

Those two questions you have asked are very interesting. I don't know how much I know about either of them.

The first: How the League of Evangelical Students Operated. What my role in it was. What effect it had on the Princeton students. Should such a league be formed in the future? Under what circumstances? A lot of different questions, but it's largely my opinion rather than factual information.

How it operated, was, of course a problem. The way it operated was volunteer activity on the part of busy seminary students. I was national secretary. Which meant principally that I wrote the minutes and did a certain amount of correspondence. They got someone to be a sort of general secretary. They had a fellow from up at Calvin who wrote letters to a lot of schools and tried to get them to cooperate but I think he lost interest before very long because that was a sort of flash in the pan, you might say. It did have 2 or 3 national conventions. Oh, I guess it had more later when I didn't have much to do with it, but it had 2 or 3 that were pretty good. As far as the Princeton Student Body was concerned, about 1/3 of the student body was violently against it. About a third was strongly for it, and about a third was == could be swayed one way or the other. So we were never able to persuade the student body to take an action to go into it as a body while several of these others did, but they had the president and secretary both from Princeton. It was a great subject of controversy when I was there but it was really just a small part of a big controversy as to whether Princeton would go like nearly all the other old line seminaries had gone or whether it could yet be saved. Otherwise I don't think it had much effect on the Princeton Seminary student body. It was formed along in the end of my first year in seminary, and it was rather active in my second year and third years, and then I was two years in Germany