

When that --- (forgot what was going to say) When they were considering this I was at the Assembly in Baltimore, and I happened to find myself next to Henry Sloan Coffin, the uncle of the William Sloan Coffin you hear some about nowadays. Henry Sloan Coffin was then the President of Union Seminary. I happened to find myself next to him chatting about one or two things, and he had just recently become President of Union Seminary and the Union Seminary men were in their voting energetically against Machen's confirmation. I said, Dr. Coffin, When is your election as President of Union Seminary going to be voted on by the General Assembly? He drew himself up and said, Union Seminary is not subject to any ecclesiastical control."

But as Dr. Machen pointed out, How inconsistent for them to take that stand. They had withdrawn from ~~the~~ church ^{control} and become independent so as to avoid the church trying to keep them from going modernist; for them then to go into the Assembly and vote against Machen being confirmed in Princeton! Of course, the liberals fought for to be given tolerance until they got strong enough ~~teaching~~ and then they wouldn't tolerate any conservative/~~people~~ ^{teaching}, except a very little. Somebody with the power of Dr. Barnhouse or a few men like that who have strong churches can stand against it. When I first came to Philadelphia to teach at Westminster, there were (aside from the Tenth Presby. Church) four large churches in Philadelphia whose pastors were strong conservatives, and in every case when the man died the liberals managed to get in a man in who was either strongly or mildly liberal, in every case.

I remember one case where there was a division in the church. There was a small minority who wanted somebody who was more liberal. Somebody said, Well now there's a lot of confusion and discension in the church; it will be a big struggle to find a