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## Change in Hospital Administration

### RICHARD PECK NEW ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Richard H. Peck, an assistant director of Duke Hospital since Nov. 17, 1969, has been promoted to associate director.

The appointment was announced by Dr. Stuart M. Sessoms, hospital director, following confirmation by the University Board of Trustees.

Mr. Peck succeeds C. Edward McCauley, who assumed duties Sept. 1 as director of Watts Hospital, where he was assistant director from 1963-66. Mr. McCauley had been at Duke since 1967 and had been associate director since Feb. 1, 1969.

Mr. Peck, who was 30 last Monday, was born at Fort McClellan, Ala., where his father was in service during World War II.

Mr. Peck's father was, and is, a city manager, and that meant several moves for the Peck family. Mr. Peck started to school in Raleigh, spent the third through seventh grades at Mooresville, the eighth and ninth grades in Sanford and then finished high school at Washington, N.C., in 1959.

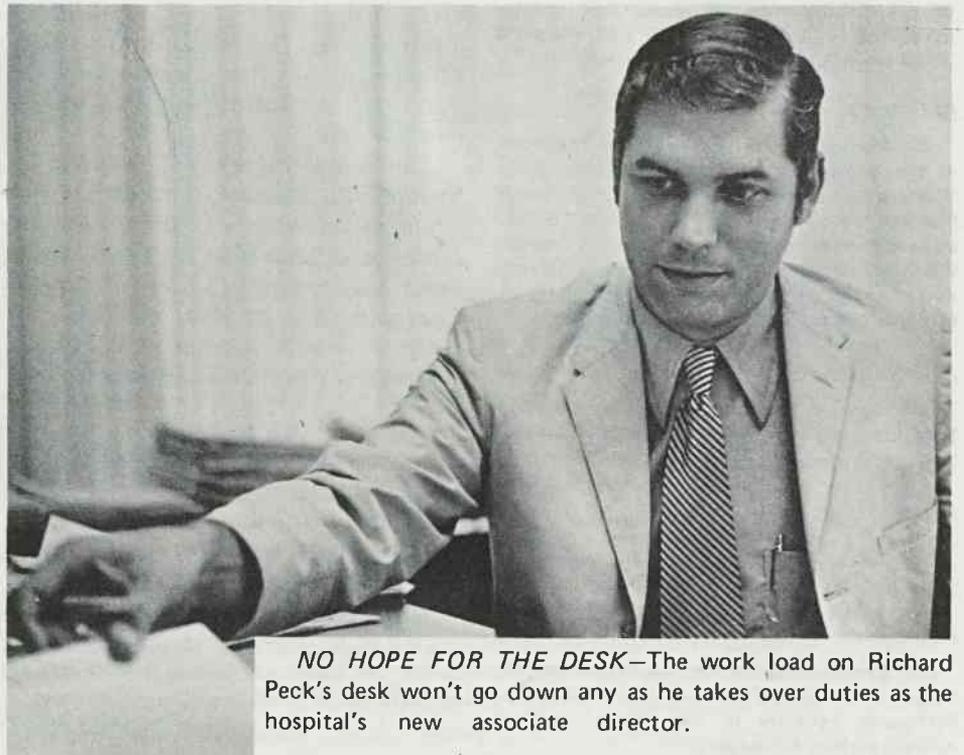
He entered the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, graduating in 1963 with an A.B. degree in economics with a minor in political science.

Between his junior and senior years at UNC, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Peck, moved to Chapel Hill, where his father has been town manager ever since.

For a year after finishing college, Mr. Peck got his first taste of hospital work at N.C. Memorial in Chapel Hill, where he was employed in the outpatient department.

The next year he entered Duke's Graduate Program in Hospital Administration, receiving his master's degree in 1966. While in the graduate program, he served administration residencies with the Duke Endowment, at

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**NO HOPE FOR THE DESK**—The work load on Richard Peck's desk won't go down any as he takes over duties as the hospital's new associate director.

### **Symposium Will Honor Dr. Thomas**

The Medical Center will pay special honor to the late Dr. Walter L. Thomas at a symposium dedicated to his memory here Sept. 12-14.

The meeting, to become an annual one, will be known as the Walter L. Thomas Symposium and will deal with gynecologic diseases, with special emphasis on gynecologic malignancies.

Dr. Thomas, a professor of obstetrics and gynecology, was a member of the Duke Medical faculty from 1937 until his death April 18, 1970.

The symposium is sponsored by the Walter L. Thomas Educational Fund, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and a grant from the

Regional Medical Program. The symposium will draw on the Duke faculty for scientific presentations and in addition will have the following guest faculty:

\* Dr. Felix Rutledge, gynecologist-in-chief, M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in Houston, Tex.

\* Dr. Lester A. Wilson Jr., professor of Ob-Gyn, University of Virginia School of Medicine.

\* Dr. Leonard Palumbo, professor of Ob-Gyn at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine.

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