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Dear professor Bezell,

Thank you very much for the quick response to my letter of February 6th. Mine has been somewhat slower, first because I did not find it very interesting for you to get my remarks about your article, - it is more a resumé than a criticism, then because I was busy, and finally because it has been so hot for two months that I have not done anything at all.

Now I send you the manuscript all the same, and I include the ms. of my paper from the Linguistic Circle in April on commutation, since it deals with problems ~~which~~ with which you have often been concerned, and since I do not know when and where it will be published - (in a somewhat revised form). - I should be glad to have this ms. back within not too long. - I could not send the demonstration but I have given a rough indication in the margin p. 21-23. pheane ↔ thanne [p - t] means that the explosions of the two words have been exchanged and that this did not make any difference to the ear. - gule → due [b - d] means that g and d have been exchanged and that this gives the result bule-due etc. -

Your first letter reached me before the 15/2 - the second immediately after - or perhaps the same evening. I find your exposition in the ps to 11/2 very good.

Have you seen Coserius very interesting book on form and substance? (Forma y sustancia en los sonidos del lenguaje Montevideo 1954).

I have not done much this summer. I also had to write an article to the Selmer -festschrift in March (about short and long vowels in Danish- you will get it soon, but it is not very interesting), so that my book on the stops is not yet ready, and probably will not be before the spring, for now comes the Roman Jakobson festschrift; I thought of writing about colors and vowels, but my material is too big for 10 pages, so probably I shall write about tense and lax vowels.

Best wishes

