

in the frame of talking that way. O he thought it was perfectly silly. He could talk alright. What a lot of nonsense. And so I heard him in a church 5 yrs. later, and he he was talking just that way ^{j-u-s-t t-h-a-t w-a-y-} (laughter), and a few people thought his messages were wonderful because he did have excellent content, but many people would visit and most of them would never come back, and the last I heard he was running a motel out in Arizona (laughter). And it was sad because he had a good mind, and a good knowledge of the Scripture and he could have spoken with absolute clarity if he would only have bothered to work at it. But we just don't ~~hear~~ hear ourselves speak. We don't know what it sounds like, We don't know whether it is clear or not. We don't know whether it is emphatic or not, and most of us are so inhibited that we want to hold our hands behind our back so that people won't see them, and we would look twice as natural if we left them by our side as if we stuck them behind us and most of us are afraid of our lives to make a gesture, and I have decided that in speaking any gesture is better than no gesture. Gestures add tremendously to your speak. Some people can just naturally make beautiful gestures. Others like myself are awkward, and most of your gestures look like an old cow (laughter) instead of graceful gestures, but they add usually to your speaking and the main thing is to learn to let your personality express itself, and most everyone has a personality which if you will relax and let it express itself you will find has a large measure of effectiveness. And so to appraise ourselves and to keep on appraising ourselves, and to keep on working on this is tremendously important. Mr. Harding tells me that most of the seniors, he feels when they finish their course here are able to speak in a very effective way, but he says, If a man takes a year of graduate study somewhere or spends his year doing something when he isn't preaching, he finds that most of them lose a third of their effectiveness as speakers if they spend a year without practice, without thinking along this line. I believe that it is not a thing that comes naturally to most people ^{of us}. We have to learn to be natural. We have to learn to get rid of the inhibitions that keep us from being effective. And so we need to keep thinking about this and even if you are not going to