

said, Let's get rid of the laws forbidding the teaching of evolution. So they asked a young man named Scopes who wasn't particularly interested in the subject . . . though now I understand he is publishing a book about the trial. They asked him to teach something about evolution in the class so that they could make a trial out of it to get the law changed. Then they had that big excitement over the Scopes trial in Tennessee there because the Tennessee law forbade the teaching that the world was made not by God but by a natural academic process.

called evolution. Of course Scopes was convicted but it gave them a chance to get publicity all over the country to show what fools were who stood by Genesis instead of standing by the teaching that they said modern science had proven. Well, Tuesday night we will say what the actual evidence is along this line. But it shows the development that is coming.

Only a month ago the papers declared that in Arkansas the courts had ~~===~~ a Judge had declared that the anti-evolution law there is unconstitutional because he said it restricts the freedom of teaching and research. Is freedom of teaching and research restricted in our schools? Our Supreme Court has ruled you can't even read the Bible in our schools. That would be secharian! Is there a freedom only to attack Christianity? But not freedom to present Christianity? Is there only freedom to present that which is contrary to the teachings of the Bible, and not freedom to present that which is in line with the teaching of the Bible?

I have a clipping here from the Bridgetown News Leader. This clipping, - the article came out toward the end of June in the Richmond News Leader (what must be the same above where I said Bridgetown) -- there's a nice picture over here on the side of a Harvard University Professor. He is talking to -- it says over here Dr. G. Ernest Wright (left), Harvard Professor of Divinity at Harvard University, chats with the Rev. Scott Hilton, Jr., pastor of the Charlestown Baptist Church in North Hampton County. The heading of the article is "Expert Defends College Course. Bible as Literature Upheld" by Alberta Lindsey. "Can religion be taught objectively? Definitely yes, says Dr. G. Ernest Wright, Harvard Prof. of Divinity at Harvard since 1958. Dr. ~~xxxx~~ Wright was asked the same question earlier this month when he was the witness for the defense ~~axx~~ in a court case concerning the teaching of a course in Biblical Literature at the U. of Washington. The plaintiffs in the case, two fundamentalist pastors, contended that the course English 390 violated a State Constitutional ban against the use of public funds for religious worship, exercise, or instruction. The course had been taught in the U. of Washington, a state supported school since 1919. Similar courses are offered in many other State universities including some whose state constitutions have the same language as Washington's concerning religious instruction. Dr. Wright was called by the defense as an expert on the Bible. Dr. Wright said he spent all of one day on the witness stand, during the seven day trial which began June 6. The Judge in the case apparently agreed with Dr. Wright. When he delivered his verdict on June 14, he said that "the Bible as Literature is a proper subject of the humanistic field." The case could go to the Supreme Court as the next big test case, said Dr. Wright. It all depends on just how much these two fundamentalists want to or can raise to keep carrying the case higher. If this particular case does not go on, a similar one will.