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## A Scotsman Joins Staff

A Scotsman who is holder of more than a dozen American newspaper awards has joined the staff of the Duke University Office of Information Services.

Dominic Crolla, 38, has assumed responsibility for reporting news of the Duke Medical Center, according to an announcement by Clarence E. Whitefield, director of the Office. The appointment was effective December 1.

Mr. Crolla came to Duke from the staff of the *Rocky Mountain News*, Denver, Colorado. He formerly was with the *Tucson* (Arizona) *Daily Citizen*, where he earned national and state awards for medical writing, feature writing, general news reporting, sports writing, and photography.

At Duke, Mr. Crolla will be in charge of publicizing research, teaching, and patient care in the Schools of Medicine and Nursing and the Hospital. He will con-



Mr. Crolla

centrate on reporting major programs and events for state, regional, and national media. He succeeds Mr. Wes Lefler, who has joined the News Bureau of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

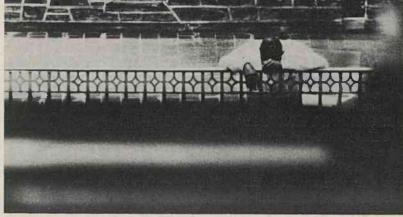
Mr. Crolla has specialized in medical writing for the past five years. In addition to extensive newspaper coverage of many aspects of medicine, he has served as Tucson and Southern Arizona correspondent for *Medical Tribune* and World Wide News (Medical) Service.

In 1963 he won regional honors in the Annual Russell I. Cecil Awards contest and took first place nationally in a contest sponsored by the American Osteopathic Medical Association with an article describing the difference between osteopathic and allopathic medicine. A 1962 story on open heart surgery, illustrated by his own photographs, won first prize in feature writing in Arizona. Also that year, he was runner-up in the Cecil Awards contest for a story he wrote on arthritis quackery.

In 1960 and 1961, Mr. Crolla was the top journalism awards winner in Arizona. His news and feature writing and photography earned two national and three state awards in 1960 and four state awards in 1961.

This is the third country in which Mr. Crolla has practiced journalism. Prior to coming to the U.S., he worked for more than six years for Canadian newspapers and for several years with newspapers in his native Scotland.

He is a graduate of Glasgow University and also completed his earlier schooling in Glasgow.



Often there is the need for solitude ... for a sanctuary ...

## A Worthy Cause... The Chapel

The following is a Christmas letter written by Dr. Barnes Woodhall, Vice Provost, to friends concerning the Duke Hospital Chapel. *Intercom* thinks this may have meaning for others and has received permission to reprint it.

Many of you I suspect have purchased Christmas eards from an international organization called UNICEF and thus have contributed to child care throughout the world. While you continue this and other worthwhile contributions as you wish, I commend to your attention another warm and personal program in our own Medical Center called the Duke Hospital Chapel that deserves the same order of individual support and is of course quite non-competitive.

You are familiar with the Chapel's two-fold program of the building of a sanctuary and the development of adequate facilities for the hospital chaplains' program. A number of generous gifts have initiated this development but it is a fact that some ninety thousand dollars are needed to complete our financing and it is a hope that we can start construction some one and one-half years from now when the Main Entrance Building has assumed one of its functions as a main lobby for patients.

All of us give and receive gifts as symbols of the meaning of Christmas; we attempt to honor our friends to whom we are devoted for one reason or another. In the University Hospital setting, we may wish to repay in some part the professional care we have received or our patients want to do more than is usual or we have close friends who are ill or who have been ill. It is at these times that we might remember that a hospital with its human problems remains incomplete without a sanctuary.

Gifts of any amount will aid this program, one which I trust will be accepted as a continuing program. Contributions should be designated for the "Duke Hospital Chapel Fund" and are deductible for income tax purposes. They should be sent to Chaplain Aitken who will notify the recipient of this honor in an appropriate fashion.

As one who has followed this concept in what one might call an experimental model, I can testify that both donor and recipient experience a warm and satisfying reaction that, if not rare among us all, is at least unique in our own life at Duke University.