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Hold Rites Today For J. S. Walker, Business Leader

Prominent County Official
And Building And Loan
Head, Dies Suddenly.

Funeral services for J. S. (Jim) Walker 72, of Academy Street, Roxboro, business and civic leader, Rotarian, and Person County official, whose death occurred early Wednesday morning at his home after a sudden heart attack, were held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Roxboro First Baptist Church, of which he was a member. Interment was in Burchwood Cemetery.

Secretary of the Roxboro Building and Loan Association, which he organized in 1923, he also became county auditor and tax supervisor in 1927, serving until his death. Mr. Walker was also founder and head of Walker Insurance Agency, established in 1913, year in which he came to Roxboro from Providence community, Person County, of which he was a native. He was a graduate of Wake Forest College.

He was a past president of Roxboro Rotary Club and past chairman of the board of deacons of his church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Carrie Vernon Walker, and a sister, Nannie Walker, both of the home; a brother, George W. Walker of Roxboro, and another sister, Mrs. R. A. Eurch, of Raleigh.

Ministers in charge of the rites were his pastor, the Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, assisted by the Rev. Joe B. Curran.

Mr. Walker was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Walker, who lived near Mill Creek church. In addition to serving on the Board of Deacons of First Baptist church here, he was also teacher of the Men's Bible class and at one time taught the Baracca class. He was likewise a member of the pulpit committee.

Active pallbearers were nephews, with members of Roxboro Rotary club, directors of the Building and Loan association and members of his Sunday School class as honorary pallbearers.

Mr. Walker attended Monday's session of the County Commissioners and was at his office here Tuesday, although he spoke then of being unwell. He became seriously ill at midnight Tuesday and death occurred at 3:45 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Members Go To Bond Clinic And Plan Another

Several members of Roxboro high school band, together with Miss Mary Earl Wilson, leader, will go to Henderson tomorrow for a band clinic to be participated in by bands from a number of high schools under direction of Earl Slocum, of the music department faculty of the University of North Carolina.

On next Wednesday A. J. Wagner, director of the Oxford High School band, will bring his group, playing 47 instruments, to Roxboro High School where the two bands will have morning and afternoon rehearsals and will give a jointly staged free concert at Roxboro High School that night after a dinner to be at Hotel Roxboro.

Roxboro Man Pacific Champion

Climaxing an undefeated season, the General Hospital Softball team won the New Caledonia Island softball championship by defeating a Machine Records team in the final playoff.

Playing for this championship softball team was Corporal Elze L. Taylor whose wife lives in Roxboro. Prior to his entry into the service, Cpl. Taylor was employed as a clerk at Collins & Aikman.

Cpl. Taylor is now a clerk typist in the Receiving and Disposition office of the 29th General Hospital in New Caledonia. He has now completed 14 months of overseas service.

Revival Now Being Held In City

A revival meeting is now in progress at the Pentecostal Holiness Church on North Main Street with services each evening at 7:30 o'clock, according to an announcement by the pastor, the Rev. W. G. Elliott. The meeting is being conducted by the Rev. C. W. Stowe, of Dry Fork, Va.

Dies Suddenly



J. S. WALKER

Raymond Lester Now Lieutenant

Son Of Woodsdale Residents
Gains Promotion At
Bristol Base.

At an Eighth Air Force Bomber Station in England, Raymond O. Lester, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Lester, Route 1, Woodsdale, has been promoted from second lieutenant to first lieutenant.

Lt. Lester is bombardier on a B-17 Flying Fortress which is participating in Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on German industrial targets and military strong points in the path of Allied armies on the Western front.

He holds the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters for "meritorious achievement" during aerial warfare. The bombardier is a member of the 34th Bomb Group, a unit of the Third Air Division, the division cited by the President for its now historic England-Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt plants at Regensburg, Germany. He has taken part in aerial assaults on a variety of objectives, ranging from enemy airfields and aircraft plants to oil refineries, railroad yards and front line positions.

