

## Health Fair

### Opens Today

## It's About Feelin' Good

Durham's second annual health fair opened today under the theme, "the feelin' good fair."

Sponsored this year by the North Carolina Regional Medical Program, the fair is being held at the Durham Civic Center, corner of Morgan and Foster streets, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today and tomorrow.

The gala, which will feature a composite of activities and entertainment by Durham's health care community, is free and open to the public.

The fair will feature a number of informational booths and exhibits, including free health checks for blood pressure, diabetes, glaucoma and breast cancer.

It will present a variety of demonstrations and performances by area groups concerned about health care, as well as games, movies and slide shows about "feelin' good."



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## Wadsworth Will Head Ophthalmology Group

Dr. Joseph A. C. Wadsworth Jr., chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology, will be named president of the American Ophthalmological Society tomorrow.

The ceremonies will take place at the group's annual meeting in Hot Springs, Ark. Founded 110 years ago, the society is the oldest medical specialty body in America.

Wadsworth has been a professor and chairman of ophthalmology since 1965. He is the only person to have held the latter position here.

## Drug Firm To Support Fuchs

The Burroughs Wellcome Co., a British pharmaceutical manufacturer with U.S. home offices in North Carolina's Research Triangle Park, has announced that it will provide full salary and research support to a Duke scientist who is studying cardiovascular disease.

Dr. James C. A. Fuchs, assistant professor in the Department of Surgery and associate in clinical pharmacology, will remain on the Duke faculty as part of the Burroughs Wellcome support of clinical pharmacology at the medical center. His appointment was effective May 1.

Fuch's chief research interest lies in atherosclerosis, a common arterial disorder which has been implicated in heart attacks and strokes. He is currently establishing an active program at Duke to evaluate the role of surgery and drug therapy in preventing or arresting vascular deterioration.

More specifically, Fuchs and his associates are looking at surgical grafts which bypass diseased segments of arteries. These grafts, usually veins taken from another part of the patient's body will be studied to determine the factors involved in their long term function.

The scientist received his M.D. degree from the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in 1964 and is a 1973 graduate of Duke's surgical residency program. He was named assistant professor of surgery here in 1974.

He has been associated with the Medical Department of Burroughs Wellcome since January, 1974, and will continue to work with their cardiovascular division.

He gave up a New York City ophthalmology practice to return to Duke, where he had earned his M.D. degree 26 years earlier. One of the dreams Wadsworth brought with him from New York was a mental picture of the Duke Eye Center. His idea excited others — including the Board of Trustees — and the center opened in November, 1973.

The professor was born in Charlotte. He received his B.A. degree at Davidson College in 1935. His research interests have been eye pathology and eye cancer surgery.

Other national posts Wadsworth has held include:

\*the chairmanship of the American Board of Ophthalmology, and

\*the chairmanship of the American Ophthalmological Society's executive committee.



DR. JOSEPH A. WADSWORTH

## Respiratory Disease Expert

## Menefee Dies in Arizona

Dr. E. E. "Lige" Menefee Jr., 65, former professor of medicine here, died in Green Valley, Ariz., Friday morning (May 23).

He had been in declining health since his early retirement in October of 1971.

Menefee joined the Duke faculty in 1940 following his residency at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston and Bellevue Hospital in New York City. He earned his M.D. degree at Duke in 1936.

A native of Lynchburg, Va., the physician and researcher was considered one of the country's leading authorities on tuberculosis and other respiratory diseases. He was among the first physicians to call attention to a link between smoking and lung diseases.

He also was among the first to alert the public to what he considered the dangers of smoking, saying more than 20 years ago that smokers must choose between their habit and breathing.

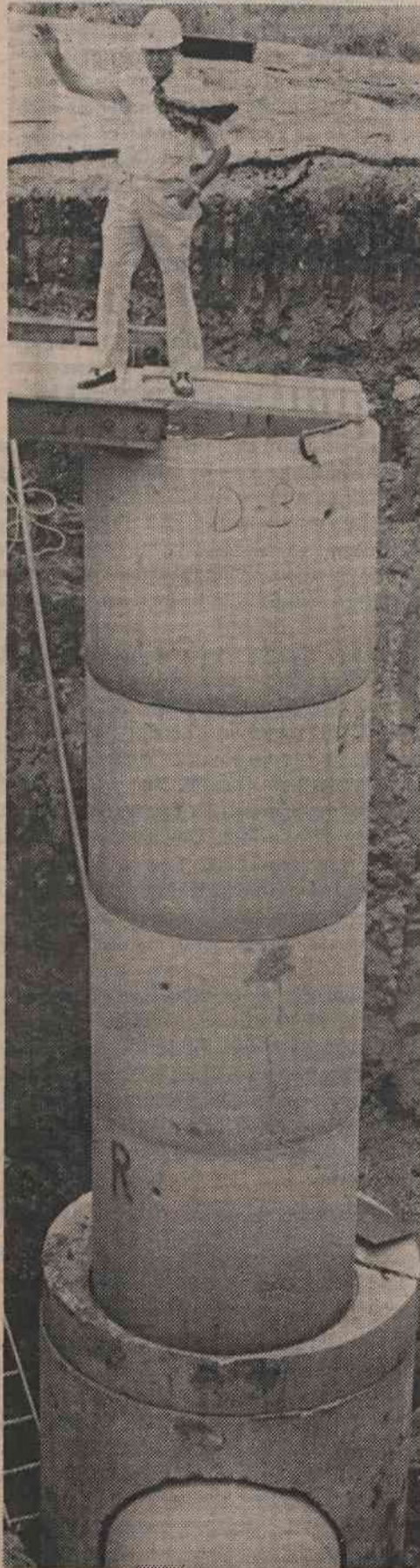
This spring Dr. Menefee received the Distinguished Teaching Award from the university's Alumni Council.

"You couldn't be his patient without being endeared to him," said Dr. Jay Arena, a pediatrician and long-time associate at Duke. "'Lige' was a quiet and gentle man of great skill. His talents as physician, scientist and teacher were equalled only by his qualities as a human being. Few doctors have all these characteristics. He was one of them."

Dr. Menefee was a member of numerous professional organizations  
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DR. E. E. MENEFEЕ



**HIGH ON A PIPE**—Ted Tyren, engineer in the hospital's Project Management Office, was dwarfed by the size of the 28-foot hole in the parking lot beside Fulton Street last week. Construction workers are currently installing storm drains and sewer lines there in preparation for the new Duke North Hospital. (Photo by David Williamson)