

practically going to take over the meeting, and the moderator told him he was a member of another presbytery. That he was glad to have him as a guest but he certainly had no right to take over the meeting.

We had three meetings at which practically all our faculty were present. At the meeting in York, Dr. Cohen had a meeting of the military and had to be in Harrisburg. He told me that if we needed him we could phone a certain number and he would come down immediately. But we didn't need him. It was violently discussed and each time we won by 2 or 3 votes. Then the time came for the meeting in the fall in Sept. Then we heard rumors they were going to start a new presbytery. That was strongly denied, there was no thought of starting a new presbytery. But some of them were going to meet and have a time of prayer at the same time we were meeting. They were going to meet in the Northeast P.B. church where the pastor had been violently against us.

When the time came for the meeting, in came Dr. Fausette and Mr. Butler and two elders. They didn't speak to anybody, but just sat there. Then the meeting was opened. It so happened the moderator that year was Mr. Schuler who was pastor of a church just outside Washington (D.C.). The meeting started. Immediately one of them rose and moved that the meeting immediately recess to meet again in the Northeast Phila. church which would mean that everybody would drive 35 miles to the other place. This was voted down. They then got up and said they protested having the meeting here and they walked out of the meeting.

They then proceeded to claim they had organized a new presbytery. The stated clerk of the presbytery was John Myers who had been elected a year before to a 3 year term (maybe 2 year, I don't know) but I know he had at least another year to run in his term. He was with us. The presiding officer was Mr. Schuler who had been moderator for the year before, and at that meeting we were to elect a new officer(s).

They met in the Northeast church, organized themselves into a presbytery, declared they were the Philadelphia presbytery and proceeded to elect the stated clerk and moderator. Then it was 3 weeks later the synod meeting was held in Florida. At that meeting there were maybe 8 or 10 of these fellows there and these fellows had been not what you'd call strong supporters of Biblical. They had been more or less bystanders. But when they saw this attack on us it aroused their feelings that it should not be done this way. So some of them who were down there and when the meeting opened, Dr. McIntire was the presiding officer. Dr. McIntire said, Now we have two groups claiming to be the Phila. presbytery.

He said each of them has a moderator and each of them has a stated clerk. So he said, the rest of the assembly will have to decide which group should be seated here as the true Phila. presbytery. So he said we will allow the moderator and the stated clerk of each of them to speak for I forget how many minutes and then there will be no more discussion.