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## Duke Retains Sixth Place In Nation

### Soprano Returns

### Steber To Sing In Page Friday

Returning to Duke for the first time since 1943, Eleanor Steber, world-famous soprano star of opera, radio, and television, will present another varied program on the Concerts Arts Series in Page Auditorium Friday at 8:15 p.m.

Miss Steber made her debut at the Metropolitan Opera Company as Sophie in "Der Rosenkavalier." Since then she has sung in 30 different roles, including Mozart's five operas, and Puccini heroine in "Madame Butterfly," "Tosca," and "La Boheme." She is well-known by the American public as the star on "The Voice of Firestone," and has made cross-country concert tours for the past seven years. For her performance on "The



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Voice of Firestone," Miss Steber received an award from Musical America, one of the leading musical publications in this country.

Now star of the Metropolitan Opera Company and other leading opera companies of the world, Miss Steber thrills audiences with her style of vocal interpretation. It is simple and dignified, but warm. —A.C.

### Shows and Shouts

### Pep Rally Will Receive Nation-Wide Broadcast

Duke yells will be heard throughout America this Friday night. The ABC radio network has chosen the Duke-Army tussle as the ABC game-of-the-week and will broadcast the pep rally from 10 to 11:30 p.m.

Although the broadcast does not begin until 10, a Homecoming show is scheduled for 8 p.m. to give everyone time to warm up. In previous years it has been held on the steps in front of the clock tower, but in deference to Eleanor Steber who will sing on the same night in Page, the show will take place in the Indoor Stadium.

Before the broadcast all the girls' dorms will compete in the annual skit contest, with Hoof 'n' Horn also entering its forces. The script of the latter, a parody of "This is Your Life," was written by Nat Greenblatt and Frank Green, and will feature Lew Marvin, Terry Taischoff, Frank Hainer and Al Fox.

Expected as speakers for the nation-wide broadcast will be Earl "Red" Blaik, coach of the Army team, and President A. Hollis Edens.

"This is the first time that a Duke pep rally has been on a nation-wide hook-up, and it offers a million dollar advertisement for the University," stated LaVerne Olney, East Campus Pep Board chairman.

### Edens Speaks About Germany

The defection of German security official Dr. Otto John to the Eastern Zone is believed by some Germans to point toward future danger, President Hollis Edens stated last week.

Speaking before the Duke Faculty Club on his recent visit to Germany, Dr. Edens said that some of Dr. John's countrymen fear that his action and others like it "might play into the hands of an aggressive minority that might be willing to bargain for German unification."

Dr. Edens, who spent the summer in Europe, arrived in Germany the day after John's defection. "This was a pretty tense time in Germany," he said, "and I sensed that some of the German people felt that this incident was not an isolated one."

Such an incident, when linked with the political lethargy of the average German, might be enough to give strength to an aggressive minority, Dr. Edens pointed out.

He told the Faculty Club that studies show that the German people are most strongly influenced in their attitudes about America by Germans who have visited the United States and by German literature based on personal visits here.

### Williamson's Rating: Devils, Purdue—No. 1

Comparative Scores Put Duke Over Okla. By Four Touchdowns

Duke's Blue Devils remained in sixth place and Purdue in fifth again this week in the Associated Press tabulation of the relative strengths of gridiron powers.

Despite the Devils' showing against a favored Purdue eleven, the standings with respect to those two teams did not change. Purdue's 'ding-dong' Boilermakers took a breath at half time intermission last Saturday and charged back with 13 points to tie the Devils after Duke had opened up a two-touchdown first half lead.

Apparently that was enough for the AP pollsters, who kept both teams in the same slots. This is the third week running that Duke has ranked seventh or higher.

Williamson's rating, meanwhile place Duke and Purdue at the top of the heap; both teams are ranked No. 1 in the nation according to that system's calculation.

Oklahoma, No. 1 in the nation took Texas by one touchdown to retain its AP ranking. By comparative scores, however, both Purdue and Duke are some three to four touchdowns superior to the Sooners.

