

was necessary that we recruit the majority of our faculty rapidly. We had to ask a number of men who were comparatively new out of seminary to come and teach. It was only the Lord's guidance that led me to ^{enabled me to select} men who have turned out to be such excellent teachers and such fine scholars ^{on} as those who are now in our faculty. I know I never could have done it by any wisdom of my own.

Recently I ~~we~~ have had considerable association with men who were ~~are~~ working on the translation of the OT°. Practically all of these men have the Ph.D. in OT° from leading universities today. ^{Then, in} /~~It~~ my opinion, as scholars, as thinkers, and as understanders of Chnty°, most of them are far inferior to the men in ~~on~~ ~~our~~ our present faculty. Yet in the eyes of the world they have a standing that is recognized above ours.

On nearly all of them I see evidences of anti-Christian attitudes, (even though to a minor degree) that have been implanted in them through their training under ungodly teachers. I am glad that this sort of influence is absent from our institution. Yet when it comes to receiving worldly recognition, or getting the right from the State Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to give degrees, the lack of earned degrees from other institutions is a serious handicap.

I myself secured ~~As you know, I myself received a~~ earned a number of high degrees from ~~we~~ institutions, all of which were regarded as being of top rank. It is certainly through no personal feeling that I reached the ~~reached the~~ conclusion that the present over-emphasis on degrees is highly overrated.

Someone referred to the fact that Dr. Newman has his Ph.D. in astrophysics astro-physics (?) and someone else said that after all that is not the field in which he is now teaching.

Yet the world at large simply asks whether a man has a doctor's degree, and I am informed that this tendency is even found ~~found even~~ among ~~accrediting~~ *to some extent*