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Introduction

Records of an organization founded in 1966 to acquire and preserve native prairie lands in Missouri. Records consist of correspondence, subject and project files, brochures and other promotional materials, membership lists, financial records, and publications.

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President
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Duffield, Ben
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Secretary
Treasurer

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