Before entering the AAF Lieutenant Lester was with Collins and Aikman. He is a graduate of Bethel Hill High School.

Mrs. Hamlett Is New PTA Head

The P. T. A. of Ca-Vel school met Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock at the school for its regular monthly meeting. Mrs. W. G. Bradsher resigned as president and Mrs. Howard Hamlett was elected to fill her unexpired term.

Plans were made for a special father's program to be held in the near future; however, no definite date was set. The association voted to make a contribution of \$15.00 as a gift to Community Hospital.

The fourth and fifth tied in attendance.

Pvt. John Walker In Army Hospital

Pvt. John F. Walker is now confined to a hospital in Paris. His hands and feet were frozen, but in a letter received by his wife, the former Miss Helen Slaughter, daughter of Mrs. Zadok Slaughter, he says that he is now doing fine and hopes that it won't be long before he will be on the go again.

Pvt. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leamon Walker of Roxboro, has been overseas for five and a half months. He was with the First Army and the 18th Division.

Church Benefit

The women of the Missionary Society of Theresa Baptist Church will have a cup towel sale Saturday morning, February 10th, at 9:30 o'clock, at Thomas Hardware Store. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the building fund.

Duke vs Alabama For Polio On Monday Night

Altho Person County has reached its goal in the Infantile Paralysis Drive for this year, the need for funds is still urgent and in this connection the motion picture of the Sugar Bowl Game, Duke vs. Alabama, will be shown Monday night at 8:00 o'clock in the Person County court house.

Person County had a goal of \$2,161.00 and to date has raised \$3,254.00 in the drive, stated Rev. Rufus Womble, chairman of the campaign in this county. This is a good amount over the figure set for Person County but Chairman Womble stated that the last dollar received was just as valuable as the first dollar and he hopes to get a fair sum for The March of Dimes from the showing of this football film.

However, it is pointed out that there will be no charge to see the picture. Those who wish to contribute something to the cause at the showing will be given an opportunity to do so.

Charlie Dukes of the Duke Alumni office will be on hand to give a running account of the game as the picture is shown on the screen. He was present at the game in New Orleans and can call every play as it is shown. Mr. Duke's consented to come to Roxboro from Duke University and do this as a public service.

Everyone is invited to see the picture, women and men, children and adults.

Nominations In Academy Awards List Prepared

Five Pictures To Compete for
Award; Fitzgerald Gets
Double Actor Honor

Hollywood, Feb. — The Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences has announced that "Double Indemnity," "Gas Light," "Going My Way," "Since You Went Away" and "Wilson" have been nominated to receive its "Oscar" award as best movie of 1944.

Barry Fitzgerald was nominated for both the best performance by an actor and best performance by a supporting actor for his characterization of a priest in "Going My Way." The Academy said this was the first time in the awards' 17-year history that a player had been so honored.

Others nominated for best-actor honors are Charles Boyer for his performance in "Gas Light," Bing Crosby for his work in "Going My Way," Cary Grant for "None But the Lonely Heart" and Alexander Knox for his title role in "Wilson."

Actresses nominated for best-performance honors are Ingrid Bergman for her work in "Gas Light," Claudette Colbert for "Since You Went Away," Bette Davis for "Mr. Skeffington," Greer Garson for "Mrs. Parkington" and Barbara Stanwyck for "Double Indemnity."

Besides Fitzgerald actors nominated for best performance in a supporting role were Hume Cronyn in "The Seventh Cross," Claude Rains in "Mr. Skeffington," Clifton Webb in "Laura" and Monty Woolley in "Since You Went Away."

For the best performance by an actress in a supporting role, these were nominated: Ethel Barrymore in "None But the Lonely Heart," Jennifer Jones in "Since You Went Away," Angela Lansbury in "Gas Light," Aline MacMahon in "Dragon Seed" and Agnes Moorehead in "Mrs. Parkington." Miss Jones won the best actress award last year for her work in "The Song of Bernadette."