Wisconsin, No. 3 team last week, moved up to the No. 2 slot on the strength of an equally narrow victory over highly-regarded Rice, 13-7. Wisconsin meets Purdue next Saturday. UCLA, No. 3 team nosed out Washington 21-20 to stay ahead of the Devils, also.

Duke's sixth rating will be on the block this Saturday when the Iron men come to grips with the Black Knights of the Hudson. The Army contingent is reputedly strong on end run and off tackle defense and the Blue Devils are expected to come up with some hitherto unseen razzle-dazzle in tangling with Army.

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### ALDOUS HUXLEY DECLARES THAT U. S. NOVELS SHOW 'EXPERIENCE'

"The United States may be the source of a new type of novel writing," British author, Aldous Huxley, declared here last week.

Interviewed during his recent visit to Duke, the famed writer claimed that American novelists have the advantage of being able to observe "a wider spectrum of experience" than do authors in England.

"Virtually all English novels of the past have been essentially based on class relationships," he explained. "The English system is a caste system."

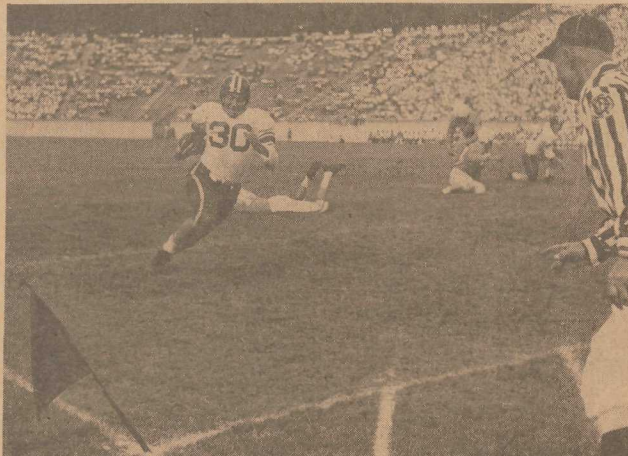
In the United States, however, life is more like "a hot water circulating system. Economic and social levels move up and down with greater freedom than in England. The United States may be the source of a new type of novel writing as a result of

the break-up of pigeonholing people according to classes."

Discussing his own writing, Huxley said he considers *Time Must Have A Stop*, published in 1944, his best novel because in it he was most successful in "fusing narrative and reflections."

"If ideas and narratives are successfully fused, the author achieves a richer texture of thought with a larger content," he said, adding that this is a very difficult thing to do.

### Payoff Punch . . .



Chronicle Photo by Mike Pierry

HALFBACK BOB PASCAL pounds his way pay-dirt for Duke's lonely tally against Tennessee. The country will be waiting to see if the Blue Devils can maintain their average of nearly four touchdowns per game when they meet a powerful Army eleven this Saturday.

### Class of '58 Women To Choose Officers

Following primary elections held last Thursday, the Freshman Class of Woman's College announced their slate of candidates for class officers to be chosen at an assembly today.

Running for the presidential office of the Class of 1958 are: Caroline Bickett, Margaret Hicks, and Molly Guyer. Mary Carlyle, Kay Stewart, and Fran Strickland have been nominated for the office of vice-president, while Missy Boaz, Henrietta Reid, and Pat Valentine will be vying for the secretarial position in the Tuesday election. The class treasurer will be chosen from Elizabeth Davis, Elizabeth Hays, and Francis Page.

In event of a tie for any of the class offices, a run-off election will be held on Thursday, Oct. 14.

### Film Society Begins Page Shows Oct. 13

Presenting their films in Page Auditorium for the first time, the Duke Film Society will open its season with the Italo-French production of Giuseppe's best-selling novel *Little World of Don Camillo*, on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 13 and 14.

The film, starring the French comedian, Fernandel, concerns the conflict of two ideologies as represented by an anti-communist priest and a communist mayor of a small Italian town.

