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Wadsworth to Chair Ophthalmology

Native North Carolinian Returns to the South



A Duke alumnus and North Carolina native, Dr. Joseph A. C. Wadsworth, of New York, became chairman of the new Duke University Medical Center Department of Ophthalmology on July 1.

Dr. Wadsworth is a graduate of the Duke Medical School. Prior to assuming his Duke position, he was a clinical professor of ophthalmology at Columbia University. He was also attending ophthalmologist at the Presbyterian Hospital, the Vanderbilt Clinic, consultant to New Rochelle Hospital, and attending surgeon in ophthalmology at the Roosevelt Hospital, all in New York.

Dr. Wadsworth succeeds Dr. Banks Anderson, Sr., who directed what was formerly known as the Division of Ophthalmology in the Department of Surgery. Dr. Anderson will continue teaching and research in his capacity of professor of ophthalmology.

He is author of many publica-

tions relating to eye surgery. He is member of a dozen state and national medical societies and five fraternities.

Before studying medicine at Duke, Dr. Wadsworth received the A.B. degree from Davidson College. He took his internship at the Bellevue Hospital and his residency training at the Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center.

Dr. Wadsworth is married to the former Mary Toms Buchanan of Durham. He is a native of Charlotte.

Lester Named New Radiology Chairman

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One of the nation's outstanding young radiologists joined the Duke University Medical Center faculty as a departmental chairman on July 1.

Dr. Richard J. Lester, former chairman of the Department of Radiology at the Medical College of Virginia, has assumed similar responsibilities here at Duke.

A native of New York City, Dr. Lester succeeds Dr. Robert J. Reeves. Dr. Reeves will devote full time to his teaching and research duties as professor of radiology here.

The new departmental chairman is widely known for his interest and skill in diagnosing heart disorders. He is author of nearly 40 articles in his field.

Dr. Lester joined the Medical College of Virginia faculty in 1961. He went there from a position as associate professor at the University of Minnesota, where he had started his teaching career in medicine as an instructor in 1954.

TITUS NAMED

Bert R. Titus, Director and Assistant Professor of Orthosis and Prosthesis, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the world's largest artificial limb organization.

A member of the board of directors last year, Mr. Titus now moves up to the executive board of the American Board for the Certification of Prosthetics and Orthotics. He was elected at an annual meeting of the Board held recently in Denver, Colo., which drew an estimated 600 persons from around the world.

Wait, Please... Before You Throw That Away!

It's been a long time since you've cleaned out those cabinets, but be selective, please, about those items that you throw away!

We hear, for instance, that there is in the Medical Center a collection of x-ray tubes of some seniority as x-ray tubes go. As a matter of factual information, they are the first tubes used here at Duke Hospital, and they have been termed "priceless" as far as the Medical Center Archives are concerned.

You, too, might have something for the Archives. Are there old Medical School or School of Nursing publications which are collecting dust—a valuable sign that they are senior citizens of the cabinet which you're cleaning out? Possibly you have old photographs, "originals" in equipment, etc. that you would like to contribute to the Reading Room (i.e. "Archives") of the New Medical Center Library.

This room will be devoted to the "History of Duke University Medical Center." In the room will be documents, manuscripts, books, objects of professional history (such as the x-ray tubes), etc. which will "tell the continuing story" of Duke Medical Center.

The "story," however, will be only as complete as the contributions received. So—if your cabinet yields an Archive contribution, please have the item(s) taken to either Dr. Barnes Woodhall, 101 Davison Building, or Mr. G. S. T. Cavanagh in the Medical Center Library.