Pfc. Archie White Has Purple Heart

Pfc. Archie G. White, 25, who was wounded in action in Germany, November 30, 1944, and was sent to a hospital in England, has received the Purple Heart, which reached his wife, the former Miss Thelma Hobbard, Saturday. Pfc. White entered the Army in November 1942, going overseas in September 1944.

He is now reported to be improving. His wife and daughter, Carolyn Faith, live in Roxboro. He has sent his family a number of souvenirs, including British and French coins and a necklace, the last-named an ornamented cross from Germany. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. White, of Roxboro.

Ca-Vel Church Will Honor Boy Scouts

Joe Guffy Will Speak, Crusade Program At City Church.

Typical of Boy Scout anniversary week services to be held this Sunday in Roxboro and Person churches is that planned for Sunday morning at eleven o'clock at Ca-Vel Methodist church, of which the Rev. J. R. Jolly is pastor and where Joe Guffy, Scoutmaster of Ca-Vel's Troop 24, will be leader and speaker.

Twelve or more Boy Scouts in the troop of 25 will have an active part in the program, which includes recital of the Scout oath. Regular night service at 7:30 at Ca-Vel will include a talk by the Rev. E. C. Maness, guest speaker, who continues the service series dealing with "Christ After Chaos." The Rev. Mr. Maness will discuss "India."

Great Work At Moore General Hospital Seen

Majority Of Men Being Treated There From The Carolinas.

Durham, Feb. — Touching accounts of American casualties at the Army's Moore General Hospital at Swannanoa, and the great work which Wac medical technicians are doing for these men, were related today by Pvt. Mabel Miller who is a Wac herself but not a medical technician.

Pvt. Miller was on a general assignment at Moore General Hospital before reporting to the Charlotte Recruiting District for duty and the nature of her work there made it possible for her to witness the hundreds of casualties suffering from jungle rot, psychoneurosis, typhus fever and various other maladies peculiar to fighting men who have been in strange climates.

"Army nurses and the Wac medical technicians who work so smoothly with them do a marvelous job of curing and rehabilitating our casualties," said Pvt. Miller. "A boy who had recovered from a severe case of jungle rot once stopped and chatted with me for a few minutes on his way to church one Sunday. After all the suffering the boy had gone through he told me that the wonderful treatment given him by the medical technicians and the nurses had made him realize for what he was fighting. He said, 'I have lots to be thankful for.'"

Most of the casualties at Moore are boys from the two Carolinas. Pvt. Miller said, for it is the policy of the Army to send the casualties to hospitals as near their homes as possible.

"One boy who had fought a close but successful fight with the Grim Reaper said, after his miraculous recovery, that he would like to 'kiss the nurse in the Army.'" Pvt. Miller said. "Of course he said it lightly," she added, "but his sincerity was obvious."

"There are many, many other true stories about the dreadful cases at Moore Hospital and the great work which the nurses and medical technicians do to help make these men well again," Pvt. Miller said. "They are too numerous to relate and, of course, there are some which I would not be permitted to tell about."

But Pvt. Miller is permitted to tell about the noble and inspiring work of the medical technicians who care for the casualties at Moore. In fact, it was because of her observations there that she requested and received permission to go out and tell the women of the two Carolinas what a great opportunity is before them. "The things I saw at Moore General Hospital gave me a burning desire to go out and tell civilian women what a great opportunity they have to care for the sick and wounded from their own localities," she said, "and I am glad that I have been granted permission to do so."

Meet In England

Cpl. C. W. Holeman, of Roxboro, and Lt. Carrie Wilson, formerly a nurse at Watts Hospital, Durham, first cousins, recently met in England. Cpl. Holeman found her telephone number and called her and they met in Bristol. He writes home that they really had a grand time together.

About 400,000 fires occurred in U. S. homes in 1943.

