

# THE GRANTS

The departure of Rev. G.C. ("Jack") and Ida Grant for North America, where their children are and where they hope to retire, marks the end of many years of selfless and devoted service to the peoples of Southern Africa. They have had some hard rows to hoe. Jack was the last, and by no means the least distinguished, of the Principals of Adams College, and had the heart-breaking task of fighting its last battles and seeing it taken over by the Government and by "Bantu education". Then he went up to Rhodesia to work for the United Church Board for World Ministries (incorporating the old American Board of Missions) and found himself up against U.D.I. and the Ian Smith ministry. He fought a good fight over many years, under every disadvantage, but with a brave heart that did not understand the word "surrender".

Ida Grant, a born South African, was not only a help to Jack as every good wife is a help to her husband, but a doughty fighter in her own person and help to many both at Adams and in Rhodesia.

The early Church would have canonized them as "Confessors" – those who had the spirit of the Martyrs though they did not actually suffer death. "Reality" would like to include their names in the list of Liberal Confessors in Southern Africa.

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