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Figure 79: Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Degree Staff of the Empire Lodge, No. 86, 1909. Fraternal organizations such as the Texas Odd Fellows included many community leaders who served their neighbors through government office and local events like the fair. From left to right: top row: T. C. Andrews, Owen P. Smith, George B. Hughes, T. O. Murray, J. Frank Smith, F. O. Board, W. T. Bell, H. L. Wolford, E. G. West; second row: W. M. Burgess, R. H. Kerr, W. D. Goostree, J. R. Padgitt, J. L. Franklin, H. L. Davis, R. C. Merritt, C. I. Talkington, S. H. Cole, Payton Westmoreland; third row: J. H. Sneed, J. E. Cooper, E. C. Meador, J. R. Sportsman, W. H. Perkins, Rufus Furr, W. P. Suttle, T. M. Wilson; bottom row: W. C. Whitson, Isaac Crouch, Dick DeArmond, James Ernest Wilson (captain), J. C. Moore, G. Adams. North Texas History Center, (accession no. 2006.16.1).