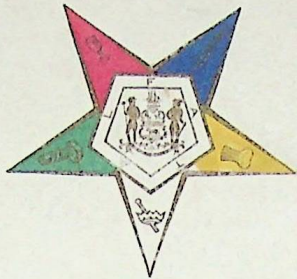


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The Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, convened in its Second Annual Session in the Auditorium of Pythian Castle, Wilmington, May Sixteenth, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-three, at two-thirty in the afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by the Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Julia Marr Story, who instructed the Grand Marshal to invite the Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

The Grand Matron and the Grand Patron were escorted to the East and given the Grand Honors.

The Grand Matron opened the Chapter in form, there being a constitutional number of Chapters represented.

**Grand Officers Present**

Worthy Grand Matron.....MRS. AMY E. MEYER  
Worthy Grand Patron.....MR. HARRY T. HICKEY  
Associate Grand Matron.....MRS. LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY  
Associate Grand Patron.....MR. ALFRED M. CLOWER  
Grand Secretary.....MRS. M. ETNA KEYS  
Grand Treasurer.....MRS. ELIZABETH LEACH

Grand Conductress.....	MISS CORINNE NOBLE WARREN
Associate Grand Conductress.....	MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN
Grand Chaplain.....	MRS. LILLY A. PYLE
Grand Marshal.....	MRS. CELIA K. PIERSON
Grand Organist Acting.....	
Grand Adah.....	MISS CARRIE GEMMILL
Grand Ruth.....	MRS. ANNA L. STAUSEBACH
Grand Esther.....	MRS. FANNIE V. HICKMAN
Grand Martha.....	MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN
Grand Electa.....	MRS. MINNIE A. RILEY
Grand Warder.....	MRS. NELLIE W. J. DRAKE
Grand Sentinel.....	MR. ELHANAN B. WILSON

Roll call dispensed with.

### Distinguished Guests

The following were escorted to the East and welcomed by the Grand Matron.

Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, Sister Lamb.

Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, Sister Gettes.

The following were presented at the Altar, introduced, escorted to the East, and given Grand Honors.

Our First Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Julia M. Story.

Right Worthy Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Minnie E. Keyes.

### ADDRESS OF WELCOME

**Mrs. Rose E. Newlin, Worthy Matron, Mizpah Chapter No. 2**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Distinguished Guests, Visitors and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

Twice during this past year have I been greatly honored by this Order. First when I was called upon to be the Worthy Matron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2 and again today I am asked to welcome this large delegation to the second session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

We welcome you to this Grand Chapter and to our City and instead of the old Roman motto "Know thyself" may our watchword be "Know each other better."

In this organization for women, great things can be accomplished by a combination of forces. The serious problems of the day call for our help to solve them.

The responsibility is ours and it is our opportunity to combine the forces working for good throughout the state; to lead public opinion in the right direction, and create a desire for better and higher ideals.

In that spirit this great fraternal organization of women will go forward constantly to a higher and finer service, a more helpful influence and a nobler life.

Again I bid you a hearty welcome.

\* Solo—Miss Mildred Mohler, Radiant Chapter, No. 6.

**Response to the Address of Welcome, Associate Grand Matron,  
Sister Lillie Schofield Riley.**

Sister Newlin, through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, the privilege and pleasure are mine to respond to your most cordial words of welcome, for,

A welcome is a blessing  
The best impulse of the soul.

In this, the beautiful springtime of the year, when all nature has awakened from her long winter sleep and every tree, bush and shrub have put on their Summer garb, we are met together to review the work of the year just ending and plan for the future.

In the name of the Officers and Members of this Grand Chapter, whom I at this time am privileged to represent, I thank you for the welcome extended to us. We fully appreciate the beautiful spirit of fraternal regard which our Chapters have expressed through you. May this Session be one of mutual pleasure and profit, an inspiration to each and every one to labor more zealously in the service of Humanity than ever before, and may no spirit of discord mar the harmony of our deliberations.

As we look out upon the far horizon of the Future and dimly see the duties and responsibilities which lie before us, may the Star of Bethlehem, that beautiful symbol of our Order, guide us and inspire us with an ambition to acquire those sublime virtues exemplified by the Heroines of our Order, and strengthen our hearts for the great good we strive to do.

May we ever be true to our Obligation, Faithful to convictions of Right and Duty, Obedient to the demands of Honor and Justice, always exercising the commendable virtue of Fidelity to Kindred and Friends, ever Cherishing

a trustful Faith and Hope of Immortal Life, and doing everything with that fervency which should actuate all who are engaged in the service of Truth.

With these high ideals ever before us success will surely crown our efforts, for

Ours is an Order that should stand  
 A Light upon a Nation's hill  
 A voice forbidding all that's ill,  
 A source of inspiration in the land  
 It's Strength—not luck, nor stone, nor wood,  
 But Justice, Love and Sisterhood.‡

### Reception of Grand Representatives

The following Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions answered roll call and formed a semi-circle in the West. Sister Minnie Evans Keyes, Right Worthy Grand Secretary presiding.

Alabama	Mrs. Laura V. McKay
Alberta	Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile
Arizona	Mrs. Laura V. McKay
Colorado	Mrs. Anna L. Stausebach
Connecticut	Mrs. Celia K. Pierson
District of Columbia	Mrs. Louise W. Green
Georgia	Mrs. Ann T. Hamilton
Idaho	C. Herbert Neutze
Indiana	Mrs. Minnie A. Riley
Kentucky	Miss Rose L. Freeny
Louisiana	Miss Corinne N. Warren
Maryland	Mrs. Lillie Schofield Riley
Massachusetts	Mrs. Anna L. Stausebach
Michigan	Mrs. Elizabeth Leach
Minnesota	Mrs. M. Etta Keys
Mississippi	Frank L. Howard
Nebraska	Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman
New Hampshire	Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn
New Jersey	Mrs. Bertha M. Smith
New Mexico	C. Herbert Neutze
New York	Mrs. Amy E. Meyer
Ontario	Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn
Oregon	Mrs. Mary A. Woodus
Pennsylvania	Mrs. Lilly Ann Pyle
Porto Rico	Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile
Rhode Island	Mr. Alfred M. Clower
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Elizabeth Leach

Scotland	Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile
South Carolina	Harry T. Hickey
South Dakota	Albert H. Hearn
Vermont	Stuart J. Horn
Virginia	Miss Carrie L. Gemmill
Washington	Mrs. Louise W. Green
West Virginia	Mrs. Julia M. Story
Wisconsin	Mrs. Julia M. Story
Wyoming	Mrs. Celia K. Pierson
Quebec	Mrs. Violet A. Rush

## ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

**Mrs. Elizabeth Leach, Grand Treasurer.**

It is my happy and honored privilege to extend to you a most cordial welcome to this, our second annual session of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Delaware.

I trust that you will see, through all our deliberations, the influence of Truth, Charity, and Loving Kindness; and that you will take back to your respective chapters pleasant memories and the thought that the Grand Chapter of Delaware is holding high the standards of our beautiful order. It is my hope that the Grand Chapter of Delaware will find a large spot in the garden of your affections.

Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Keyes, "Our Country Cousin", we appreciate the interest that you have always manifested in the Order of Eastern Star in Delaware and are happy to see you again.

To you we say:

Come in the evening or come in the morning  
 Come when you are looked for or come without warning  
 Kisses and welcome you'll find here before you  
 And the oftener you come here the more we'll adore you.

The Grand Matron ordered the Grand Marshal to declare this Grand Chapter called from labor to refreshment to resume order at 8 P. M.

### First Day (Evening)

The Grand Matron ordered the Grand Marshal to declare this Grand Chapter called from refreshment to labor at 9 P. M.

The Grand Conductress and the Associate Grand Conductress presented in the West the Worthy Matrons to act as Pages for this Grand Session.



Words of Greeting from the Worthy Grand Matron:

I am proud to have you assist me in this capacity as Worthy Grand Matron at this Session. You have ably supported me during your terms of office in your respective Chapters and I am pleased to have you actively associated with me on these the closing days of my term.

Past Grand Patron, Harry F. Newlin, was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted to the East, given Grand Honors.

Solo—Miss Mildred Mohler, Radiant Chapter, No. 6.

## ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

May 16, 1923

To the Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

Greetings:

"The World is full of a number of things  
I'm sure we ought to be as happy as kings."

I am happy to-day to present to you a record of my year's work as your Worthy Grand Matron. The year was begun with high hopes and aspirations to simplify, beautify and strengthen our Order here and while many thoughts have been realized in a most gratifying manner, many more are waiting for the future to give them life. I was possessed also of a keen sense of the graver responsibility resting upon me as the second Grand Matron of Delaware, and have ever borne in mind in discharging my official duties, that I was still "Blazing the way" for our Grand Chapter, and needed to observe with care each step I took on the way so that it would lead to no harmful results in the years to come. I have labored as much for the future as I have for this year.

My first official duties consisted in appointing the following officers and committees:

Grand Chaplain	Sister Lily Ann Pyle
Grand Marshal	Sister Celia K. Pierson
Grand Organist	Rev. Edmund H. Stevens
Grand Adah	Sister Carrie L. Gemmill
Grand Ruth	Sister Anna L. Stausebach
Grand Esther	Sister Fannie V. Hickman
Grand Martha	Sister Mattie Pyle Horn
Grand Electa	Sister Minnie A. Riley
Grand Warder	Sister Nellie W. J. Drake
Grand Sentinel	Brother E. B. Wilson

### Committees

Credentials	Sister Ethel M. Draine, 3 years
Jurisprudence	Sister Julia M. Story, P. G. M., 3 years
Grievances and Appeals	Sister Laura V. McKay, 3 years
Charters and Dispensations	Brother Alfred M. Clower
	Brother Albert H. Hearn
	Sister Anna Trader Ellis
Unfinished Business	Brother Fred. Macklin
	Sister Susie Marsh
	Sister Bertha M. Smith
Necrology	Sister Minnie A. Riley
	Sister Josephine B. Miller
	Sister Florence P. McCulloch

### Grand Representatives

During the year I have confirmed the appointment of the following as Grand Representatives of the Grand Chapter of Delaware near other Grand Jurisdictions.

British Columbia	Mrs. Jennie Clarey
Indiana	Mrs. Mary A. Vitou
Kansas	Mrs. Loncie Walker
Maine	Mrs. Carrie B. Deane
Mississippi	Mrs. Doris Fishil
Montana	Mrs. Meta K. Williamson
Nebraska	Mrs. Blanche Thomas
Nevada	Mr. Thomas Mayne
Oregon	Mrs. Mabel Boone
Quebec	Mrs. Emily Atkinson
South Carolina	Mrs. Edith Fuller Page
North Carolina	Mrs. Lou Hinson
Texas	Mrs. Georgia Gray
Vermont	Miss Mae Smith
Virginia	Miss Maggie Lovelock

I have been happy to recommend for appointment the following as Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

Nebraska	Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman
North Carolina	Mrs. Carrie H. Wright
Oregon	Mrs. Mary A. Woodus
Quebec	Mrs. Violet A. Rush
Virginia	Miss Carrie L. Gemmill

In accordance with recommendation of Brother Newlin our Past Worthy Grand Patron, I appointed the following committee to draft a Penal Code:

Brother Harry F. Newlin, P. G. P., Chairman  
 Brother A. Victor Hughes  
 Sister Margaret J. Redmile

#### Committee on Opening Ceremony

Sister Lillie S. Riley, A. G. M., Chairman  
 Sister Josephine B. Miller  
 Brother C. Herbert Neutze

#### Building Committee

Sister Jean G. Hubert	Delaware Chapter No. 1
Sister Carrie H. Wright	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
Sister Violet A. Rush	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
Sister Mary M. Clower	St. John's Chapter No. 4
Sister Mary A. Woodus	Radiant Chapter No. 6

Shortly after the close of the First Annual Session last May, I had sent to each Chapter in the Jurisdiction letters containing the recommendations of our Past Worthy Grand Matron and Past Worthy Grand Patron that were approved by this Grand Chapter, and requested the observance of them by all Chapters.

