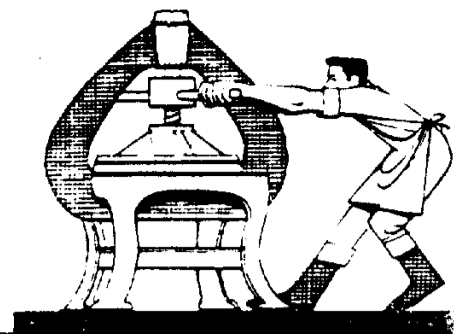


# John Walker Family NEWSLETTER



Year 1981 No. 3

Dear Family:

RE: Family Dues:

One of the best investments we can make is in a good family organization, and our JOHN WALKER FAMILY ORGANIZATION is a great family.

Many of us in the fourth, fifth, sixth and even seventh generations are now the primary life blood of the organization and we are in a dire need for a trans- fusion to maintain our Tax Exmpt Status, Bulk Mailing Privilege, and to publish the John Walker Family Newsletter.

The record of dues payers from 1970 thru 1981 has been compiled. The frequency of the dues payers and their payments turned out to be interesting and is being presented below. There are eight periods from 1970 thru 1981, including "two- year" dues for 1970-1972, 1972-1974 and 1974-1976 which are considered as one period each. Current period (1981-82) is not included.

<u>Number of Dues Payers</u>	<u>Number of payments in eight periods</u>
223 . . . . .	Once
108 . . . . .	Twice
62 . . . . .	Three
68 . . . . .	Four
48 . . . . .	Five
36 . . . . .	Six
53 . . . . .	seven
<u>53</u> . . . . .	Eight
Total	651

If you would like to know your standing and for what year you have paid dues, drop a line to Rodney and he will be glad to bring you up to date. Even if you should happen to pay dues twice for the same year, the second payment of the dues will be used as next year dues. If you should want to fill in a gap which you have missed in paying your past dues, you may do so and receive a set for the same period.

Dues are only five dollars a year. A bargain for each of us when it comes to doing research on our own many family lines. Why not send a year or two dues in advance thus making sure the work goes on.

Family dues, along with contributions and sales as supplement to dues, have always been used to meet operating expenses of the organization. Since the computer has been acquired, nearly all contributions are diverted toward the purchase of the computer, leaving dues and sales alone to maintain the Newsletter and expenses.

Family Dues as part of the General Fund are being used as follows:

1. Newsletter (\$250-300/issue) - three issues per year is desirable.
2. Reunion Expenses
3. The Second Edition Project (a new one)
4. Maintenance of the Computer (a new one)
5. Insurance and supplies for Computer (a new one)
6. Printing sets of family group sheets on Lydia Holmes's ancestry
7. Correspondence (Postage 20 cents per oz. now) and others...

Problem No. 1: Unfortunately the General Fund is getting low in funds. We need money to carry out the projects and to keep the computer going.

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Problem No. 2: Since acquiring the computer and the Second Edition Project is under way, the picture of our financial standing has been changed and may jeopardize our Tax Exempt Status, Bulk Mailing Privilege and also the Newsletter.

A ruling from the IRS on our Tax Exempt Status says that the interest income from certificates, savings and checking account shall not exceed 1/3 of our gross receipts during any one year. Bulk Mailing Privilege remains with us as long as we have the Tax Exempt Status, and permits the Newsletter to continue at greater savings in postage.

Money received from orders for the Second Edition book is placed in escrow and has already generated more interest income which may exceed the requirement of the IRS for our Tax Exempt Status. This interest income is also assigned to escrow as part of the Publication Fund with the primary purpose to pay the printing cost.

Solution to these two problems: In order to protect our Tax Exempt Status by achieving two third of gross receipts or more, we need (1) more dues payers and also (2) contributions for the leverage against interest income.

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1981 Reunion at Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho: The plan for the reunion as announced in the last Newsletter, has been reorganized in the last minute by our able Chairman Owen J. Walker. Due to insufficient reservations made for overnight stay at Ricks College, the program of activities was cut down to one day, morning for business meeting, noon for luncheon and afternoon for Talent Show. President Lois W. Grover was on hand to conduct the meeting.

Over a hundred were on hand to renew or make new acquaintances with each other. Most of them were able to establish their connections with their long lost cousins. At the business meeting a prayer was offered by Laveta Willyerd.

Some excerpts from the minutes on the reunion: Owen: Georgia bet me we would not be out for dinner on time. They want us to eat at 12 and be through 2:30. We would like to be back here in the Little Theater for a program at 1:00 p.m. It won't be long, but it will be nice. How many of you know Lois Grover. This is the President of the organization. Lois: First. Do you know Owen. He is our Vice President. He is the one who got stuck with the reunion this year. Owen: He does the worry and very little work. Lois: Don't let him fool you.

Most of time in business meeting was spent on report and discussion about the computer. Clinton, Frank and Stanley presented their reports and findings. In all, two years ago Rodney, Stanley, Barbara, Clinton and Frank were asked to investigate a computer operation for our needs. They went into brick walls. By a stroke of good fortune a Billings computer was purchased at wholesale price as it is actually worth #10 to \$13 thousand dollars. The financial statement showed we are not wealthy.

