

JULIUS ROSENWALD FUND FELLOWSHIP AWARDS (1939)

Lists

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Negroes

White Southerners

✓ Fred W. Alsup (R)	\$ 1,000 ✓
✓ Fannin S. Belcher, Jr. (R)	1,500 ✓
✓ L. Howard Bennett	1,500 ✓
✓ Alfred R. Brooks ✓	1,000 ✓
✗ Anna M. Cooke (R)	1,500 ✓
✗ Allison Davis ✓	2,400 ✓
✗ Alonzo J. Davis	1,200 ✓
✗ John A. Davis (R)	1,800 ✓
✗ William H. Dean, Jr. (R)	2,500 ✓
✗ John Hope Franklin (E)	300 ✓
✗ Shirley Graham (R)	2,000 ✓
✗ Leila S. Green (R)	1,000 ✓
✗ Abram L. Harris ✓	2,000 ✓
✗ Edwin B. Jourdain, Jr.	1,600 ✓
✗ Melvin D. Kennedy (E)	450 ✓
✗ Clinton E. Knox (E)	350 ✓
✗ Charles R. Lawrence, Jr.	1,500 ✓
✗ Hylan Lewis	1,500 ✓
✗ Birtill A. Lloyd (R)	1,000 ✓
✗ James E. LuValle (R)	1,500 ✓
✗ George F. McCray ✓	1,500 ✓
✗ Robert E. Martin	1,000 ✓
✗ Edward Nelson Palmer	1,500 ✓
✗ Youra T. Qualls ✓	1,000 ✓
✗ Lawrence D. Reddick	1,800 ✓
✗ Jacob L. Reddix ✓	2,000 ✓
✗ Ruth M. Smith (R)	1,000 ✓
✗ Hugh H. Smythe ✓	1,200 ✓
✗ William Grant Still ✓	2,000 ✓
✗ Merze Tate	1,800 ✓
✗ Myron B. Towns (R)	1,400 ✓
✗ Albert L. Turner	1,800 ✓
✗ Lorenzo D. Turner ✓	3,100 ✓
✗ Bonita H. Valien	1,000 ✓
✗ Preston Valien	1,000 ✓

✗ Chess Abernathy, Jr.	\$ 2,500 ✓
✓ Marcus Bartlett	1,100 ✓
✓ John D. Black (R)	1,600 ✓
✓ Herschel Brickell	2,000 ✓
✗ Albert E. Carter	1,000 ✓
✗ Robert C. Cotner	1,000 ✓
✗ Donald Day	1,800 ✓
✗ Edward Dreyer	1,500 ✓
✗ James E. Fleming	1,000 ✓
✗ Byron Hill	1,500 ✓
✗ Robert M. Hodges	1,500 ✓
✗ Jeter Allen Isely	1,000 ✓
✗ May Justus	1,500 ✓
✗ John W. Kendrick	1,000 ✓
✗ John N. Lyle	2,000 ✓
✗ Puryear Mims	1,500 ✓
✗ W. C. Newman	1,800 ✓
✗ Walter E. Sewell	2,000 ✓
✗ Charles E. Shannon (R)	1,200 ✓
✗ Lillian E. Smith	1,000 ✓
✗ T. Lynn Smith	600 ✓
✗ Paula Snelling	1,000 ✓
✗ Shelby E. Southard	1,000 ✓
✗ Dorothy Hope Tisdale	1,500 ✓
✗ Melvin E. Thompson	2,000 ✓
✗ Dan Rutledge Vining	1,800 ✓
✗ Richard E. Yates	1,500 ✓

