

We ~~had~~ had the largest student body we'd ever had during the years from '48 to '56 -- during those 8 years, we had the largest student body we'd ever had. So there were many students I really didn't know. One day -- I didn't know Smotley at all -- and one day during that last year, he came up to me in the hall and mentioned he had some very special objects of praise to the Lord. As he started to tell them I said, My I wish you'd tell that to the whole student body.

So he gave a testimony and told about those things. We thought Smitley could be the Registrar. He was just graduating then. When they left, Dr. Stam who had been Dean and Registrar-- wrote out a long statement of what the Dean and Registrar should do. We didn't make Smitley Dean and Registrar. We just made him Registrar. We did away with the title Dean, and never had it again until about '73 or '74 here.

He came in to see Dr. Stam and go over some stuff with him preparatory to taking over the office, and a day or so later Dr. Stam said to me, My where did you find Mr. Smitley? How did you come to think of him? The way he is taking hold of that is really amazing! That was very pleasing to find how well impressed he was with the way Smitley was taking hold of things.

We got a Mr. Watson who had graduated a few years before and who had been teaching at a Plymouth Brethren School in the Chicago area. And another Plymouth Brethren, Mr. Ross who was a very fine chap who taught with us for a number of years. Watson did too for several years. Dr. Killam had been away studying in Amsterdam and just gotten his doctor's degree. He had just gotten back and Dr. McIntire said suggested we get him on our faculty.

I guess he never dreamed but what Killam would be with him. Killam came into the situation; taught one semester and then he resigned. Then of the new people we got Mr. Harding and he started immediately. We got Mr. Dunzweiler and we asked him to start, and he had already taken a job working in an ice cream factory and he could not get out of it for more than a month. He had to give them a month's notice. So there was two months in the summer that he got the ice cream factory salary instead of the seminary salary which I thought was quite unfair.

That reminds me that a year later Mr. Curnow, who was then the treasurer was very anxious to have Taylor do some work on the grounds. Taylor had worked on the grounds the summer of '56 and during the next year. Then the next summer we asked him to join the faculty, which he could have come on June 1. But Curnow was very anxious he do some work on the grounds so he agreed to do it, and after a couple months of that Curnow said, Well, you've been working on the grounds so he paid him the salary for the grounds instead of the salary as professor.

But he continued to be a better friend of Curnow's later than most anybody else on the faculty in spite of that. But when it came to picking these men, I can't say I had any special wisdom. In previous years I had gotten people on to the faculty