



## **Fellowship of America's Loyal Irish Record Book (S0025)**

**Collection Number:** S0025

**Collection Title:** Fellowship of America's Loyal Irish Record Book

**Dates:** 1928-1931

**Creator:** Fellowship of America's Loyal Irish

**Abstract:** The Fellowship of America's Loyal Irish Record Book contains a constitution, by-laws, meeting minutes, correspondence, and membership list of a St. Louis Irish organization. The organization was founded to promote "good fellowship" amongst St. Louis Irish Americans.

**Collection Size:** 0.25 cubic foot  
(1 folder)

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

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

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**Donor Information:** The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by Margaret Sullivan on December 23, 1982 (Accession No. SA0467).

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### **Historical Note:**

Reverend Frank O'Rourke, William Murphy, John Ryan, and John W. Grath founded The Fellowship of America's Loyal Irish at St. Mark's Hall in St. Louis, Missouri, in January 1928.

The group's mission was the promotion of its members' material, social, and spiritual welfare, maintaining the practice of mutual helpfulness, and keeping the traditions of the Irish people. The other primary purpose for establishment of the Fellowship included the creation of sick and death funds, entertainment events, and athletic games for its members. Its legislative body included a president, vice president, treasurer, financial secretary, recording secretary, three trustees, and an executive committee. The organization's legislative body was comprised of smaller subcommittees overseeing the sick and death funds, entertainment, and athletics. Many of its members participated in athletic events the Fellowship put together, such as football and hurling. On April 9, 1931, the Fellowship held an entertainment event at St. Mark's Hall that featured a motion picture containing scenic shots from Ireland, Irish songs, and dance.

### **Arrangement:**

The collection has been maintained in its original order.

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

The Fellowship of America's Loyal Irish Record Book contains the fellowship's constitution, by-laws, meeting minutes from twice-a-month meetings, and membership information from 1928-1930. Also included with the record book are newspaper clippings and correspondence discussing an entertainment event that occurred on April 5, 1931. The collection has been maintained in its original order and contains materials from 1928-1931.

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