



ALDERMAN JOHN TOMAN

Chairman of the License Committee of the City Council, one of its most popular members, who will, on Tuesday, April 2, be re-elected to it from the Thirty-fourth Ward.

LEGAL HELPS.

By Attorney Harris B. Gaines.

Chicago, Ill., March 1, 1918—(Editor of Legal Helps): My landlord has failed to make any repairs in my flat, which is in a very poor condition. Because of the lack of repairs in my flat I suffered a great deal from the recent cold weather. In order to live in comfort I had work done on the building at my own expense and deducted the amount spent from my rent. The landlord refused to allow me any credit for the money I spent and threatened to put me out of the flat if I do not pay him for the month in full. Do I have to pay him in full in order to remain in the flat? Can I make him pay me the money I spent on the flat? W. M. L.

From the facts you state you are liable for rent as long as you remain in possession of the flat. You had no authority to have any repairs done on the building at the cost of the landlord and he does not have to pay you anything for the work you had done.

Chicago, March 2, 1918—(Editor of Legal Helps): About February 20 I bought some furniture from a man that I knew well. I paid him for the furniture and he agreed to allow the furniture to remain at his place until I called for it. When I called for the furniture a few days afterwards I found that he had sold my furniture to another party who has refused to return the property to me. I have a receipt which is dated 4 days ahead of the other party's holding the property and showed it to him. Can I force him to turn the property over to me? J. B.

If the party in possession of the furniture had no notice that you had purchased the property you cannot recover the furniture.

MR. MARK METHODIST-EPISCOPOAL CHURCH.

Fiftieth St. and Wabash Ave.
Rev. John W. Robinson, Pastor.

Sunday was our last quarterly meeting for this conference year. The Rev. G. R. Bryant preached at both the morning and afternoon services. At the evening services Rev. William Gray preached. It was a great day, with a collection of more than \$200.

One month from this Sunday the Lexington Conference will meet in St. Mark. The pastor will preach next Sunday, Sunday, March 17th, will be rally day. We must get ready to meet the conference entertainment. Let each member be present and do his part.

Service Flag Dedication by our Sunday school, Sunday night, March 17th. Special music. Address, "The Colored Soldier," by the pastor. The parents and relatives of any of the colored men who have gone to war are invited to be our guests on that occasion.

Charles E. Stump, After Spending Several Pleasant Days in Atlanta, Ga., Where He Came in Contact with Many of Its Leading Citizens, Continued His Journey On South to Jacksonville, Fla.

Jacksonville, Fla.—Once more I am basking in the sunshine of Florida and getting much out of life, and I am as happy as a Junebug. I think of what I passed through last winter while in Chicago—all that snow and winter weather, and the freezing of one ear—and see where I am now, and I am sorry that I have not been here before.

If you have kept up with me you will discover that I have been doing some riding to get here, and I have been to a few places in this country, and I am now going to a few more. It strikes me that when I wrote to you the last time I was with Rev. Dr. Ernest Hall, the preacher, the scholar, the man of thought. Now I am away from him and I am in this part of the world.

Perhaps you know Dr. Hall, because he was in Bloomington, Ill., so long, and from there he went to Pittsburgh and from there right on down to this place, and he will be away from here some day, going to the place where he wants to go for a visit and will return. He is doing a great work in Atlanta and has gotten into the hearts of the people because of his ability as a preacher and a leader of men. He has put Liberty Baptist Church on the map, rendering great service for his God and his race in this direction. I wish you could have seen and could have heard him. It was to me a pleasure.

There were many things in Atlanta to claim my attention, and perhaps you would be a little interested in some of them. For instance, I had the pleasure of meeting and coming in touch with one of the leading physicians of our race or any other race, Dr. Georgia A. Dwellie. She is a real live doctor, yet she is a woman. She can cut you open and put you together again just like any of them other doctors. She can smile at you while she cuts and then think that she was doing her duty. She knows her business, and for that reason is kept busy all the time.

Now, Atlanta is noted for its many institutions of learning. I had the pleasure of looking into some of them, including Morehouse College. At this institution is to be found Prof. John Hope, a refined, cultured, modest man. To see him and just talk with him you would not think that he is the educated man that he is, because he just uses the common words, without any Greek or Latin or Hebrew or any other kind of brew. Whether you have been to school or not you can understand every word that he says to you, if you will just listen to him.