At a little later date I sent the following letter to all Chapters in the State:

Dear Worthy Matron:

Believing that the work of our Order in this State can be best carried on through the closer binding together of the subordinate Chapters and the Grand Chapter, I ask you to appoint a Committee of three to compare the By-laws of your Chapter with the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter. If, upon examination, your committee finds your By-laws are not in accord with those of the Grand Chapter, have necessary amendments made in regular form and have copy of amended by-laws sent me for approval not later than October fifteenth next.

I recommend that at this time the annual dues of the Chapter be raised at least one dollar and having an extra dollar yearly for refreshments and entertainment.

It is my earnest hope that an Eastern Star Building will be bought and made ready for use by next Spring. To achieve this result we must have the will to have this Building or Temple, careful consideration of the plans for securing it and whole hearted intelligent cooperation on the part of the Committees and Members. There are at present building committees of varying numbers in the five Chapters in this City. Inasmuch as this Committee has

neither met nor acted for a period of about two years, I would recommend that the members of these building committees resign and the committees be discharged by vote of the Chapter. Thus the Worthy Matron will be enabled to appoint a committee which will be responsible to her and work in complete accord thru her with the other Chapters for a common end. If, in the opinion of the Worthy Matron, a member of this old building committee is deserving of reappointment, his or her discharge from old committee would not disbar her from reappointment. It is better for the undertaking as a whole to start afresh in each Chapter.

With greetings and all good wishes for you and your Chapter,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

AMY E. MEYER,

Worthy Grand Matron

### **Bonds**

I approved bonds of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

### **Waivers of Jurisdiction**

May 25, 1922. Requested waiver of jurisdiction from the Grand Matron of Maryland over Mrs. Dora E. Fitzgerald, Delmar, Md. Waiver granted.

June 9, 1922. Requested waiver of jurisdiction from the Grand Matron of Maryland over Mrs. Mary L. Hearn, of Delmar, Md. Waiver granted.

October 5, 1922. Requested waiver of jurisdiction from the Grand Matron of Maryland over Miss Pauline Riall, Mrs. Bertha A. Whayland, Mr. Walter M. Whayland, Sister Anna Pilgrim and Brother Frank Pilgrim, Delmar Md., Waivers granted.

February 20, 1923. Requested waiver of jurisdiction from the Grand Matron of Maryland over Mrs. Della E. Daugherty, Miss Pauline Riall, Mrs. Ethel A. Simpler, Miss Marian M. Hearn, Mrs. Ina Waller, Mr. Harry Renninger of Delmar, Md. Waivers granted.

November 28, 1922. Requested waiver of jurisdiction over a ten mile radius from Delmar, Delaware in Maryland for Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar Delaware, there being no Chapter within forty miles in Maryland. The Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland replied that she felt it would be a matter for the Grand Chapter in session to decide and that she would place the same before their next session beginning April 23, 1923. At the session of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, this request was lost in the hands of the Jurisprudence Committee.

### Waivers Granted

April 20, 1923. Granted waiver of jurisdiction over Mrs. Pascha Watson and Mrs. Eva Moore of Selbyville, Delaware in favor of Holly Chapter No. 45 of Berlin Md., to the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland.

### Dispensations

December 5, 1922. Granted dispensation of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, to dispense with meeting falling on Christmas Day, December 25, 1922. This day being a legal holiday, the building in which this Chapter meets would be without heat, elevator or janitor service, and the majority of the officers being mothers of young children who desired to be with them on this Day of all Days, I felt a greater benefit would be derived from omitting the meeting rather than having it, and I accordingly granted this Dispensation.

December 30, 1922. Granted permission to Worthy Matron of St. John's Chapter No. 4, to initiate a candidate if elected on their last meeting night as this Chapter has been suffering as a result of the black ball and only one petitioner elected during the year. The petitioner was elected and the Officers had the pleasure of initiating a candidate a second time before retiring from office.

### Decisions

Question. "We have a petition pending in our Chapter. The petitioner is afflicted which caused her to use crutches. Would such affliction debar her from membership? If not and she is elected, could she be obligated and then observe the others take the degrees?"

Answer. Yes to both questions.

Question. Will Chapter room be arranged the same for a public installation as we always have it?

Answer. Yes.

### Installations

By invitations of the Worthy Matrons, I installed officers as follows:

January 2, 1923 Mizpah Chapter No. 2

January 4, 1923, Caesar Rodney Chapter No.8

January 6, 1923, Radiant Chapter No. 6

January 8, 1923 Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

January 12, 1923, St. John's Chapter No. 4

March 23, 1923, Ruth for St. John's Chapter No. 4

### Schools of Instruction

Schools of instruction were called for January 23, January 30, February 6, and February 13, 1923 in the City of Wilmington. Owing to the illness of the

Worthy Grand Matron and so many of the officers of the subordinate Chapters, we were unable to hold instructions on January 30th as planned. These schools were well attended by officers of all city Chapters and some of Caesar Rodney Chapter of New Castle, Delaware.

School of instruction held at New Castle for Caesar Rodney Chapter April 24, 1923, Delmar for Adah Chapter No. 5, Tuesday May 8th; at Seaford for Sussex Chapter No. 7, Wednesday May 9th.

I acknowledge with grateful appreciation the assistance given Sister Rush, Grand Instructor, and myself at the schools held in Wilmington by Sisters Louise W. Green and Lillie Schofield Riley.

### Special Duty

Deputized Sister Julia Marr Story, Past Grand Matron, to install Rev. Edmund Stevens as Grand Organist in his Chapter, Delaware No.1, June 26, 1922.

### Official Visits

Together with my staff of officers, I made official visitation to the following Chapters:

- February 27, 1923—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
- March 17, 1923—Radiant Chapter No. 6
- March 20, 1923—Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- March 23, 1923—St. John's Chapter No. 4
- March 27, 1923—Delaware Chapter No. 1
- April 26, 1923—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
- May 7, 1923—Adah Chapter No. 5
- May 8, 1923—Sussex Chapter No. 7

I found the work given in all Chapters but one was in accord with instructions given at schools held. The officers and members generally show a beautiful spirit of cooperation in the work and are earnestly endeavoring to keep our ritualistic work on a high plane and are eagerly interested in the uniformity of our ritualistic work.

There are no two sets of books alike in Delaware and I found it difficult to examine books easily.

I recommend therefore, that a uniform system of books be adopted by this Grand Chapter consisting of Minute Books, Roll book, Secretary's Cash book, Treasurers Cash book, Ledgers, Record book of petitioners elected and rejected in this State.

I found some of these records were kept on loose papers; one Secretary read her minutes from loose sheets of paper, so that her minute book would need show no corrections and would be beautifully kept. Another secretary

made corrections in her minutes by erasure. I appreciated the pride these Secretaries had in this work, explained the necessity of original entry in a legal sense and instructed these practices be discontinued, minutes read from book, and corrections to minutes clearly shown.

One Worthy Matron took the contrary vote by calling for the left hand. Instructed this practice be discontinued.

I found Associate Conductress destroyed ballot in one Chapter. As none but first three officers may inspect the ballot, instructed that this practice be discontinued and ballot destroyed by Worthy Matron.

There being no objection to petition being received when announced by Worthy Matron, a motion to receive same and appoint committee unnecessary.

The ballot on a rejected petitioner having been protested in writing as not secret, the Chapter by unanimous vote requested it be declared illegal and retaken. Granted this request and petitioner having been again given the benefit of the ballot, was elected. I condemned this ballot box as not complying with our requirements of secrecy and ordered the Chapter to purchase a new ballot box of improved type.

It developed during the evening at this Chapter that the Charter was not present in the room. I stopped work in Chapter immediately and instructed the Charter be produced. Upon its being placed in the East, by virtue of my prerogatives as Worthy Grand Matron, declared the meeting legal and had the work completed.

I am happy to state I found as general rule the ritualistic work given in an earnest, sincere manner and the officers generally very proficient in their work.

We were received in all Chapters under an arch of flowers and beautiful and appropriate music lent a charm and dignity to the visitations and were encouragement and inspiration to the Worthy Grand Matron.

#### **Honorary Membership**

I have been honored by election to honorary membership in the following Chapters:

- Radiant Chapter No. 6
- Delaware Chapter No. 1
- Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
- Adah Chapter No. 5

#### **Courtesies**

Guest of Honor at Birthday party of Radiant Chapter No. 6, November 4th, 1922.

Guest at Annual Banquets of St. John's Chapter, Mizpah Chapter, Caesar Rodney Chapter, Radiant Chapter, Delaware Chapter, and my own, Julia M. Story Chapter.

Entertained by Sister Fannie V. Hickman, October 16 and 17, at Delmar, Del. Enjoyed a motor trip to Salisbury and surrounding country as guest of Sister Anna Trader Ellis.

Sister Hickey entertained at luncheon on Monday May 7th at her home in Delmar, Sisters Lillie Schofield Riley, A. G. M., Celia K. Pierson, Grand Marshal, Violet A. Rush, Grand Instructor, Fannie V. Hickman, Grand Esther, Rose Freeny, Grand Trustee and myself. Sister Rush and I had the additional pleasure of being house guests at the home of Sister Hickey and Brother Hickey, our Worthy Grand Patron, while in Delmar.

Sisters Riley, Pierson, Rush and I were entertained by our Sisters of Sussex Chapter No. 7, at Seaford Park House, Seaford, Delaware May 8th and 9th and returned home with many delightful recollections of the courtesies and generous hospitality extended us by our Sisters down the State.

### Reception

On March 12, 1923, my Chapter, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, tendered our Worthy Grand Patron and myself what was to me a most wonderful reception. The Chapter presented me with a corsage bouquet of violets, and my Worthy Matron, Sister Jennie M. Hill wore a yellow corsage, she having risen from the station of Ruth, and the purple and yellow color scheme was carried out throughout the evening. I was conducted to the receiving line by our Conductress Sister Pyle and Associate Conductress Sister Wise under a purple archway supported by the remaining officers, large palms marking the ends of the arch. While being conducted to my position in line, Miss Conly sang very beautifully to the tune "I Love You Truly" the following words written by our Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Minnie E. Keyes:

Worthy Grand Matron  
 Now in the East  
 Welcome to this  
 Our Chapter's love feast.  
 We are so happy  
 Our hearts beat so true  
 For we are now pledging  
 Loyalty to you.

We have watched you closely  
 As you have progressed  
 From the first station  
 Along with the rest



And now we behold you  
 Our leader so fine  
 So I proudly greet you  
 Matron O'Mine.

May God watch o'er you  
 All through the year  
 And shower rich blessings  
 On all you hold dear.  
 May Bethlehem's Star  
 In our Chapter give light  
 As we gather round you  
 To greet you to-night.

And now Worthy Matron  
 Our leader and friend  
 Blessings be yours  
 Till your duties shall end.  
 We will be loyal  
 Of that never fear,  
 For we love you truly  
 Truly, Dear.

Worthy Grand Patron Brother Hickey, Past Grand Matron, Sister Story and Past Grand Patron, Brother Newlin, Associate Grand Matron, Sister Riley and Associate Grand Patron Brother Clower, together with my Worthy Matron Sister Hill and Worthy Patron Brother Miller, completed the receiving line. Other musical numbers and readings completed a delightful program after which we were invited to the banquet hall. We found this room transformed by our decorating committee, the yellow and purple being combined more elaborately here and the pale green walls of the room supporting the colors beautifully. The tables formed the letters A. E. M. a courtesy which very pleasantly surprised me and a most delicious supper was served which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

I will ever hold in happy memory this delightful evening and again extend grateful appreciation to all those good sisters and brothers who so lovingly labored to make it a success.

#### Invitations

I received many invitations to attend Grand Chapter Sessions but was unable to accept any. Received invitations to attend District Meetings by District Deputy Grand Matrons of Pennsylvania held in Philadelphia, and had the pleasure of attending three.

### **Christmas Greetings**

Received and sent cards of Greetings to all Grand Jurisdictions, and received many Greetings at Easter time.

### **Requests**

Requested Grand Chapter of New York to redeem a Past Patron's Jewel left in this town. Request granted.

### **New Grand Chapters**

Received from the General Grand Chapter announcement of the Institutions of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba at Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, June Twenty-second, 1922, and Grand Chapter of Quebec, at Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec, July Sixth 1922.

