

it and make any suggestions. The night before I got there, or day before I got there, Dr. Packer started at 9 one a.m. and worked straight through until ^{three} the next a.m. He worked out a statement about 8 pp. long. In this statement--very well worded-- there was a general statement, then a brief statement, then some more general statement. Then there were a number of articles. They thought they should be affirmative and negative. They said, We affirm this; we deny this. So his suggested thing was put before the council, at a meeting of the council and of the advisory board together, then they divided us up into sections-- counting up one, two, three, four, five, etc. I was in #3. The group in # 3 we went off together. We were all professors in various seminaries.

They said, Don't worry about the introductory statement, just about the declaration. There were 21 articles. We got together and someone said, In no. 5 I think we should change the order around this way. Another said in no. 7 I think this word is bad. We were supposed to work on it from 11 to 12:30 and have lunch from 12:30 to 1:30, and then the first open meeting from 1:30 to 3:00. They just kept right on working until nearly 1:00. Then they let us go eat together and continue working when they ate at the table till 2:30 continuously. ^{and continue it.} That was one little group of about 6 people from the advisory group and from the council.

They had already given us beforehand some long papers-- 12 papers that some people had been asked to write, of 20 pp. in each. The year before. These had been mimeographed in a booklet that was sent to every participant in the congress. They had six meetings and we were assigned to one or the other of the two meetings that went on at once.