

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers

If you think well of this plan, Mr. Charles H. Brooks,¹ is, in my opinion, the man for such a purpose. He is rather a diamond in the rough; he looks rather rough and talks rather rough, but I have had dealings with him in connection with our Business League for a number of years and have always found him able to accomplish results — that is, what he goes after; besides he knows every part of the state and knows the standing of the colored people. I do not know just how he has aligned himself in recent years on the political issues, but I do know there is a good deal of unrest among the colored people in Pennsylvania because they feel that Mr. Boies Penrose has deceived them. I rather feel that Mr. Brooks would be inclined to do anything that I would suggest to him. If you think well of the general plan and then desire me to write him, I should be glad to do so. Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

Mr. Charles H. Brooks's address is — 1440 Lombard St., Philadelphia.

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¹ Charles H. Brooks was secretary of the Reliable Mutual Aid and Improvement Society in Philadelphia.

To E. H. Gamlin

[Tuskegee, Ala.] April 4, 1914

Mr. Gamlin: Hereafter, it will be against the policy of the school for any store doing business in Greenwood to sell any of our students tobacco, cigars or cigarettes.

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