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A MESSAGE TO THE STUDENT BODY

As president of the student body for the coming year, I am presenting to you a challenge. I challenge you to make this coming school year the best ever. I also challenge you to become more responsible individuals. I challenge you to re-evaluate yourselves and become better well-rounded pupils. I challenge you to love and support the college you have chosen to better prepare yourselves for the future.

These are not easy challenges, but they may all be obtained if each person is willing to do all that he or she can to make life at this institution better. It is time that we stop saying, "I'll surely be glad when I leave this place, and when I do, I'm never coming back." As horrible as it may sound, it is the statement that is heard over and over again. There is something wrong somewhere. It is my hope that together we will be able to find and destroy this pest. There are already two or three remedies, school spirit and school loyalty. All we have

to do is spread it all over the campus, and it will come to life.

Speaking of spirit, if one is to have it, then the only way to get it is through strong participation. Spirit, to a very large extent, is self motivated. We as students are the only ones who can better the spirit of the campus.

Loyalty seems to be something else we do not have at this institution. There are several types of loyalty, loyalty to one's self, loyalty to friends, loyalty to schoolmates, and loyalty to one's school.

We talk quite frequently of not having enough activities around here or about being made to attend various activities. Many times our schoolmates will spend hours, days, weeks, and months preparing things that should be of student interest. We show our respect by not showing up and making our beloved schoolmates feel that it really was not worth the work after all. What do we tell ourselves, "I had lessons to study." This is being disloyal to our

INVOLVEMENT AND DEDICATION ARE KEY WORDS

As the year comes to a close, it is time for us as students to take inventory to see just how we stand. Each of us entered ECSC with some goal in mind, but have we done enough during this year toward the attainment of this goal?

We should go back over the year which is closing and try to see just what we have done. In trying to see what we have done we should think about what have we contributed to make this year a successful one.

The college that we chose to attend is really our home for four years. Since ECSC is our home for four years, we should not want to stay here without making some contribution each year.

The trend in our society seems to be that a person is identified by a number. There is nothing wrong with this, but we should want others to know us by something more than a number.

With this in mind, I say again that we should go back over this year and take inventory. We should look to see if we have found something to become involved in or something to which we can be dedicated. If we have good, if not we should do so in the coming year.

To the graduating seniors, it is my hope that you have left a mark at ECSC which will give you something other than a number which identifies you. And as you venture out into the world

outside of ECSC, I hope that you will find something to become involved in and something to which you can dedicate yourselves.

Barbara Fearing
Editor-elect of the Compass

It Has Been A Pleasure

As a graduating senior, I have, as most graduates do, a feeling of regret in knowing that I am leaving the institution which I have been a part of for four years.

But I have an added regret, and that is that I am leaving the COMPASS Staff. The time that I have spent as a member of this organization, I will long remember.

As I leave Elizabeth City State College, I would like to urge each student to be interested in all phases of college life. But find some area in which you can put special interest. I am speaking in terms of some organization which you can become, not a member of, but a part of.

It has been a pleasure to have been a part of the student newspaper staff. And I hope that others will discover this pleasure.

Ziner Johnson '66

own persons, disloyal to our schoolmates and school. Just one or two hours are so little to give when the reward can be so great.

Fellow students, if we are to appreciate our Alma Mater, we first have to be able to appreciate the things it has to offer. I challenge you to do this.

A new Student Council has been elected and each of you are expecting it to serve you at all times. That is one of the purposes of the Student Council. However, the Student Council is just a small part of the machine. It can do very little without the support of the Student Body. Its job can be made easier if each student will fulfill his obligation to himself by offering his overall support. Attend the choir and band concerts, attend the Vespers and the Lyceums, the sports events, the art exhibits, the movies and all other activities and events that are being given for our enrichment. This is where your school spirit, your loyalty and your love for your Alma Mater starts. I challenge you to help yourselves have a better school year.

"Faithful and ever true, we'll be to you." "For in our hearts we'll still love thee, E.C.S.C." Be proud of these lines for they have deep wisdom and carry the true message of what I am trying to convey to you.

Jethro Williams
Student Council President-elect

Letter to The Editor

Dear Editor:
This is to voice my strong disapproval of the section in your March, 1966 edition under the heading of Department on Parade entitled "Growth in the Physical Education Department." As chairman of the Physical Education Department, I was interviewed with reference to the growth and development of our department, and your written material is basically correct although its composition leaves something to be desired. However, everyone here is disturbed by the pictorial display which was supposed to show a broad cross section of our departmental activities. On the contrary, they showed a distorted view of this department and projected a warped and biased image which does our program a grave injustice.

It is regrettable that the courtesy of permitting the department chairman to select or suggest pictures which would best reflect the duties of this department was not extended this department as it was to others. The display completely ignores one of the most important instructional phases of this department: that of the preparation of teachers in Health and Physical Education.

The skewed view presented by your pictorial display reflected for the most part play and ignored the academic work of this department. All of our academic classes and laboratory sessions were completely ignored. The pictures used were poorly captioned and showed strong evidence of careless reporting. It would have been far better not to have any pictures at all than to use those which told a distorted story. The fact that a deadline had to be made is no excuse; pictures of other departments were taken when proper arrangements were made.

