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Order of the Eastern Star - Bowling Green, Kentucky (MSS 104)

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ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

The Park City Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star (no. 128) was organized in Bowling Green, Kentucky, in May 1910 with 21 charter members. Mollie Blackburn, of the Woodburn Chapter (no. 42), presided over the initial meeting. Euphilla E. Kelly, Grand Secretary of the State of Kentucky Order of Eastern Star, approved the chapter. Louise Beasley was chosen the first Worthy Matron and Nannie Jenkins was chosen Associate Matron. The chapter’s charter was approved on November 15, 1910.

The first meetings were held in the YMCA building on State Street, then Ackerman Hall on College Street, then Neale Hall on State Street, then the Odd Fellows Hall on Park Row, and in 1926 moved to the Masonic Temple on State Street. The Grand Chapter of Kentucky met in Bowling Green in 1915 and 1931 with the Park City Chapter serving as host.

COLLECTION

This collection chiefly consists of membership applications and transfer papers for members of the Park City Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star located in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The applications are in alphabetical order, and some names have as many as four transfers from other Eastern Star chapters. A brief, undated history is also included in the collection as well as song lyrics written for a chapter anniversary. Information about the Woodburn Chapter (no. 42) can be found in the Mackie E. Bennett Collection (MSS 5).
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**CATALOG CARD**

MSS 104 ORDER of the Eastern Star – 1924-1956

Applications and transfer papers (238) for members of the Park City Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, Bowling Green, KY. Also included is a brief, undated history of the chapter and lyrics to an anniversary song.

1 box. 5 folders. 242 items. Originals.

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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

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