

Board Names Dr. Tanford James B. Duke Professor

A Medical Center faculty member was one of two men named to J.B. Duke endowed professorships at the University in March.

Dr. Charles Tanford, professor of physical biochemistry at the Medical Center since 1960, and Dr. Weston LaBarre, professor of anthropology at Duke, were honored for their distinguished work at a dinner March 16.

Both will begin their appointments July 1.

Dr. Tanford, author of the advanced textbook *Physical Chemistry of Macromolecules* and some 125 research papers in areas of protein chemistry, has been primarily interested in applying principles of physical chemistry to problems in the biological sciences.

Shortly after coming to Duke, he was one of nine scientists chosen in the first group of recipients of Research Career Awards from the National Institutes of Health. In 1968, he was the only North Carolinian elected to membership in the biophysics and biochemistry section of



DR. CHARLES TANFORD

the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Born in Halle, Germany, Dr. Tanford took bachelor's degree honors in

chemistry at New York University in 1943 and a master's degree the next year at Princeton University. He earned his Ph.D. in physical chemistry at Princeton in 1947, while holding a National Research Council Fellowship.

Dr. Tanford was a Lalor Fellow in the department of physical chemistry at Harvard from 1947 to 1949 and then joined the faculty of Iowa State University where he remained until his appointment at Duke in 1960.

He was a visiting professor at Harvard during the 1966-67 academic year.

A postdoctoral Guggenheim Fellow at Yale in 1956-57, Dr. Tanford has served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of the American Chemical Society* (1958-68) and the *Journal of Biological Chemistry* (1962-67).

He was a member of the Biophysics and Biophysical Chemistry Study Section of the National Institutes of Health from 1959 to 1962. His memberships also include Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, and the American Chemical Society.

New Travel Club Meets at Watts

An area Coronary Travel Club, set up in 1969 at Wake Memorial Hospital in Raleigh, held its second session at Watts Hospital in Durham March 24.

The club, organized to promote the exchange of ideas among people interested in cardiology, was established by Dr. Henry D. McIntosh, chief of Duke's cardiovascular division, and several other cardiologists from the Durham-Raleigh-Chapel Hill area.

The March 24 program featured discussions on sinus bradycardia and associated tachyarrhythmias. Dr. H. Leroy Izlar, chief of cardiovascular diseases at Watts, presented two patients and led the panel discussions.

The meeting was set up by the Physician's Support Center, a branch office of the Duke Department of Community Health Sciences.



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A *PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT* does just what Joyce Nichols is doing here as she assists Dr. W.R. Kenny in the Cardiac Care Unit. Mrs. Nichols, a former LPN at Duke, will become the first woman graduate of the Physician's Assistant Program this fall. The Rockefeller Foundation recently awarded Duke \$150,000 toward further support of the program and development of other experimental health service programs. (Photo by Jim Wallace)