

we in planning the curriculum have a tremendous job trying in 3 yrs. course to get in what is needed for a man to be really effective in the Lord's work. We have worked and planned in order to get into it the best we can in 3 yrs. to train a man for all sorts of Christian work. It is very easy not to see the importance of some particular part of the work.

I remember one fellow who graduated. When he was here he talked as though his mouth was full of pebbles or something. You could barely understand him. I had the course in public speaking and I tried to get him to speak more clearly. I found the way with a poem: Sail on thou ship of state, sail on O strong and great. Humanity with all its fears - - -(I forget the rest of the poem) -- but he said it so clearly. I said, When you go anywhere to speak, Get off by yourself and say a paragraph or two of that poem and then talk that way. He said, I'll try to remember (Muffled speech imitated). A few years later I heard that man was running a motel out in Arizona. Previous to that time I knew people who had heard him preach and said his preaching was marvelous after you got to understand him, but most did not go to that bother. He taught in a college. He had a few students who thought he was wonderful, but his classes were so small they dropped him from the college because most did not think it worthwhile to try to bother to understand his speech.

None of us hears ourselves. We hear something outside. I had a class in public speaking. We did not have the fine acoustical equipment they have now days. I got a recorder and on it I had 10 fellows each speak about 3 lines, of something they read. Then we listened to it. As everyone spoke the other 9 or so said, Sounds just like him! You'd think he was talking. But the one -- different one in every group said --does not sound a bit like me! What is wrong