\$ 38,900

\$ 50,700

35  
*Swanson*

1,500  
5 2,200  
5 1,100

APPROVED

*Raymond P. Patz*

DATE

*May 27, 1939*

*Swanson added later -*



## WHITE CANDIDATES

- Chess Abernathy Moe: Top in the journalist group. Let him get background at University of Chicago or with Tannenbaum. Don't go to South America at all now, or have six months here and then six months in S. A. Could have six or 8 months between the two parts of the fellowship. Granted \$2,500.
- Marcus Bartlett Everybody for. GMR says time is too short to do what he outlines, and NBC people doubtful of value of six months in Europe. RP and Moe suggest his getting conferences with outstanding men in radio companies here. Granted \$1,100.
- Albert E. Carter RP says a good writer and a practical man. ERE says formal record not so good, and it is necessary to have evidence of good ability, not only facile writing. Out unless GMR or RP can pick up something that would strengthen his case before the next meeting.
- Harold Brown Clark Interested in him as a good prospect. WWA says he will give him a job on his return from Denmark.
- Robert T. Cole Yes, unless SSRC takes him.
- Margaret L. Cuninggim WWA for strongly, though remainder of committee not much interested. Not TC, however. RP or GMR to see before next meeting. \$1000
- Austin F. Dean RP says versatile writer. Distinguished himself in political questions. Out, however, unless he can be made a case for before next meeting.
- Edward P. Dreyer Top on Moe and ERE. Granted \$1,500
- Mack M. Goss Moe suggests some one should get acquainted with him. GMR to do so on trip south.
- R. R. Hardin Deferred. Moe says a good case. CSJ suggests his going to Palestine. GMR to see him on trip south.
- Byron Hill Granted \$1,500, but get Harvard law record.
- R. M. Hodges This man's proposal good, says Moe, if he will work under someone. Suggests Vance. GMR to talk with Hodges 1570
- August Hollingshead Johnson interested
- Douglas L. Hunt RP says no.
- Jeter Isley Moe's top list. Granted \$1,000.
- May Justus Practically no discussion. Granted \$1,000
- John Kendrick No discussion. Granted \$750.
- Clarence P. Lee Deferred until Moe reports. He will get ms. from Houghton Mifflin, read, and ask Brickel to do so.

John N. Lyle Moe brought up, on top list. Practically no discussion. Granted \$2,000.

Richebourg McWilliams Deferred. RP says he hasn't had time to write. Says he is an able scholar, and seems to have exceptional ability. Moe says a man who is 37 and who has written only one story is not very high. Hillyer is an academic writer. Prestige lies in the fact of his association with Harvard. Suggests we get Whit Burnett's opinion (Story Magazine).

W. P. Mauldin Discussed a little. Say to let him see what he can do with a year out of school.

Horace Miner Decided not eligible for Fund fellowship. Rather Guggenheim or SSRC.

Charles Morgan Decided that this amounts to our subsidizing a magazine. Not a fellowship case.

Stacy Randle McLean grades A. Moe questions, says why shouldn't he demonstrate he can keep a job? Moe talked with Dean Fred at University of Wisconsin, who says Randle is just a good average fellow.

Thomas Roy Reid CSJ and WWA say he is going places. One of ablest youngsters in the South. Have TMR talk with him and work out plan, as Committee thinks school of journalism not the best attack for him right now.

Walter E. Sewell Moe says a very good person, in field which is causing considerable discussion. If he'd take Hogben's Mathematics for the Millions and adapt it to high school and college use he would be doing a real service. Send him to talk to E. B. Wilson. This man should have his chance.

Vincent Shea Wilson Gee no good as a reference!

Joseph C. Sitterson Moe says at his age and stage of academic life he should define his research problem. Not this vague job.

Shelby Southard Good boy, says Moe. He read his thesis. Owsley has very high opinion of him.

Hudson Strode RP impressed by him personally. ERE unimpressed by his books. Moe says Guggenheim people turned him down, but that Brickell thinks he's better than Moe does.

M. E. Thompson ERE says good record and an important person in education in Georgia. RP says he is going places. May be the next superintendent of Education. Is worth putting on in that case.

Hope Tisdale. Nobody strong for, in spite of Odum's recommendation. Question raised as to whether or not this is only an assistantship for Odum. What will she do on finishing study? Write Odum further.

Richard Whitten Sounds interesting, says Moe. Not ready for action. Have CSJ read theoretical articles and ask Abram Harris if he will keep in touch with, and about his standing. Deferred.

Richard E. Yates CS J says project is good. ERE for. Granted \$1,500.

