

a definite goal in view, and, in general, is a responsible being in the fullest sense of the term. All the university's freedom of rules regarding attendance, of course, proceed from this state of affairs.

As for the college man, however, he is a mortal (presumably of more common clay) who is only seeking to acquire the foundations of the work which the universities do. We have been led, almost unconsciously, to picture the college man as one who, if not actually driven to his work, must be held down to it by a system which will compel his attendance for all but a small percentage of the scheduled exercises. Those adherents of the "strict attendance" rules among us claim that in this latter class belongs the State student, and to this assumption of theirs it seems necessary to make a protest.

Right here we must say that we see no reason why college work, as distinguished from university work, should be essentially demoralizing to the student engaged in it. We see no reason why it should not be assumed that the college man is as sincerely devoted to his work, however much of the "fundamental" nature it have, as is the university man's devotion to his. However, the spirit with which we too often see work done under strict attendance rules reminds us of the sort one observes in prep schools, a sort of loss of all sense of responsibility and a tendency to do just what is required and no more; the spirit of the man who slams down his T-square and "bolts" at the first stroke of the 3:30 bell. Concomitantly with the rise of such a spirit there often evolves among the student body a class of men whose proper sphere would be the prep school. Their standard of work and what few ideals they have would seem to label them as having been sent here by despairing parents to keep them out of mischief.

Now it is certain that the college administration never had prep school methods in view as a standard; moreover it is certain that the standard of class-room instruction here is not only free from the "prep school" characteristic, but certainly seems to have university standards of work; furthermore, the faculty rightly enough