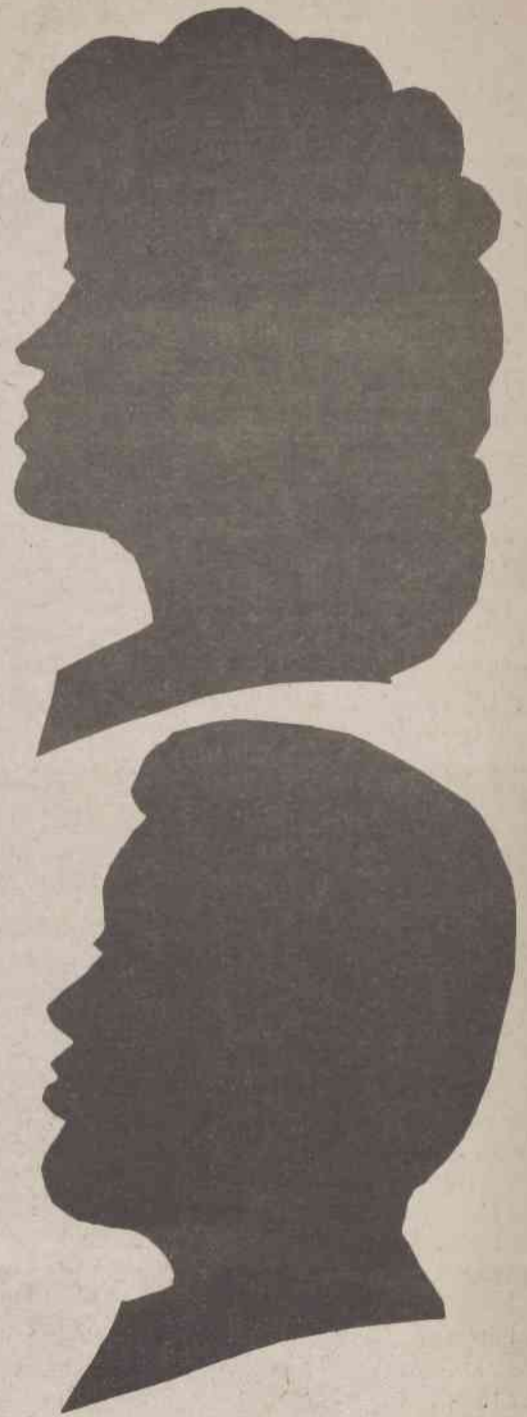




In Memoriam

Sometimes I try to figure
 out why people have to die
 And leave only memories and
 relatives to cry
 I ask myself strange
 questions
 Like what could they have
 done so bad
 For God to take them from
 this world and leave us very
 sad
 We only can remember the
 laughs and smiles we shared
 And of course the times when
 we knew how much they
 cared
 They stood by all their
 friends through thick and thin
 Yes, they really did - until the
 very end
 Until a force, stronger than
 us took them away
 However, we will see them
 again someday
 In a land that is greater than
 the one we're on
 And a place that will be our
 eternal home
 We all know we must take our
 rest
 And that's only because GOD
 KNOWS BEST...



In Search Of Ourselves

By SIDNEY BEST

We as college students are faced each day with a number of problems. Have you ever thought to yourself, "I know I'm going to fail this test," or "Why doesn't Ms. like me."

This is just a couple of problems most of us are faced with. We would find these and other problems much easier to cope with if we had more self-confidence.

Sometimes we don't do or say things that we know would help others for fear of being criticized by our peers. If we all had the will to achieve regardless of the way people would think of us we'd all have much more prosperous lives.

Success is one thing all of us have planned for ourselves. It's too bad that all of us want to succeed.

Have you noticed how a man who is successful continues to be a success and a man who is a failure continues to fail?

What is success? Success is the progressive realization of a worthy idea. We become what we think about. Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "A man becomes what he thinks about all day."

The human mind is like the

earth - it returns what we plant in it. I encourage you to make a test that will last thirty days.

Now it isn't going to be easy, but if you give it a good try it should completely change your life.

I also encourage you to write on a card specifically what it is that you want out of life - one specific goal.

On one side of the card write your goals and on the other side write these words, "Ask and it will be given to you," "Seek and so shall you find," "Knock and the door will be opened."

Carry it with you everyday and look at it often. Look at it when you go to sleep and when you wake up. It should give you something to wake up each day for.

Apply yourself to this and strive for positive results. No matter what you may do give more of yourselves than you have ever given before.

Look at this goal as though its impossible for you to fail. Although you may fail your first thirty day test, don't give up.

Remember, a person that has never failed is a person that has never tried.

Letter to the editor :

Dear Editor,
 I am submitting this letter to the Compass because of my concern about student affairs.

Through my affiliation with the Student Government Association as acting Vice-president, my realization of certain things has become more keen. For instance, I realized that we, the students at ECSU, profess that we care about what happens to us, but our involvement and actions in many student affairs are not indicative of such intense concern. Although, I must admit, that often times we can't react because we are not aware of what is actually going on administratively.

To look at it from a pro-student point-of-view, I feel that students should be made more aware of administrative decisions that affect us. For example, I feel that students should have been made aware of the

decision to remove the door handles from Wamack and Mitchell-Lewis Residence Halls prior to the removal of the handles, and not after.

Another point that I would like to see at ECSU is the incorporation of certain student populated organizations into the cognitive process of SGA, such as: the President of the Jaycees', the President of the Young Democrats, certain members of the Pre-Alumni Association, a member from each Honor Society, and the President of each dormitory. This is why I made the proposal for the Monitoring Committee in the last student body meeting.

Another thing that I would like to see implemented is the acquirement of at least three work-study students to work out their work-study aid for and with the SGA. Their jobs would be primarily to work on shifts along with other SGA

representatives in keeping the SGA office occupied and receptive to any phone calls or conversations at any time of the day.

I also feel that there should be an elected First Vice-president and an appointed Second Vice-president to help the President of the SGA fulfill certain responsibilities.

In my opinion, the ramifications of the job of President of the SGA is too intense and compiled for one person with a load of class hours to try to fulfill single-handedly.

Finally, each of us as individuals must play a part in the changing process of some things for the betterment of student life as ECSU. In essence I am saying that every student has a part, and every student must play their role.

Thank-you,
 Kevin McKinnon,
 SGA's Vice-president

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