

Inventory of the

DeKalb Daughters of Veterans
DeKalb, Illinois

Records

In the

Regional History Center

RC 127

INTRODUCTION

Several individuals, including Waite W. Embree, donated the DeKalb Daughters of Veterans Records to the Northern Illinois University Archives between 1965 and 1978. In June 1978 University Archivist, J. Joseph Bauxar, transferred the collection to the Northern Illinois Regional history Center.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The DeKalb Daughters of Veterans Records document the history of an organization formed to perpetuate the memories of the men who fought in the Civil War (1897-1909). Minutes, semi-annual reports, correspondence, membership and financial records reveal the Organization's concerns with helping the widows and orphans of Civil War heroes throughout their history. A report of-the Fifth Annual Convention, National and State General Orders, and General Information complete the collection.

Researchers interested in veteran's organizations should consult the DeKalb Grand Army of the Republic Records (RC 126). Further information on the Civil War is available in the Griffith Correspondence (RC 89) and in records contained in the Vertical File Manuscripts Collection.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The DeKalb Unit of the Daughters of Veterans received its charter on August 10, 1897. The thirty-four member group elected Nettie Duncan, Belle Embree, Cora Wagner, Nellie Cook, and Ella Wilder as president, senior and junior vice presidents, secretary and treasurer, respectively. Working to promote Equal Rights and Universal Liberty and to aid widows and orphans of Civil War heroes, the DeKalb Daughters of Veterans held a penny collection at each meeting and promoted fund raising entertainment programs. In 1901, the group disbanded.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Civil War
 DeKalb, Organizations
 Daughters of Veterans
 Grand Army of the Republic
 Veterans
 Women's Organization

COLLECTION INVENTORY

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1	1	Constitution and Rituals, 1885, 1899
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	6	Financial Ledger, 1897-1901
	7	Cash Book, 1897-1901
	8	Obligation Book, 1897
	9	Report of the Fifth Annual Convention, 1899
	10	General Orders, 1898-1902
	11	General Information, (1897-1909)