

and we started in with fifty students our first year, which, coming out of two hundred and fifty at Princeton, is quite a ~~difference~~ amount, about one-fifth. And we went on in the next few years, ~~and~~ until we third of the number of classes the last year, and we had about seventy-five students. It was a gradual growth; I was there for eight years, and during those eight years it was a wonderful privilege to have a part in the training of fine young men, who came desiring to learn to understand the Word of God. But I wasn't there in the faculty meetings very long before I began to see a distance between my viewpoints and that of some of the other of the younger members of the faculty, and that viewpoint came more and more the , and those members of the faculty ^I came to see very soon, represented a viewpoint which was very different to the viewpoint I held, and which was I believe quite different from ~~of~~ the viewpoint at a number of points of the old Princeton, although it was a viewpoint which, as I say, ~~was~~ is a thousand times nearer to our viewpoint than the viewpoint of the present Princeton or the viewpoint of the Modernistic teaching which is found in most ~~e~~ seminaries of today. But the thing came to a head after the death of Dr. Machen. the U.S. A. church had moved to the point where the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions had to form and, ~~in~~ order to send out sound missionaries, and then the organization of the church, fearing this would cut down the support of the established mission board, moved vigorously against the members of the Independent Board, and deposed them from their churches, and then a new church was organized, the Presbyterian Church of America, and Westminster Seminary was pretty much in the vanguard of the formation of that church, and then we reached the situation where all these things that were in ^{ei} their minds ~~and~~ my mind and came out in our discussion in faculty room, had to come into active visible realization because we ~~were~~ were building a church, and the question was, "What way will we do this?" and "What way will we do that?" And Dr. Machen's great influence was gone, an influence which was always directed toward the great fundamentals of the Word of God, and training men to stand solidly on these great points. Dr. Machen died, and we reached a point where those influences became dominant in the battle. Practically all of the leaders of the seminary were now holding those ~~positions~~ positions the original founders