

THE ARTICLES ADOPTED

CONFERENCE WILL END TO-DAY

Three Sessions and an All-Day Debate - Council of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System...

It is probable that no body of men of more distinguished personnel and more intellectual ability has met in Charlotte than the Federation of Presbyterian Churches...

The chairman, Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., is an executive officer of more than ordinary ability, and under his directions the proceedings of the conference were carried out with promptness and yet with the greatest care...

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putting some power in the articles, or taking out the word 'federation' and putting in co-operation in its place. If you of the other Churches do not want union by federation, say so, and let us have the matter understood...

At the close of Dr. Howerton's address, Rev. Dr. G. B. Strickler, of the Southern Presbyterian Church, stated that Dr. Howerton had said something that did not represent the attitude of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church...

The conference then took up again the consideration of the article of the Plan of Federation. Rev. Dr. F. H. Cannon made a motion, as a substitute, to include in Article II this expression: "The council shall exercise only advisory authority except in cases where power is conferred upon it by specific acts of constituent Churches..."

On this subject of advisory power Hon. H. W. Jessup said: "Article IV is the germ of Article VI, and if this council is to be a court of arbitration, it is only fair and right that we face it now..."

Dr. Robert McKenzie said: "Advisory is a congregational term, and has no analogy in Presbyterianism. We are now discussing the source of power and not inherent power..."

On this point Rev. Dr. Roberts said: "As to the past history of this plan, keep in mind what powers are in the constituent Churches we are considering..."

The amendment of Dr. Steele to Article IV by the insertion of the words 'powers are' instead of the words 'authority is' with reference to the power exercised by the council...

The hour for adjournment having arrived, on motion the discussion of the articles of the Plan of Federation was suspended until the afternoon session...

After the devotional exercises at the afternoon session, the discussion of the Article of the Plan of Federation was resumed. Rev. Dr. W. J. McKay made a motion...

Rev. Dr. W. J. McKay made a motion to amend Article XII, which deals with the question of representation. The amendment suggested that the representation in the council be limited to one representative from each church...

Rev. Dr. E. Boggs made a motion that representation be limited to the unit role on the call of three churches, and this motion was carried.

The motion of Rev. Dr. David Steele to substitute the word 'questions' instead of 'differences' which may arise between the Federated Churches was carried.

The next discussion was of Article II in which the name of the Ecumenical Council is involved. The name which has been styled so far, 'The Federal Council of the Reformed Churches in the United States of America' holding the Presbyterian System...

Rev. Dr. Roberts offered as a substitute the name 'The Reformed Presbyterian Council in America'.

Rev. Dr. Roberts offered amendment to this the name 'General Council of American Presbyterian-Reformed Churches'.

This question as to the name was discussed at length by a number of the delegates. Rev. Dr. Hemphill said: "We have nothing to be gained by a change of name. Hold to the old name. It is unnecessary to include the word 'general'..."

Rev. Dr. Steele, and Dr. Prue took the chair. Rev. Dr. Plunkett offered the opening prayer. The minutes of the session of the day were read, corrected and approved. Under the heading 'The title of the articles was the subject under discussion and the discussion was animated, interesting and instructive...'

Rev. Dr. Hartley opposed the appointment that the positive plan of federation had been reached by the conference and expressed their desire for closer union between the Churches. Rev. Dr. Plunkett opposed the words 'federation' in the title and articles.

Rev. Dr. David Steele suggested the title 'Articles of Covenanting'. Rev. Dr. Roberts opposed, striking out the word 'federation' in the word 'federal' had been eliminated. Rev. Dr. McKibbin favored voting for a change throughout. He expressed his willingness for anything to get all agreed.

Rev. Dr. Cannon said the word 'federation' had no unpleasant association to him, and that he opposed it only because it might convey an idea for which it did not stand.

Rev. Dr. Lowell stated that the opposition to the word 'federal' by the Southern Presbyterian Church was not of political significance, but because it carried a secular idea with it. Rev. Dr. Hartley opposed the use of words in title because words in name had been changed. He deplored the fact that some times men and Churches were jealous of prerogatives, and not willing to yield individual preference for the good of the Church, although Jesus Christ taught to yield individual preference for larger right.

The motion of Rev. Dr. McKay for the title to read 'Plan of Co-operation' was put to the conference and was lost.

The motion of Rev. Dr. Alexander for the title to read 'Articles of Agreement' was carried and on motion of Dr. Roberts was made unanimous.

Rev. Dr. Hemphill offered the following preamble to the articles which was adopted: 'PREAMBLE. DR. HEMPHILL. "The Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian system desiring to evince and develop spiritual unity and to promote closer relations..."

The following are the Articles of Agreement and which will be acted upon by the conference as a committee of the whole at this morning's session: ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT. 1. Every Church entering into this Federation retains its distinct individuality...

2. The Federal Council shall consist of at least one representative from each of the constituent Churches, or elders, for each one hundred thousand communicants, and where a Church has more than three hundred thousand, and where a Church has more than three hundred thousand, and where a Church has more than three hundred thousand...

3. The Federal Council shall have power to deal with questions which may arise between the Federated Churches in regard to matters within the jurisdiction of the Council, which the constituted authorities of the Churches concerned have been unable to settle...

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constitutional steps as were followed in its adoption of these Articles. Any amendment to these Articles proposed to the Federal Council shall, before its adoption, be approved by the Council, and receive the consent of two-thirds of the Federated Churches acting in accordance with their respective constitutions. When the Council shall have been notified of such consent it shall declare the amendment to be a part of the plan of federation.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hartley the conference adjourned at 10 o'clock to meet at 10:30 this morning for the closing session. Rev. Dr. J. H. Frugh pronounced the benediction.

Whitbeck Removed to County Jail. Special to The Observer. Winston-Salem, March 15.-J. E. Whitbeck, one of the defendants in the Kobre murder case, was removed to the county jail last night. The officers say that he is a good prisoner, that is he has very little to say. He was placed in the cell with William Pleas, another defendant. Jailer James says this was the best he could do, he did not have sufficient quarters to keep all of the defendants separate. Sam Kobre occupies a cell away from Pleas and Whitbeck. There is a diversity of opinion as to the guilt of the three men under indictment for the murder of Henry Kobre, Counsel for the defendants, however, say they are in possession of testimony which will break down all evidence thus far produced by the State.

All He Wanted. Washington Star. "What do you want?" she asked of the tramp, who had made his way around to the kitchen door. "Nothin' much, ma'am," he replied with a politeness that awakened her suspicion. "Money, I suppose. We don't give tramps money." "No'm, I don't want no money." "Well, we have no vittals except for dinner and they ain't done yet." "I don't even ask for none of yer dinner, ma'am. All I want is some hardy bread; 'st day bread." She was touched. "Poor man," she exclaimed. "Here, I will give you a nice piece of pie, anyhow." "No'm, I ruther hev the dry bread." "Do you like it?" "No, but yer see me and the rest of the boys has hustled aroun' till we've got a turkey, an' some celery, an' some cranberry sauce, an' some plum pudding, an' all we want now is a few more dry bread to make the stuffin' of."

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