



Duewel Family Collection (SP0125)

Collection Number: SP0125

Collection Title: Duewel Family Collection

Dates: 1952, no date

Creator: Duewel family

Abstract: The Duewel Family Collection contains five photographs and a historical sketch of the Duewel family of Truxton, Lincoln County, Missouri.

Collection Size: 0.05 cubic foot
(2 folders, 5 photographs)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

The Duewel family, headed by Henry Duewel, Sr., originated in Egge, county of Hamel, province of Hannover, Germany. Henry and his family began their immigration from Germany to the United States in 1852, arriving in New Orleans, Louisiana before traveling up the Mississippi River and landing in St. Louis, Missouri on July 4th of the same year. From here, they traveled through St. Charles to Warrenton, Missouri, where they made a brief stop outside of Warrenton in the Steinhagen community. By the fall of 1852, Henry bought 80 acres of land outside of Truxton, Missouri and established the Duewel farm. Following his passing in 1855, the farm was handed down to his son, Henry C. Duewel, Jr. and relocated in later years.

Henry C. Duewel, Jr., was born October 20, 1836, in Germany, and worked as a farmer, carpenter, cabinetmaker, blacksmith, mason, and owned and operated a saw and grist mill. He also served as a local preacher of the German Zion Methodist Church near Truxton, Missouri, and when the church was to be replaced in 1879, he provided and sawed much of the lumber that went to into the new building. He also built a three-story flour and grain mill, named the Truxton Roller Mills, which burned down in 1884 and was later rebuilt at an even larger capacity. During his time in Truxton, Henry had two wives. He first married Sophia Bebermeyer in 1857, who was born in Germany in 1838 to Anton Bebermeyer and later immigrated with her family to the U.S. around 1847. Henry and Sophia had three daughters and three sons, two of which preceded her in death. After her passing in 1878, Henry married Sophia's younger sister, Hannah Louise Bebermeyer in 1880, and they had three children. Henry later passed in 1896 and is buried in the Truxton Zion Cemetery in Truxton, Lincoln County, Missouri alongside both Sophia and Hannah and two of their children, Reverend Louis John Henry Duewel and Rebecka Hanna Duewel.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into two folders.

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains materials pertaining to the Duewel family of Lincoln County, Missouri, including photographs and a historical sketch. The historical sketch, titled *One Hundred Years of Duewel History*, was researched and written by Louis J. Duewel, son of Henry C. Duewel, Jr., in 1952. It includes an overview of the Duewel family from their immigration from Germany in 1852 to the hundred-year anniversary of their settlement in the United States in 1952, with a focus on the branches of the family and the roles they played in their various communities, particularly in Truxton, Lincoln County, Missouri. Alongside collaged photographs of the various family members, the historical sketch also includes photographs of the first Duewel house, the first Duewel-owned grist and sawmill, the Beck School House, also referred to as "Cuiver College," the Truxton Roller Mills, Truxton Public School, the cities of Truxton and Olney, Missouri, and the Zion and Grace Methodist Churches of Truxton. The historical sketch also provides information on families closely related to the Duewel family, including the Bebermeyer family, Hupe family, and Duvel family.

Out of the five photographs included in the collection, only one is labeled with the names of the members of the Duewel family, namely Federick "Fred" W. and Florence Linthicum Duewel. Another photo is labeled with the names of three children, Guy, Katie, and Alice, taken at a studio in Springfield, Missouri. The other three photographs remain partially unidentified, with two of them featuring members of the Neill, Hodge, Phillips, and Bantley families. The folders have been arranged in chronological order.

Container List:

Box 001 f. 1 *One Hundred Years of Duewel History*, Louis J. Duewel, 1952
 f. 2 Photographs, no date

Index:

Index Terms	Folder	Image
Bantley family	2	Yes
Bebermeyer family	1	Yes
Beck School House (Lincoln County, Mo.)	1	
Duewel family	1-2	Yes
Duewel, Federick "Fred" W.	1-2	Yes
Duewel, Florence Linthicum	1-2	Yes
Duewel, Hannah Louise Bebermeyer, 1846-1930	1	Yes
Duewel, Henry C. Jr., 1836-1896	1	Yes
Duewel, Henry C. Sr., -1855	1	
Duewel, Louis John Henry, 1884-1964	1	Yes
Duewel, Sophia Bebermeyer, 1838-1878	1	Yes
Duvel family	1	Yes
Emigration and immigration	1	
Germans--Missouri	1	
Germany	1	
Grace Methodist Church (Truxton, Mo.)	1	Yes
Greene County (Mo.)	2	
Hodge family	1	Yes
Hupe family	1	Yes
Lincoln County (Mo.)	1	Yes
Mills and mill-work	1	Yes
Neill family	1	Yes
Olney (Mo.)	1	Yes
Springfield (Mo.)	2	
Truxton (Mo.)	1	Yes

Index Terms	Folder	Image
Truxton Public School (Truxton, Mo.)	1	Yes
Truxton Roller Mills (Truxton, Mo.)	1	Yes
Zion Methodist Church (Truxton, Mo.)	1	Yes