



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT ■ MAINE MEDICAL CENTER ■ PORTLAND, MAINE 04102



DOUGLASS W. WALKER, M.D.

Dr. Douglass W. Walker Named To MMC Medical Director Post

A Thomaston, Me., native, now associate dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Md., has been appointed as the first medical director of the Maine Medical Center.

Douglass W. Walker, M.D., will assume his duties as chief of the MMC medical staff in September. His appointment was announced this week by Philip K. Reiman, MMC executive director, following action by the Medical Center's board of trustees.

Reiman said Dr. Walker will exercise broad authority to assure the proper and effective organization and functioning of the medical staff and maintain the high quality of patient care at Maine Medical Center. His responsibilities also will include overall supervision of medical education and research, and interpretation and administration of the Trustees' and executive director's policies to the medical staff.

"In general," Reiman said, "Dr. Walker will serve in the role of coordinator, catalyst, educator, expediter, liaison officer and not infrequently the conscience of the MMC medical staff."

Dr. Walker has been a member of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine faculty and administration, and a staff member of Johns Hopkins Hospital, since 1963. He has served as an assistant and associate professor of pediatrics, as assistant and associate dean, and as a staff pediatrician.

Born at Thomaston in 1913, Dr. Walker is a graduate of Hebron Academy, Bowdoin College and the Yale University School of Medicine. He served an internship and residency in pediatrics at New Haven Hospital, Conn., before World War Two service in the Medical Corps, Army of the United States. He was returned to inactive status as a Lieutenant Colonel, M.C., in 1945 after four years as executive officer, Preventive Medicine Division, Surgeon General's Office, and accepted a fellowship in pediatrics at Yale University Medical School.

He became a consultant at Laconia, N.H., Hospital and a pediatrician at the Laconia Clinic in 1946, later serving as chief of pediatrics at Laconia Hospital and secretary and president of the Laconia Clinic. His long association with these institutions was terminated with his appointment to Johns Hopkins in 1963.

Dr. Walker is a Fellow, American Medical Association and American Academy of Pediatrics; a member of the American Public Health Association; several Maryland medical and pediatric societies; past president and council member of the New England Pediatric Society; a member of the Armed Forces Society of Medical Consultants and a member of the editorial board, History of Preventive Medicine, World War Two.

He is past president of the Belknap County Medical Society, N.H.; a past president of the New Hampshire Pediatric Society; former New Hampshire state chairman, American Academy of Pediatrics, a former member of the New Hampshire Medical Society and a former member of several New Hampshire medical boards and commissions.

Dr. Walker's wife is the former Janet Franklin Stockbridge of Baltimore. They have three daughters.