

Information Sheet

R Benton County Medical Society (Mo.).
278 Record book, 1915-1954.
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This volume includes a roster of members, financial records, and minutes of meetings of the Benton County Medical Society, organized in 1897. Included are several applications for membership.

The charter members of the Benton County Medical Society were ten physicians from Cole Camp, Lincoln, Palo Pinto, Fairfield, and Warsaw. Little is known of the early proceedings of the Society, as all records were destroyed by fire at the office of the secretary, Dr. J. R. Smith, in Warsaw in 1915. This volume, held now by the Benton County Museum, includes a note by Dr. Smith explaining the loss. The post-1915 records contain membership accounts and minutes of meetings to 1954. Meetings were held irregularly, averaging two per year, and usually included a lecture or paper on a medical topic. Examinations of patients were sometimes conducted. There are no minutes for 1918 or for 1938-1953. The last meeting recorded was held on 18 March 1954.

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