At the close of business meeting Leon B Casper came up and gave his talk on South Africian Temple which is printed on the last page of this Newsletter.

The Talent Show was well enjoyed by us all with music, dance, songs and a few talks.

Rodney's Report at the Reunion: First, I would like to thank you all for being present and for showing your interest in knowing how we are coming along with the Second Edition of the John Walker book. Since we acquired a home computer in September (1980), it was necessary for me to become familiar with the operation of it. First of all projects, which are several, it was necessary to store the mailing list in the computer because the Newsletter is a must for keeping Walker folks informed and bringing the family ties closer. This work was finished in time for the Newsletter to be out last October (1980). The mailing list can be updated from time to time, and also can be printed on address labels at any time. More and lots of thanks are given to 117 families who have donated their money and help to buy the home computer.

The work on manuscript started last October (1980) and has been going on and is going on and will be kept on till it is finished if nothing happens to interfere with it. What has been done is now displayed on a table as an exhibit. It has 270 pages. The manuscript is open for late or new additions, such as birth, marriage, death and pictures to be included in the Second Edition, no matter how far the manuscript may have been prepared. The computer makes this possible. The manuscript has not been made into firm pages.

We have 320 orders (392 as of now) for copies of the Second Edition. The number of orders is a barometer of the enthusiasm shown by the Walker folks and a morale builder for me to go on with the manuscript work. The more orders, the better it will be. We must have 1000 orders or more before we can have it printed. It is hoped that the book will be printed and finished within two years.

### John Walker's Ancestry:

A complete packet of 13 sets containing 76 family group sheets on John Walker's ancestry is available at \$16.25. What a bargain you can get by ordering the complete packet. Individual set costs \$1.25. When ordering only one set, please add 50 cents for postage.

#### Set No. 1

Joseph Walker (1731 and Elizabeth Martin  
Timothy Walker (1693) and Sarah Judson  
Reuben Miner (1736) and Beulah Root  
Jehu Miner ( 1705) and Mary Judson  
Joseph Root (1698) and Susannah Hickox

#### Set No. 2

Caleb Martin (1698) and Elizabeth Walker  
Joseph Hickox (1673) and Ruth Fairfield  
Joseph Hickox (1645) and Mary Carpneter  
William Hickox (1617 and Elizabeth  
David Carpenter (1620) and Elizabeth

#### Set No. 3 (with pedigree chart)

Simeon Walker (1756) and Mary Miner  
Ephraim Miner (1675) and Rebecca Curtis  
John Miner (1635) and Elizabeth Booth  
Thomas Miner (1608) and Grace Palmer  
Dea. Zechariah Walker (1670) and Elizabeth

#### Set No. 4

Clement Miner (1580) and \_\_\_\_\_  
Richard Booth (1607) and Elizabeth Hawley  
Samuel Hawley (1577) and \_\_\_\_\_  
Walter Palmer (1585) and Ann (or Elizabeth)  
John Judson (1675) and Sarah Beers

#### Set No. 5 (with pedigree chart)

John Judson (1647) and Elizabeth Chapman  
Joseph Judson (1619) and Sarah Porter  
William Porter (1593) and Grace Palmer  
Joseph Porter (1594) and Anna White  
John Porter (chr 1560) and Sibyl Vessey

#### Set No. 6 (with pedigree chart)

Rev. Zechariah Walker (1637 and Joanne P.  
Rev. Peter Prudden (1601) and Joanne Boyse  
John Boyse (1569) and Joanne Stowe  
John Stowe (chr 1539) and Joan Baker  
John Stowe (abt 1515) and Mrs. John Stowe

#### Set No. 7 (with pedigree chart)

Thomas Prudden (chr 1561) and Mildred  
Peter Prudden (abt 1535) and Alice  
Thomas Prudden (1510) and Christen  
Thomas Prudden (1487) and Mrs. Ellen Prudden  
Thomas Prudden (abt 1464) and Margaret  
Thomas Prudden (abt 1439) and Alice  
John Prudden (d before 1501) and Elizabeth

#### Set No. 8 (with pedigree chart)

Israel Curtis (1644) and Rebecca Beardsley  
Lt. John Curtis (1614-5) and Elizabeth  
John Curtis (1577) and Elizabeth Hutchins  
William Curtis (abt 1549) and Agnes

#### Set No. 9 (with pedigree chart)

William Curtis (1549) and Agnes  
John Curtis (abt 1515) and Elizabeth Wells  
John Curtis (abt 1483) and Mrs. John Curtis  
William Beardsley (1602) and Mary Harvey  
William Beardsley (abt 1579) and Mrs. Wm B.  
Richard Harvie (abt 1579) and Ellen Elliott

#### Set No. 10 (with two pedigree charts)

James Beers (abt 1656) and \_\_\_\_\_ Osborn  
James Beers (abt 1628) and Martha Barlow  
James Beers (abt 1595) and Mrs. Hester Bere  
John Bere (abt 1560) and Mary Selby  
James Bere (abt 1530) and Dorothy Kingswood  
John Bere (abt 1504) and Faith Royden  
Martin Bere (abt 1472) and Alice Nissell  
John Barlow (abt 1600) and Mrs. Ann Barlow

