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last word on everything, and we stood absolutely together. You'd get in faculty meeting and some point would be brought up for discussion, and you might find 5 or 6 different views on it before we would agree by perhaps a majority of one on its what was the best policy. I remember one fellow there who said, I watch Dr. Machen whenever he prays, I watch him so close to is see right so I won't do anything else that is wrong, so I won't pray anything that is wrong. The Lord wants us to have freedomin this, and to learn from The Scripture. That attitude and it left the students gasping when I resigned, because they thought of us all as being on absolutely the same, and here to find that one departed from the group. They just could not understand that.

When we started Faith, I mentioned to you how one fellow said, they give the material so fast it's all you can do to get it down and try to remember it you don't have time to think about it. He said of our entering 5 senious our first year, three of them were married, and they said when we go home and tell our wives some of the things we've been learning they look so surprised, it seems so remote. But they had been gradually getting to into that thought structure and Dr. Machen --- I felt very close to him in my attitude on most things. I felt his real attitude was much nearer mine than theirs. But toward the end he was loyally supporting his colleagues who he thought were being attacked, so the last 6 mo. of his life he was very much defending them on things I'm not sure they would have really if he'd thought them through. Of course he was busy with these main controversies and he did not give much thought to them, but to defending his colleagues. The last year there they had a man named MacArthur from Wheaton. He came from a