

For instance I got on the debating team the first year. My fourth year I was editor of the school paper which was 8 pp. every week. A big job, but it gave contacts. I was on the debating team three== well some debating every year, but one had the opportunity of getting a little bit of a lot of different kinds of experiences. Then there was a lot of school politics which you knew ~~xxx~~ about and you had occasional interesting connections with one way or another. As I say, I all in all very eagerly looked forward to the coming of the Alumni journals and look in them very eagerly for any news about people whom I knew every very slightly when I was there. But Occidental before I went there had a reputation for being a very fine Christian college. I believe it was. I think it probably 3 or 4 years before I went, it had been ^{outstandingly} outstanding Christian and the process of its becoming modernistic had already begun when I entered, but It hadn't yet gone so very far. The rules about social life were fairly strict. The situation was such that a Christian could participate in just about all the college activities. There was none of them in which there was that he would feel he must keep apart from.

As I say when I entered, the only unbelief as far as being recognized was that some of the science professors were inclining toward evolution. One of the men, I think it was one of the deans remarked ~~xx~~ to me once that they were == that since there were questions from time to time about their science department, they were very careful to see that their humanities department were all very definitely biblical, etc. Well, that situation was not as definitely so as he thought. They had a professor of philosophy whose views, although he came from a wonderful Christian background, his views were very very far from orthodox Christianity. His influence was quite strong.