### **Black Ball**

Some of our Chapters have suffered from the wave of Black Balling which seems to have spread over the entire country. To my mind this is one of the evils arising from the World War through which we have just passed—as if another Pandora's Box was opened and humanity almost swamped by the evil spirits set free. However I am very happy to state that no black balls have been cast in Chapters which have suffered from this evil since the visitations of the Grand Officers, and it is my sincere hope that a spirit of harmony, fair dealing and loving kindness will prevail throughout our entire jurisdiction.

### **By-Laws**

Approved amendment to By-Laws of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 and Radiant Chapter No. 6, raising their dues.

Approved amendment to By-Laws of Delaware Chapter No. 1, bringing their laws in accord with those of the Grand Chapter, and establishing an honorarium for their soloist.

I am withholding approval of By-Laws of Mizpah Chapter No. 2 until final action is taken by this Grand Chapter on amendment offered last session by Sister Hook.

### **Job's Daughters and Rainbow Girls**

I have received letters and literature from these leaders who are interested in development of organizations for girls which they are sponsoring, namely Job's Daughters and Rainbow Girls. The membership of Job's Daughters is built upon the Masonic Fraternity. The Rainbow Girls have as a basis of their Membership girls between the ages of 13 and 18 who are relatives of Master Masons or relatives of Eastern Star members or children or young girls

who are recommended by an Eastern Star member or a Master Mason. It seems to me that they being broader as far as the question of eligibility is concerned, the Rainbow Girls would be more appropriate to the State of Delaware. I believe in doing the greatest good to the greatest number. It is true that someone not of Masonic parentage has just as much good in them as have the daughters of either Masonic or Eastern Star members, and they may be just as worthy of our instruction, just as needful of our help as any child of any sister or brother, and we may be gathering into our folds those who stand for public education, for the supremacy of the Constitution of the United States of America, for the supremacy of the Christian religion, those who may by future relationships be eligible to membership in Our Order. And it seems to me that of the two, while Job's Daughters Bethels have been established in a great many Grand Jurisdictions, the Rainbow Girls have been well adopted also—the Rainbow Girls would be the choice for this jurisdiction—if Delaware at some time adopts or sponsors a girls organization. I do not recommend a decision at this time. I feel we are not ready to take up this work.

#### Board of Instructors

I recommend that one member of the Board of Instructors be elected every third year beginning this year, from outside of New Castle County.

#### Expenses

Received from Grand Secretary, Contingent Fund.....\$50.00

#### Disbursements

Railroad fare, Delmar, October.....\$ 7.02

Delmar, May, Grand Instructor and Grand Matron..... 14.04

Telephone (Long Distance) Telegrams..... 4.43

Postage, taxi, incidentals..... 5.35

Total disbursements..... 30.84

Reserved for Grand Chapter Session.....\$19.16

#### General Grand Chapter

One of my happiest and pleasantest duties was to attend the Seventeenth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter at Washington, D. C. November 14-19, 1922. Together with our Associate Grand Matron Sister Riley, P. G. M. Sister Story, and Sister Mary N. Hook, G. Instructor, I left Wilmington Saturday evening November 11, 1922. We were a happy and congenial party and soon found ourselves in Washington. We were taken to our Hotel, The New Willard, by Sister Story's brother Mr. Marr, and appre-

ciated the courtesy and help extended to us. From the very minute we were located it seemed, we continuously met sisters and brothers from all over the United States, Canada, Canal Zone, Alaska and Hawaiian Islands. There were many delegates at this hotel, this being Headquarters, and our raps could be heard at all times.

On Sunday afternoon we attended the special religious services at Calvary Baptist Church which is the Church home in Washington of the President and Mrs. Harding. The sermon was preached by the Pastor of the Church, Rev. William S. Abernathy—the subject "Now I know in part". This sermon made a wonderful impression on me and I have borne it in my mind throughout the year. I wish every member in Delaware could have heard it, I know many would have been benefitted by it.

Monday morning we registered ourselves as delegates and collected and exchanged badges with other delegates. I feel I have a beautiful collection of badges but Sister Riley has a larger one for she was busy working while I was sitting off in a conference. Monday afternoon we enjoyed an automobile sightseeing trip as guests of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia. Sister Buchanan, Worthy Matron of the Worthy Grand Matron's Chapter was our hostess, who afforded us a most instructive and interesting afternoon. Monday evening we attended reception held at the House of the Temple A. A. S. R. The receiving line was composed of the officers of the General Grand Chapter and Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons and they received us in the Supreme Council Chamber, the most beautiful room, I believe, I ever entered. Brother George J. Kurzenknabe, Worthy Grand Organist, gave an organ recital. The Worthy Patrons of 1922 served as ushers and a uniformed company from the Boys' Order of De Molay acted as guides. For the first time in its history the Eastern Star Flag floated over the House of the Temple. About seven thousand people thronged through the Temple that evening. After leaving the Scottish Rite Temple we attended the Ball at the New City Club where we were able to meet so many of our Sisters and Brothers informally. Mrs. Catherine Chapin Blake, daughter of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Chapin and Miss Star McDaniel daughter of the Most Worthy Grand Patron were the guests of honor. We returned to our hotel, tired but happy after a full and varied day.

The Seventeenth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter was called to order at ten o'clock Tuesday morning, November 14, 1922 by Sister Emma C. Ocobock, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, who instructed the Worthy Grand Marshal to invite the Most Worthy Grand Matron and other officers to enter the General Grand Chapter room. When the officers entered the room they were beautifully greeted by Sister Ocobock and while they stood on the floor photographs of the Assembly were made. I have one with me and will be glad to show it to any here who are interested. Addresses of welcome were given by Most Worshipful Grand Master Charles Cyrus Coombs on

behalf of the Grand Lodge A. F. A. M., Mr. Thomas Bradley, President of the Washington Board of Trade, on behalf of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, Mrs. Flora E. Campbell, Worthy Grand Matron on behalf of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of the District of Columbia. Responses made by Dr. Will W. Grow R. W. Associate Grand Patron, Mrs. Cora R. Franz, R. W. Associate Grand Matron.

Sister Campbell presented to the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron a bouquet of red roses one from each of the twenty-eight Worthy Matrons of the District of Columbia after placing among them a pure white chrysanthemum. The Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons were introduced and welcomed by the Most Worthy Grand Matron and the response was made by Sister M. Alice Miller, P. M. W. G. M.

After the Assembly singing Auld Lang Syne, the General Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshments. The Most Worthy Grand Patron presided at the opening of the afternoon session while the Connecticut delegation consisting of 23 Past Grand Matrons and Patrons escorted the Most Worthy Grand Matron to the East each carrying yellow chrysanthemums. Sister Hitchcock, Worthy Grand Matron of Connecticut presented these chrysanthemums to the Most Worthy Grand Matron together with a gold bracelet set with sapphires, very graciously, and we learned Sister Chapin has risen from the station of Ruth. Hartford Chapter at this time presented the Most Worthy Grand Matron with a silver platter. Visitors from New York and New Jersey were announced, introduced and given seats in the East. The officers of the three new Grand Chapters, Delaware, Manitoba and Quebec were welcomed by the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron. The ceremony of presenting the Flags followed and our own Stars and Stripes were borne by our Past Worthy Grand Matron Sister Story. The British Flag was borne by Sister Wood, Worthy Grand Matron of Manitoba, the Hawaiian Flag by Sister Miller, Past Matron of Leahi Chapter No. 2 Hawaii, Cuba's Flag by Sister Shepard, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Quebec. These Flags were presented at the altar, received by Sister Conkling P. M. W. G. M. and then placed in the East. Delegates from subordinate Chapters under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter were received and welcomed after which the Most Worthy Grand Matron read her report. This report is too lengthy for me to attempt to give here, but I have copies of it and will gladly pass out to any who would like to read it. The business of the Assembly proceeded in regular form, the reports of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Right Worthy Grand Treasurer being distributed to proper committees for approval. Tuesday evening a most impressive and beautiful Memorial Service was held for those who had passed on during the past three years. Wednesday evening there was given an exemplification of Ritualistic Work under the direction of Committee on Work and lectures of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of the District

of Columbia. Thursday morning at ten o'clock the election of officers was held. Sister Chapin appointed your Worthy Grand Matron a teller and your Worthy Grand Patron a collector of ballots. During the election the various committees reported in to the Assembly and action taken on their reports. This was a most strenuous day. Being a teller, I was a bit more fortunate than the rest of our delegation, for each teller was supplied with small package of chocolate. We were in session without recess from half past nine in the morning until quarter past five that afternoon, when we were called off for fifteen minutes for refreshments. We assembled again shortly and worked until about six when we were called off until eleven o'clock that night. A most delightful banquet was tendered the official family of the General Grand Chapter and delegates. The Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia presented me with a ticket for an escort and I was most happy to take as my guest our own Grand Secretary, Sister Keys. Because of the pressure of business, we left the banquet hall before the completion of the program and were called to order shortly after eleven o'clock that evening at Convention Hall. The principal business of evening was the consideration of the report of the Most Worthy Grand Patron and especially that portion of it which related to extraneous degree organizations. It was an evening which tested the loyalty and steadfastness of every delegate present. Speakers for the adoption of the report used less than three quarters of an hour's time in presenting their arguments. The remainder of the time was given over to those who insisted in building the White Shrine of Jerusalem upon the Order of the Eastern Star. Every opportunity to talk was given them, the Most Worthy Grand Matron was most courteous, fair and generous. The vote was taken about five o'clock in the morning and the Most Worthy Grand Patron was sustained by a large majority. It was to me a wonderful sight to look around that hall and see the many, many grey and white heads in that audience sitting through that trying session waiting to cast their votes to assure the supremacy of the Order of the Eastern Star and its Landmarks. When the vote was declared, Sister Nettie Ransford arose in her seat and in a quavering voice began to sing the Doxology. Soon all arose and joined her. It was a beautiful ending of a trying session. We were called off at about 5.25 that morning. We returned to our hotels and met again at 8.30 at the Ellipse south of the White House to begin our pilgrimage to Mt. Vernon.

The Grand Chapter of Virginia entertained the delegates this Friday the 17th. Sister Keys was again my guest, Sister Riley preferring to remain in our room to rest after our strenuous Thursday. The day was beautifully clear and calm and a sense of quiet was over all which was to me restful and soothing. It seemed hard to realize that we had passed through a rushing busy week. We wandered through the wonderful old home, so beautiful and carefully preserved, sauntered around the grounds and drank in the beauty of the winding river and surrounding hills. Addressess were made by Miss Deahl Walsh, Worthy Grand Matron of Virginia, Most Worthy Grand Matron Sister Ellie Lines

Chapin, Mr. Charles H. Callhan, Deputy Grand Master of Masons in Virginia and a Historical sketch by Col. Harrison H. Dodge, Superintendent of Mount Vernon. At the conclusion of these addresses, we attended at the Tomb of the Father of Our Country where the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron and their families were admitted and Sister Chapin placed a beautiful wreath upon the grave. We regretfully left this wonderful shrine but were in a measure consoled when we reached Alexandria where we were served a delicious luncheon which we enjoyed to the last crumb—chicken salad, Virginia ham and rolls, coffee and wonderful big cream puffs filled with whipped cream and topped with cherries.

After leaving the Hall of the Chamber of Commerce where this repast was served we visited the Washington-Alexandria Lodge over which George Washington presided as Worshipful Master and as I stood in this room, and inspected the furnishings which were standing the test of time, it was brought to me anew—how brief is our earthly life—yet how momentous and eternal its issues! We paid a brief visit to Christ Church, the Church home of Washington and then left Alexandria for Arlington, where an emblematic wreath was placed by the Most Worthy Grand Patron upon the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Fort Meyer was our next visit on the program where we witnessed a most wonderful Cavalry drill and to me the most wonderful item of the program was the taking of the jumps through blazing hoops by the horses. I had never seen that done before. We returned to Washington at 5.30 that afternoon and made ready for the evening session. The Anniversary program celebrating the forty-sixth anniversary of the organization of the General Grand Chapter was given this evening followed by installation of Officers. Delaware is honored by having Sister Story placed on the Necrology Committee. Sister Story presented to Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Chapin, a sterling silver compote in the new Persian design for the Grand Chapter of Delaware, and your Worthy Grand Matron presented a like gift to Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother McDaniel.

