



January 2, 1961

Duke 7, Arkansas 6

Attendance - 70,500

GAME SUMMARY



Duke	0	0	0	7	-	7
Arkansas	0	0	6	0	-	6

Third Quarter:

Arkansas-Lance Alworth 49 punt return (Mickey Cissell kick blocked by Dave Unser), 2:53

Fourth Quarter:

Duke-Tee Moorman 9 pass from Don Altman (Art Browning kick), 2:45, 73 yards in 18 plays following punt

OUTSTANDING PLAYERS

Dwight Bumgarner, Duke
Lance Alworth, Arkansas

COACHES

Bill Murray, Duke
Frank Broyles, Arkansas

WEATHER

Ideal

This game marked the Classic's Silver Anniversary, as well as a dazzling performance by Arkansas' spectacular halfback, Lance Alworth. But, it was the men from Duke, led by Don Altman, the Blue Devil quarterback, Claude "Tee" Moorman, the All-America "lonesome end," and big Dave Unser that had the final say.

For three quarters, Alworth enjoyed a tremendous afternoon, running, receiving, returning kickoffs and punts as well as handling the Hogs' punting chores, while under intense pressure from Duke's massive defenders. His most exciting play of the day came in the third quarter. Arkansas was forced to punt at the Blue Devil 41. The snap was high and Alworth had to leap to control it. When he came down, four Duke linemen were less than a step away, ready to make the kill. Alworth took off to his right, cut downfield and while running at near top speed, dropped the ball and kicked it. The ball angled toward the corner and bounced out of bounds at the two. It was an unbelievable play. Duke kicked the ball back to the Razorbacks two plays later and it was Alworth again who provided the suspense. Taking it at the Duke 49, Alworth — the nation's leading punt returner — shot through an opening and was in the clear, on his way to the end zone for his first return touchdown. The way both teams' defensive units were playing, Alworth's score seemed enough to win even though Mickey Cissell's extra point attempt was blocked by Unser.

But, as much as the third period belonged to Arkansas, the fourth quarter momentum swung to the Blue Devils. Returning an Alworth punt to its 27, Duke launched its one big drive of the afternoon. Slowly and methodically, Altman directed the Duke attack. Ten minutes remained. Five times Altman connected with Moorman, his favorite receiver, in their march up the field. For most of the afternoon, Moorman truly was "lonesome." At times he never joined his teammates in the huddle. With the ball resting on the Arkansas 30, Alworth almost came up with yet another big play, as he leaped in front of Moorman for a sure interception. But, the ball slipped through his grasp and into the Duke receiver's hands. The drive ended with Altman's nine-yard scoring toss to Moorman. The score now tied, Art Browning added the extra point, and with 2:45 left, the Blue Devils held a slim 7-6 advantage. As Alworth retreated near his goal line to receive the Duke kickoff, there still was a glimmer of hope. But just as he prepared to turn on his remarkable speed, Unser came up with his second key play of the afternoon, crashing into Alworth at the 32. The ball tumbled free and Duke recovered. For Arkansas, the game was over.

FUN FACT #25

College football's national championship has been won or lost at the Cotton Bowl eight times. The Classic crowned Syracuse as its first national champion in 1960 when the Orangemen defeated Texas, 23-14. The Classic's most recent brush with the national title came in 1984 when No. 2 Texas was upset by Georgia, 10-9. Later that evening, Miami surprised top-ranked Nebraska in the Orange Bowl to jump from fifth to first in the final Associated Press poll.

GAME STATISTICS

TEAM STATS	Duke	Ark
First Downs	10	12
Rushing	7	9
Passing	3	3
Penalty	0	0
Rushes-Net Yards	43-96	45-148
Net Yards	93	71
Passes	13-17-1	5-13-2
Total Plays	60	58
Total Net Yards	189	219
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-15	4-40
Punts-Average	8-36.9	6-30.8

RUSHING
Duke - Wilson 13-32, Wright 9-26, Arrington 5-14, McGee 3-10, Leggett 5-8, Tinnell 5-6, Rappold 2-1, Burch 1-0, Altman 1-(-1).
Arkansas - Alberty 13-44, Alworth 11-33, Horton 5-32, McKinney 10-31, Moore 4-7, Cox 1-1, Moody 1-0.

PASSING
Duke - Altman 12-15-0, 83 yards; Wright 1-1-0, 10 yards; Rappold 0-1-1, 0 yards.
Arkansas - McKinney 4-10-1, 58 yards; Moore 1-3-0, 13 yards.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PUNTING
Duke - Clark 8-36.9.
Arkansas - Alworth 6-30.8.

RECEIVING
Duke - Moorman 8-45, Wilson 3-30, Wright 1-11, Spoda 1-7.
Arkansas - Alworth 3-41, Collier 2-30.