I had the pleasure of being in his

company and talking with him. He is the first man of our race to be president of that great college, for when it was born a white man was president and remained until his death or until he was called to another position by the American Baptist Home Mission Society and it was then that he placed Prof. Hope there on trial, and that man made good until they made it permanent, and he is now in the position not for fun, but for keeps, rendering great service to our young men. The school is now the largest in its history, having an enrollment of 441, and all men. This institution has furnished to the United States Army 15 officers and about 40 privates. Wonderful contribution to our government and to our country. His wife, who was one time a citizen of Chicago, and the sister of Adolph Burns, of Chicago, is a worker. She is willing to help her country win the war, and just now is in New York at the National Board of the Y. W. C. A., rendering service in the hostess house problem at the various cantonments where there are soldiers of our side of the house. She has been to Camp Upton, rendering service there, and I am told that she is going to others. I thank God for her life and her training.

A drop into the office of the Atlanta Mutual brought me in touch with the new manager, Mr. Landay, who has been transferred from Savannah, and is here doing his part of the work. I am delighted to be able to touch this man. There is C. C. Shanks, who was the auditor of the company when I was here the other time, but is now the secretary—and is as busy as can be. The company is doing well.

Then I took time to meet a real newspaper woman, Mrs. Ola Walker, of the Atlanta Independent. She is the business manager of the paper, and believe me when I tell you she knows her business all the time. I was proud to see and talk with her, because she is doing something that will count in the long run.

Down into the Standard, the first company of our race in this country, and a good one at that. H. H. Pace was a busy man; and then I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Louella Dawkins from Greenville, Miss., and Memphis, Tenn. She is a stenographer. After finishing from her Greenville home she got a good position in Memphis, and I am told that she did court reporting there and later accepted a position with the Standard. I want to congratulate her and hope she will continue in the good work.

Rev. R. H. Singleton, D. D., has been



ALDERMAN JOSEPH HIGGINS SMITH.

One of the most popular members of the City Council from the Fourteenth Ward, who will not have much trouble on his hands in being re-elected to that body at the April election.

sick for a little bit, and I was delighted to see him and talk with him. He is pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church—and a good one at that.

Rev. W. A. Fountain is still doing great work at Morris Brown University, and when he leaves there he is going to be a bishop. His work commends him to his church and to the entire race. He is one of our best trained men, yet he continues to study and is going to take a degree from the University of Chicago this year. We will all be proud of this distinction, and I want to congratulate him in advance. I shall have something to tell you about Morris Brown University just a little later.

There is that great preacher in Atlanta, one of the greatest in the race, Dr. P. James Bryant, pastor of the Wheat Street Baptist Church—and you have not visited Atlanta until you have heard him preach. Without a doubt he is one of the greatest preachers in our race. He can just lift you up, and sinners have to stop and listen when he speaks. Right by his side is his wife, who is a graduate from Spellman, and one of our best trained women. I was indeed delighted to see her and talk with her and visit her Sunday school class. This is an age for learning things.

Off from Atlanta to Birmingham. There is where I had the pleasure of touching Mrs. Carrie A. Tuggle, the woman who believes in doing things; and she is carrying out her belief, but just now she is forced to do what her friends have been trying to get her to do for a long time, and that is rest. She has been forced to remain in bed for nearly two months, because she fell and broke her leg bone, and that bone has been slow in growing back to where it was before she had the fall. She is there now and there doing her work or directing it. She is just a born leader of women and I am real proud of her.

Mrs. Tuggle built her monument in the organization of the Tuggle Institute, and from that institution we have many strong young men and women, some teaching in colleges and public schools. There is Prof. John Whatley, who is connected with the Birmingham High School as instructor, who was brought up right in Tuggle from a little boy. For a long time he was bandmaster and band instructor and now he has the same work in the high school and is teaching printing. God give us more men like him. He has been brought out into the world by Mrs. Carrie A. Tuggle.

I had the pleasure of seeing Dr. U. G. Mason, and from there I made it to Montgomery, Ala., where I spent another whole day; thence to Tallahassee, Fla., to visit Prof. N. B. Young, president of the state school there. It was to me a source of pleasure to meet and touch this great educator and his teachers. They are working hard there trying to prepare our young people for life. There are many strong people there, and they are in keeping with God's plan for mind culture. There is the daughter of Prof. R. B. Hudson, of Selma, and she

is some teacher of domestic science. She finished at home and then another school and went up to New York to Pratt, where she got her finishing touch and is prepared to do the work that she is doing. I am sure that Prof. Hudson is proud of her. He is the secretary of the National Baptist Convention.

I think I have said enough for this time. You may expect to hear from me again soon.

