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Rehab 2 Named for Pickens

The Marshall I. Pickens Rehabilitation Center, Duke's newest building, was dedicated during the observance of University Founder's Day, December 14.

The object of the center is to treat, re-educate, and rehabilitate severely ill, injured, and disabled patients.

Mr. Pickens, vice-chairman of the Duke Endowment trustees, was honored for his instrumental part in the expansion and improvement of Duke Medical Center during his tenure with the Endowment.

Main speaker for the ceremonies was Sir Ludwig Guttmann, an internationally known scientist and neurosurgeon in the field of rehabilitation. Director of the National Spinal Injuries Centre in Aylesbury, England, Sir Ludwig is the founder of the Paraplegic Olympics.

Dr. Barnes Woodhall, University chancellor pro tem, presided at the building presentation ceremony. Mrs. James H. Semans, a University trustee, unveiled a portrait of Mr. Pickens to be hung in the building, while Mr. Pickens followed with his remarks.

Also on the program were an invocation by the Rev. James T. Cleland, James B. Duke professor emeritus of preaching and dean of the Duke Chapel; a welcome speech by Dr. William G. Anlyan, vice-president for health affairs; the introduction of the main speaker by Dr. Saul Boyarsky, director of rehabilitation; a short address by Dr. Thomas D. Kinney, director of medical education, and a benediction by the Rev. P. Wesley Aitken, Medical Center chaplain.

The two-story rectangular structure, located across Erwin Road from the Graduate Center, will provide outpatient services in a variety of medical specialties in addition to housing research projects and educational programs concerned with rehabilitation.

Comprehensive programs scheduled for

the new center will serve patients with stroke, muscular dystrophy, paraplegia, amputations, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, emphysema, cardiac disease, burns, arthritis, cystic fibrosis, neurogenic bladder, and other problems.

The \$1.1 million building contains nearly 27,000 square feet of floor space. Provisions have been made to add two more stories to the structure when re-

habilitation programs are expanded.

Mr. Pickens began his work with the Duke Endowment in 1928 as a field representative and was named associate director and then director of the Hospital and Child Care Section in 1948 and 1950, respectively. He served as executive director from 1962 until 1966 when he was named vice-chairman. At present, he is also a trustee of the Endowment, chairman of two committees, and serves as a consultant.

In addition to his work with hospitals through the Endowment, Mr. Pickens is a trustee of Duke University, a member of the Trustee-Faculty Liaison Committee, and a member of the board of visitors of Duke Medical Center as well as at Davidson College, St. Andrews College, Laurinburg College, and Crossnore School in Crossnore, N. C. He is a director of the Duke Power Company and chairman of the board of the Metropolitan Savings and Loan Association.

Mr. Pickens holds A. B. and M. A. degrees from Duke granted in 1925 and 1926, respectively. He has also received an honorary LL. D. degree from Davidson College.

The North Carolina Hospital Association in 1965 presented Mr. Pickens its first Distinguished Service Award for his contributions to health care. In 1968, the Greenville Hospital System of South Carolina named its new mental health center for him.

The Pickens Center is the second phase of a three-part plan to provide more comprehensive rehabilitation service at Duke. The first was construction of a speech, hearing, and surgical rehabilitation addition to Baker House. The third part will be construction of an inpatient rehabilitation center.



Pals

Regina Brower spends a quiet moment with her pal Santa Claus, also known as E. W. Dunham of Durham. Santa visited Gina and her friends at the Duke Acoustic Nursery December 17. (photo by Dave Hooks)

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