Long Memorial Methodist church will have charge of the service there on Sunday night at 7:30, where the Crusade for Christ program will continue, with Miss Lucille Cothran as speaker. The high school sextet will sing and other young people participating in the general program will include: George Wilson, leader, Betsy Taylor, Nancy Willson, Louise Harris, Bill Michie and John Robert Hester.

Person District Negro Scouts plan to go to Burlington on Sunday with their leaders for a District gathering and rally.

Sgt. Guy J. Timberlake has been reported as slightly injured in action in Belgium on January 18th, according to an official message received by his wife. Sgt. Timberlake was attached to the First Army with the 75th Infantry Division. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Timberlake, of Route 1.

Many Negroes Go To Ft. Bragg

Some Go For Induction, Others For Examination.

Nine Roxboro and Person Negro men with Rogers Earl Mitchell as leader left Wednesday for induction at Fort Bragg while twenty-two Negro men left the same morning for preinduction examination, with Stanley Bailey as leader, according to Miss Jeanette Wrenn, chief clerk of the Person Selective Service Board.

Those who went for induction were: Archie Ragland, Johnnie Cornelius Williams, Nathaniel Oliver, James Thomas Betts, Jesse Newman, Wesley Lunsford, Jr., Roy Lee Lawson, and Jessie Cameron.

Those who went for preinduction were as follows: James Roberts, Anderson Scoggins, Frank Jeffers, Morris, L. Yellock, Joseph Daniel Crawley, John Louis Harris, Clarence Barnett, William Yarborough, Joe Clotis Harris, Everezor Boozie, James Lee Street.

Also, Raymond Bennett Brooks, Julius Faulkner, Edward Quinby Bullock, William Edward Townsend, George Forester Johnson, Roderick Lewis Crowder, Ulysses Grant Miles, William Matthew Lawson, James Thomas Cunningham, and Charles Donell Talley.

Major officers to be elected this year are the president and second vice president, Mrs. J. R. Futrell, Hertford, now holds the latter office.

Nominating committee is made up of Mesdames E. B. Hunter, Charlotte; W. H. Vander Linden, Hickory; Daisy Ruson, New Bern, and Allen Luther, Asheville, and Russell M. Grumman, Chapel Hill.

Get A Pack If You Have An Empty One

At least two dealers in Roxboro have started cigarette rationing on the basis of an empty pack. If they have smokes and you present an empty pack they will take up the empty pack and give you a brand new package full of cigarettes. This is something good as long as they have something to sell in the cigarette line.

The cigarette shortage has really hit this county. A large number are finding it impossible to get anything except an occasional package and many are rolling their own. Others are smoking pipes while others are doing without. Wholesalers promise no immediate relief.

MacArthur Seeks Divine Help

MANILA, Feb. — Gen. Douglas MacArthur issued a general order requesting that divine services be held throughout his sea, land and air command as his liberating troops in Manila continued their dangerous job of digging and blasting Japanese out of the city.

In requesting the divine services, General MacArthur told his troops: "You will shortly complete the liberation of the Philippines. 'You have redeemed a country's pledge to recapture its lost land. 'You have inflicted the greatest military defeat in its history on your enemy. 'You are restoring to the east its destiny. 'You have fulfilled the sacred mission for our hallowed dead. 'For all this we have to thank God."

In the first 90 days of the invasion of Europe, the Army issued 125 million maps.

Gas Shortage For Trucks On Farms Expected

Errol Morton Declares Unnecessary Truck Travel Must Be Eliminated.

The Office of Defense Transportation has made a very careful survey regarding the critical shortage of trucks and gasoline Errol D. Morton, Chairman Person County CFTC Committee, announced here today.

The survey reveals that "unless all unnecessary travel by farm trucks is eliminated there will not be sufficient gasoline to take care of the critical needs," he declared.

