

From The Defender Files

25 Years Ago

CHICAGO—Vance Anderson, 4333 Forrestville avenue, a clerk in the registry division of the Chicago postoffice, has invented practical car fender. Patent rights were allowed on May 11 but the papers were issued on June 7.

15 Years Ago

AUGUSTA, Ga.—Hon. Judson W. Lyons, attorney and registrar of the United States treasury during the term of the late President William McKinley, died at his home here. Until 1908 he was a power in politics in the Republican party of Georgia. In 1896, with Henry Lincoln Johnson, Lyons was a delegate to the St. Louis G.O.P. convention. At the recent Republican national convention in Cleveland he failed to put in his appearance and for the first time since 1880 he was missed. He succeeded Blanch: K. Bruce of Mississippi as registrar. Bruce died of illness while in office. Lyons was educated at the old Augusta institute, now Morehouse college, of which his brother-in-law, John Hope, is president. In 1905 Lyons gave way to W. T. Vernon. He was admitted to the bar in Georgia in 1884. He had made his home here since retirement.

HONOLULU, Hawaii—Nolle Reginald Smith, born in Cheyenne, Wyo., is making good as a business man and will enter politics here. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and came here in 1916. He is owner and manager of the American Contract and Draying company which hauls much fruit to the canneries. One contract with the Libby company guarantees him the hauling of 5,000 tons of pineapple. His offices are at 182 Halekaulla street.

10 Years Ago

TOLEDO.—Former Councilman Thomas W. Fleming of Cleveland lost his appeal to evade serving two years and nine months' sentence for accepting a bribe of \$200 from the white Cleveland policeman. The veteran attorney and politician will take the case to the state supreme court.

GARY, Ind.—The showing of the film "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was stopped after a one-day run at the Roosevelt theatre following strenuous objections on the part of delegations of Race citizens who claimed the slave scenes were a slur on the decent citizens of color in this city. The owner of the theatre apologized for scheduling the film.