



## THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE AT ALTONA

Reported by Mary Campbell Sanders

Following the Native Conference at Altona Mission Station, came the European or Missionary Conference. As most of the missionaries were already assembled at Altona, it was felt admissible by all to stay right there for the Missionary Conference, instead of all the missionaries taking the 250-mile drive to Boksburg, the place scheduled for that Conference.

The Conference opened on Monday night, Jan. 4 with a preaching service conducted by Rev. H. P. Sanders. Rev. H. P. and Mrs. Sanders rendered a special number in song.

Early morning prayer meeting on Tuesday was led by Mrs. H. P. Sanders. Due to the pressure of business and word that the Morgans were docking in Durhan that very week, the 11 a.m. service was omitted. The Tuesday night service with Rev. K. E. Gorman in charge was in the form of a Covenant Meeting, followed by testimonies.

Mrs. G. F. D. Kierstead conducted early morning prayers on Wednesday. For the 11 a.m. service, Rev. Grace Titlestad was the preacher; and for the afternoon service, Rev. C. D. M. Sanders. At this closing service of our Conference, Revs. H. P. Sanders and Grace Titlestad sand a duet.

Mrs. E. A. M. Kierstead hasn't been as well this past year. All were pleased that she could be at the Conference. Also, Miss Uta Chase, our only representative from Rhodesia, was present. What a pleasure it was to see her again and to hear details of the progress of the Rhodesian work which is near our hearts.

The Wednesday afternoon service was the last of a very good Conference. A unanimous vote of thanks was given our kind hostess, Mrs. G. F. D. Kierstead.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sanders,

Assistant Secretary

### PRIVILEGES OF A MISSIONARY

By Miss Uta Chase, R.N.

I have been impressed time and time again of the wonderful benefits we have as missionaries. I would like to share some of them with you, our backers in the homeland.

From the time we are accepted by the Mission Board, our lives and experiences are different and new. One of the first privileges that we have is that of being permitted to visit all of our churches and get acquainted and have fellowship with some of God's best people, joy few others have.

Then one receives so many gifts, letters and kind wishes from the folk throughout our fellowship, both before and after one leaves home. One feels unworthy to be the receiver of so many good things.

I have always desired to see what the world looked like outside of New Brunswick. Because I am a missionary I have been able to live in the Union of South Africa, and Southern Rhodesia for four years. I have visited England, the Canary Islands, Dakar, five States in America and four Provinces of Canada. All of this was made possible for only one reason; because I was called to be a mis-

sionary, and in most of cases you did the will of God by staying home and paying my expenses.

The most recent joy as a direct result of being a missionary has been that of hearing Dr. Billy Graham. He kindly consented to a service in Livingstone while he was resting at Victoria Falls. If I had not been in His will, I would never have seen and heard this man of God. If I had, it would likely have cost a lot of money and would have had to stand in queue for hours. Because I am a missionary, I only had to pay about \$1.50 for petrol and I didn't have to queue. I arrived about one hour before the service and got a seat about in the center of the auditorium.

Needless to say the most important privilege is that of ministering to those who are without — without churches, without schools, without a hospital, but most of all, without Christ — except for the fact that you have been willing to stay at home, work give and pray; that we, your missionaries, can enjoy these and many other privileges that come only as a direct result of saying "Yes" to the call of God a few years ago.

Thank you and God bless you our supporters as we work for one Common Cause — that of bringing the lost to our Precious Saviour.

### MISSION FIELD REPORTS FROM PAULPIETERSBURG, NATAL

Dear Friends at Home,

Already one month of the New Year has passed. How quickly the time flies when we are busy. It has been several weeks since we have sent Church Letters anywhere, and in that time there have been many Christmas Parcels, Used Toys, Second-Hand Clothing, Cards, and Letters that should have been acknowledged before now. I trust that our Highway Report has explained why we are so tardy in making a contribution to the Missionary Service of your Church!

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many cards, letters, and personal gifts received for Christmas. You will never know how much they mean to us, unless you are out here sometime yourself. The biggest disappointments have been days when the Mail Box was empty.

We are getting settled in here, but still have some painting, cleaning, and carpentry to do. With the responsibilities of a Mission Station, and having 2 Conferences since Christmas, progress is slow. However, things are getting organized, Zulu Lessons have been resumed, and we have learned much of the Administrative Work of this oldest Area of our Mission Work.

There is quite a lot of plain, hard, dirty work to be done immediately too. The wind took the roof and ½ of I wall from one of our bigger Church-School Buildings down below Hartland. There are repairs and additions to be made to other Churches and Native Preacher's Homes in the Area, and we will have the General Native Alliance here in July. It will be our "Beulah", and already there is groundwork to be done.

We are all well. The recent trouble I had with my right knee was not as serious as we had feared. It has been very hot, and of course, we mind that.

Last Sat. we went to Swaziland, about 50 or 55 miles, to see and hear Prime Minister MacMillan. The Swazi Warriors were all decked out and put on quite an interesting display. Afterwards we enjoyed fellowship and a picnic lunch with Charles Sanders and Family and Glen and Betty Kierstead.

Some Churches have written asking for detailed in-

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The King's Highway