Saturday the Grand Chapter of Maryland entertained us most delightfully at Annapolis. We were taken to the Naval Academy and upon reaching this historic city were conducted through the various departments even through the wonderful kitchen in charge of Filipino boys. It was a real education to me to just glimpse through these magnificent buildings. We visited the beautiful marble tomb of John Paul Jones and later enjoyed a splendid drill on the parade grounds. We enjoyed lunch abundantly served by the Grand Chapter of Maryland in the Gymnasium of St. John's College and where we were cordially welcomed by the president of the college. After lunch we were taken to the State House where Governor Albert C. Ritchie addressed the delegates. We were privileged to wander through the rooms and inspect the wonderful trophies of which Maryland is so justly proud. Tea was served in the Masonic Lodge Room where Annapolis Chapter O. E. S. holds their meetings. Weary

but happy we turned homeward. Sister Buchanan's car took us to our Hotel in Washington as we, hastily gathering our belongings together, checked out supperless for home.

We had one more courtesy accorded us which I would like to mention and that is on Wednesday noon we had the pleasure of greeting our President Warren G. Harding. He had time to greet but four hundred members and the visitors from Delaware were fortunate in being included in that number, we owing our privilege to the fact that the Grand Chapters were formed alphabetically.

As I recall the principal legislation enacted was raising the honorarium of the R. W. Grand Treasurer to \$150.00 per year payable in quarterly installments and the R. W. Grand Secretary to \$4000.00 per year payable monthly. Changing the labyrinth march, now in effect; approving the construction of an International Eastern Star Temple and transferring \$25,000.00 to the Temple building fund; adoption of a resolution supporting the Towner - Starling Bill, acceptance of the Engle Collection of books which covers the history of our Order, adoption of recommendation that standing committee be appointed to study plans for constructive educational policy; granting certain chapter in Alaska to withdraw their allegiance from the General Grand Chapter and transferring it to the Grand Chapter of Washington; upholding the Landmarks of our Order and disapproval of extraneous degree organizations; Endorsement of work of Near East Relief; acceptance of book of Digest of Decisions of the General Grand Chapter 1876-1919 Compiled by Brother Walter F. Meier, Worthy Grand Patron of Washington.

#### Expenses to General Grand Chapter

Received from Grand Secretary.....\$125.00

#### Disbursements

Badges, Blue Hens Chicks .....	\$15.00
Fare \$5.90 chair one way .91.....	6.81
Gifts M. W. G. M. and M. W. G. P.....	37.00
One half room rent New Willard.....	29.50
Food, taxi, incidentals.....	29.50

117.81

Balance returned to Grand Secretary.....\$ 7.16

#### Examinations

I recommend that examinations for Grade B. Certificate be taken at least three days before installation. Certificates to be filed with Grand Secretary for complete record.



### Appreciation

I wish at this time to express my appreciation of very valuable help given me by our Grand Secretary Sister M. Etta Keys. She has at all times been a faithful friend and wonderful unflinching support. Our relationship this year will ever be one my brightest memories.

My Worthy Grand Patron has been an unflinching support in all I tried to do and I take this opportunity to express my appreciation of his kindness and good advice given me during the year.

To my Chapter, Julia M. Story No. 3, I extend heartfelt thanks for all they have done for me, their kindnesses too many to enumerate here, their unswerving loyalty. They were ever an inspiration and support to me.

To the happy trailers, those faithful and beloved sisters and brothers who attended all visitations, appreciation is due, and I assure you I will ever hold in happy memory all those who accompanied me in good weather and bad.

I thank at this time the sisters who served on the Decoration Committee. I am sure all present will join with me in saying their efforts were wonderfully successful.

I am sure I speak for all when I say we thoroughly enjoyed all musical numbers which added so much to the pleasure of this session and extend my sincere thanks for their efforts in our behalf.

To the incoming Worthy Grand Matron I wish to say, the best wish that I can offer her as a token of my appreciation of her friendship and loyal support, is that she may know in the fullest extent by the acts of her officers, the loyalty she herself has ever shown her Grand Matron.

### Conclusion

The year's record is before you. What has been accomplished, has been accomplished by the united efforts of all who have had the love and good of our order at heart. The following lines by Douglass Malloch have helped me during the year.

Upon the purple garb of night  
 Some star burns larger than the rest;  
 Some special jewel very bright  
 The night has pinned upon her breast;  
 And yet the glow that falls afar  
 Upon the earth is not a star—

It is the splendor of them all  
 That lights the world, and not the one;  
 These silver radiance fall  
 Upon the earth when day is done  
 Because a million planets beam;  
 It is a constellation's gleam.



HARRY T. HICKEY  
WORTHY GRAND PATRON

O ye who preach and ye who pray  
 At humble altars, ye who sing  
 The humble song, the simple lay  
 Sing on! pray on! remembering  
 The world has need of all who preach  
 Or pray or sing or try to teach.

You need not glory, need not fame;  
 To make you strong you need to know  
 Truth is a universal flame  
 And not a single planet's glow—  
 It is the universal light  
 Of all who think and speak the right.

Fraternally submitted

AMY E. MEYER,

Worthy Grand Matron

Brother Stuart J. Horn moved this report be accepted, spread on the minutes and the recommendations sent to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Walter E. Sawdon.

#### ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Harry T. Hickey

Grand Matron, Grand Officers, Visitors and Members of the Grand Chapter, of the State of Delaware:

It seems but yesterday that you honored me by electing me to the highest position within your power,—that of Grand Patron. I cannot boast of any great achievements. I have tried to meet the duties of my position in the true spirit of our beloved Order. As I approach the close of my term of office, my heart is full of grateful appreciation for the privilege of serving this splendid organization, which teaches the sublime virtues of Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love.

“For these are the teachings that train the soul,  
 For a life of service and stress;  
 That show us the way through darkness and day,  
 To the realms of usefulness.”

Let us labor diligently so that we may pass on to the next generation an Order whose principles are unsullied, around whose altar is still being taught a sincere belief in God, and whose membership is composed only of such persons, who by precept and example, reflect honesty of purpose.

I have visited all of our Chapters in the State, all of which have extended to me the most cordial welcome. You have given me many happy hours. It was cause for regret that so many invitations to other Chapters could not be accepted.

Our Grand Matron has given freely of her time to promote the welfare and prosperity of our Order. Her duties have been attended to in the spirit of consideration of others and cooperation with her associates.

The efficiency and success of an organization depends largely upon its leaders, and to the Past Grand Matron, Grand Patron and other Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, the leaders of the Order in this State, should and does come that recognition which is due. You have all had a part in promulgating the principles of the Order of the Eastern Star, and in the great work of making this old world a better place in which to live. To you, I wish to convey my appreciation of your efforts.

Before closing my report I have the pleasure to present a petition for a new Chapter to be formed at Georgetown, Delaware, containing the names of thirty applicants for the degrees of the Order.

Sister Fannie V. Hickman, Grand Esther, and Past Matron of Adah Chapter, No. 5, gave valuable assistance in the formation of this Chapter.

I regret that I can report the formation of no other Chapter but find the people of lower Delaware unprepared to take up the work at this time.

I thank you.

Fraternally

HARRY T. HICKEY,  
Grand Patron

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### REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

I hereby submit the following report for the year ending April 30, 1923:

#### List of Grand Officers and Committees

After the close of the Grand Chapter, a list of the Grand Officers and Committees were mailed to the Officers of the General Grand Chapter, other Grand Jurisdictions, and Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

#### Bonds

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were bonded and bonds turned over to the Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees.

#### Grand Representatives

Commissions for Grand Representatives were issued to 15 Grand Jurisdictions and 5 appointments were made in this Jurisdiction.

#### Christmas Greetings.

Christmas Greetings were sent to the General Grand Chapter Officers, all Grand jurisdictions and Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

Greetings were received from other Grand Jurisdictions and were greatly appreciated.

**Proceedings.**

Copies of our First Annual proceedings were printed and distributed. Proceedings from other Grand Jurisdictions have been received, acknowledged and distributed according to directions.

**Announcement.**

Announcement of the Organization of the Grand Chapters, Order of Eastern Star in Manitoba and Quebec, Canada, have been received.

**Grand Chapter of Manitoba  
At Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba.**

Mrs. Kathleen Wood Worthy Grand Matron 742 Mulvey Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba	Mrs. Mary Vanstone Grand Secretary 272 Bartlett Ave. Winnipeg, Manitoba
Mr. Samuel R. McKee Worthy Grand Patron Portage LaPrairie, Manitoba.	Mrs. Nellie Raymond, Grand Treasurer Carman, Manitoba.

**Grand Chapter of Quebec  
At Sherbrooke, Providence of Quebec.**

July Sixth, Nineteen hundred twenty-two.

Mrs. Blanche H. Shepard Worthy Grand Matron Frelighsburg, Quebec.	Miss Mina J. Findlay. Grand Secretary Richmond, Quebec.
Mr. Duncan H. McLeod Worthy Grand Patron Sherbrooke, Quebec.	Mrs. Edith Oliver Grand Treasurer Magog, Quebec.

These sessions were called by the Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter. The delegates adopted a Constitution and By-Laws, accepted a Charter from the General Grand Chapter and were proclaimed legally Organized and Constituted.

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Mrs. Minnie Evans Keyes,  
Right Worthy Grand Secretary.

Dr. Alfred C. McDaniel  
Most Worthy Grand Patron  
Mrs. Ellie Lines Chapin,  
Most Worthy Grand Matron

Letters regarding the Assembly of the Seventeenth Triennial Session of the General Grand Chapter in Washington, Nov. 12-19, 1922 were received, together with credentials for our first four Officers, Past Grand Matron, Past Grand Patron, all of which were given proper attention.

### Labyrinth.

Upon receipt of copies of the Labyrinth as revised by the General Grand Chapter at their last session I sent one to each Secretary requesting the return of the old one. All Chapters with the exception of one have done so. This particular Chapter claims they cannot locate it.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

JANUARY 25, 1923.

TO THE WORTHY GRAND MATRONS, OFFICERS, MEMBERS AND  
TO ALL CHAPTERS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE  
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

### GREETINGS:

There seems to be some discussion as to action taken by the delegates at the Seventeenth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, concerning the White Shrine of Jerusalem.

This is a matter of so much importance that it seems advisable to send out to each member a plain statement of facts.

The report of the Most Worthy Grand Patron read at the Assembly contained the Circular Letter and Bulletin which were sent out by the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron in 1921 and also the Letter sent to the Supreme White Shrine of Jerusalem in 1922, requesting that Organization to change the basis for its membership.

These Official communications are familiar to all.

After the Most Worthy Grand Patron had read his report it was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which Committee reported as follows:

To the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star:

Your committee on Jurisprudence has carefully considered that portion of the report of the Most Worthy Grand Patron referred to it, and we recommend the approval and endorsement by this General Grand Chapter of the Bulletin issued by our Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand

Patron on June 8th, 1921, to the Order at large and the recommendation contained therein, that each Grand Chapter pass legislation on the question of extraneous degrees.

SAM P. COCHRAN,  
BERTHA L. S. GALLUP,  
BESSIE BARBOR,

Committee on Jurisprudence

Brother Sam P. Cochran moved the adoption of the report; the motion was seconded by Sister M. Alice Miller, P. M. W. Grand Matron, and was carried.

This report, while brief and consisting of only a few simple words, is far reaching in its import. The delegates, by a rising vote,

First:—Approved and endorsed these Official communications and the recommendations contained therein.

Second:—The Jurisprudence Committee recommended that each Grand Chapter pass legislation on the question of extraneous degrees.

Third:—The delegates by their vote showed their approval of the request made to the White Shrine of Jerusalem that it change its basis of membership and eliminate the name of the Eastern Star entirely from all connections with that Order.

The reply from the Supreme White Shrine of Jerusalem made to the foregoing request was as follows:

“The Supreme Shrine cannot recognize your request until it has been passed upon by the General Grand Chapter.”

The members of the White Shrine of Jerusalem have been quoted as saying that “when the request was made to the White Shrine of Jerusalem by the General Grand Chapter at a Triennial Assembly, asking them to separate themselves from the Order of the Eastern Star, they would take immediate steps to do so.” The approval of the Circulars and Letters sent to the Supreme White Shrine at its last session making such request now places the matter squarely before them as an official request of the General Grand Chapter.

