

Three denominations. May have been an Episcopal too. I'm not sure. Anyway there were 3 or 4 denominations in Canada which united to form the United Church of Canada. There were some individuals who were very anxious to continue the Presbyterian Church of Canada. They got in touch with Dr. Machen who said to them=== Dr. Machen sent a number of students up to Canada to for the summer to preach in these churches and to help these little groups who were trying to continue the Presbyterian church of Canada.

I believe that throughout Canada, perhas a third of the Presbyterian churches -- the people voted against going into the union, but I believe that 3/4 or 4/5 of the ministers went into the union. So there were a lot of people who wanted to continue the Presbyterian church separate from the United Church of Canada, and they == there were far less ministers than they had.

And Dr. Machen said spent a great deal of time and effort and money too in helping send students up there to help to maintain the Presbyterian Church of Canada. But there were a certain number of men who stayed in it who were actually modernists, and who stayed in the church because of loyalty to the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Well to Dr. Machen the terrible thing about forming the United Church was that it was a big organization under control of modernists. These men stayed in it because of their denominational loyalty, and within the next few years I'm afraid they got pretty much control of the organization. So I'm afraid a greater part of his activity in the end there was wasted.

But, I guess it was 20 yrs. later that I ran on to some of the students when I was speaking at the InterVarsity Camp in Canada, and they were in the United Church of Canada, and they felt that on account of its modernism they should leave it, but they had been brought up in it and they had such a loyalty to the United Church of Canada. But to me ~~me~~ that being just a new thing just started when I was in seminary, it was a surprise to me that they could become so loyal to it in such a comparatively brief time. It could become an end in itself.

That was a little aside from the main thing we were speaking about.

Neher: For security, do people do that?

I think there is a tendency for people to become attached to whatever they are connected with, if it's good. There are good things. Just like the fact of going to church and being with nice people and hearing inspiring sermons. Or just the fact that one's family has attended a place can develop a feeling of loyalty.

To me one of the silliest things in the world is the fact that the U.S. and Canada are two different countries. Our language is the same. Our background is pretty largely the same. Our objectives are the same. There is really no reason. Yet I've heard people say, Canada for the Canadians. They get this great loyalty