

the professor and gives him his name, whereupon he is entered as a student taking that class. The professor does not know whether he has a right to do so until the year lists are printed and those taking his course are checked off thereon. This usually takes a month. Of course if the student is taking a subject that he has no right to take or has not registered for, that is his own funeral, and if he is ^{not} taking another course which he should ~~not~~ take he has no person to blame for it but himself and perhaps his adviser. However, if a mistake is made it is not discovered until about a month after the date of registration. Under the ticket system the responsibility of course still rests with the student. If he does not present his ticket to the instructor he loses his attendance, but on the other hand, if he does the instructor knows at once who have a right to enter his class, and in that way this system has an advantage over the other. In cases where a student wishes to change he would be obliged to get his ticket back from the instructor before he could do so. I am not advocating a change from the present system which is working quite satisfactorily, but the other method is worth thinking about.

Scholarships

In British Universities scholarships and bursaries are awarded either on the result of sessional examinations or an examination on specific work held at various times, but generally in June. In practically every case the work prescribed has to be gotten up during term time so that it means a real test of the students' ability.

Our scholarships are awarded on the result of an examination conducted in September, the work for which must be done during the summer holidays. As a rule those who take this examination are students who are reasonably sure of getting a scholarship, and some to whom it would make no difference financially whether they get one or not. To explain therefore, it should be stated that not all the best students go in for the examination, and the boy or girl who has to earn money to carry on through the next session often prefers to do other work during the summer, knowing that "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush". These scholarships therefore, it will be seen, are competed for, generally speaking, by the leisure class of students, and on account of the fact that the study has to be during the summer when a large number of our students have to earn money, they cannot be considered as being open to all. If on the other hand they were awarded on the result of the sessional examination plus some extra reading, or on an examination on specific work which had to be done during the time when all students have to study, there would be opportunity for all. I have long contended that the present method of awarding these scholarships does not produce the best results and is not fair to all alike.

Partial Students.

In Edinburgh, and I presume Glasgow as well, there is no restriction of partial students. Any person who thinks he or she can receive benefit from a course of lectures is free to enroll without regard to previous qualifications, but of course nothing that such a student might do will count towards a degree.