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NEGRO CANDIDATES

- Alexander Allen CSJ:has switched fields. Out of stream of sociologists. Yale not suited for Negro sociology.
- Dr. Calvin Baber CSJ. This man in Green County, Georgia. He won't stand in top group, he writes poorly, but he has a place in the community. If he goes anywhere he should go to Meharry. This institution is actually revolutionized in many respects and three months there would be a great help.
- WWA. There is a cooperative medical society in the county in which the federal government is interested. Baber has been taken in as a staff member of this group.
- ERE. This case should be considered more on rural health aspects than a fellowship. Discuss with Dr. Bousfield.
- Lowell H. Bennett CSJ. Bennett has planned his work. He has worked three years and has part of his law money. Has had gracious reception everywhere. There may be no openings in the field now, but something opens every year to Negroes and all too often no Negro is ready. *Granted 1500*
- Moe. Should go to Litauer School at Harvard? Could work in law school and in school of public administration. Write him to see me when he is in New York. *✓ Granted \$1500. 3/28*
- Marita Bonner CSJ brought up. Committee not interested in fellowship. Think she can write if she will.
- Alfred Russell Brooks Granted \$1,000 with practically no discussion.
- ✓ Ben F. Carruthers Not much evidence of great ability here. GEB may take. Out unless letter from John Van Horne of University of Illinois ranks him tops. Write Van Horne. ✓
- ✓ Grace Worth Carry CSJ. Important field (Latin). Very good mind, says Mr. Moe. I think she deserves help. Deferred.
- ✓ Margaret Carter Deferred. Take up with Bousfield.
- ✓ Alice E. Catlett Get photographs for Art Jury. Wired March 28.
- Marcus Christian Moe says probably nothing we can do for him at his age.
- ✓ Samuel A. Countee Send work to Art Jury, after getting word from Edgell that stuff is good. Wrote Edgell 3/28 *ok wired 3/29*
- Alonzo J. Davis Granted \$1,000. without much discussion, on basis of personality difficulty which held up decision last year having been removed.
- W. Allison Davis Granted \$2500. Should this not be adjusted on basis of his brother's betting only \$1,500, and married also?
- Frank A. DeCosta CSJ. Bluebod - free Negro family, in rather blueblood school. DeCosta doesn't see problem.

\$1,000?

- ✓ Theodis F. Donald Granted junior fellowship of \$750. CSJ and ERE question whether or not a good man in education might not be spoiled at Cornell? Interesting fellow. Think best plan would be to give him a junior fellowship and let him assist Bond. Decided to grant and work out plans later. CSJ to do this?
- ✓ Katherine Dunham Maybe? See how grants come out (though ERE has on award list.) Moe says he doesn't see she makes a case. Asked GMR to get Herskovits opinion on possibilities of permanent value from such an excursion. CSJ says has done competent work in Haiti. *rec'd 4/3*
- ✓ Frankie M. Dwigins Junior of \$750 granted. Committee not strong for, but CSJ says unusual student. Would like to see her get a junior grant and get assistance from Edwards at New York University i.e., advice. CSJ to advise with her.
- ✓ Elton C. Fax Have jury see work. Wired 3/28
- nb* George James Fleming Out at meeting. In further talk with ERE possibility of getting him up again.
- T.T.F. Fletcher Moe thought interesting. CSJ says hasn't done much writing lately. Wistfully wanting to write. Out.
- Abram L. Harris Granted \$2,000. Concensus that he is tops. Plan was discussed from standpoint of his doing some part time teaching, but there was no word particularly against this.
- Sandy Himes CSJ knows him. Brilliant fellow. Gets around without attracting attention. Has developed every supplementary sense. This project is not so good, but there should be a good one for him. Berdahl read his thesis and said it was one of best he'd seen. Decided that his was an appealing case, but would not be good investment.
- James Price Johnson Turned down by Guggenheim Committee this year, and his stuff was carefully gone over, too.
- ✓ Lawrence Arthur Jones Send to art jury. Sent by express March 29
- Edwin Jourdain Good man, says CSJ. Project? *GMR had conference*
- ✓ Clarence LaGrone Send to art jury. Photographs mailed March 28
- ✓ Charles R. Lawrence Project seems impossible. If Lawrence could get benefit of Guy Johnson's experience with Indian group it would benefit him. DuBois' testimony outstanding. Moe says why take a sure thing? To be brought up at next meeting, after CSJ gets new material on him.
- Hylan G. Lewis Granted \$1500, with little discussion
- ✓ George F. McCray See Cayton about him. Have ERE and GMR interview him before next meeting.



