

there or alert people to its danger. The result was that Phil Clark -- people got to know him at sight at least. All these leaders of the WCC. They'd see him in Africa, in the Far East, and different places in Europe. Then the WCC had a meeting in N. N.Y. somewhere, and the Episcopal Church invited some of the leaders of the WCC to speak in this church.

Phil Clark was always taking pictures in these meetings and he arranged audio-visuals that were very effective. We used to use them quite a bit. Phil went to this Sun. a.m. meeting or some other day, and hoped they wouldn't object to his taking pictures. He was near the back planning to take these pictures. Most of the leaders of the WCC came to this meeting. Pretty soon someone tapped him on the back and said Would you come back here, please. He went to the back and it was the local rector of the (Episcopal) church. He said, I see you've got a good camera. I had no idea we've have all these world leaders here at this meeting. We're not equipped. Would you mind taking pictures for us?

So he was taking pictures of all these people under the auspices of the church! Purely by accident. They all must have thought there was some conspiracy in it. Just one of the many funny things that happened in connection with these things. I shouldn't waste time telling these things, but it occurred to me there.

I've just been reading A Search of History by Theodore White. He tells about his early life as a young Jew in Boston. Very poor family. Then he got a scholarship to Harvard. How he worked. As you read the account of the way that fellow worked it makes me feel ashamed to think of what I haven't done in my life. He tells how he got into Harvard and he wanted to take a course in Chinese. At that time the man who taught Chinese was the most brutal man he'd ever known. This man was convinced nobody could learn Chinese until they were at least college graduates. So up to that year he never allowed anybody but graduate students to take it.

He said the president of Harvard put his foot down that year, and said undergraduates can take Chinese if they want. The result was that against this man's wish the class had 5 graduate students and 2 undergraduates. That was the first year White was a student there. The man was dead against it and determined to flunk these fellows. White says Chinese is one of the easiest languages in the world to learn to speak, but by far the hardest to learn to write. And this man gave no system of explanation of understanding how the Chinese characters are made so it was just automatic learning. Just brute learning of these characters. They had to learn 3000 characters. He said, I was there on a scholarship and if I failed the course I knew I would lose my scholarship. The man, he said, told me that if I didn't improve in 6 weeks that I could really do it, he was going to flunk me. from the course. So he said, I worked till 2 or 3 every night memorizing those characters. I memorized 3000 difficult characters. Just by sheer force -force. He said I still have the cards I used, but can only remember 100 of them now.