

Name Kniffen, Fred B. (M) (1900) Negro
 White Southerner
 ANTHROPOLOGY
 Position Associate Professor of cultural geography & anthropology Group Special Field (Cultural Geography)
 Louisiana State University.
 College Superior Teachers College, Wisconsin, 1917-18, 1919-20; University of Michigan, A. B., 1922, with high distinction.
 University University of California, Ph. D., 1929; Southwest Laboratory of Anthropology, 1929.
 Plan of Work: *Europe*

To spend period from June, 1938, to August, 1939, in Europe: (1) to consult with geographers in the universities of England, France, and Germany concerning current European thought and method in the field of cultural geography; and (2) to make field investigations in France and England.

Action of Fellowship Committee:

Granted \$1,500.



University fellow in geography, University of California, field work in Mexico; scholar, Southwest Laboratory of Anthropology, Santa Fe, summer of 1929. Member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi.

Assistant at University of Michigan, 1920-22; assistant professor at Louisiana State University, 1929-31, associate professor 1931-.

After some travel in Germany, Italy, Switzerland, settled to work in Munich. Travelled also in Norway, Finland, Lapland. Returned to U. S. September, 1939.

Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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CAREER SINCE TENURE OF FELLOWSHIP

Returned to Louisiana State University. Has had increase in salary, and a promise of professorship. 9/25/39

Still associate professor of geography and anthropology at Louisiana State University, and is now head of Department of Anthropology. Status remains same owing to no changes in rank during reorganization at the University. 9/25/40

1944: Professor of Anthropology and Geography, and Head of the Department of Anthropology at Louisiana State University. Continued research and publication in the field of geography of the South.



award

FRED BOWERMAN KNIFFEN (38)
Louisiana State Univ. Baton Rouge
Asso. Prof. Cultural Geography & Anthropology

Cultural Geography

Excellent record

Strong letters, especially from
Sauer of California

A bit over age - but an
unusually interesting candidate

Neither born nor educated in the South.
But his studies relate to Southern
peoples and he declares his
firm intention of making his career
in the South

born in Michigan
wife & 1 son

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Candidate Fred Bowersman Kniffen

Special Field Cultural Geography

Associate Professor, Cultural Geography & Anthropology Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Plan of Work

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Can return to present position.

Digest of Application

Born January, 1900, Britton, Michigan. Married, two children.

A. B. with high distinction from University of Michigan, 1922. Ph.D. from University of California, 1929. Attended Southwest Laboratory of Anthropology, 1929. Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi.

Assistant Professor and Associate Professor, Louisiana State University, 1929-31, 1931- , \$2500-\$3800.

Investigations in physical geography in Mexico and Louisiana; studies in the geography of various Indian tribes; intensive investigation of the cultural landscape of the South, with particular emphasis on Louisiana.

University Fellow in Geography, University of California, 1927-28, field work in Mexico, \$750. Scholar, Southwest Laboratory of Anthropology, Santa Fe, New Mexico, summer, 1929, expenses only.

See attached sheet for Publications

References

- Dr. C. O. Sauer, Prof. Geography, University of California *excellent*
- Dr. Derwent Whittlesey, Prof. Geography, Harvard University *very good*
- Dr. John E. Pomfret, Social Science Research Council, New York City *good*

Budget Summary

Total amount needed	\$4000
From applicant	<u>\$2500</u>
From Fund	\$1500
Granted	<i>\$1500</i>

Committee Notes

OK

Documents submitted

- Photograph x
- Exhibit material
- Transcripts x
- University of Michigan
- University of California

Plan of work x

Digest

complete

Sent to Committee

Documents returned



FRED B. KNIFFEN

Will sail from New Orleans June 30. Requested first payment of \$500 from his \$1500 grant. 6/16/38

8/20/38 Sankt-Goar-am-Rhine. Waiting until vacation period is over in order to consult various people whom he wishes to see. Attended part of Geographical Congress in Amsterdam. Went to Copenhagen for Anthropological Congress. Plans to spend better part of next summer in Scandinavia. At present address is Holland-American Line, Rotterdam, Holland.

Kniffen, [Fred Bowerman]

PUBLICATIONS

Achomawi Geography: Calif. Univ. Pub. Arch. Eth., vol. 23, no. 5 pp. 297-332, 1928

Lower California Studies, III; the primitive cultural landscape of the Colorado delta: Univ. Calif. Pub. Geog., vol. 5, pp. 43-66, 1931

Lower California Studies, IV; the natural landscape of the Colorado delta: Univ. Calif. Pub. Geo., S. vol. 5, pp. 143-244, 1932

***** and Howe, H.V., Physiographic history of Bayou Manchac, Louisiana (abstract): Bull., Geol. Soc. America, vol. 43, p. 247, 1932

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Bayou Manchac: A physiographic interpretation: Geog. Rev., vol. 25, pp 462-466, 1935

The historic Indian tribes of Louisiana: La. Cons. Rev., pp. 5-12, July, 1935

Walapai ethnography: Amer. Anthro. Assoc., Memoir 43, 1935.

Neglected chapters in Southwestern history (a review): Southwest Review, vol. XX, pp. 3-10, 1934

Pomo geography: Calif. Univ. Pub. Arch. Eth., (in press)

Caribbean Holiday: Lykes Fleet Flashes, vol. 11, 1934

An approach to culturogeographic regions (abstract): Annals, Assoc. Amer. Geog., vol. XXVI, pp. 67-68, 1936

Preliminary report on the mounds and middens of Plaquemine and St. Bernard parishes: L. Dept. Cons. Geol. Bull. 8, pp. 407-422, 1936.

Mounds of Iberville parish: La. Dept. Cons. Geol. Bull. 10 (will go to press about March 1, 1938)

Louisiana house types: Annals, Assoc. Amer. Geog., vol. 26, pp. 173-193, 1936.

The lower Mississippi valley: a round table on cultural geography: Annals, Assoc. Amer. Geog., vol. XXVII, pp. 162-167, 1937

Rural settlement patterns in Louisiana: in manuscript; solicited for publication in the Annals of the Assoc. Amer. Geog.

Notes on the genetic relations of certain Louisiana house types: in manuscript; solicited for publication in the Annals, Assoc. Amer. Geog.

