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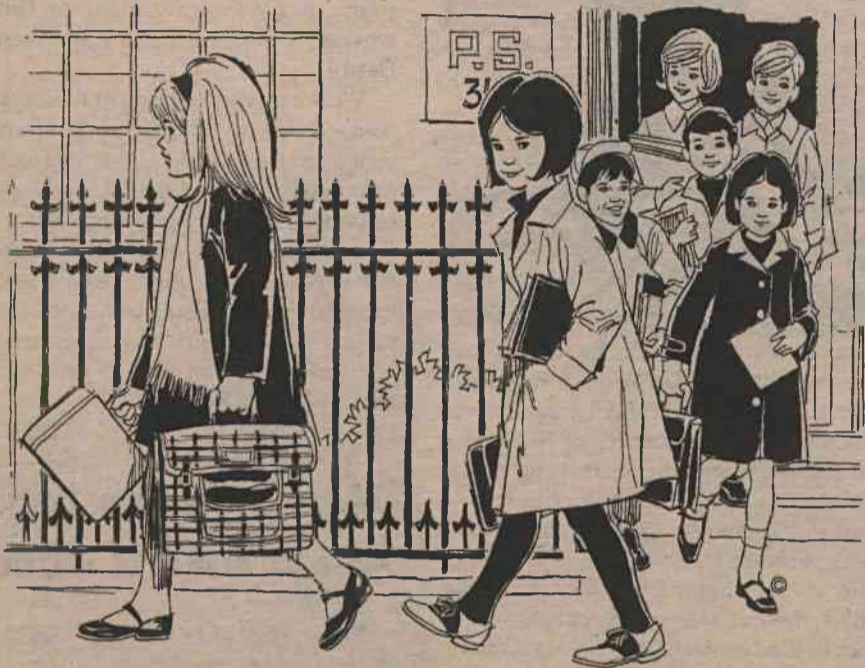
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DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Creative Writing by Fifth Graders

'I Am a Whirlpool Bath at Duke Hospital'



Scheduled To Open on May 3

Durham Health Fair Focuses On 'Health-It's a Family Affair'

"Health: It's a Family Affair."

That's the theme for the first Durham City-County Health Fair which will open for two days starting Friday, May 3, on the lawn of Lincoln Hospital, 1301 Fayetteville St.

The purpose of the fair, which has been in the planning stages for more than six months, is to make Durham citizens aware of health services available to them and to provide guidance on receiving those services.

Planners have included representatives from Duke, Watts, Lincoln and the VA hospitals along with people from about 30 other health and service agencies in the county.

Durham Mayor James Hawkins and Durham County Commission Chairman Dewey Scarborough will officially open the fair at noon that Friday. The fair will run from noon-8 p.m. that day and from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday.

Those attending the fair will have available to them free glaucoma and diabetes screening from the Durham County Health Department, vision screening from the N.C. Society for the Prevention of Blindness, automated blood pressure measurement from the N.C. Heart Association and registration for cancer detection examinations from the American Cancer Society.

In addition the approximately 40 booths will have literature available and staff representatives to answer questions. Many exhibits will include audio-visual displays.

The Environmental Protection Agency will offer a slide show on pollution and health; the N. C. Department of Motor Vehicles will provide a jolting ride on a "seat-belt convincer;" the Durham Fire

Department will demonstrate artificial respiration and rescue practices; Hillside High School's Health Careers Club will offer a slide show on careers in health services; and the School of Public Health at UNC will provide an audiovisual presentation on training programs it offers in health fields.

An exhibit is being prepared by the Division of Community Health Models, a part of Duke's Department of Community Health Sciences. It will be a multi-audiovisual presentation centering in large measure on the division's work with residents in Bragtown, Rougemont and Bahama and surveys of how families seek and obtain health care.

Free snacks, soft drinks, balloons and entertainment will be provided.

Other cooperating agencies include the American Red Cross, Drug Rehabilitation Center, Durham Cystic Fibrosis, N. C. Blue Cross-Blue Shield, Durham Business and Professional Chain, Research Triangle Lung Association, N. C. Dairy Council, Durham County Department of Social Services, Citizens Concerned About Health Care, Durham Child Advocacy Commission.

