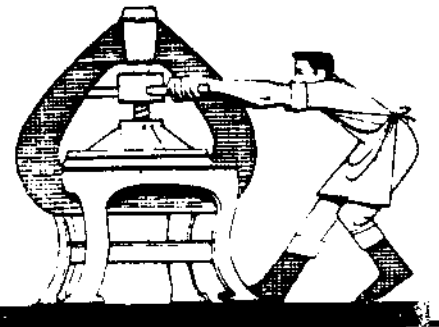


John Walker Family NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

For the second time this half-century, Rodney and Georgia have contributed more than three years of their lives to the collection, compilation, and publishing of the "ANCESTRY AND DESCENDANTS OF JOHN WALKER", in addition to many, many years of devoted service to the Walker family organization. I join the rest of the family in saying "Thank you." An anonymous family member has sponsored a copy of the Second Edition for the person who sends to Lois Grover, Route 4, Rexburg, Idaho 83440, the best idea as to how the family as a whole can most appropriately say "Thank you" to Rodney and Georgia. Unlike other contests, this one is open to relatives.

Because publication is imminent, now is a good time for us not only to decide how many more copies of the Second Edition of the ANCESTRY AND DESCENDANTS OF JOHN WALKER book we want, and to get our additional orders in, but also send Rodney any last minute changes, additions, and updates.

Finally, the need to review options prior to the final step makes this a good time to send suggestions -- if there are any -- relative to price, technique, and even content of the final publication.

Have a happy holiday season.

Sincerely

Clint Walker

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This summer we completed another (somewhat historic) family gathering. This year the reunion was held at Logan, Utah. Evan Noel Stevenson as chairman kept everyone happy and enthused. The site was beautiful, the weather perfect, the families exciting and eager to renew acquaintances with relatives.

The Second Edition of the John Walker Book is progressing nicely. We now have 770 orders for books. The material is in the computer. Rodney is making the last additions, corrections, and changes in the manuscript. Over twelve thousand names of descendants are listed.

Rodney is in the process of sending the last remaining letters of proof copies for you to verify or add too. In his last letter to me he wrote, "The stepping stone, where I am now; is to follow-up so as to get information from those who have procrastinated or misplaced their proof copies. We are about to approach the other side of the river with a few remaining stepping stones left toward the land of reality."

To accomplish this goal each family should provide updated information. You should review your information that Rodney sends, and add corrections and provide all family information since the late entries.

We do not want any incomplete entries in the new book nor do we want to leave anyone out of the book, but we may have to do so if your information is not sent to Rodney. Send your \$35.00 in for your book at Pre-publication prices. Add \$3.50 for mailing cost. If you want your family picture included send your picture and \$10.00.

Remember Rodney serves without pay. He would like our book finished and to the publisher in eight months.

Sincerely

Lois W. Grover

Report on the Second Edition: The total paid orders for 770 copies of the Second Edition book have been received. The manuscript is being updated as information keep coming in. The goal of 1000 paid copies at \$35.00 each has been set and should bring in enough money to pay the printing cost. A publisher usually requires full payment before the book can be released. We need 230 copies more to go and we hope we will be able to reach this goal. Please help.

The price of \$35.00 is still a great bargain and is the same as the 1953 price for the First Edition which cost \$8.50 each. Since the size of the Second Edition will be four times as much as the First Edition. The \$35.00 is four times price of the \$8.50. Great saving from the publication of the Second Edition is in typesetting which is done with the computer. The manuscript, when completed, will be made into "camera ready" pages, for the publisher to make plates directly from, thus bypass their job of typesetting. There is hardly any trace of inflation in the price of \$35.00. The \$35.00 is "at cost" price with almost no profit to family organization or anyone. Thus 1000 copies is the "break even" printing cost unless we can find a new low bid from another publisher.

The Pre-publication Offer: \$35.00, if pick up \$38.50, if mailed.

Send in your order to
Rodney W. Walker, 842 Roosevelt Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah 84105.

Hyrum Smith's Home in Kirtland, Ohio: A meeting of the Hyrum Smith Family Association was held at President Eldrege G. Smith's home last September. The report showed that the Hyrum Smith's house is paid for in full. The title has been turned over to the Hyrum Smith Family Association. The purpose of the meeting was to authorize President Eldredge G. Smith to transfer the warranty deed to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The expression of those present about the house is that the house will be preserved mostly as missionary tool. The association wants to thank all of our Walker-Smith cousins and other cousins for their generous contributions toward the purchase of the house.

Data Cards For Sale: Since the computer came into use and made some projects, such as the manuscript, Newsletter mailing list, listing of families and their addresses, etc. easier, there are some 18,000 data cards for key punch machines left on hand and they are no longer needed. These cards are still in good condition and are up for sale. Any one who wants to buy them, may submit a bid above \$30.00. They will be have to be picked up by the buyer or shipped at buyer's expenses. Let Rodney know by Feb 1, 1984.

Now is the good time for us to get together and say to each other,

"Happy Thanksgiving Day"

"Merry Christmas"

"Happy and Prosperous New Year".

May the Year 1984 be another good year for us all.

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