Mr. Morton pointed out that "in many instances, gasoline has been asked for farm trucks, based on the fact that the applicants received consideration for such allocations of gasoline by indicating that they were taking care of essential hauling in the Community, or of the transportation of certain farmers. Investigations revealed that at least a half dozen truck owners had been issued gasoline for the same purpose and in many instances, farmers were taking care of their own transportation."

The CFTC leader cited cases where gasoline had been issued to applicants for pick-up trucks to carry on farming operations and it was later found that the trucks were used, 90 percent of their operations, for pleasure driving. "Something must be done about the gasoline that has been allotted for essential use and used for non-essential purposes," he said. "In an effort to eliminate such waste and to be assured that our most essential transportation can be carried on, the Person County Farm Transportation Committee has been asked to review all Certificates of War Necessity in Person County," he concluded.

State PTA May Call Off Meet

Greensboro, Feb. — Executive committee of North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers has been called to meet at Woman's college Friday, February 16, to consider the annual convention, scheduled for April, in terms of the government order banning meetings in excess of 50 persons.

Charles W. Phillips, director of public relations at the college, as president of the state congress, has issued the call for the session from 10 until 4 o'clock in Alumnae house. The executive group will doubtless officially cancel the convention, plan a substitute election by mail and transact business of the congress which would normally have been considered by electors of the more than 100,000 members in the state.

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Post Office May Bear Hero's Name

NEW BERN, Feb. — Corderman park has been suggested by marine officials at Cherry Point as a proposed name for a new post office to be opened soon at the federal housing project across the highway from the marine air station at Cherry Point.

This name would honor the memory of 2nd Lt. Robert J. (Strawberry) Corderman, USMC, of New Bern who was one of the first marine aviators killed during world war II. He was a victim of the Japanese in their first attack on Wake island. His father, Maj. Fred Corderman, is now serving as a postal officer with the marine corps in the Pacific.

Dallas Briggs In Florida Hospital

Pfc. Dallas R. Briggs, of Roxboro, has recently arrived at Welch Convalescent Hospital, Daytona Beach, where a carefully planned reconditioning program will aid his convalescence and assist his return to health.

The son of Dallas Briggs, he entered the Army October 1942 and has since served 10 months in the area of France. His wife, Mrs. Catherine Briggs, and child reside in Roxboro.

Exercises At ORD Honor Missing Roxboro Airman

In Navy



WILLIAM E. DODSON

Seaman Second Class William E. Dodson, of Scottsburg, Va., grandson of Mrs. Mollie J. Mooney, of Roxboro, Route three, entered the Navy in October last year. He recently had a furlough and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dodson, at Scottsburg. He had boot-training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Power Will Be Off Two Hours

Interruption In Service For
Repairs In Roxboro And
Area Planned.

Electric service will be disconnected for two hours in three-fourths of Roxboro and all of the outlying areas served from Roxboro on Sunday afternoon, February 11, weather permitting, according to an announcement made today by T. Miller White, Manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company here.

"The interruption," said Mr. White, "is to permit necessary repair work which could not be done with safety without disconnecting service. We sincerely hope that it is planned for hours when a minimum of inconvenience will be caused customers in the areas to be affected."

Service will be off from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. on Sunday afternoon. Mr. White said, "We regret the necessity of disconnecting service for even a short period of time, but it is essential that our lines be kept in good repair at a time when abnormally heavy demands are being imposed upon us by the war production program."

Farmers Gather To Hear Experts

One hundred and fifty or more Person farmers yesterday gathered at Person Court House to hear W. Kerr Scott, State Commissioner of Agriculture, E. G. Moss, of Oxford, W. W. Fitzpatrick, of Durham, and Dr. L. D. Bayer, of Raleigh, discuss tobacco, pasture and corn production problems. Claude T. Hall, of Roxboro, presided, and he and others here were luncheon hosts for the speakers and a few other citizens here at Hotel Roxboro before the Court House program began.

No Name Letter Goes To Town

WILSON, Feb. 6.—Once a decade or so ago pictures of Wilson's famed West Nash street appeared in a nationally known magazine as one of the prettiest streets in the world. It must have been true.

