

Just Another Southern Town: Mary Church Terrell and the Struggle for Racial Justice in the Nation's Capital. 2016. 358 pages. Joan Quigley. Oxford University Press, 2016.

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Just Another Southern Town book. Read 7 reviews from the world's largest community for readers. In January of 1950, Mary Church Terrell, an 86-year-old c... It is the story of the appalling struggle for equality and justice for African Americans in this country. ...more. flag 1 like · Like · see review. Mar 27, 2020 Duane rated it really liked it. Town. Mary Church Terrell was a woman born the same year of the Emancipation Proclamation and lived long enough to help make civil rights history when she was 90 years old. In January 1950, Mary Church Terrell, an 86-year-old charter member of the NAACP, was refused service at a cafeteria a few blocks from the White House. Three years later, on June 8, 1953, she won a unanimous decision from the U.S. Supreme Court, *District of Columbia v. John R. Thompson Co., Inc.*, that invalidated segregated Washington restaurants and paved the way to the landmark school desegregation decision in *Brown v. Board of Education* a year later. She is the author of two books: *Just Another Southern Town: Mary Church Terrell and the Struggle for Racial Justice in the Nation's Capital* (Oxford University Press 2016) and *The Day The Earth Caved In: An American Mining Tragedy* (Random House 2007). *Just Another Southern Town. Mary Church Terrell and the Struggle for Racial Justice in the Nation's Capital.* Joan Quigley. The first trade book on *District of Columbia v. John R. Thompson Co., Inc.*, a landmark case in the earliest days of the civil rights movement. Brings attention to the indomitable Mary Church Terrell, who has been overlooked by civil rights scholarship. A lively courtroom drama that considers questions of the Supreme Court's role as an arbiter of social change. *Just Another Southern Town. Mary Church Terrell and the Struggle for Racial Justice in the Nation's ...* Joan Quigley's *Just Another Southern Town* is an engaging and well-researched book on the civil rights activism of Mary Church Terrell in Washington, DC. Terrell was an important figure in the black freedom struggle, yet her activism remains understudied. Quigley's book thus seeks to redress this gap in the literature. It reveals how the issue of segregation-and Terrell's fight against it in the courts-was central to the modern movement in the immediate post-World War Two era. The book opens with the moment in January 1950 when Terrell was refused service in a restaurant. The res