

ARTHUR HOLLIS EDENS, third President of Duke University, native of Tennessee, who began his education in a one-room log schoolhouse and completed it with a Doctorate from Harvard, by way of Emory University, has never showed himself afraid of hard work. His has been a story-book career, from mountain preacher, and principal of Cumberland Mountain School, head of Emory Junior College, dean of Emory University, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Georgia System, and Associate Director of the General Education Board, Rockefeller Foundation, to his present post in a dozen years. On the way he acquired Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Emory, Master of Public Administration and Doctor of Philosophy from Harvard, and Doctor of Laws from Emory, from Davidson, and from Wake Forest. Descended from sturdy mountain stock, where men are taught to fear God and to love their neighbors, Dr. Edens carries on the great tradition of his distinguished predecessors who have made the name of Duke University famous for its balanced program of activities and its sound scholarship. Under his able guidance the University has maintained its position of leadership and made notable advances in many fields.

Forthright leader, friend of students, courageous and forward-looking, he has already in his short term earned a splendid reputation. This sister university, his nearest neighbor, takes real pleasure in bestowing on him this honor.

The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred by Chancellor House, using the following formula: By virtue of the authority vested in me by the President and the Board of Trustees and by virtue of the vote of the Faculty, I confer on you the degree of Doctor of Laws, with all its rights and privileges.

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