

I remember a man coming who was head of a school somewhere who stood for the Gospel very definitely. I don't know whether he was looking for another position or simply wanting Dr. Machen's support or what but after Dr. Machen had talked with him, I was with Dr. Machen and one or two others and Machen said, Oh, he's no scholar! in the most deriding way. A little later the same day I referred to something Dr. Machen had written and I said, My that's wonderful; it shows what a marvellous scholar you are. He said, Scholar! Would you really call me a scholar? Do you think I really deserve the title of scholar? So I was amused at the way he used it in two very opposite senses. He said that man was no scholar seeming to imply we are scholars but he's not. But, Would you really call me a scholar, seems to me a high situation in which to be put. But words often go through various turns like that. I notice when I first went to Germany I was very poor on German when I first got there, and I would say, Ten years ago I studied German for two and a half years in high school, but I haven't had any since. Then one of the Americans there said, You shouldn't say that. In Germany when you say you studied something, it means you have gone into very erudite details or are doing very advanced scholarly work. You should say, I learned it for two and a half years! Which in English, of course, doesn't make sense.

Pastor Clark in the Lansdale Presbyterian Church told me he was led to the Lord when he was in Swathmore College by the Inter-Varsity. Then he went to Fuller for a year. He said he was very disgusted when he left there with their attitude that the most important thing is scholarship and as if nothing else was similar in importance, and that you must have respectability as a scholar, etc. I think there is that attitude which is perhaps particularly