

to the phonetic department, where their cases would be diagnosed and the necessary method of treatment devised. This treatment would be given by assistants either in the department of phonetics or in the department of the language concerned. Regular drill and pronouncing groups would have to be formed.

(5) The functions of the phonetic department should be clearly defined against those of the several existing language departments. This could be done without great difficulty. For instance, speech work can be divided into different strata, only the lower of which would be dealt with by the Department of Phonetics. Such lower ~~strata~~ strata would involve the correction of mispronounced sounds; vowel timbre, diphthongization, assimilation, aspiration, voicing and unvoicing, in short, all defects due to the introduction of peculiarities borrowed from a foreign language or dialect. But a person's pronunciation may be correct, i. e. in keeping with the spirit of the language, and yet present many degrees of clearness, distinctness, sonority, fluency, balance, conviction, etc. These and other higher stratifications could be under the jurisdiction of whichever of our language departments is interested in work of that nature.

(6) Because the University is compelled to adhere to a program of economy, especially in regard to professors' salaries, the scheme should not be started until it can be financed in a way that would not affect the present sources of income.