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INTRODUCTION

THE thought of a world's conference to discuss the problem of Moslem evangelization had no doubt occurred to more than one of the many missionaries labouring in Moslem lands, but the proposal to hold a conference in the year 1906, which should gather together, if possible, representatives from all Moslem fields, to discuss this problem, originated with the Rev. S. M. Zwemer, D. D., of the Arabian Mission at Bahrein. This proposal was first discussed privately at Mussoorie, in India, and later on at the Decennial Conference of missions, held in Madras. Correspondence with the American Mission in Cairo, Egypt, resulted in a cordial invitation to meet there. Final plans were matured by Dr. Zwemer and the Rev. Dr. H. U. Weitbrecht, who together drew up a tentative program and created a program committee, which completed the work thus begun. Later on an American advisory committee was established, which aided in carrying out the preliminary arrangements in various ways. By correspondence the various missionary societies were invited to send representatives to a conference to be held April 4th-8th in Cairo in Egypt. At the same time the various persons suggested as suitable to write upon the subjects of the program, were persuaded to undertake the task assigned them. From the very first there was manifest unanimity among all the mis-

sionaries and societies concerned, filling all hearts with the assurance that the proposed conference had the divine approval.

The program, as finally adopted, provided for the extension of the conference over a period of six days; April 4-9. The two committees on program and arrangements were constituted an executive committee to control the business of the conference. The officers of this committee were Rev. H. H. Jessup, D. D., chairman; Rev. H. U. Weitbrecht, D. D., secretary, and Rev. John Giffen, D. D., treasurer. At the time appointed, delegates to the number of sixty-two were found to be present, not counting visiting members to the number of about sixty. They represented twenty-nine missionary societies of the Protestant Christian world, and even a greater number of missions established in the Moslem lands of Asia, Africa and Malaysia. Some of the delegates appointed were unable to attend. A few of those appointed to prepare papers for the conference were unable to attend, but these, with few exceptions, sent their papers to be read by others.

On the evening preceding the opening of the conference, a prayer-meeting was held to ask the blessing of God upon the meetings of conference. This prayer-meeting voiced what may be called the spiritual life of the assembly. Throughout the meetings were deeply spiritual; prayer and praise preceded and followed almost every subject discussed.

The place of meeting was the Church Missionary Society house, the Bait Arabi Pasha, a place redolent

in historic memories. For prudential reasons, the executive committee determined to admit none but the delegates and such other friends as might be given permission to attend. All visitors were supplied with tickets entitling them to attend.

At the hour appointed on Wednesday, April 4th, the conference assembled. The following officers were elected: Rev. S. M. Zwemer, D. D., chairman; Rev. H. U. Weitbrecht, D. D., vice-chairman; Rev. John Giffen, D. D., secretary and treasurer; Rev. W. E. Lowther and Rev. R. MacInnes, clerks.

An interesting event was the introduction of the delegates, each one arising at the call of the roll and indicating his or her field and church relationship. A list of the delegates and the program of events are given below. The addresses were read in the order given. After each subject had been presented by the reading of the papers, an opportunity was given for question and remark. It is much to be regretted that comparatively little of what was said during the discussions upon the papers was preserved in a form that could be used in the report. Portions of the remarks made were excluded from the report by the speakers or by the editorial committee. This was felt to be necessary for prudential reasons. At all times these discussions were characterized by the utmost good feeling. It was decided by the conference, at the suggestion of the executive committee, to publish the papers in two parts: the historical and statistical papers to be published in a volume to be entitled *The Mohammedan World of To-Day*; the remaining papers with discus-