Your newly elected Most Worthy Grand Matron and Patron being in full sympathy with the action of the General Grand Chapter and having been upheld by the delegates in the sending out of information regarding extraneous degrees are sending this communication and urging all Grand Chapters to pass the legislation suggested in the report of the Most Worthy Grand Patron read at the Seventeenth Triennial Assembly, until such time as the White Shrine of Jerusalem has changed the basis for its membership and ceased using the name of the Eastern Star in any manner whatsoever.

An official request will be sent to the Supreme White Shrine by the present Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron renewing the request made by our predecessors in office, with the earnest hope that it will be complied with.

Then we shall be able to carry on our work, for with peace in our own ranks we shall be able to promote peace elsewhere and make the influence of our Organization felt in countries where at present it is needed.

Each Grand Secretary is requested to read this communication at the first session of their Grand Chapter, and we trust all Grand Chapters will show their loyalty to the General Grand Chapter and to our beloved Order by passing legislation against ALL Extraneous Degrees.

Fraternally,

CORA R. FRANZ,  
Most Worthy Grand Matron

WILL W. GROW,  
Most Worthy Grand Patron

Attest:

MINNIE E. KEYES,  
Right Worthy Grand Secretary

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To the Worthy Grand Matrons, Officers and Members of the Order of  
the Eastern Star,

Greetings:

In sending out my first official communication a feeling of Fraternal love and pride fills my heart. Our hopes for the Order are the same and I feel a personal interest in the welfare of each member. To know that one is an "Eastern Star" binds our hearts more closely.

The responsibilities I feel in taking up the work of my office makes it seem imperative that we all get busy at once and not let the days go by with little accomplished.

Since we met last November in Triennial Assembly I have been inspired by a visit to Porto Rico where I found the loyal sisters and brothers of that little island outdoing many of our Grand Jurisdictions in their charitable and benevolent work; feeding the children in the schools and working with the Masonic Brothers in providing for the health and happiness of all. It encouraged me to believe that by the united efforts of each member, understand-



ing fully our Obligation and its responsibilities, we might fulfill our highest ambitions. With all this in mind I feel it my duty to call your attention to the important legislation enacted at our last Assembly and to urge your co-operation in every possible way for its successful accomplishment.

First: The building of a National Eastern Star Temple to take its place among the great memorials erected in our nation's Capitol and to give the Order of the Eastern Star standing and prestige in the eyes of all the world.

Second: The plan to assist the young men and women of our Order to procure an education which will fit them to take up the duties and responsibilities of life and also to carry on the work which we have begun.

Third: To instill in the heart and mind of each member a sense, not only of their individual responsibility as a part of this great organization, but the privilege which they enjoy in bringing to a culmination all plans for the uplift and betterment of the world.

Fourth: To urge each Grand Chapter to recognize and adopt one of the following Organizations for young girls: The Order of Job's Daughters or the Order of the Rainbow.

This should be done to prevent any discord which might arise in having both Orders started in one Jurisdiction. We think this matter should be brought to the attention of Grand Chapters as soon as possible.

Fifth: To request each Grand Chapter through its Worthy Grand Matron to continue the plan of making contributions to the Near East Relief by having all funds collected by Secretaries of Chapters who will send it to their Grand Secretary. She in turn making a record of all money sent her and forwarding the same each month to the Right Worthy Grand Secretary who will give proper credit to the Chapters for their contributions, and forward the amount to the Headquarters of the Near East Relief. Each Grand Chapter will receive an official receipt. In this way our Grand Chapters and the General Grand Chapter can get full credit for this benevolent work. The need of funds for Near East Relief is more urgent than last year. Women and children are dying by the thousands for lack of food and attention.

We cannot sit coldly by and not give at least a part of our sustenance to those of God's Children, who are in dire distress, we should divide our crust to save a life and gain a Star in our crown. Let me urge that this matter be looked after thoroughly and promptly by the Worthy Grand Matron and other officers.

Sixth: To do your utmost to bring about the separation of the White Shrine of Jerusalem from the Order of the Eastern Star that our efforts may be united in all that pertains to the work of our Order.

The Special Committees on the National O. E. S. Temple and Educational Plan are devising ways and means to promote this work. Instructions will be sent to all and it is the wish of your Most Worthy Grand Matron that when the next Assembly shall convene we may have laid the cornerstone of our Temple and secured sufficient funds to begin its erection.

Letters from officers and members telling of their interest and success will be greatly appreciated. Then I shall have greater courage to do all in my power to bring honor and glory to the Order of the Eastern Star.

With sincere wishes for the happiness and prosperity of all, I am,

Fraternally,

CORA R. FRANZ

Most Worthy Grand Matron.

#### Invitations

Invitations to attend other Grand Chapter Sessions have been received and acknowledged. Invitations to attend our Second Annual Session were mailed and beautiful letters of greetings have been received.

#### Returns

Annual report blanks were mailed to each Subordinate Chapter in December. Each Secretary responded very promptly.

#### Recapitulation of Returns

No. of members December 31, 1921.....	1488
No. initiated during the year.....	95
No. reinstated.....	1
No. affiliated.....	7
Total.....	1591
No. died.....	7
No. demitted.....	42
No. suspended.....	20
Total.....	69
Total members December 31, 1922.....	1522

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## Receipts

Balance April 30, 1922.....	\$ 35.49
Per Capita Tax.....	766.00
Home Fund.....	383.00
Initiation Tax.....	47.50
Dispensation.....	1.00
Rituals.....	52.00
Supplies.....	81.85
Miscellaneous.....	35.12
Womens Emergency Fund of the Near East.....	260.00
Loan Industrial Trust Co.....	200.00
Loan Mrs. Julia Marr Story.....	63.00
Return from Grand Matron trip to Washington.....	7.19
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Total Receipts.....	\$1,932.15

Checks have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer for payment of bills amounting to \$1,782.05 and were for the following purposes:

Mrs. Elmira Duncan, Stenographer.....	\$ 10.00
G. C. Boyd, Flowers.....	20.00
Mrs. Minnie Evans Keyes.....	290.00
Rent, Pythian Castle.....	63.00
Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, Contingent Fund.....	50.00
Mrs. M. Etta Keys, Contingent Fund.....	35.00
Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, Expenses to General Grand Ch..	125.00
Keen Insurance Co., Premium on Bonds.....	5.00
Industrial Trust Co., Loan.....	200.00
Discount on Note.....	3.03
Mrs. Julia M. Story, Loan.....	63.00
General Grand Chapter, Supplies and Grand Chapter Jewels.....	130.49
Charles L. Story Printing Co., Printing, etc.....	686.03
Lillie Schofield Riley, Salary Fraternal Correspondent.	25.00
Mrs. M. Etta Keys, Salary Grand Secretary.....	50.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Leach, Salary Grand Treasurer.....	10.00
Collins & Meyer, Silver Pencil.....	6.50
Delaware O. E. S. Building Corporation.....	10.00
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	\$1,782.05
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Balance in Treasury April 30, 1923.....	\$150.10

I wish to thank Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 for their kindness in extending to me an invitation to attend the Reception given to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, also the invitation to attend their Annual Banquet. Sister Rose E. Newlin, Worthy Matron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2 for her kind invitation to attend the Annual Banquet of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

### Recommendations

I recommend the proceedings of this Grand Chapter be distributed in the following manner—One copy to each Grand Officer—to each Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron—to each Grand Representative of Delaware—to each elective officer of the General Grand Chapter—three copies to each Grand Chapter—four copies to each Chapter in Delaware—one copy each to the Masonic Library, and the Masonic Home.

I recommend that the cover on Proceedings of this Grand Chapter for 1921 and 1922 be adopted as Official cover for Delaware.

Fraternally submitted,

*M. Etta Keys*

Grand Secretary.

Brother Harry F. Newlin moved the report be accepted and printed in the proceedings, and the requests be concurred in. Seconded by Brother Frank L. Howard.

### REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

May 15, 1923

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

I respectfully submit the following report of receipts and disbursements for the period May 1, 1922 to April 30, 1923 (inc.):

#### Receipts

Balance on hand May 1, 1922.....	\$ 35.49
June 7, 1922 M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	119.60
July 4, " M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	21.50
July 14, " Julia M. Story, Loan.....	63.00
Oct. 10, " M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	30.00
Nov. 9, " Industrial Trust Co., Loan.....	200.00

Dec. 11, "	M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	11.00	
Jan. 31, 1923	M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	1,088.84	
Apr. 9, "	M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	260.42	
Apr. 30, "	M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	85.56	
Apr. 30, "	M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary.....	9.55	
Apr. 30, "	Ret'd, Worthy Grand Matron GGC..	7.19	1,932.15

#### Disbursements

June 6, 1922	Mrs. Elmira Duncan, Stenographer...	\$ 10.00	
June 28, "	George C. Boyd, Flowers.....	20.00	
June 28, "	Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, Near East....	125.00	
July 14, "	Rent of Pythian Castle.....	63.00	
Nov. 9, "	Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, Contingent.....	50.00	
Nov. 9, "	M. Etta Keys, Contingent.....	35.00	
Nov. 9, "	Worthy Grand Matron, Gen. Gr. Chapt	125.00	
Nov. 9, "	Keen Insurance Agency, Inc., Premium	5.00	
Nov. 9, "	Interest on Note.....	3.00	
Feb. 6, 1923	Industrial Trust Co., Loan.....	200.00	
Feb. 9, "	Mrs. Julia M. Story, Loan.....	63.00	
Apr. 5, "	Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, Near East....	140.00	
Apr. 5, "	Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, Supplies, Jewels	121.01	
Apr. 5, "	Charles L. Story Co., Printing.....	73.35	
Apr. 5, "	Mrs. Lillie S. Riley, Salary.....	25.00	
Apr. 5, "	Mrs. M. Etta Keys, Salary.....	50.00	
Apr. 5, "	Mrs. W. W. Leach, Salary.....	10.00	
Apr. 27, "	Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, Supplies.....	9.48	
Apr. 27, "	Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, Near East....	25.00	
Apr. 30, "	Collins & Meyer, Silver Pencil.....	6.50	
Apr. 30, "	Building Fund Committee.....	10.00	
Apr. 30, "	Charles L. Story Co., Printing.....	612.68	1,782.05
	Balance on hand May 1, 1923....		\$150.10

Fraternally,

ELIZABETH LEACH,

Grand Treasurer.

Brother Frank L. Howard moved this report be accepted and recorded in the proceedings. Seconded by Sister Julia M. Story.

On motion of Brother Harry F. Newlin, seconded by Sister Julia M. Story, the report of the Necrology Committee and the Memorial services be dispensed with and taken up tomorrow at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron.

### Exemplification of Work

The work was next exemplified by the Officers of the Grand Chapter.

### Report of Committee on Penal Code

#### PENAL CODE

This Grand Chapter shall have original jurisdiction to enforce its Constitution and Laws, to hear all appeals from Subordinate Chapters and its members; all charges and matters of controversy between Chapters or a Chapter and its presiding officers and to determine such cases where justice and the welfare of the Order demand such a course.

Whenever charges are preferred against a member of this Grand Chapter growing out of his official conduct, the Grand Matron on receipt of same shall cause a true copy to be served on the accused, and, if, after investigation she finds the charge or charges to be without sufficient foundation she shall report accordingly to the next session of the Grand Chapter; but if the Grand Matron shall find the charges to be well founded she shall forthwith suspend the accused from all his or her privileges as a member of the Grand Chapter and notify him or her to appear at the next meeting of the Grand Chapter and answer to the charges against him or her. The Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron of a Subordinate Chapter shall be amenable to the Grand Chapter for official or moral misconduct only during the office of said Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron.

In all cases where charges are made and trials held in this Grand Chapter, the method of conducting such trials and the degree of punishment to be determined shall be according to the rules and methods prescribed for Subordinate Chapters.

#### Form No. 1

Charges for conduct unbecoming to a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of . . . . .  
Chapter No. . . . . O. E. S.

I hereby charge Sister or Brother . . . . ., a member of this Chapter with conduct unbecoming a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, to wit:

Specification 1. The said Brother or Sister . . . . . on or about the . . day of . . . . A. D. 19. . did (state offense in facts) in violation of his duty and to the detriment of the Order.

