

Ayin

Dr. Wilson would say, Now we had the ~~Ain~~ Waw verbs today
 so tomorrow we'll have the ^{Ayin Ayin} ~~AIN/AIN~~ verbs; now the Ayin Ayin
 verbs, there's nothing to that but this, and he'd write 5 or
 6 words on the board, and they change like this and this. And I
 had no idea in the world what he was talking about. I'd go back
 and spend 4 or 5 hours trying to figure it out from the book
 because his book was about the poorest text book you ever saw.
 We used his text book, and on everything like the Ayin Ayin he'd
 pick out all the irregular instances in the Bible, all the queer
 things and he'd only have 3 or 4 words in a sentence to illustrate
 the form. There was no development of vocabulary. You'd get all the
 words of this type, and then ^{next} ~~another~~ time another type. His
 exercises were these little sentences from the Bible that when I first
 taught I used his text book and I would run across the street and
 ask him to help me out with some of those sentences. They ~~were~~
 were tough. He said, I must have had the top half of the Aleph
 Division in mind when I wrote that book.

Dr. Allis for 20 years went through that book step by step,
 point by point, point by point. Then he said once to me, Dr. ^{Wilson} ~~Machen~~(?)
 has an awful lot to answer for. He wasted so much of the students
 time writing such a hard book. But it was Allis who followed the
 book!

Neher: You said ~~Wilson~~ Machen. You meant Wilson?

AAM. Yes, Wilson. When I was two weeks late for the start
 of the seminary, I was the latest one. The three of us were on
 same level, but I was always named last because I did not get
 there until two weeks later ⁱⁿ ~~on~~ the list. The ~~result~~ was Dr. Wilson
 was teaching my class until I arrived. So when I got there, they
 had been going c. 10 days maybe. He said, I'll take the class the