Yesterday Elizabeth McLean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. McLean, received a card from a little friend in England. The card was simply addressed to "Miss Elizabeth McLean, 209 West Nash street."

There was no town or country on it. Yet it arrived here, and was delivered.

FISHER TAKES OATH
LONDON, Feb. — The right honorable Geoffrey Francis Fisher took the oath as archbishop of Canterbury at Buckingham palace. The prelate was received by King George VI. Herbert Morrison, secretary of state for the home department and minister of home security, administered the oath.

Mother Of Sgt. B. G. Clayton,
Jr., To Receive Air Medal
For Him.

To be honored Saturday at ORD in Greensboro is Sgt. Burchleigh G. (Buddy) Clayton, Jr., of Roxboro and the United States Army Air Corps, missing in action over France since February 25th of last year, the honor being the Air Medal, which will be received for him by his mother, Mrs. B. G. Clayton, of this city, in formal ceremonies at Greensboro.

According to Brig. Gen. Robert H. Dunlop, acting the Adjutant General, the Air Medal will be given to Mrs. Clayton "since it cannot be formally presented" to her son "at this time." Mrs. Clayton, however, does not regard the fact of the coming presentation as a closing of the records and she still hopes to receive further information as to the fate of her son and his companions.

The citation which will be read at Saturday's ceremony discloses that Sgt. Clayton has been awarded the Air Medal for "exceptionally meritorious achievement while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy occupied Continental Europe (where) the courage, coolness and skill displayed by this enlisted man (Sgt. Clayton) upon these occasions reflect great credit upon him self and the Armed Forces of the United States."

Sgt. Clayton, a graduate of Roxboro high school, where his mother is a teacher of English, was himself in tobacco warehouse business before going to the Air Corps, in which he served as a tail gunner. A brother, Tom Hill Clayton, of the Navy, is now thought to be in the Manila area, and a sister is Miss Grace Osborne Clayton, of the faculty of Pennsylvania State Teachers' college, who will also be unable to be in Greensboro for the exercise.

Sgt. Clayton, one of the first of Roxboro's young fliers to be listed as missing, volunteered in February 1943, and went overseas on December 15th, that year. He was reported as missing on the last day of the "Unknown Battle" in France, an engagement subsequently written up in Life Magazine, October 16, 1944, and in which it is thought Sgt. Clayton may have participated.

In the Roxboro party at Greensboro Saturday, in addition to Mrs. Clayton, are expected to be Mrs. C. B. Kirby and Miss Nancy Bullock, and expected to join the group in Greensboro are Mrs. Mamie Osborne and Mrs. Fred Thomas, both of Durham, mother and aunt of Mrs. Clayton. Sgt. Clayton's father will be (Turn to page 8 please)

Bill Jordan, 20, Listed Missing

Roxboro Young Man Missing
In France.

Pfc. William A. (Bill) Jordan, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Jordan, has been reported missing in action in France on January 13, according to a message received from the War Department by his parents Sunday.

Pfc. Jordan entered service June 23, 1943 and received training at Ft. Custer, Michigan, Camp Hearne, Texas, and Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri.

He graduated from Roxboro High School and was in the 776th infantry regiment of the 70th Division and had been overseas one month. A brother Frank Jordan, is in the Navy.

At least one other Roxboro young man is listed this week as missing, but confirmation of details is unavailable.

Donald Jones Has Promotion

Marine Staff Sergeant Donald W. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Jones, of Roxboro, has been promoted from sergeant to his present rank at the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, it was learned here today.

Formerly employed by the Glenn L. Martin Company in Baltimore, Md., Staff Sergeant Jones enlisted in the Marines January 21, 1943 at Raleigh. He is serving as a mechanic with a unit of the Ninth Marine Aircraft Wing, which is in combat training at the largest air station in the Marine Corps.