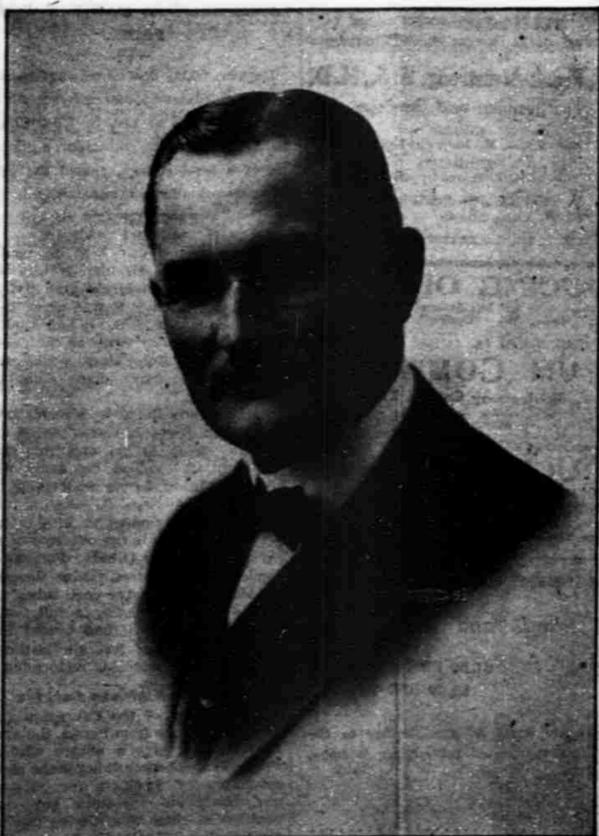
I want to here congratulate Major R. R. Jackson on his nomination. I told you that he was going to win, and he should win. He has won now, and I feel that he will win the other—and that means election. God grant that this will be done. He is the man for the place. I did not get to learn who that fellow was who was running against him. Such is life in this or any other city.

THE BLACK MAN AND THE LABOR UNIONS.

A leading editorial in the March Crisis says:

In the present Union movement, as represented by the American Federation of Labor, there is very small of justice for an American of Negro descent.

Personally, I have come to this decision reluctantly and in the past have written and spoken little of the closed door of opportunity, shut impudently in the faces of black men by organized white workingmen. I realize that by heredity and century-long lack of opportunity one cannot expect in the laborer that larger sense of justice and duty which we ought to demand of the privileged classes. I have, therefore, inveighed against color discrimination by employers and by the rich and well-to-do, knowing at the same time in silence that it is practically impossible for any Colored man or woman to become a boiler maker or bookbinder, an electrical worker or glass maker, a worker in jewelry or leather, a machinist or metal polisher, a paper maker or piano builder, a plumber or a potter, a printer or a pressman, an electrotypist or stove moulder, a textile worker or tile layer, a trunk maker, upholsterer, carpenter, locomotive engineer, switchman, stone cutter, baker, blacksmith, boot and shoemaker, tailor, or any of a dozen other important well-paid employments, without encountering the open determination and unscrupulous opposition of the whole united labor movement of America. That further than this, if he should want to become a painter, mason, carpenter, plasterer, brickmaker or fireman he would be subject to humiliating discriminations by his fellow Union workers and be deprived of work at every possible opportunity, even in defiance of their own Union laws. If, braving this outrageous attitude of the Unions, he succeeds in some small establishment or at some exceptional time in gaining employment, he must be labeled as a "scab" throughout the length and breadth of the land and written down as one who, for his selfish advantage, seeks to overthrow the labor uplift of a century.



HON. ISAAC N. POWELL.

The up-to-date banker and successful stock broker, firmly believes in American patriotism, who is willing to do his part in assisting to promote the forthcoming Liberty Loan, who is strongly in favor of Hon. Charles S. Denson for United States Senator.

Col. Phil H. Brown, of the Saturday News, Hopkinsville, Ky., dished up our article on "Chicken" Joe Campbell, which appeared in these columns February 23rd as original matter without giving this paper the slightest credit for the same. The Star of Denver, Colo., followed suit and reproduced the article by Mrs. Irene McCoy-Gaines on the achievements of the Negro soldiers in the wars of ancient times.

We have no objections to Editor Muse of the Denver Star and the other editors from appropriating historical articles from the columns of this paper which cannot be brought forth by other editors as long as they are willing to credit them up to The Broad Ax.

Mrs. Lillian Bruton, Oak Park, Ill., has become a regular reader of the Broad Ax.