

He was very clever in many ways. He'd been at Princeton Seminary 2 years, and made a strong stand against the modernists there in the seminary and sometimes he'd get a bit extreme and declare he was going to resign from the student body because the liberals would not support the league of evangelical students or rather would oppose it, etc. He came to Philadelphia and became managing editor of the Presbyterian, a magazine/<sup>of</sup> which Dr. Craig was editor, the father of the head of the Craig press. Griffiths was very anxious that something be done about the modernists, in the church. He brought charges against them. He heard later that these 13 or 15 modernists had been ~~instructed~~ in strong disagreement on certain things, but this attack on one of them unified them. The thing was brought up in the Presbytery. Griffiths was always standing on points of order and sometimes very cleverly, and the modernists were doing the same thing. One time he stepped up to make a motion which he'd written criticizing the Foreign Board for Pearl Buck and the Layman's Inquiry, and after giving a talk about it, he said Now I'd like to move the following. And one of the modernists whom he'd criticized on points of order before jumped up and said, Point of order: you can't make a motion at the end of a speech! So he had to sit down. So he said to me, Quick you get up and make the motion! So I got up and made the motion and speech. I tried to present the situation. We were making this stand on modernism in the Foreign Board. Then they tried to get the General Assembly to reorganize the Foreign Board to get rid of the modernists.

Neher: This was before Dr. Machen had been tried, etc.?

AAM: Yes. This is what led up to it. I did not go to the General Assembly at that time. I went to two of them while I was