

My feeling is that if these things had not come into it and if they had continued as they started the IBPFPM, they might have gotten a fourth or a third of the Presbyterian churches to come out and join with them in starting a new denomination. But when they started their new church some of their young fellows were saying, Communion has got to be in wine so it has to be fermented. It isn't communion if it isn't fermented. Others said, We can only sing Psalms so they insisted they only sing psalms in their churches. They began to take all these particular points and I think a great many people were just ready to come but were driven back by that kind of attitude. That crystalized in the situation where I left the Board and so did the Vice Pres. and Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Trustees. The President had died just before, and he would have been with us too and we founded Faith Seminary.

Neher: In the last couple of minutes of which you've been talking, where was Machen in all of this? He was a member of the IBPFPM to the end?

AAM: I forgot. Bennet wrote to Machen. Harold S. Laird told me that Machen asked Laird (who was premill too) to join the IBPFPM when it was founded and be its president so he told me. He had been pastor of the Collingswood Presby. Ch. for a number of years and was greatly beloved there. He had accepted a call to the big church in Wilmington-- it had ~~over~~ over one million dollars in endowments. They asked him to come be its pastor. They had a smoking room in the church. He told them he would not come as long as they had this smoking room. They did away with this smoking room; they were so anxious to get him. He felt the overwhelming majority in the church there was very solidly back of what he stood for, but there were a ~~xxxxxx~~ certain number who had been in the church for years, and did not really have the heart of