Robert E. Martin Granted \$1000, place to be determined. Griffith is good reference at American University. Write Bunche or Harris asking why this man wants to go to Harvard? ✓ *see from Bunche*

✓ James E. Miller Deferred. Fraser good reference. Moe will get further word from him.

Earl R. Moses Out. CSJ says study all right. Organization could be better. Does not rank top flight. WWA says same class as Posey. Fair fellow for lift to Morgan College.

✓ Edward Nelson Palmer Granted \$1500.

Harry L. Pettrie Out. Muddy plan. CSJ says any insurance company should allow an employee to do this study.

Youra Thelma Qualls Granted \$1,000. CSJ says has made one of best records at Fisk. In 10 years, the best. Ask Radcliffe to remit fees.

Lawrence D. Reddick Granted \$1,800. Foregone conclusion he won't go back to Dillard. Has tremendous amount of material which should be worked on. ERE - an unusually fine scholar under adverse position at Dillard. (MLU this boy wants photorecord)

Jacob L. Reddix Granted \$2,000. WWA CSJ AND RP strongly for. CSJ says AMA wants him to take school at Limestone County, GA. to work out experimental program. Will additional training do much good? ERE and HAM say it would be valuable to work here because of being with Douglas, if he is not too busy with politics to direct his work. Why not propose six months of job and work. Nova Scotia and Douglas. WWA - why not make him manager of one of the Negro farm communities with cooperative plan. GMR to tell him not to be hasty in taking school job.

✓ Helen L. Rhetta Deferred. See MOB HAM says not a good fellowship case. ERE - a woman is necessarily at a disadvantage in such a department. CSJ says posts are more open to women than to men. Gould of NTA meets strong resistance to men but when women are suggested way is easier.

Harry W. Roberts Look up further. Write Laski to see if he remembers him.

Hugh H. Smythe Junior, deferred. CSJ - curious person. So rapid in mental operations that he elides. Facile but don't know yet how substantial. We are of opinion he is good, but not so good as the Valiens. He probably should spend year at Chicago. Then would probably ask for renewal for work in Haiti. Has not used full mental equipment yet. Sullivan (psychologist) says never has seen person so highly geared mentally and physically. Good junior prospect. CSJ will probably bring more material?

William Grant Still Granted \$2,000. HAM-is tops. No one who has greater promise. His music is played in both radical and conservative camps.

Merze Tate                    Granted \$1,800. with little discussion. Ask Harvard through Dr. Cronkrite, to remit tuition.

Albert Louis Turner       Moe says good case. Would like to read thesis before making decision. Ask him to send direct to Moe. ✓

Lorenzo Turner            Granted \$3,100. Would have been granted last year had it not been for Howard trouble. Well organized plan. Working on phase that is little studied. Is well prepared. Has learned Portugese. Scholarship unquestioned. Moe entirely for.

Bonita Valien                Granted \$1,000

Harrison Valien            Granted \$1,000    CSJ says very valuable people

Clarence Leon Wilson    Bousfield and Paty say very capable. ERE says over-age.

RENEWALS

Fred Alsup                    Granted \$1000. Moe says has made real record. Heilbrun is a top reference in his field.

Arna Bontemps              Out. His career is launched. We can consider our duty done.

Brailsford Brazeal        Out. Can carry on by himself.

Anna Margaret Cooke     \$1500.

Harry Culbreth            Out. WWA wants to give him a job.

John A. Davis                \$1500.

William Henry Dean       \$2500 for one year abroad. Usher says he needs to get his roots into a job very soon. Likely to get appointment at City College of New York by 1941. This year in Europe would be very valuable. Moe in favor of doing everything possible.

John Hope Franklin       \$300 approved.

Shirley Graham            \$2000. Can do tunes but can't orchestrate. This is an important part of her work (tune making). Get her to carry on her music at Yale.

Leila Smith Green        Granted \$1,000.

Melvin D. Kennedy        Get word from Gottschalk. *red*

Clinton E. Knox            Granted \$350.

Birtill Lloyd                \$1000.

James E. LuValle          \$1,500 granted.



Charles Shannon

Has he anything to res& his case for renewal?  
Send to art jury.

Ruth M. Smith

Granted \$1,000.

Howard Swanson

Get music for Copeland.

Myron E. Towns

Get word from H.M. Randle and Ralph Sawyer at Michigan.