I sincerely trust that steps will be taken to correct this image in your future publications.
ROBERT L. VAUGHAN, Chmn.
Department of Health and Physical Education

Who...? Where...? What...?

Each issue of the Compass will publish information about graduates in this column. Members of the alumni are invited to submit information about what they are doing and where, to the Office of Information Box 92, Elizabeth City State College 27909.

Two 1965 graduates of ECSC, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Askew, are now teaching in the Portsmouth, Va. school system, National Science Foundation scholarships to attend a seven week workshop at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana.

Mrs. Askew, the former Elsie Mae Jones of Coefield, Va., is a teacher at Mt. Hermon Elementary School. Mr. Askew is at Douglas Park.

Wilson M. Bryont (English-Music '64) is teaching at the

NAM AND SAM
by Robert L. Lancaster, Jr.
Ne'er so charged a rime
That our soldier Uncle Sam
Wouldst at this nick of time
Rhyme with Viet Nam.

OF THE PAST
by Robert L. Lancaster, Jr.
Of the past we can't return
Nor set it free of thought;
But of it much we should have
learned
The core of what it taught.

In Reply

Dear Mr. Vaughan,
Your correspondence concerning your department as it appeared in the March, 1966 edition of the Compass was received April 15. I appreciate the department's interest in the article and hope that in some way this reply will perhaps clarify the matter. However, I feel that this statement will not offer full explanation and at a more appropriate time, I hope we can communicate directly.

As editor of the paper, I speak in the staff's behalf and take full responsibility of its shortcomings. First, I wish to comment on the composition part of the article. I read the article over several times before it was sent to press and as always, I have read it over several times after its return. To my knowledge, I see only a minor degree of bad composition. We are all amateur writers, and I sincerely feel that the article was written to the best of the reporter's ability. After all, this, too, is a learning situation, and there will always be room for improvement in all areas.

Secondly, I feel that your comments on the pictorial display were justified but short of understanding. I am not trying to make excuses but rather, in some way give a valid explanation. If there is any vision of bias on our part, I cannot see it. The staff is not concerned at all with making one department out rate another. When it was decided to run this section, it was hoped that in some way it would benefit all the departments.

Thirdly, we have no campus photographer and our supply of pictures is now quite limited. Some pictures of your department were taken but unfortunately, all the pictures did not come out. Pictures of the other departments were taken some time ago and we had a better selection. We had no choice but to make use of what we had. I too, wish there could have been better pictures.

I now wish to correct you on the statement that the other departments had the opportunity to look over their pictures. They were not aware of what pictures would appear until they saw them in the paper nor did they have any say so on the captions that were used.

Thank you for your opinion and I am sure that in some way the staff will profit from it.

Jethro C. Williams, Editor
The Compass

Pasquotank County Elementary School, Elizabeth City. He is teaching grades 1-8.

Matthew Freeman, a music major who completed requirements in January of this year, is presently serving as band director and teacher of music at Highland High School, Gastonia, N. C.

He is married to the former Vennia Nicholson of Elizabeth City and they are the parents of a son, Matthew, Jr. The Freemans reside in Dallas, N. C.

COLLEGE DAY

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all of the world that democracy and its fundamental principles in practice are truly second to no other Governmental Structure on earth, and that because of these ideas and principles the United States is truly and beyond a shadow of a doubt, a GREAT SOCIETY.

"To the members of the FACULTY, I say that the major portion of the great task is on your shoulders-for you must educate and impart ideas and concepts that, if adhered to, will help produce individuals who can successfully compete in this New World. We, the members of the Senior Class, challenge you to challenge every student placed in your charge and to help make each one of them the best that they can be.

"And to the members of the remaining three classes - we, the Seniors, urge you to take advantage of all that you can for you also have a great task before you. You must prepare yourselves in order that you may successfully contribute to the education of the next generation of Americans in order that they may be prepared to compete in a world that promises to be far more complex, for more competitive, and far more integrated than the one which we experience, today."

WGA SPONSORS ACTIVITIES

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campus, the hour for the Coronation Ball drew nearer. Miss Joycelyn Berry, a junior Business Education major at ECSC, was crowned queen of the College.

The final day of Women's Week-end included participation in Sunday School, Open House in Doles Hall, Vespers and Supper. Dr. Beulah Winston of Howard University's English Department spoke at Vespers. It was a return home for Dr. Winston because she was once an instructor at ECSC. Also during the Vesper services the Alma Mater was recognized and presented a zircon to be placed in the mace. Mrs. Rae E. Williams, Associate Director of Student Personnel, was honored for her untiring services to the women of State College.

The Women's Government also presented corsages to the following women for their contributions to the college campus: Dr. Thelma Anderson, an instructor and wife of the College Dean; Miss Isabelle Hollowell, founder of the Hollowell Loan Fund; Miss Evelyn Johnson, 1965 honoree of WGA; Mrs. Kathryn Patterson, consultant; and, Mrs. Henrietta Ridley, wife of the College President.

In addition, the Women's Government was proud to receive a contribution of \$50 for the Hollowell Loan Fund as a gift from Dr. Winston.