

St. Louis to discuss it. The time that they planned to meet was in the very week when I was scheduled to go to Wheaton. ~~But~~ Carl told me that I must go to St. Louis in order to be at this meeting where they were discussing starting an organization which would be like the American Council but not take quite as militant stand. He wanted to persuade them they should take the strong militant He said I must go to the meeting in St. Louis. I told him that this was my annual week to go to Wheaton and that it had a tremendous/in bringing students to the seminary. "Oh," he said, "the meeting in St. Louis is far more important; you must go there." However, I felt that for the seminary the meeting at Wheaton was much more important and I went there. But this gave me a feeling of how to him ecclesiastical controversy was the most important thing in the world and knocking the National Council was the most important thing. He could give wonderful spiritual message. He could expound the Scripture in a way that just thrilled everyone who heard it, but when he would come to the seminary he always wanted to talk about separation and about the "issues" as he called them. I used to tell him, "I wish you would come and give a good spiritual message." I said, "You could have the students just eating out of your hand. Then come back the next week and just talk about anything you want, and they will still eat out of your hand." ~~X~~ "But," I said, ~~XXXXXXXX~~ "if you start with controversial issues you will get some of the students but you will repel many of them. ~~XX~~ "Oh," he said, "I don't have time ~~XXXXXX~~ to make two trips over to Elkins Park to speak." No, he must come and speak about these issues. Right after this particular discussion with him he came over and he gave a great talk on a meeting he had gone to in Asia and the different people he had met, and the stands he had taken there, and it was indeed thrilling. And about half ~~f~~ of the students were thrilled with him; the other half were interested but repelled as a result of things they had heard about him before they came, largely I think. And he mentioned one particular group or something and he said, "Oh, I ~~wish~~ just wish I had another hour; I'd so love to tell you all ~~about~~ about this." And ~~X~~ I spoke