

testimony to the Gospel. Machen was active in that. The next to the last year before Machen's death, the student body of the seminary was constantly knocking Dr. Machen. He was very unpopular with the student body at that time. The reason was that they were being condition to think that VanTil's philosophy and the strong stand on Limited Atonement and these things were the vital things to go out and preach, and here Machen was cooperating in the Presbyterian Constitutional Covenant Union with other Presbyterians who did not take any stand on these matters.

And oh, how they criticized him. Machen said to me, Let these fellows come in the Presbyterian Constitutional Covenant Union; let them make a speech for the Reformed faith, let them stand for it. Let them back up and support those of us who are standing for the Bible and the Gospel rather than criticizing us. That year he was constantly criticized, which doubtless to some extent was reflecting the attitude of other faculty members.

But then, these people began knocking Dr. Buswell very much. Dr. Buswell was president of Wheaton College, and about 1/3 of our students were coming from Wheaton College and Dr. Buswell was doing everything he could to persuade students to come to Westminster and they would come to Westminster and very soon they would decide that Buswell didn't know anything; his ideas were foolish, and they would go back there to visit and attack the stand of the college against smoking and drinking, and say that they had somebody on their faculty who was not thoroughly Reformed! Buswell came to talk to the fellows and he wrote a letter to Dr. Machen. In the letter he rather criticized John Murray because John Murray was, you might say the exemplification of these things. He smoked a little; he