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Guide to Collection

Daughters of Rebekah (Juneau, Alaska)

Records of Daughters of Rebekah, Perseverance Lodge 2-A, Juneau, Alaska, 1906-1981

MS 123

6 11-1/2" x 18 x 3-1/2" boxes
1 5" box
2.4 linear ft

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ACQUISITION: Jeannette McLeod, Past Noble Grand, Perseverance Lodge 2-A, donated the collection to the library at the request of the remaining Lodge membership. Perseverance Lodge #2-A cash book for 1912-1926, was transferred in from a donation of I.O.O.F. records in May 1993 (Ms 135). An addition of the original applications for membership was received in September 1997. (Accessions #91-59, #97-27)

ACCESS: The collection is unrestricted.

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PROCESSING: All books were separated by type and then placed in chronological order.

RELATED MS: Ms 135, I.O.O.F.

HISTORY:

The Daughters of Rebekah, Perseverance Lodge 2-A, began in Juneau, Alaska, in 1906, when a petition signed by Alice Laughlin, E. T. Burton, Charles W. Carter, Alphonsine Carter, Oliver Drange, L. O. Sloane, Mabel Bean, and Maud Hile was sent to W. H. McBlain, District Grand Sire, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The Perseverance Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah disbanded in 1986, a year after the Juneau I.O.O.F. was discontinued. The history of the Northern Lights Lodge 1-A is less known, but it was active during the 1930's.

The Daughters of Rebekah was a social and charitable organization which, along with the brotherhood of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, worked on many Juneau and Alaska projects.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

The records include the minutes of meetings, annual reports, membership applications and one book of financial records. The minutes books date from 1907 and list officers, membership, and brief notes on activities. The annual report books contain yearly financial reports and list member names. The cash books detail the financial records of the lodge. Membership information was compiled by Betty J. Miller, and included in Box 1, Folder 2 (listing birthdate and place, application date, occupation, Alaska residency, if known). The above list was compiled from the membership applications in Box 7.

Two books are records of the Northern Lights Lodge of Juneau during the 1930's. This lodge apparently merged with the Perseverance Lodge in the late 1930's or early 1940's.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE 2-A

BOX 1 Folder 1: Letter of petition for charter for Rebekah Lodge, 1906?
(typescript)
By-laws, 1976 (3 leaves, typescript)
Certificates and awards
Miscellaneous forms

Folder 2: Miller, Betty J. (comp.) *Alphabetical membership applications data*, May 1991.

Folder 3: Photograph: "Douglas Night"; Official visit of Rose Hawkins, President of Rebekah Assembly to Juneau and Douglas Lodges, July 18-19, 1938.

Rebekah Minute Books (13 volumes total)

BOX 1 (continued)

November 1, 1907 - June 10, 1925
June 24, 1925 - September 10, 1930

BOX 2 September 23, 1930 - September 9, 1936
September 23, 1936 - April 22, 1942

May 13, 1942 - February 11, 1948

BOX 3 February 25, 1948 - June 24, 1953
September 9, 1953 - December 10, 1958
February 11, 1959 - June 24, 1964

BOX 4 September 7, 1964 - January 28, 1970
February 11, 1970 - December 27, 1972
January 10, 1973 - September 24, 1975
October 8, 1975 - June 28, 1978

BOX 5 September 13, 1978 - May 27, 1981

Register of Reports (5 volumes total)

January 10, 1917 - December 31, 1932
December 31, 1934 - December 31, 1943
December 31, 1945 - December 31, 1956
December 31, 1956 - December 31, 1966
December 31, 1967 - December 31, 1974

BOX 6 Secretary's Cash Books (2 volumes total)
January 9, 1912 - July, 1926
January 12, 1966 - September 24, 1980

NORTHERN LIGHTS LODGE 1-A

Rebekah Minute Book

September 13, 1934 - September 16, 1940

BOX 6 (continued)

Register of Reports

December 31, 1938 - December 31, 1939

BOX 7 Applications for membership (6 folders) arranged alphabetically