Duke Film Society is joining forces with Quadrangle Pictures this year in order to bring the campus a wider variety of films. Season tickets may be purchased from Mr. Westoh LaBarre, Sociology Department, or Miss Margaret Tillet, Woman's College Library.

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## EDITORIALS

### The Desert

The dearth of questioners of Aldous Huxley after his lecture here last week has led some to claim that Duke's usual lack of intellectual curiosity has failed to dispell itself with the summer, and is once again a part of the campus scene.

It is difficult for us to come to grips with an adversary as nebulous as anti-intellectualism. It is a malady that hides itself behind many disguises. It may manifest itself in a wild desire to appear frivolous and collegiate in the worst sense of the term. Or in the fear of asking a wrong question in class. Or in the belief that those who ask serious questions outside the classroom are somehow "pseudo." It crops up dressed in any one of a thousand other vestments.

We find a note of encouragement, however, in the ever present possibility that our mental lethargy may be snapped over night. Here and there a few bright lights stab the intellectual gloom that, sad to say, has characterized our campus. The student with a lively curiosity, the proponent of stratagems of more importance than the suggestion of a party, the asker of thoughtful questions in and out of the classroom still exist. And it is the responsibility of those students to make themselves known and heard by an increasing segment of their intellectually stagnant contemporaries.

### Pick 'Em Up

The October 1 issue of the "Rider's Digest," which helps to kill time when we are waiting for the East Campus express to set sail, sometimes gets carried away with the value of bus service.

We were interested to read that the transit publication thinks that: "When you drive, we ask that you do not pick up our patrons. . . . It may seem friendly, but it costs us many fares a week. . . ."

We'd like to say that we think that one of the friendliest things about students here is their willingness to pick up fellow students and transport them from campus to campus. If anyone reading the "Riders' Digest" takes its admonition to heart, we suggest boiling in oil as a preliminary punishment. Anyone, on the other hand, who helps us to evade the bus company's extortion, should be knighted and given free cuts. Long live the automobile.

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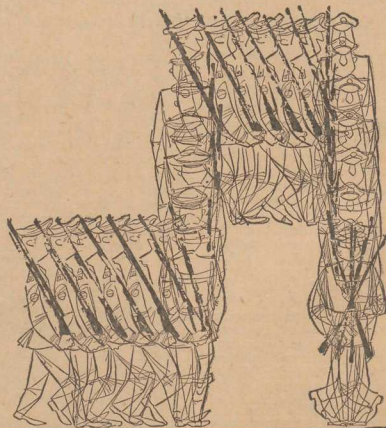
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—FOOTBALL—

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A convincing win over the Knights will probably edge Duke upwards in the AP ratings, while the following week's brawl with N. C. State is not expected to affect the standings one way or the other, barring a Duke upset.

**Baker Board Editor**

Dr. Lennox D. Baker, Duke orthopedic surgeon, has recently been appointed to the editorial board of the Southern Medical Journal. Dr. Baker, director of the North Carolina Cerebral Palsy Hospital, is president-elect of the American Academy for Cerebral Palsy.

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## Boofers Drop Game; To Md. and Va. Away

Duke's Blue Devils soccer team got the season off to a rocky start last weekend, falling to the two top-rated teams in the ACC, Maryland and Virginia.

Maryland nipped the Blue Devil booters, 2-1, Friday, and Virginia blanketed them the following night, 4-0.

Maryland, defending conference champion, scored once in both the first and second periods to beat Coach Jim Bly's charges. Virginia was never headed by the tired Duke team.

Jim Newbill earned the distinction of making the first goal of the season when he scored from 17 yards out against the Marylanders in the second quarter.

## Imps To VPI

Despite fine play by the Blue Imps' Bob Broadhead and Marion Justice, the VPI Gobblers dumped the Duke men, 28-20 at Blacksburg, Va., Saturday.

The Tech team led 14-0 at intermission, but Duke pulled it to 14-13 early in the fourth quarter; on a TD pass from Broadhead to Doug Padgett, and a similar motion from Justice to Steve Critchfield for 8 yards and paydirt.



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