

Dear Mr. Dunzweiler:

It occurred to me that it would be good to alert you to a problem that may be very vital in the progress of the seminary. Personally I believe that the emphasis on degrees today is tremendously overstressed. Dr. Machen did not have a doctor's degree, but ~~it~~ was as ~~fine~~ fine a scholar as any I ever knew. Professor ~~Gunn~~ Battiscombe Gunn, who eventually became professor of Egyptology in Harvard University, was one of the greatest Egyptologists in ~~the~~ the world, and was highly regarded ~~in Germany~~ by German Egyptologists. When he was curator of the Egyptian antiquities in the Philadelphia University of Pennsylvania Museum (?) he showed me a rubber stamp that he had (for use) when people ~~walk~~ would write letters to him addressing him as "Dr. Gunn", he would stamp on his answer "Not Doctor, only Mister." I told him that from my knowledge of the attitude of German ~~scholars~~ world experts in this field toward him that his knowledge was far superior to that of many who have ~~ph~~ Ph.D.'s in Egyptology. Yet it was a long and hard struggle before he finally became recognized in the academic world.

The men who were The majority of the men who were members of the Faith Sem^o faculty prior to 1956 were ready to do anything they possibly could to achieve a doctor's degree. Some of them tended to neglect their classes and their chapels for this ~~ph~~ purpose. Many of them ~~also~~ made regular trips from ~~Wilm~~ Wilm^o to Ph^o every week in working toward this end. Eventually most of them succeeded (?) doctors'
doctor's degrees

The ~~put~~ such a tremendous emphasis on this that I had a certain amount of sympathy with Dr. ~~McIntire~~ McIntire when he gave a talk in chapel on what he called "Ph.D.itis." He(?) I(?) felt their emphasis was over-extreme. Perhaps this reaction of mine tended somewhat to lead me not to lay much stress on this in the years since 1956. At that time it