

members being chosen because they represent a viewpoint which is helpful, or of which account should be taken; its object is to secure the rounded and balanced treatment (as distinct from one aspect) of the social problem concerned.

For each Committee there is usually a supervisor, director, or chairman responsible for the project as a whole: and Committees occasionally meet together with research students engaged on the problem.

Examples of these Committees are those on

- (1) Public Finance (representatives of economics, political science, law, commerce and administration).
- (2) Causes of War (political science, history, economics, anthropology, psychology).
- (3) Personality (sociology, psychology, political science).
- (4) History of Chicago (history, economics, political science, sociology, etc).

Proposed Reorganisation.

Reorganisation of the Local Community Research Committee is now being discussed, and the character of the reorganisation proposed is interesting in view of the present organisation at McGill

The Local Community Research Council, it is urged, is too small to be representative and too large for executive efficiency. Its place should therefore be taken by ¹two bodies:

(a) A University or Social Sciences Research Council. To be essentially a representative body, (all social sciences and certain other fields), and a means of securing the cooperation of departments and the interpenetration of ideas; to consider and suggest plans of research in general.

(b) A Social Sciences Research Committee, of five or possibly fewer members. To be an administrative body, with the function of

(¹This reorganisation has now been made).