Durham Child Guidance Clinic, N. C. State University Agricultural Extension

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CLELAND SERVICE

Terry Sanford, president of the university, has invited all members of the Duke community to a public service of thanksgiving in celebration of the ministry of James T. Cleland on Sunday, April 21, at 4 p.m. at the Chapel. A reception will follow on the Chapel grounds.

(Editor's note: Throughout the school year, hundreds of children visit us to see how a hospital works and to learn of career opportunities in health fields. For the younger ones, almost everything is a new experience in finding out how "people take care of people." Reprinted below are some of the creative stories fifth graders from Mrs. Alana Parrish's class at Parkwood Elementary School wrote after their visit to Duke.)

I Am a Whirlpool Bath at Duke Hospital

Today a lady was put on my stretcher and the nurse hooked it up and pushed a button and all of a sudden she was in me!

I'm about 90 degrees and all shook up. This lady layed in me and I made it so her arthritis didn't hurt so much.

Another lady practiced walking in me with the use of the parallel bars. The nurse said it wouldn't put a lot of pressure on her legs if she used me.

You can raise my walking platform so high that it will be as high as the edge of me and will look as if it is a solid platform.

I can relax people's muscles and stop the arthritis from hurting because I'm so warm. If you have arthritis or sore muscles come and see me. Maybe I can help.

Jennifer Spencer

I Am a Wheelchair in Duke Hospital

The first job of the day was to take a patient down to the gift shop. As we got out the door the nurse fell down and I went rolling down the hall. I bumped into the door, went through it, rolled down three flights of stairs, rolled through the open door and as I came out I hit two walls and a nurse. The walls were okay but the nurse flew three feet up into the air and into the patient's lap. The next person to come along was a doctor. He thought it was a sex scene and fired the nurse immediately. I was taken to the x-ray room and they found that I had a broken spring so I retired.

Freddie Ange

I Am a Red Blood Cell in a Patient at Duke Hospital

Hello. My new owner and I just got out of the operating room. Boy, I remember those good old days. My friends and I used to circulate and have the greatest times. My friends were the red blood cells. (I didn't like the white ones.) It's been hard to make new friends. All these cells in this lady's body turn their plasma's up at me.

Well, let's get back to the good old days. We used to play around in the heart and run to the lungs. Then one day we were skipping along the vein in our owner's wrist when suddenly we got sucked up. Then I saw my first look at the world. I had never been around when the lady had cut herself. Well we traveled up a tube and into a bag with alot of other blood cells. It was so sad. Mothers had been parted from their husbands and

children. Almost everyone was crying.

Then we were picked up and taken across the hall and into a room. In this room there were lots of ladies and men. And they had all these machines. Then they put us down and we saw someone typing something. Then they stuck it on. Boy, it was right in my face. So then my friends and I moved down to the bottom of the bag so we could see. The syrum separated and didn't move because it didn't want to see.

After two days we were plunked into a very cold box. (later on we found out it was a refrigerator.) Then one day, all of a sudden we were taken out. They took some of us out of the bag and put them in a glass in a glass tube with a bottom in it. (We learned later on it was a test tube.)

I was watching out of the bag when they took some mean looking blood and mixed it. We heard something from one of the workers about him cross-matching them.

They mixed real well with the other blood so they said, "O.K." O.K. what, I thought?

A couple hours later we were taken out of the refrigerator and carried down the hall, on an elevator and down a hall. Then we were taken into a room. There people were working on a person! Then we were hooked up on a pole, the tube unwound and we dripped slowly down

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GOING TO WATTS—Don Cheek, who has been business manager of Duke Hospital since 1969, is leaving April 25 to become coordinator of patient account services at Watts Hospital. He will begin work there the following Monday. Cheek joined Duke in November of 1967 as the hospital's assistant business manager. Prior to that he was data processing manager for the B. C. Remedy Co. in Durham.