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My cousin, Sue Calhoun Heminway, gave me the following account which dates to late March or April 1940 - soon after her brother, John, was born:

"Sue Calhoun had bad pneumonia and wasn't improving. Brad somehow got hold of the new sulfa drug, not publicly available. Obviously, it worked and he subsequently cared for us all - including delivering my 4 kids..."

Sue also tells of her mother staying up with a sick child. Brad was still at the hospital at 11:00 p.m. and Polly fell asleep in a chair by the bed. When she woke up - hours later - Brad was also asleep in another bedside chair...

My sister and I also benefitted from Dr. Walker's care of horrendous poison ivy and nonstop nose bleeds - plus whooping cough when we were on summer vacation.

My Dad - Alfred Bacon - fell + broke his arm when trying to move a picnic table in the snow when he was well into his eighties. Dr. Walker - just before he retired - took Dad to Torrington to be patched up... (and Dad outlived Dr. Walker by 12 years!)

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