Specification 2. Same as 1, stating other violations.

It is expressly demanded that the said Brother or Sister.....be dealt with according to the law and usage of the Order.

Dated this...day of.....A. D. 19.....

Signed.....

Received and filed this..day of.....A. D. 19.....

.....  
Secretary.

#### Form No. 2

Notice of charges to accused with service.

To Brother or Sister.....:

You are hereby notified that at a regular meeting of..... Chapter, No. ...., O. E. S., of the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware, held at ....., Delaware, on the..day of.....A. D. 19.... charges were filed against you for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order, a true copy of which is hereto attached, and you are required to answer to these charges on or before the..day of.....A. D. 19... by filing with the Secretary of said Chapter any objections you may have to the sufficiency of said charges. If you have no objections in the same, you must plead to each charge with one of the following pleas:

First—That you are guilty of each of the offenses charged, or

Second—That you are not guilty of the offenses charged.

You are further notified that at the next regular meeting of..... Chapter, to be held on the .. day of..... A. D. 19... the said Chapter will take complete jurisdiction for the purpose of trial, punishment and all other matters connected with the charges.

You are further notified to appear at said meeting in person or by a member of the Order in good standing as counsel for you, or by written communication to make defense of said charges.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Chapter this.....day of ....., A. D. 19.....

.....  
Secretary.

#### Proof of Service

I hereby certify that on the...day of.....A. D. 19... I did deliver to Brother or Sister.....a true copy of the within notice together with a copy of the charges referred to therein.

.....  
Member or Secretary.

I hereby certify that on the ... day of ..... A. D. 19... I forwarded to Brother or Sister ..... by registered letter addressed to him or her at his or her last known place of residence a notice, containing a true copy of the charge preferred.

.....  
Secretary.

### Notice of Appeal

To the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

The undersigned, a member of ..... Chapter No. ...., of the Grand Jurisdiction of ..... feeling that the decision and judgment of ..... rendered on the ... day of ..... A. D. 19... declaring me guilty of (state offense) do hereby appeal for a rehearing of the case for the following reasons:

Dated.

Signed.....

### Notice of Appeal

Brother or Sister.....:

This is to notify you that the undersigned appeals to the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, from the decision of Chapter ..... No. ...., O. E. S., rendered on the ... day of ..... A. D. 19... in the matter of charges against him by Brother or Sister ..... which was tried on the above date.

Dated.

Signed.....

1. A breach of good morals, or a violation of the laws of the state or of the United States, is an offense against the principles of this Order and should be dealt with promptly.
2. Any member who disobeys the order of the presiding officer, or in any manner disturbs the harmony of a Chapter must be held strictly accountable therefor, and upon a repetition of the offense dealt with in such manner as the Chapter may determine.
3. A member of a Chapter may be suspended for non-payment of dues by the following procedure:
  - (a) Notice shall be served upon the delinquent to appear at a stated meeting and show cause why she or he should not be suspended.
  - (b) If the delinquent fails to appear, or, appearing, fails to show good cause for such delinquency, she or he may be suspended by a majority vote of the members present.



(c) Upon the payment of accrued dues by a member suspended for non-payment of dues, she or he shall be reinstated without vote of the Chapter.

4. The four penalties recognized are:

- (a) Reprimand
- (b) Suspension for a definite time
- (c) Suspension indefinitely
- (d) Expulsion

5. No Member can be tried for any crime whatever, except upon written charges and specifications, signed by the person or persons making them. Twenty days' notice shall be given of the time and place of the trial.

6. All members will be given notice of the time and place of trial; but the name of the accuser or accused shall not be mentioned in said notice.

7. The Conductress must in all cases represent the Chapter at any trial.

8. After trial and conviction, such member may be punished in accordance with the penalties prescribed in No. 4.

9. The provisions of Nos. 5 and 6 shall not apply to the suspension of members for non-payment of dues.

10. A member of any Chapter has the right to prefer charges, but in no case can this right be extended to one who is not affiliated with a Chapter.

(a) Charges against a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron for any offense not growing out of a discharge of her or his official duties must be made in writing to the Worthy Grand Matron, stating the charge or specifications; if approved by her, she shall fix a time for trial, and notify the Chapter.

(b) A copy of the charges and specifications shall be sent to the Secretary of the Chapter, with instructions to serve a copy upon the accused. The Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron shall preside at the trial.

(c) In all things relating to the trial of a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron by her or his Chapter, except as otherwise specified in these rules, the same proceedings must be had as in the trial of other members.

11. Charges shall be presented at a regular meeting, read in open Chapter, and spread upon the record. The presiding officer shall then set a time for trial, and order the Secretary to serve a true copy of the charges upon the accused, and notify her or him of the time set for trial. (See Forms 1 and 2).

12. The Secretary shall serve notice upon the accused, either in person or by mail, (See Form 2); twenty days shall elapse before the accused is brought to trial.

13. Charges shall specify with reasonable certainty the character of the accusation and the time and place of its commission, including the names of witnesses.

14. Satisfactory information from a Masonic Lodge in which a member holds membership shall be deemed sufficient evidence upon which to base a charge.

15. The attendance of witnesses on either side, when members of the Order may be enforced by summons, to be issued by the Secretary when ordered by the Worthy Matron or Chapter.

16. At the time set for trial, if the accused fails to appear in person or by counsel, or has absconded before notice is served, the presiding officer may continue the case to some future time, or appoint a competent member to appear for the accused and hear and decide the case as though the accused were present.

17. Should the accused appear and plead guilty to the charge and specifications, no further evidence is necessary, and the Chapter shall at once proceed to fix the penalty.

18. Upon the trial of a Sister, at the request of a majority of the Sisters present, the Brethren shall retire, and upon the trial of a Brother, at the request of a majority of the Brethren present, the Sisters shall retire. None but members of the Chapter are permitted to be present, unless acting as counsel or witness.

19. Any affiliated member may act as a counsel for the accused or the Chapter.

20. All charges must be heard and decided by the Chapter; in no case shall this be left to a committee.

21. The accused shall be a competent witness, but shall not be required by the Chapter to give evidence unless she or he shall offer to testify.

22. When a witness is a non-resident, and cannot attend in person before the Chapter, her or his evidence may be taken before a Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron, certified by the Secretary under the seal of the Chapter in whose jurisdiction the witness may reside, both the accuser and the accused having due notice of the time and place of the testimony.

23. The evidence of members of the Order who may not be able to attend the trial, and of persons not members of the Order, shall be taken in writing by a committee appointed by the presiding officer, of which the accuser and the accused shall have notice.

23 (a). At the time and place appointed the committee shall proceed to take the evidence of such witnesses, and after reading to each her or his evidence in the case, request her or him to sign the same. The evidence thus taken shall be read before the Chapter at the time of trial.

24. The presiding officer shall decide as to the admissibility of testimony offered, and all points of law and order that may be raised.

25. In all trials the evidence given must be reduced to writing and preserved by the Secretary.

26. The rules of evidence shall be, so far as applicable, the same as in courts of law. Affirmation shall be required of witnesses.

27. Charges may be withdrawn by the accuser at any time before vote is taken, by unanimous consent of the Chapter.

28. After the evidence shall have been presented, and the plaintiff and defendant, or their counsel, have had an opportunity of being heard, the defendant and accuser—if not Conductress—shall retire, and the Chapter shall proceed to take a separate ballot upon each specification; first, whether the accused is guilty or not guilty, as charged.

(a) A two-thirds vote of the members present shall be required for conviction, wanting which conviction fails.

(b) If defendant is found guilty, penalty shall be fixed, commencing with the highest grade, until one of the penalties prescribed in Rule 4 is determined upon.

(c) A two-thirds vote of those present shall be required to determine the grade of punishment.

(d) Neither the vote to convict nor to fix the grade of punishment shall be re-taken.

29. Should definite suspension be decided upon, the time must be fixed upon motion, but the longest time must be voted upon first.

30. Should the Chapter refuse by a two-thirds vote to inflict any penalty, after having voted on each grade, the Secretary shall, within three days, certify the fact to the Worthy Grand Matron, who may arrest the charter of the Chapter.

31. The Chapter that tried and suspended or expelled a member, may grant a new trial in the following cases:

(a) Upon the presentation of new evidence which would to a reasonable certainty, cause a change in the sentence imposed by the Chapter.

(b) When the findings of a Chapter are contrary to the evidence, law and usage, and the penalty imposed is excessive.

(c) Application for a new trial must be made in writing, and contain a statement of the causes upon which the application is founded.

(d) Such application must be presented within ninety days after the trial was had, or within ninety days after the accused is informed of the action of the Chapter.

(e) Application for a new trial shall be addressed to the Chapter. In all cases where a new trial is granted, the same rules shall govern as in the first trial.

We herewith submit the Penal Code for the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

HARRY F. NEWLIN,  
A. VICTOR HUGHES,  
MARGARET J. REDMILE.

Brother Harry F. Newlin moved the Penal Code be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Brother Harry T. Hickey.

Brother Alfred M. Clower moved the reading of the minutes of the last Session be dispensed with in as much as they had been printed in the proceedings, and that they be approved and accepted. Seconded by Brother Walter Sawdon.

By order of the Grand Matron, the Grand Marshal declared the Grand Chapter called from labor to refreshment until 10 A. M.

## SECOND DAY

### Morning Session

By order of the Grand Matron the Grand Marshal declared this Grand Chapter called from refreshment to labor. 11.30 A. M.

The Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, Sister Margaret B. Alexander was presented at the Altar and escorted to the East, given Grand Honors.

### Report of Board of Instructors

To the Officers and Members of Delaware Grand Chapter O. E. S.:  
Sisters and Brothers:

The Board of Instructors elected for Chairman, Brother Harvey F. Smith; and for Secretary, Sister Violet Rush for this Grand Chapter year. as per Constitution.

Held four schools of instruction for the subordinate Chapters of Wilmington and instructed the work per Ritual under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron. Visited Chapter rehearsals and all of the Chapters in the State.

Issued 17 B. Class Certificates to the Worthy Matrons and Patrons of all Chapters before their installation as per Constitution, and 2 A. Certificates.

This Board feels that the work is becoming more uniform throughout the State by having this Board working under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron and would recommend that the Worthy Matrons and Patrons elect secure their B Class Certificates from the Board of Instructors at least three days before their installation as they cannot be installed unless they hold this certificate as per Constitution, also those anticipating an elective office in this Grand Chapter that calls for an A Certificate securing same as they also cannot hold office as per Constitution without this certificate.

Wishing that the success of this Board and Grand Chapter may continue to grow more and more each year.

Fraternally,

HARVEY F. SMITH, Chairman,  
VIOLET A. RUSH.

Board of Instructors of the Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S.

Moved by Brother Alfred M. Clower that the report of this committee be accepted and the recommendation be referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Brother Harry T. Hickey.

Sister Mabel P. Wood moved that the work as given by the Instructors of Delaware this past year be adopted by the Grand Chapter as a standard work for all Chapters and that no changes be made for a period of three years. After that time any member of the Grand Chapter of Delaware may recommend any change at a session of the Grand Chapter. Such suggested change will be demonstrated and if approved by a majority of all delegates, shall become a part of the standard work. I further move, that the instructors be given authority by this Grand Chapter to notify all the Chapters in writing of the itinerary of their visits, give the date they will be present to inspect and instruct the officers of each Chapter in Delaware, such arrangements to be made by the Secretary of the Board of Grand Instructors as will be most convenient for the Chapters and the Instructors. Seconded by Sister Jennie M. Hill.

### Report of Grand Trustees

We, your Trustees beg to report we have examined the Reports of your Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and find them correct.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary's salary be raised from \$50.00 to \$100.00 per year.

Fraternally submitted,

A. VICTOR HUGHES  
ROSE L. FREENY  
FRANK L. HOWARD

Sister Louise W. Green moved the report be accepted and recorded in the proceedings and the recommendation referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Sister Margaret J. Redmile.

### Report of Unfinished Business

To Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S. Sisters and Brothers:

We respectfully submit to this Grand Chapter the following as unfinished business of this Grand Chapter.

