

there should be thus the attempt ;made to work out a statement that all could agree to. It seemed to me that this would be foolish. You could spend years to get a statement to which ~~xxxx~~ everybody would ~~g~~ agree in every little part. The statement as presented seemed to me an excellent one, and these capable men had worked on it many, many hours and it seemed to me that the purpose of the meeting was to issue something that would show a large group of intelligent people believing in inerrancy, and that the whole purpose would be thwarted if something like that was done. However, they asked for -a vote on this suggestion. ~~They~~ ~~x~~ They asked people to raise their hands, I believe, and not more than one person in/~~ten~~^{ten} raised their hands for that suggestion. Evidently that was the attitude that happened to be held by one particular small group, or perhaps by two or three influential people in one small group. When it was voted down I heard some of the counsel say later on,/~~when~~^{when} it was voted down they knew then that victory had been attained, that they were actually going to get an agreement on a statement that would accomplish something/. They then asked those there who thought that we should who would be ready to sign the statement as then presented; it had gone through several forms which had been circulated during th three days or so, but how many would be ready to sign that statement, as the statement expressing the beliefs of the meeting. The I believe maybe nine-tenths of the hands of those present were raised. They then announced that ~~xxxx~~ papers would be put out which people could sign who would like to sign that statement. IN the end Oh, I forget the figures now, but offhand I would say that if there were 330 people present, statem statement and it is, I believe, a well-balanced statement of the matter of inerrancy.

During that meeting in Chicago there were a number of meetings devoted to special subjects. A number of people, offhand I guess maybe 20, had been asked to write papers on specific subjects, and these then they were to speak, two of them at a time in two different rooms. They were not simply to read their paper\$, or simply to summarize it, but to speak further on the subject of the paper. After each spoke there was to be a discussion in which people present could take their turns