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These are the minutes of meetings of the Tom Walker Post of the G.A.R. at Zion, Stoddard County, Missouri. The minutes begin with the organizational meeting on 7 April 1888 and continue through 16 February 1895.

Henry A. Alstholz of Cape Girardeau organized the Tom Walker Post at Leora, Missouri, on 7 April 1888. Although it is not explained in the minutes, the post may have been named for Thomas J. Walker, a judge of the county court during the 1850s. The first of its regular monthly meetings was held at the Methodist Episcopal Church at Zion, as were all subsequent meetings of the post in the period covered by this minute book. In 1893, the post investigated, but did not pursue, purchase of land for its own hall. From 1888 to 1895, post commanders were J. H. Crews, D. K. Taylor, and Cecil Reynolds. Activities included the decoration of cemeteries on Memorial Day, and annual picnics and patriotic programs on Independence Day. On 6 January 1894, a committee was appointed to determine if any fraudulent pensioners existed in the neighborhood, but none were reported.

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