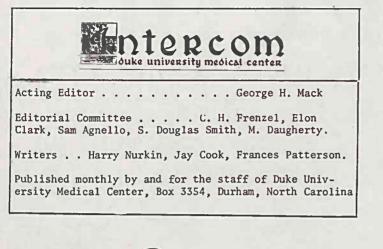
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FROM THE DESK OF ... RALPH E. JENNINGS

The recent civil unrest in our nation's cities placed a great strain on many hospitals, and Duke University Medical Center felt this strain. Luckily, Durham was spared the violence which hit many of our major cities. Our normal ability to take care of emergencies was able to cope with the few casualties of the unrest.

It was gratifying that the great majority of employees were able to report for work on their assigned shifts. Deliveries of needed materials and supplies continued without interruption. I credit the fact that normal patient care and service was maintained to the extraordinary efforts of each of our employees.

Transportation facilities were provided by the University maintenance department, and I trust each of our employees who needed assistance in getting to and from the hospital was transported with a minimum of inconvenience. Volunteers from various segments of the University community presented themselves for service during the period of unrest, and, although they were not pressed into service, it is reassuring to know that the provision of adequate medical care for our patients is a concern of many citizens in our community.

Throughout the emergency, we were able to provide necessary services to all our patients. If the degree to which our employees responded to recent situations is any indication, I feel sure that the employee spirit which causes the hospital to function in normal times will also cause it to function in the future in times of stress.

JUDY OSGOOD WINS CONTEST

Judy Osgood of the Department of Microbiology successfully identified last month's photo as "rebar" material used in the construction of hospital fire tower B. Auxiliary Brings Easter To Pediatric Patients



The Women's Auxiliary brought the Easter Bunny to children on Matas and Howland Wards who were unable to leave the hospital to enjoy Easter fun. On Friday, April 12, pediatric patients were treated to an Easter Egg Hunt complete with plastic eggs, jelly beans, and toy baby chicks.

Auxiliary members Mrs. W. S. McDevitt, Mrs. Richard Entwhistle, Mrs. Thomas Langford, and Mrs. H. J. Oosting, along with coed volunteers Betsy Hopkins and Linda Carmichael hid 150 plastic eggs containing jelly beans on the Howland porch. Each child was given an Easter basket with paper grass and a toy baby chick.

Seventeen children from Matas and Howland Wards came to the hunt - many of them in wheelchairs and strollers. Those participating in the Easter Egg Hunt took baskets to other patients confined to their beds on the pediatric ward.

The Women's Auxiliary also provided miniature baskets filled with artificial flowers to be placed on the children's trays on Easter Sunday.



All employees, faculty, staff and students are invited to identify this month's mystery photo. Send your entries to Public Relations, Box 3354, Hospital. Good Luck !