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It is customary for Prexy, the Dean, the heads of courses, and many others in addresses to the

Freshmen each year to

A Protest. advise the new men

to derive the greatest

possible advantage from their four

years at the Institute. Almost

without exception have these older

men advised the Freshmen to get

into the college life and to take

part in the student activities. That

so great an unanimity of opinion

exists on this point proves suffi-

ciently that the outside work which

a student does while at school is

of as much value to him in after

life as the things which he learns

from his books. Yet with all

these words about student activi-

ties, how small is the number of

the Instructing Staff who will

prove to a student by deeds that

there is something better in life than

mere grinding; and how great is

the proportion of teachers who will

assign a lesson on Friday with the

announcement that the work will

be marked zero if not received the

following morning, notwithstand-

ing the fact that there may be a

during the week when a large number of the men present are neglecting some work which is due on the morrow? Everything seems to point to one conclusion: In the abstract the professors believe in giving a student a chance to do something more than grind, but very few of these same professors are willing to depart one iota from the hard and fast rules which they have made for the regulation of their classes. In short they advise the men to rub elbows with their fellows, at the same time placing such obstacles in their way that only a very few, exceptionally clever, men are able to follow the advice with any chance of graduating within the proper time. The obstructions, moreover, are not the lessons themselves so much as the regulations which accompany them.

What does the professor who gives out his problems singly and demands that they be returned by a fixed time on a certain size paper get from his students other than profanity, which the professor who gives out his work once or twice a term to be done sometime in the next six weeks on any convenient paper does not get. After all what difference does it make provided that the problems are neat and are presented in sufficient time for the professor to make out his marks? Perhaps it is a little more convenient for the man who marks the papers, but it is equally inconvenient for the fifty or sixty who do the work.

A student goes to a college or to a technical school to learn to think, to know men, and to absorb a few

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