Recommendation of Worthy Grand Patron No. 8. I would recommend that Article 8, Section 1, be amended by substituting the words 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday for 2 o'clock p. m. Thursday.

In Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter, this recommendation will have to take the regular course of an amendment under Article 15, Sections 1—2—3.

### Amendments

Section 40 under By-Laws be amended to read:

Reports of all out going officers and committees of the Chapter, shall be submitted at the annual meeting, before the installation.

Amendment to Article 12, Section 1, to read:

### Number Required for New Chapter

New Chapters shall be instituted with not less than twenty Charter members, and not more than fifty, provided that no new Chapter shall be formed in any town or city where one or more Chapters exist, except on petition of not less than ten affiliated members of the order living within the jurisdiction of said Chapter.

In Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter these amendments will have to take the regular course of amendments under Article 15, Sections 1—2—3.

Fraternally submitted,

BERTHA M. SMITH

FRED MACKLIN.

Brother Alfred M. Clower moved the report of the Committee be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Seconded by Sister Riley.

### Charters and Dispensations

To the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

Sisters and Brothers:

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations report that nothing has been referred to them during the year.

ALFRED M. CLOWER  
ALBERT H. HEARN  
ANNA TRADER ELLIS.

### Fraternal Correspondent

The report of Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Lillie Schofield Riley, Associate Grand Matron, was received and on motion ordered printed in the Proceedings.

By order of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from labor to refreshment, to resume order at 1.30 p. m.

### SECOND DAY—Afternoon

By order of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from refreshment to labor 1.55 p. m.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

May 16, 1923

The Committee on Credentials examined the returns of the Chapters, report the following entitled to seats in this Grand Chapter.

MRS. AMY E. MEYER, Worthy Grand Matron  
HARRY T. HICKEY, Worthy Grand Patron  
MRS. LILLIE S. RILEY, Associate Grand Matron  
ALFRED M. CLOWER, Associate Grand Patron  
MRS. M. ETTA KEYS, Grand Secretary  
MRS. ELIZABETH LEACH, Grand Treasurer  
MISS CORINNE N. WARREN, Grand Conductress  
MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN, Associate Grand Conductress  
MRS. LILLIE ANN PYLE, Grand Chaplain  
MRS. CELIA K. PIERSON, Grand Marshal  
REV. EDMUND H. STEVENS, Grand Organist  
MRS. CARRIE L. GEMMILL, Grand Adah  
MRS. ANNA L. STAUSEBACH, Grand Ruth  
MRS. FANNIE V. HICKMAN, Grand Esther

MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN, Grand Martha  
 MRS. MINNIE A. RILEY, Grand Electa  
 MRS. NELLIE W. J. DRAKE, Grand Warder  
 ELHANAN B. WILSON, Grand Sentinel

## CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES

## DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1:

Mrs. Ruth A. Neutze, Worthy Matron  
 David J. Jones, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Jeannette L. White, Associate Matron

## MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2:

Mrs. Rose E. Newlin, Worthy Matron  
 Oscar D. Ridings, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Helen Barrett, Associate Matron

## JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3:

Mrs. Jennie M. Hill, Worthy Matron  
 Jay W. Miller, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Anna B. Sauter, Associate Matron

## ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4:

Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee, Worthy Matron  
 Frank G. Bartram, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Hattie E. Wainwright, Associate Matron

## ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5:

Mrs. Annie S. Parker, Worthy Matron  
 Ira F. Hearn, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Lelah H. Freeny, Associate Matron

## RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6:

Mrs. Mabel P. Wood, Worthy Matron  
 Walter E. Sawdon, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Myrtle E. Sawdon, Associate Matron

## SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7:

Mrs. Addie Allen, Worthy Matron  
 William F. Allen, Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Maude Reed King, Associate Matron

## CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8:

Mrs. Sallie R. Meridith, Worthy Matron  
 H. Raymond Foster, Worthy Patron  
 Miss Anna S. Vantine, Associate Matron



## PAST OFFICERS OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

## DELAWARE CHAPTER No. 1:

## PAST WORTHY MATRONS

Mrs. Julia M. Story, P. G. M.  
 Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile  
 Mrs. Laura V. McKay  
 Miss Jean G. Hubert

## PAST WORTHY PATRONS

Frank L. Howard  
 C. Herbert Neutze  
 William H. Redmile

## MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2:

Mrs. Carrie L. Wright

Harry F. Newlin, P. G. P.  
 George A. Hodgson

## JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3:

Mrs. Ann T. Hamilton  
 Miss Fannie W. Brown  
 Mrs. Violet A. Rush

Fred Macklin

## ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4:

Mrs. Bertha M. Smith  
 Mrs. Mary M. Clower

Stuart J. Horn  
 Harvey F. Smith

## ADAH CHAPTER No. 5:

Mrs. Susie Marsh  
 Miss Rose L. Freeny

## RADIANT CHAPTER No. 5:

Mrs. Mary A. Woodus

A. Victor Hughes  
 Walter R. Wood

Fraternally submitted,

C. HERBERT NEUTZE  
 ROBERT S. WOOD

The Worthy Grand Matron appointed the following tellers:

William H. Redmile  
 Ira F. Hearn  
 Mrs. Bertha M. Smith.

The Grand Secretary read the names of those privileged to vote, also proxy.

The following Grand Officers were elected:

Worthy Grand Matron  
 Worthy Grand Patron  
 Associate Grand Matron  
 Associate Grand Patron

Mrs. Lillie Schofield Riley  
 Alfred M. Clower  
 Miss Corinne N. Warren  
 William H. Miller

Grand Secretary	Mrs. M. Etta Keys
Grand Treasurer	Mrs. Anna L. Stausebach
Grand Conductress	Mrs. Louise W. Green
Associate Grand Conductress	Mrs. Elizabeth Leach
Grand Trustee for 3 Years	Frank L. Howard
Grand Instructor to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Mary N. Hook for one year	Mrs. Bertha M. Smith
Grand Instructor for 3 Years	Mrs. Susie Marsh

Sister Mary N. Hook, Grand Instructor, having moved from this Grand Jurisdiction I declare, with regret, her office vacant. We know, had Sister Hook been with us she would have served us faithfully.

This past year, Sister Violet A. Rush has been the only member of the Board of Grand Instructors available for duty at all times. Brother Harvey Smith, the third member, for business reasons, was unable to give us time during the day but did all in his power during the time at his disposal.

For the benefit of my successor in office I make this declaration, hoping thereby she may have the assistance of a full Board of Grand Instructors.

#### **Report of Committee on Grievances and Appeals**

To the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, we submit the following:

We are glad to report that nothing has been referred to us for attention at this session of the Grand Chapter and we hope that these conditions may long continue.

Respectfully and Fraternaly submitted,

LAURA V. MCKAY  
GEORGE A. HODGSON

Committee.

On motion of Sister Louise W. Green, seconded by Sister Bertha M. Smith, report was accepted and ordered spread on the minutes.

#### **Report of Committee on Opening Ceremony**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

We, your committee on Opening Ceremony report, Opening Ceremony prepared, as exemplified on the floor of this room, at the opening of Grand Chapter session May 16, 1923.

Fraternaly submitted,  
LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY  
C. HERBERT NEUTZE  
Committee.

On motion of Sister Laura V. McKay, seconded by Sister W. Green, report was accepted and ordered spread on the minutes.

### Report of the Necrology Committee

To the Grand Matron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

Again we must hesitate and give thanks.

The second year of our Grand Chapter comes to its close without a missing link in its chain of Officers and members. Five of our Subordinate Chapters have been blessed in like manner.

There are vacant places in three of our Chapters and vacant chairs in the homes of those to whom we are bound by the tenderest ties of fraternal fellowship.

We extend to Delaware Chapter No. 1, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 and Radiant Chapter No. 6 our tenderest sympathy. May He, the God in whom we trust, the God of all comfort, establish their hearts in the blessed assurance that one day these broken ties will be re-knit in that home across whose portal death cannot enter.

The long list of honored dead in the other Grand Jurisdictions remind us that we too are mortal and ere long must also pay the debt which is finally laid upon all of us.

He holds the key of all unknown, and I am glad.  
If other hands should hold the key,  
Or if He trusted it to me,  
I might be sad.

I cannot read His future plans but this I know:  
I have the smiling of His face,  
And all the refuge of His Grace,  
While here below.

Enough, this covers all my want, and so I rest;  
For what I cannot, He can see,  
And in His care I safe shall be  
Forever blest.

MATTIE PYLE HORN.

We recommend that memorial pages be set aside in our Proceedings in memory of our beloved dead. On motion of Sister Louise W. Green, seconded by Sister Jennie M. Hill, report was accepted and ordered spread in Proceedings.

### New Business Amendments and Resolutions

#### Amendment to Constitution and By-Laws:

A resolution presented at the last Annual Session, proposing an amendment to Section 40 under By-Laws is taken from the table and on motion of Sister Jennie Hill, seconded by Sister Bertha M. Smith, it was adopted. As amended the Section is as follows:

Reports of all outgoing officers and committees of the Chapter shall be submitted at the Annual Meeting, before the installation.

Amendment to Article XII Section 1 is taken from the table and on motion of Brother Alfred M. Clower, seconded by Sister Jennie Hill, is adopted.

As amended the Section is as follows:

Number required for New Chapters. New Chapters shall be instituted with not less than twenty Charter members; and not more than fifty; provided; that no new Chapter shall be formed in any town or city where one or more Chapters exist, except on petition of not less than ten members of the Order living within the jurisdiction of said Chapter.

Amendment to Article XII. Section 2 is taken from the table and on motion of Sister Jennie Hill, seconded by Sister Bertha M. Smith, is adopted.

As amended the Section is as follows:

Naming Chapters. No Chapter shall be named after any living person.

Article IX, Section 11. Under Constitution.

Exemplification of work.

I recommend that the above article be stricken from the Constitution entirely.

HARRY F. NEWLIN

Brother Stuart J. Horn moved the amendment be accepted and laid over until the following Session of this Grand Chapter. Seconded by Sister Julia M. Story.

**Address by Sister Margaret B. Alexander, Worthy Grand Matron  
of the State of Pennsylvania**

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Past Grand Officers, Sisters and Brothers:

I was most anxious to come from Pennsylvania and bring the greetings of my State to you at this your Annual Session. It was my pleasure to be with you part of the time when you constituted this Grand Chapter and being such a neighboring State, we feel a very close bond and I assure you that I have thoroughly enjoyed your hospitality here today.

I have listened with much interest to your report by your Worthy Grand Matron. She hesitates to say in her report how we all looked at 5 o'clock in the morning (in Washington). Well, we went out to Virginia Day without any sleep and we came back and I believe the rest of them stayed until 3 o'clock the next morning without any sleep, but the Grand Matron of Pennsylvania started to nod her head about 11 o'clock and her husband removed her from the building.

Our State I am sure you are interested in because we are working under peculiar conditions. I am glad to tell you that the Grand Chapter in regard to our State did just what we wanted and I as the Grand Representative was worried for fear they would just do too much for us \* \*

We have constituted so far seven new chapters this year.

There are three more to be constituted in Pittsburgh in the coming week, one of them a daylight chapter so that women who cannot get out in the evening can still attend their chapter meetings.

On the 23rd day of May when the Knight Templars are holding their conclave in Pittsburgh we will open the Eastern Star Home. That is something we have worked for years for and if any of you will be able to be there, we will greet you very warmly and I know that you will be just as pleased with our home as we are. We have furnished it with the very best material. We have done everything that we can for the health and comfort of our people. No expense has been spared to make it a thorough home and I hope that we will do in Pennsylvania what is the hope of the present Worthy Grand Matron, and that is that we will never have one central home. We have opened this home in the western part of the state that we are going to call the Eastern Star Western Villa, because we expect when that home becomes too full, before we build any more out there we will build one in the east, and then it will not take our people too far away from their friends. That is our hope and our aim, and I know that you will be happy to know just what we are doing in Pennsylvania.

I will not take up any more of your time because I know you are anxious to hear from our good Sister Keyes, and I am anxious to hear from Sister Keyes too.

