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They had the wedding at Miller chapel at Princeton seminary, and Miss Robinson when they sent out invitations said, Oh, we can't send invitations to Stevenson and Erdman the way they are acting. And Dr. Allis said, We've got to invite the whole faculty. So they sent invitations to all of them. When she was in the back waiting for the starting of it, if she had known what was happening in the vestibule somebody said they doubted if she would have gone on with the wedding because, Chas. Erdman came and stood in the vestibule and greeted everybody mx you'd think it was his private party!

But Oh, the feeling in those things as you can see! but then the=representative=to the General Assembly in 1929 as simply an administrative dispute between two boards and the trustees wanted one thing and the directors another, and it's just an organization thing and we should combine the two boards and thus have a unified direction, so they combined them in such a way that the modernists would have control! Then Dr. Wilson, Machen and others withdrew and they wrote letter after letter to Wilson trying to get him to stay and I don't think anybody tried to get Machen to stay. But of course Machen and Allis were fairly young. They were only assistant professors and the faculty was mostly pretty old at Princeton. As one fellow said/ Within 10 years the whole face of this school will be changed. So the modernists knew that if these directors could get in new men like the men they had then, that it would be another generation. So it was very important right then to get rid of that one generally recognized scholarly institution which stood for fundamental Christianity

Neher: You were in Germany at this point?

AAM: I was in Germany at that time. I was over there two years to study and I got a letter from--- Dr. Wilson had gotten me the fellowship over there and he wanted me to be his assistant.