#### Set No. 11 (with pedigree chart)

Caleb Martin (1698) and Elizabeth Walker  
William S. Martin (1653) and Abigail Nichols  
Samuel Martin (abt 1615) and Phebe Bisby  
William Bisby (1581) and Mary Rawberge  
Philip Bisby (abt 1538) and Mrs. Philip Bisby  
John Bisby (abt 1510) and Mrs. Amey Bisby

#### Set No. 12 (with two pedigree charts)

Caleb Nichols (abt 1618) and Anne Ward  
Francis Nichols (abt 1594) and Mrs. Nichols  
Andrew Ward (abt 1597) and Hester Sherman  
Edmund Sherman (abt 1572) and Joan Makin  
Edmund Sherman (1548) and Ann Pellatte  
Henry Sherman (1520) and Agnes Butler  
Thomas Sherman (abt 1490) and Jane Waller  
John Sherman (abt 1460) and Agnes Fuller  
Thomas Sherman (w/p 1493) and Agnes Fuller  
John Sherman (w/p 1487) and Mary Lance

#### Set No. 13 (with pedigree chart)

John Root (1644/45) and Dorcas Abbott  
Josiah Rootes (1612) and Susannah  
Edmund Rootes (\_\_\_\_) and Ema Norrington  
Richard Roots (\_\_\_\_) and Alice  
Thomas Norrington (\_\_\_\_) and Mildred Turner  
George Abbott (1630) and Mary Weed  
Jonas Weed (1610) and Mary Hoyt (or Scofield)

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### Lydia Holmes' Ancestry:

#### Set A (with pedigree chart)

William Holmes (1770) and Lydia Adams  
Simeon Holmes (1741) and Mercy Weston  
Josiah Holmes (1716) and Ruth Cooke  
Jonathan Weston (\_\_\_\_) and Mercy Rickard  
Ebenezer Adams (1744) and Lydia Cooke  
John Adams (1714) and Thankful Washburn  
Caleb Cooke (abt 1695) and Hannah Shurtleff

#### Set B-1 (with pedigree chart)

John Holmes (1682) and Mercy Ford  
Nathaniel Holmes (1640) and Mercy Faunce  
John Holmes (abt 1612) and Sarah \_\_\_\_\_  
John Faunce (1606) and Patience Morton  
Mr. Faunce (abt 1585) and Mrs. Faunce  
George Morton (1585) and Julia Ann Carpenter  
George Carpenter (abt 1553) and Catherine Bown  
Alexander Carpenter (1560) and Mrs. Carpenter

South African Temple:

At the 1981 Walker family reunion at Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho the subject on the South African Temple was aired in the business meeting.

To begin with our cousin Leon B Casper's words: "William Holmes Walker was the first missionary to South Africa. I wonder if it ever occurred to him or if he ever had any idea at all about a temple there. One hundred years later when I served there it hadn't changed too much and when they announced there would be a temple built there, I was really surprised. Until now these people have been in the Brazil Temple District. After Brazil Temple was built they found out they could go to London Temple cheaper. Some have made unbelievable sacrifices to go to the Temple, and now to think they are getting a temple and it was our grandfather that started all this. Our Mission President Wright has asked all missionaries who have served in South Africa to donate to the Temple Fund. Would this family like to donate in William Holmes Walker's name."

The Walker Family Organization has voted to give some money taken out of the Research Fund toward the Temple Fund to help further temple work. What available cash at that time the Walker Family could give is \$300.00 as the rest of the Genealogy Fund is tied up in the computer. However at the reunion some individuals responded with their own donations toward the Temple Fund which amounted to \$316.00. It was proposed that the Walker Folks who were not at the reunion be invited to donate some through the Newsletter and may do so by sending money directly to Rodney W. Walker. Then the lump sum will be turned over to Leon B Casper who will later forward it to the proper authority. If any of you plan to do so, please do before March 1, 1982.

William Holmes Walker's Personal Diary on His Mission to South Africa:

The book titled "Travels and Life Incidents of Elder William Holmes Walker and his association with Joseph Smith the Prophet" carries a little over 60 pages of the diary relating about his travels, experiences, incidents and persecutions during his missionary work in South Africa. To mention a few things that William Holmes Walker went through while there:

- Harrassment by mobs during meeting
- Clergy canvasses against them
- Success despite of opposition
- Spirit Influences man in their behalf
- Branch organized at Ft. Beaufort.
- Surrounded by 100 baboons
- Boys join in riot to break up meeting
- Ship owners refuse passage to Mormons
- Effigy burned in city
- Dream concerning family desiring gospel
- Set apart as president of African Mission

The book sells for \$5.00 per copy if pick up, and \$5.75 if mailed. This book will make an ideal gift for Christmas, birthday, missionary farwell or special occasion. Place your order with Rodney.

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The Walker Family wishes you all.....

Happy Thanksgiving Day

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year

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