



Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Nixa, Missouri Records (R0602)

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Collection Title: Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Nixa, Missouri Records

Dates: 1898-1909

Creator: Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Nixa Lodge No. 561 (Nixa, Mo.)

Abstract: The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Nixa, Missouri Records include microfilm copies of membership registers, roll of officers, and official reports to the state lodge from 1869 to 1931 for the Nixa Lodge No. 561.

Collection Size: (1 roll of microfilm)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

The Nixa Lodge No. 561, of the International Order of Odd Fellows, was organized in Nixa, Missouri on October 1, 1898, with ten charter members. W. Clare West was elected the first Noble Grand. The lodge grew quickly. After only a year, the lodge counted forty-nine members and had purchased a hall. Membership reached 137 by the end of 1908, although attendance at the meetings rarely exceeded twenty-five members. The lodge has been disbanded.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order.

Scope and Content Note:

The records of Nixa Lodge No. 561 consist of minutes of meetings and reports sent to the Grand Lodge of Missouri. The biennial reports include statistical data on membership, reports on degree work by members, financial records, and records of relief and sick benefits paid out. The reports are complete through June 30, 1908. The minute books run from 1898 to 1909. The minute books are arranged in chronological order.

Container List:

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