

decided to oppose his confirmation in the Genral Assembly. When the report of the Board of Directors of the Seminary was presented to the assembly, including the election (?) appointment of Dr. Machen as professor of apologetics, there was a strong stand taken by the Modernists against this being approved by the assembly. Shortly before this was acted on this time Henry Sloan Coffin Sloane Coffin had been made president of Union Theological Seminary in New Yrok, which was strongly controlled by the Modernists. I happened to stand next to Coffin one evening outside the place where the meeting was to be held and I said, "Dr. Coffin, when will you election as president of Union Seminary be acted on the the General Assembly?" He drew himself up and said, "Union Theological Seminary is not subject to any ecclesiastical domination." Yet the Union Seminary men were at the meeting, actively working to cause the ~~the~~ election of Machen as professor at Princeton seminary to be rejected.

In the discussion the principal defender of Dr. Machen was Dr. Allis. The principal attacker was Dr. Stevenson, who was the president of Princeton Seminary. Stevenson was like a wild bull in his attack on Machen. ~~Stevenson~~ Stevenson said that even those directors who strongly favord him said, one of them had told him that he had had to work for several hours with Dr. Machen the night before. Dr. Allis answered, "Yes, they had to work with him to persuade him to be ~~willing~~ willing to become professor of apologetics instead of continuing in the New Testament ~~Department~~ Department.

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Dring this discussion Mrs. R. D. Wilson was sitting in the balcony. As she told us later how there was an elderly ~~gentleman~~ gentleman, I believe he was a/minister She who was sitting next to her in the balcony as the discussion went on. /~~He~~ said that as the people were attacking Dr. Machen this man muttered under his breath and yet quite audibly to those near him, "Serves Machen right; serves Machen right; look at the way that he attacked Dr. Erdman." Machen had defended himself ~~against~~ against the attack Dr. Erdman had made on him. Mrs. Wilson turned to the man and said, "But, Dr. ~~So~~ So-and-so, Dr. Erdman attacked Dr. Machen first." She said that he replied, "Oh, but we ought to ~~for~~ forgive dear Dr. Erdman for doing ~~that~~ that." She thought