

EDITOR REFLECTS

TO THOSE WHO BRING SMOKE

With those hectic days of registration now behind us and our classes are well underway, I reflect on the traditional way in which courses and instructors are selected. Our usual aim is to enroll in those courses in which we are sure of passing with an "A" or "B" provided they are taught by certain instructors. Those instructors who as we say "bring smoke", are shunned by all as much as possible. It is to those instructors that I give praise for I feel that they are taken for granted by E. C. S. U. students.

We constantly ask for quality education, better instructors, better facilities, but we often fail to use our resources. As with those instructors who constantly present challenges to us, if we find ourselves enrolled in their classes we try as best we can to avoid doing their library assignments and studying. We cannot seem to realize that it is great teachers like these who help push us up the ladder of

success. It is those instructors who give us basic techniques for attaining and retaining knowledge.

I take my hat off to those instructors who "bring death" come test time, for we are made to study harder. Those instructors who come to class really knowing their subject matter are those who make any course interesting and completely captivating. By really piling work, work, and more work on us, students soon develop their desire to want to be on top to do better than his colleague and to really be knowledgeable.

So to those type of instructors here at E. C. S. U. and at any other institution of higher learning, I give praise, praise, and more praise, keep up the good work. Push your students to use all their abilities to the greatest extent. Present all types of challenges to them in the way of getting quality education. You know who you are "smoke bringers" so do your duty.

SOULBROTHER

The expression "soul Brother," when rightly used, means more than the color of a man's skin or the style of his hair or his dress. It has to do

with the sincerity, the honesty of a man's heart.

by Brenda Campbell
from THE VOICE

CHEESE EATERS AND PONY RIDERS

Does the honor roll and Dean's list consist of academic scholars or students skilled in the art of "ponyriding" and "cheese eaters"? Pony riding is not new to us. We are familiar with the expression, "It's better to cheat than to repeat," a "why make an honest C while my peers make A's and B's."

because they are affiliated with certain organizations. Furthermore, it might be difficult for instructors to prevent pony riding because many of the students have developed dexterity and is capable of "riding ponies" without falling or better still without failing.

The reason that many instructors yield to "cheese eaters" may be attributed to human frailties or the idea that no one is perfect.

There are many reasons as to why students cheat. However, the students and faculty needs to combine efforts and make sure that the honor roll is comprised of honor students and not "cheese eaters and pony riders."

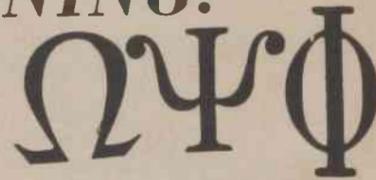
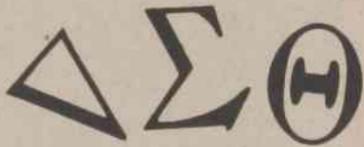
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What roles does the Instructor play? I am quite sure that they are aware of what is happening, because many of them probably "rode some ponies" and "ate some cheese" to get where they are today. I find that at ECSU, many of the instructors play a "supporting" role. Many of them are so benevolent that they award honor grades to students

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ARE THE GREEKS

"WHAT'S HAPPENING?"



This article is not intended to praise anyone or group. If I step on your toes, you can do one of two things: 1) ignore the article or 2) try to straighten out the things that are wrong in order to better the "Greek" community on this campus.

I obtained my information by asking several individuals who believe in giving straight answers and are not afraid of hurting other people with the truth. These individuals, by no means, reflect the opinions of all the people on our campus, but they have given their general ideas about the matter.

A Sigma by the name of Mr. Eddie Davis states that the "Greeks" think of only two things, line week and dress day. After this they die or enter a state of "Limbo." If one was to visit our campus for the first time, he could not tell the "Greeks" from the other students.

A pretty little Delta by the name of Miss Joan Johnson believes that the sorority members act snobbish toward non-Greeks. After crossing line, they tend to forget old friends. She also says that she does not know about the fraternities, but the girls who pledge Delta and the ones who pledge AKA often stop speaking to one another.

Assistant President of ECSU, Mr. Thomas Carter, believes that the "Greeks" do not initiate enough constructive programs during line week or any other time during the year. Everybody gives

"Well if physical death is the price that I must pay to free my white brothers and sisters from a permanent death of spirit, the nothing can be more redemptive."

Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.

"After resisting him, I felt as I never felt before. It was a resurrection for the dark and pestiferous tomb of slavery...when a slave cannot be flogged, he is more than half free."

Frederick Douglass

"My fate, as far as man can seal it, is sealed; but let this not occasion you any missery.... remember that it was engaged remember that it was a Holy cause."

John Brown

Christmas baskets, but how many give to a needy family in October? If they would require their pledges to go out into the community and perform a good deed to help someone, then they would have accomplished a small part of their reason for being."

Mrs. McCollough states that many students are afraid to pledge because of the things they have heard others say they had to do, to cross line. The drawbacks for students not being able to join fraternities or sororities are many. Some student's academic standards are not up to par. And others can not afford to pay the money that is required by students when joining a sorority or fraternity.

Mrs. McKoy who is very anti-Greek, stated so many things that I could write a book, but instead I will give you only a few. "Teachers sometime give out grades because one may have a certain pin attached to them. The "Greeks" are often treated as honor students and are given greater liberties than the non-Greeks. The brothers and sisters are often given chances for very intimate parties and use the sororities and fraternities as an excuse. They often forget just what they are supposed to stand for and just drink and dance their way right out of a B. S. degree".

Thus you have the opinions of only a few people on our campus. We should all think about what has been said and reflect.

And this, I too have done.

I find that this University does not give the "Greeks" any respect whatsoever. Sure we have the Pan-Hellenic Council but they can only advise us. They make no great decisions concerning each sorority or fraternity.

Some instructors who are "Greeks" understand the problem of the matter but are not willing to help build a better Greek community on campus. Consequently we see very little interest and respect shown for the Greeks by instructors.

I ask you, what is wrong with the "Greeks" having their shields up in the Union Snack Bar, or even having a room just for the "Greeks"? I feel that when the school shows more respect to the Greeks and the Greeks in turn show what they really stand for, we will have more students wanting to pledge, thus becoming members of one of the finest organizations in the world.

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