alfred A. Knopf Fellowship in fiction.

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University, Alabama

## Writing

Top candidate - right age - good, honest,  
clear, convincing statement.

[Note: here is a man thinking in our  
field of the psychology of social  
relationships. Would it be good to  
give him some fresh air outside  
the South, maybe to expose him to  
some modern psychology? Or  
would that ruin an otherwise  
good intuitive interpreter?]

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*Creative*

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Field: Writing

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Plan of Work

To write a novel concerning a white man's inability to cut through the bonds of one of the firmest traditions operating in the South - the relationship between the white man and the Negro.

Wishes to begin work May, 1943 for the period of one year, work to be written at home.

Applied in 1940

Personal Data Born Tuscaloosa, Alabama, May, 1915.  
Married. One child.

Age 28  
Draft: 3A

Undergraduate Work Alabama Polytechnic Institute, B. S., 1939

Graduate Work University of Alabama, 1933-36; 1941-42

Experience Various positions from 1934 to 1941 with the United States Department of Agriculture, AAA, in Alabama, \$900-\$1800; Part-time instructor, University of Alabama, 1942- , \$400.

Accomplishments Publications: "A Loaf of Bread", New Republic, December, 1941 (included in The Best American Short Stories of 1942, edited by Martha Foley, published by Houghton); "Time's End", Atlantic Monthly, January, 1942; "The Poor Rich Uncle", Esquire, December, 1942; A fourth story is scheduled for publication in an early issue of Mademoiselle.

Alfred A. Knopf Fiction Fellowship, 1942, \$100 per month.

References

Mr. Hudson Strode, University of Alabama  
Mr. George K. Smart, University of Alabama  
Mr. Diarmuid Russell, Literary Agent, New York City

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1800
From Applicant	300
From Fund	\$1500

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee

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