These are minute books of the Daughters of Rebekah Zinc Lodge No. 369 at Joplin in Jasper County, Missouri. The records begin with the organizational meeting, and continue through 10 December 1987. Routine business included the acceptance and initiation of new members, installation of officers, and planning for special events.

Zinc Lodge No. 369 was organized on 11 June 1904. Forty-nine individuals constituted the new lodge. Nellie Hinds was elected the first Noble Grand. Saloma Lippitt, who was elected Noble Grand in 1943, later became the lodge’s recording secretary, a post she held for thirty-two years. The five Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges in Joplin and those in Blendville and Webb City often held joint meetings, installations of officers, and social events. Zinc Lodge had a close relationship with Odd Fellows Lodge No. 287 of Joplin, and for many years rented that lodge’s hall for meetings. In addition to the usual social and fraternal work of the lodge, Zinc Lodge donated money and goods to the Odd Fellows Home at Liberty, Mo., “adopted” individual residents of the Home, contributed toward the construction of a city hospital in Joplin, participated in the Odd Fellow’s “Relief Committee” in the 1930s, collected clothing for refugees during World War Two, donated to the polio fund in the 1950s, and contributed to other local and national charities and causes.

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