

# Daughters of Rebekah, Duenweg Lodge No. 266 Records (R0537)

**Collection Number:** R0537

Collection Title: Daughters of Rebekah, Duenweg Lodge No. 266 Records

**Dates:** 1932-1963

Creator: Daughters of Rebekah, Duenweg Lodge No. 266 (Duenweg, Mo.)

**Abstract:** The Daughters of Rebekah, Duenweg Lodge No. 266 Records are microfilmed minutes of meetings of the Daughters of Rebekah Lodge No. 266 at Duenweg, Jasper County, Missouri, from December 1932 through May 1963.

**Collection Size:** (2 rolls of microfilm)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

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**Donor Information:** The records were loaned for microfilming to the University of Missouri by Webb City Public Library on March 27, 1995 (Accession No. RA0623).

**Related Materials:** Additional materials related to the Daughters of Rebekah, Duenweg Lodge No. 266 Records can be found in the following collections:

Daughters of Rebekah, Blendville Lodge No. 298 Records (R0557) Daughters of Rebekah, Blendville Lodge No. 298 Records (R0811) Daughters of Rebekah, Daisy Lodge No. 329 Records (R0535) Daughters of Rebekah, East Town Lodge No. 342 Records (R0536)

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Daughters of Rebekah, Jasper County, Missouri Records (R0513)
Daughters of Rebekah, Joplin Lodge No. 97 Records (R0806)
Daughters of Rebekah, Joplin Lodge No. 97 Records (R0558)
Daughters of Rebekah, Past Noble Grand Club, Joplin, Missouri Records (R0560)
Daughters of Rebekah, Webb City Lodge No. 106 Records (R0807)
Daughters of Rebekah, Webb City Lodge No. 106 Records (R0538)
Daughters of Rebekah, Zinc Lodge No. 369 Records (R0556)
Daughters of Rebekah, Zinc Lodge No. 369 Records (R0810)
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**Processed by:** Processed by John F. Bradbury, July 18, 1995. Revised by Niki Cox, April 5, 2023.

### **Historical Note:**

The Daughters of Rebekah were founded in 1851 as the women's auxiliary to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Membership in the Rebekahs was available to all women of good character, as well as men belonging to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In cooperation with the Odd Fellows, Rebekah lodges have supported education, youth groups, and homes for orphans and the aged. Known today as the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies, at the time of the collection's donation, the order had grown larger than the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, although membership in both organizations continued to decline.

At the Duenweg Lodge No. 266, Mary Sterling was the secretary of the lodge for thirty-four years, including the entire period represented by the records. In later years, active membership of the lodge declined to only five members, leading to a decision to consolidate with Blendville Lodge No. 298 in 1963.

#### **Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged in its original order.

### **Scope and Content Note:**

The nine volumes of records begin with the minutes of December 20, 1932. It was apparently the first meeting after a fire in the lodge hall. The minutes note that all previous records had burned, and the first business was to make arrangements for another meeting place, to see the landlord about rebuilding the hall, and to apply for a replacement charter and the necessary supplies. Routine business conducted at the rest of the meetings included the admittance and dismissal of members, upkeep of the lodge hall, and arrangements for various events in conjunction with other Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges.

#### **Container List:**

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