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WALKER, GEORGE J.

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George J. Walker was born February 5, 1865 in Horicon, Wisconsin, a son of John S. and Lydia Walker, both parents were natives of New York State.

George J. Walker received his early education in the grade school of Horicon, Wisconsin, and after completing the eight grade, he attended night school for a few years, and working at different odd jobs during the day. After completing school George J. Walker started to work for the Milwaukee Railroad Company where he was employed for over twelve years, leaving the Milwaukee Railway he started to work for the Soo Line, where he was employed for ten years. After working for the Soo Line Railroad ten years George J. Walker decided to go in business for himself, so he went to North Dakota where he operated a truck and transfer line. After nine years in this business in North Dakota, George J., preferring railroad work, came to Saint Cloud, Minnesota, where he started to work for the Great Northern Railway Company. Mr. Walker was employed by this company for twenty-four years and was retired April 8, 1936.

George J. Walker states that on March 18, 1936 he had completed fifty-six years of railroading, during this time he ran a train for thirty-eight years, and never was discharged or demoted for violation of the companies rules.

George J. Walker was married in Minneapolis, Minnesota December 31, 1889 to Clara A. Lincoln, a daughter of Durlaine B. and Ruby Lincoln. The father, Durlaine B. Lincoln, was a native of Vermont and the mother a native of Michigan, the family came to Minneapolis in 1880. Durlaine B. Lincoln died in 1890 and Ruby Lincoln died in 1927, both parents are buried in Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

To George and Clara A. (Lincoln) Walker were born four children: Della, Mrs. John Babbie of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Marjory of Saint

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Saint Cloud, Minnesota; Ferne of Los Angeles, California; and Mildred, Mrs. Fred Denchfield, of Worthington, Minnesota.

John S. Walker died in July, 1865 and was buried in Horicon, Wisconsin. Lydia Walker died in 1910 and was buried in Pasadena, California.

George J. and Clara A. (Lincoln) Walker are living in their family home at 239 24th Avenue North, Saint Cloud, Minnesota.

Interviewed: George J. Walker  
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