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## Helping Them Walk Again

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Johnson Yeh has a degree in law but he doesn't spend his days in court. He spends them helping patients who need braces or artificial limbs to lead nearly normal lives.

For the past three months he has studied here under the direction of Bert R. Titus, director of prosthetics (artificial limbs) and orthotics (braces).

The successful businessman who heads a trading company and a knitting company in Taipei, Taiwan, Republic of China, became interested in prosthetics and orthotics when "I saw a patient who had lost an arm and was very sad," he said. "I tried to help her and started to study prosthetics through American books.

#### Makes Me Happy

"When an amputation patient goes out and walks very well, he's very happy and that makes me very happy," he said.

In the 14 years since he established Johnson Prosthetic and Orthotic Laboratories in Taiwan, he has treated about 1,200 patients. Although he has a staff of 17, he still sees each patient personally.

"My laboratory and equipment are very new and progressive — the same as the American," Johnson said.

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"I JUST WON A TURKEY!"—Her happy expression was repeated on many faces at the medical center's annual

Christmas party. See pages 2 and 3 for more photographs. (Photo by John Becton)

## CHANGE SHOW THE SHOW



#### You Get More of Them at Duke

### Happy Holidays!

Whether partying or relaxing during the New Year's Holiday (actually Dec. 31 since Jan. 1 falls on a Saturday) you'll be celebrating the first of 12 holidays for medical center employees during 1977.

By working at Duke, you'll have more holidays than you would at any of 18 other hospitals or university medical centers in the Southeast.

According to a Dec. 1975 survey by the Wage and Salary Office, hospitals and university medical centers in Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, Alabama and Florida grant their employees from 6 to 11 holidays a year.

Between 6 and 11 holidays also are granted by such employers as Research Triangle Institute, Burroughs Wellcome, General Telephone, the city of Durham, the state of North Carolina, the University of Virginia and Wake Forest University.

The other holidays scheduled for the medical center in the new year are Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, Sept. 5; Thanksgiving Holiday, Nov. 24; Christmas Holiday, Dec. 26; and the employee's birthday.

In addition there are six discretionary holidays earned by full-time medical center employees on the payroll on the first day of March, April, May, June, August and October. These may be scheduled during the year at the discretion of the employee with the supervisor's consent.