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Interview with Mrs Hogg West Linton

Church

Mrs Hogg, daughter of John Walker, gave me many items relating to her father's ministry, which are copied elsewhere.

She has a photo of the Kirk Session. She supplied 9 of the names: - W. Rogerson - J. Lamont - Beattie - Rae (school) - Elliot - Anderson (beadle) - - - - Walker - Fleming (Woodhouse) - A. Mitchell.

She also has, I think, pen and ink drawings by her father.

David Johnston, organist, still got music of.

Sport and Entertainment Orchestra. Mr Walker conductor, played fiddle, produced 'Kinderspiels'. Bill violin, E. Walker piano, George cello, sister piano. They played 'Highland Wreaths', some of which she produced (They were in fact simply arrangements of Scottish songs). David Richardson also played the violin, while Mabel Richardson played piano (in the orchestra?) and the organ.

Mr Hogg, schoolmaster, was a very good bridge player.

Economic

She recalled the soup kitchen, probably set up around the end of World War 1, vegetables being provided by local farmers.

Mark Simpson's smiddie was next to the school.

Doodley was a character

Other shopkeepers to impinge on her memory - Sam Wallace, son of Nat, a very good tailor, Newton. Mrs Noon's, the main shop in Kirkpatrick village. Moffat - papers and petrol.

Miscellaneous

Redhouse was her second home (and she's very friendly with Molly Mackie).

She thought very highly of Mr Fleming, Woodhouse, whose Rolls Royce took her back from her appendicitis operation.

Bill Walker went to County Architect's department.

She had newspaper cuttings of various items, including the Leslie's diamond wedding (1920). She had communion

tokens and numerous photographs.

At West Linton Mr Hogg is a local councillor, she runs a sort of library and an ambulance service - both very active in community work.