

Meet Emil Le Clercq, author of the caricatures on the opposite page. Dr. Le Clercq is resident in endocrinology with Dr. Hamblen. A native of Belgium, he received his M. D. degree in 1951 from Liege University. He continued there with work in his specialty until 1956, when he came to Charlotte, N. C., as resident in obstetrics. He came to Duke in 1957. Dr. Le Clercq and his wife live in Chapel Hill, where Mrs. Le Clercq works as a technician at Memorial Hospital.

At the same time he was pursuing his medical education, Dr. Le Clercq managed to study sculpture for three years at the Academy of Brussels. The sketches of which these are a part were on exhibition in the Doctors' Dining Room and have now been published in a portfolio. Orders for the portfolio can be addressed to Dr. Le Clercq at Box 2964 Duke Hospital.

Open House

On March 4 from 2:30 to 4 P.M. an informal get-together for Hospital, Medical School and Nursing personnel and students was held in the lounge of Baker House. It is hoped that this is the first of a series of such gatherings which will give all members of the Medical Center family a chance to get better acquainted.

Student Tour

Recognizing the need to interest high school students in scientific fields, the Coastal Plain Heart Association, which serves Nash, Edgecombe, Halifax, Pitt and Martin Counties, made arrangements in February for 26 high school students from that area to visit Duke Medical Center. The program for the students at Duke was planned by Dr. John B. Hickam, President of the North Carolina Heart Association, and included observation of work in progress in cardiovascular research.

"Nick" Carter Travel Club

The "Nick" Carter Travel Club held its seventh annual meeting February 7-10 in Tampa, Florida.

Organized in 1951, the club is composed of obstetricians and gynecologists who have trained at least one year under Dr. Bayard Carter. Some 50 physicians from nine states and the District of Columbia make up the club's membership. Presenting papers from Duke were Drs. Violet Turner and Roy Parker. Other Duke and Durham physicians present were Drs. Bayard Carter, Robert N. Creadick, Eleanor B. Easley, and T. F. Adkins.

Dr. Beard National Lecturer

Dr. Joseph W. Beard has been named a Sigma Xi National Lecturer for 1958. His tour which will cover Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Florida, began March 21 and will continue for six weeks. One of several scientists chosen by Sigma Xi to address chapters over the United States, Dr. Beard will speak on "Viruses as a Cause of Cancer."

At the Stern Symposium in New York in February, Dr. Beard reported that virus-like particles have been observed in human leukemia cells at Duke by Dr. Donald F. Parsons of the virus research team.

Appointed to Committee on Radiation

Dr. Ewald W. Busse, Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry, and Dr. Philip Handler, Chairman of the Biochemistry Department, have been appointed to a joint committee of the Atomic Energy Commission and the National Institutes of Health to study radiation in relation to aging and length of life. Purpose of the com-

mittee is to stimulate research and plan conferences on the effects of radiation upon the life span and the possible usefulness of radiation in understanding the aging process.

Personality Contest

Voting starts April 10

Winner to be crowned at

The Country Fair and Carnival

Contest Rules

1. Everyone associated with Duke University Medical Center is eligible and encouraged to vote.
2. Personalities are to be chosen from all women connected with Duke University Medical Center: Staff, Nurses, Secretaries, Technicians, Employees, Auxiliary.
3. Choice should be based on personality and appearance.
4. Write your choice on a ballot and drop into Ballot Box. Cost 10¢ a vote. Vote as many times as you wish. Ballot Box locations:

Main lobby of Hospital
10 A.M.—2 P.M.

Doctors' Dining Room
12 noon—2 P.M.

Hospital Post Office Lobby
1-3 P.M.

5. The five women receiving the highest number of votes will be entered in the final contest.
6. Pictures of the five finalists will be displayed on the wall outside the Doctors' Dining Room.
7. Each vote in the final contest will cost 10¢. Be sure to vote on the finalists.
8. The winner of the contest will be kept secret until The Country Fair and Carnival, May 10, at which time she will be crowned "Queen and Outstanding Personality of Duke Medical Center 1958." The runners-up will compose the Ladies of her Court.