

extreme but would stay right on the two, Marcellus as the year went by, was to some extent a liability rather than an asset. Doubtless he was a real asset at Nicea because he was a bishop of standing and of all the bishops there was no one more determined that Arianism must be rooted out, than Marcellus. But the younger speaker Athanasius was just as determined as Marcellus was and was clearer in his thinking and fortunately was so thought of by Alexander, the Bishop of Alexandria, that he was ready to go ahead on the lines that Athanasius suggested. The result was that when the Arian creed was voted down overwhelmingly, these people were not satisfied. They said "yes, the group of these people believe in the deity of Christ, they believe in the trinity, yes and that is wonderful, Arianism has no standing here, but" they said, "Arianism can get a standing, can get established in the church if these men go ahead with their propaganda and activities without it being clearly figured out just what they are trying to do. In other words they wanted to do what should have been done against Modernism 40 years ago. Instead of letting it get the tremendous start and tremendous power that it has today.

question - No Marcellus was from another town. He is not a particularly important man except he did follow as Athanasius did. Marcellus is from Amsira.

question - Marcellus - over the next 50 years, was not the asset at all that Athanasius was because you could pick out things and say "look here, Marcellus is a Sabellian" and probably he wasn't if we took all his statements together you would probably have a pretty good balance. But Athanasius while fighting against Arianism never made any statements which could be taken out of context and that you could call Sabellian. Athanasius was a man of remarkably clear understanding. He was one of the most all around able Christian leaders that the world has ever seen. It is remarkable when you see the difference in the sides of his character and the way they were ^{shown} ~~shown~~ and the part that they played in the work that Athanasius did. But at this time he is only a young g deacon there with Alexander. Well the next thing then was - they said, "we must adopt a creed" and of course that is what Constantine wanted.