Todd, William James Walker 1884 - 1944

William James Walker Todd [also known as William J. W. Todd and as Walker Todd] was born in Glasgow, Scotland on 6 February 1884 and was articled to Thomas Purves Marwick (1854-1927) in Edinburgh from 1902 to c.1907. He then worked as an assistant to John More Dick Peddie (1853-1921) in Edinburgh from c.1907 to 1909. In 1909 Todd established his own independent practice in Edinburgh. In 1914 he formed a partnership with Sydney Houghton Miller (1884-1938) as Todd & Miller with an office at 19 Young Street, Edinburgh. The practice closed in 1915 when the two partners were called up to serve in the Army during World War One. The practice was revived after the war and in January 1920 they merged with with that of John More Dick Peddie as as J. M. Dick Peddie & W. J. Walker Todd. Peddie died the following year but the title of the firm remained unchanged until 1936 when it was dissolved. It was reconstituted in 1936 as Dick Peddie, Todd & Jamieson, the partners being Todd, David John Chisholm (1884-1949)) and George Lindsay Auldjo Jamieson (1905-1976).

Todd was elected a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1931. He was also a member of the Edinburgh Architectural Association and was its President from 1938 to 1936.

His address was given as 44, Hanover Street, Edinburgh in 1909 and 1914; Young Street, Edinburgh in 1914 and c.1919; 34, Inverleith Terrace, Edinburgh in c.1919 and 1944; and 8, Albyn Place, Edinburgh in 1920 and 1931. He died on 29 April 1944

Worked in UK Works

St. Anne's Rectory, Dunbar; additions to Caerlee, Peeblesshire; Cedar Grove, North Berwick; internal alterations at 4, Ainslie Place; 4, St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, &c. [Source: Who's Who in Architecture 1914]

For a comprehensive list of architectural projects by William James Walker Todd see the Dictionary of Scottish Architects 1660-1980

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