I would like the opportunity of inviting this Grand Chapter to visit the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania. We will begin our Grand Session on the 10th of June with divine services at the 18th and Arch Streets Presbyterian Church. You can hear it over the radio that day if you cannot be there in person. Monday night we will have our ball and your admission to that will be with your dues card. Bring your dues card or official receipt card to the door and that will admit you and one guest. Our Grand Session will begin on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, daylight saving time. Tuesday evening Memorial Services and exemplification of the work. Wednesday continued business with a banquet in the evening at 6 o'clock at the Scottish Rite Temple and on Thursday we continue our business session, election of officers first thing in the morning after the reading of the minutes. We will have an open installation of the Grand officers at night at 8 o'clock, admission to that also by presenting your official receipt card and at that time you are also permitted to have one guest with you. We will meet in the Academy of Music, Broad and Locust Streets, and I assure you that we will be delighted to meet every one who can come.

By order of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Marshal declared this Grand Chapter called from labor to refreshment to resume order at 8 P. M.

## EVENING SESSION

By order of the Worthy Grand Matron the Grand Marshal declared this Grand Chapter called from refreshment to labor. 8 P. M.

Piano Solo. Sister Constance H. Killen, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

### Report of Jurisprudence Committee

Wilmington, Delaware, May 17, 1923

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

Your committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report that they have carefully reviewed the address of the Worthy Grand Matron and submit to the Grand Chapter, this, our report:

We most sincerely commend the Worthy Grand Matron on the earnestness which she has shown in the administration of her office and her untiring efforts for the promotion of the good of the Order.

#### Decisions

We approve decision No. 1 and recommend its adoption.

We approve decision No. 2 and recommend its adoption.

We do not approve decision No. 3 and so recommend to the Grand Chapter.

#### Dispensations

We approve dispensation No. 1 and recommend its adoption.

We approve dispensation No. 2 but recommend in the future that no candidate for election shall be in the Chapter building at the time of the election.

#### Recommendations

No. 1. We most earnestly approve this recommendation that the several Chapters in this Jurisdiction adopt a uniform system of books and further recommend that the Worthy Grand Matron, Associate Grand Matron and Grand Secretary be empowered by this Grand Chapter to select such books and furnish them to the Subordinate Chapters.

We approve recommendation No. 2 and urge its adoption by this Grand Chapter.

We approve recommendation No. 3 and ask its adoption by this Grand Chapter.

It is most gratifying that the utmost harmony exists in this Jurisdiction. We feel that every effort has been made to uphold the dignity of the Grand Chapter and to support its by-laws and constitution.

Fraternally submitted,

JULIA M. STORY  
STUART J. HORN  
E. B. WILSON

Committee on Jurisprudence.

Brother Harry F. Newlin moved the report of the Jurisprudence Committee be accepted and the recommendations be voted on separately by this Grand Chapter. Seconded by Sister Louise W. Green.

The following decisions of the Worthy Grand Matron were adopted as read Nos. 1—2—3.

The following Dispensations of the Worthy Grand Matron were approved. Nos. 1—2.

The following recommendations of the Worthy Grand Matron were adopted as read: Nos. 1—2—3.

The Board of Trustees recommend that the salary of the Grand Secretary be increased from \$50 to \$100 per year, signed by all members of the Board of Trustees and it is equally approved by the full Jurisprudence Committee.

Your committee on Jurisprudence have examined the Penal Code, they endorse it and heartily approve it.

Brother Stuart J. Horn moved the report of the Jurisprudence Committee be adopted with exception of Decision No. 3 of Worthy Grand Matron which was adopted by this Grand Chapter. Seconded by Brother Alfred M. Clower.

Solo by Sister Corinne N. Warren. Grand Conductress.

Sister Elizabeth Leach moved that this Grand Chapter appropriate an honorarium of \$50.00 to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Delaware to add to her salary for the past year. Seconded by Brother Harry T. Hickey.

### Communications

There being no objections these letters and telegrams were ordered received and noted in the Proceedings.



Mrs. M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary,  
512 Concord Ave.,  
Wilmington, Del.

Dear Sister:

On my recent return from an extended Eastern Star Trip to Canada, where I organized the Grand Chapters in the Provinces of Manitoba and Quebec, I find your letter of May 25th, waiting in my mail. I regret that I could not personally be present at your recent Grand Chapter Session, because I would like to have seen how my Eastern Star Child, performed its work.

Please extend to your Officers and Members, my grateful appreciation of having been elected to Honorary Membership in the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

I wish all of you continuous harmony and prosperity, and great success in the future.

It will be my pleasure to meet many of you at the General Grand Chapter Assembly in Washington.

Fraternally yours,

ALFRED C. MCDANIEL

Most Worthy Grand Patron, O. E. S.

March 20, 1923.

Mrs. Amy E. Meyer,  
W. G. Matron, O. E. S.,  
Wilmington, Del.

My dear Sister Meyer:

To you, as Worthy Grand Matron, and through you to the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, I wish to express my most sincere thanks and appreciation not only for the beautiful gift, the silver bon-bon compote which was presented to me at the General Grand Chapter Assembly, but for the loving thought which prompted the gift.

Sister Julia M. Story, your first Worthy Grand Matron, in her own dear way, brought to me the love, loyalty and best wishes of the Grand Chapter of Delaware when she presented the gift.

It meant a great deal to me that the first Grand Chapter organized during my term of office should wish to remember me at that time, and the beautiful gift will ever be a treasured possession, reminding me of many dear friends and happy days spent with them. I am deeply interested in the welfare and progress of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and hope to be able to keep in touch with it; my first real official work was performed among its Chapters.

May the growth of our beloved Order in Delaware be gradual and strong and as the years come and go, may your every effort be crowned with success and may you be able to accomplish much good.

With best wishes for you all,

Lovingly and fraternally yours,

ELLIE LINES CHAPIN  
Past Most Worthy Grand Matron.

### SUPREME GUARDIAN COUNCIL JOB'S DAUGHTERS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and  
Members of this Grand Chapter:

In response to a letter received from the Right Worthy Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter, I am pleased to submit the following reasons why Job's Daughters should be recognized:

1. The FIRST Girl's Organization was organized October, 1920.
2. It was founded by a MOTHER.
3. The RITUAL and LAWS were written with the Assistance of Members of the ORDER of the EASTERN STAR and MASONS.
4. It teaches its MEMBERS the IDEAL MAN is a MASON.
5. BOOK of JOB is a DRAMA, a LESSON OF LIFE, taken from the Bible, recognized as the Standard Literature by our Universities.
6. The FAIREST DAUGHTERS in all the LAND. (42 Chapt., 15th Verse).
7. It TRAINS girls for LARGER RESPONSIBILITIES of CITIZENSHIP and LEADERSHIP made necessary by the ENFRANCHISEMENT of WOMEN.
8. It REQUIRES a MASONIC RELATIONSHIP with Benefits and Responsibilities without being Sponsored by a Masonic Lodge or O. E. S. Chapter.
9. TRAINS girls to help themselves and HELP OTHERS.
10. CULTIVATES an AMBITION for GOOD MUSIC, LITERATURE and EDUCATION.
11. It is a DEMOCRATIC organization controlled by councils.
12. UNIFORMITY in GRAND JURISDICTIONS assured by a SUPREME COUNCIL.
13. Each Grand Jurisdiction raises an EDUCATIONAL FUND for those needy MEMBERS who are WORTHY, with the help of the members themselves.

14. VALUABLE LAWS were added October, 1922.

15. ULTIMATE AIM is ESTABLISHMENT of a school for HIGHER education.

16. Basing Membership on the Eastern Star was dropped May 1921, because of the Pending Resolution in the General Grand Chapter.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

ETHEL T. WEAD MICK

### **Object of the Order**

The purpose of this organization is to band together girls, hereinafter designated, for spiritual and moral upbuilding, to seek knowledge, to teach love of God, love of Country, love of Home and Family and a reverence for the Teachings of the Holy Scripture.

### **Eligibility**

Girls from the ages of 13 to 18 who are the daughters and sisters of Master Masons in good standing, or those who were in good standing at the time of their death. (The present law also admits grand-daughters and nieces, but there is an amendment to the Constitution which may exclude them after the October Annual Meeting in 1923. This amendment will not exclude girls who come in prior to the passage of the amendment.)

### **Education**

(a) We have a Council of one or more members, known as the Educational Guardian Council, at schools and Universities where girls reside and attend school away from their homes.

(b) Each Chartered Bethel stages two programs a year, known as Educational Fund-Raising Programs, one-half of which goes to the Bethel and the other half to the Educational Committee of the Grand Council of that State and is loaned to worthy members of the order who desire University or Vocational training. This fund is handled subject to the direction of a Council of the Supreme Body and according to the laws of the organization.

(c) The Bethel Council may receive donations for the Educational Fund which will be turned over to the proper State Officer for Educational purposes. These funds are loaned without interest.

### **Supreme Guardian Council**

The Supreme Body is composed of ten officers and an Advisory Supreme Guardian Council, who supervise the affairs of the organization.

### **Grand Guardian Council**

In new states a Deputy Guardian is appointed until a Grand Guardian is appointed or elected. As soon as five Bethels hold Charters, a Grand

Guardian Council is organized for that State, Province or Territory, who direct the affairs of the local organizations which are known as Bethels. The Supreme Guardian Council assumes control of a State, or Territory until it has its own Grand Guardian Council.

### **Bethel Guardian Council**

Five or more persons of proper Masonic relationship, four of whom must be women, may organize a Bethel. Before they organize a Bethel, their appointment must be confirmed by the Guardian of that State.

### **Bethels**

Each Subordinate Body is called a Bethel. (Bethel means a Holy place). It requires twenty eligible girls, who make application by signing a petition of membership (unless they are already members of the Order.) Each member petitioning for a new Bethel must sign her name, age and address on an application for Dispensation and each member of the Bethel Council must witness the application for Dispensation and send the same to the Grand Guardian or Deputy Guardian of the State for approval. The Grand Council of the State then issues the Dispensation. In states where there is no Grand Council, the Grand Guardian sends the application to the Supreme Secretary,

### **Dispensations**

Each application for Dispensation must be accompanied with a fee of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars. If no Dispensation is granted, the fee is returned.

### **Charters**

A Charter will be issued by the Supreme Guardian Council on recommendation of the Supreme or Grand Officer who inspects the Bethel and finds it proficient in the work and entitled to receive one. A fee of fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars must accompany the application for Charter.

### **Supplies Furnished**

The following supplies are sent as soon as a Dispensation is issued: 22 Rituals, 25 Music Rituals, 2 sets of Ode Cards, Nos. 1, 2 and 3. A Roll Book, Secretary's and Treasurer's Books, one set for the Bethel members and another set for the Bethel Guardian Council. A set of Floor Marches, 100 Petitions for Membership, Crowns for the three presiding officers, and six copies of the Constitution and Laws.

The initial expense of opening a Bethel U. D., is less than \$50.00.

### **Additional Bethel Supplies**

Each Bethel must provide itself with a meeting place, bible, gavel, flag, gowns as described in the Annual, which can be made by the members themselves if they choose, mortar board caps for the choir, etc.

### Annual Proceedings of 1922

Practically all questions which concern this organization, are answered in the Annual Proceedings, which contains a copy of the laws as revised October 14th, 1922.

For further information, address

MRS. EFFIE R. REDMAN, Supreme Guardian,  
Parlor K, Sherman Hotel, Clark and Randolph Sts.,  
Chicago, Illinois,

or

JOB'S DAUGHTERS, 208 So. 18th St., Omaha, Nebr.

May 13, 1923.

Mrs. M. Etta Keys, G. Sec'y.,  
Wilmington, Del.,  
Dear Sister Keys:

Please accept my thanks for the splendid copy of the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, containing as it does such a good account of the organization of the Grand Chapter, the list of members and the First Annual Session.

This book will ever be one of my treasures. I have enjoyed very much reading it and have been reminded by it of many dear friends and the pleasant evenings spent with them.

I appreciate very much also having the presentation of the fourth copy of this Proceedings given me, and having it so marked in the front of the book.

As the years come and go may Delaware ever stand among the foremost of the Grand Chapters in its work and accomplishments for the Order of the Eastern Star.

With every good wish,

Sincerely and fraternally,  
ELLIE LINES CHAPIN  
Past Most Worthy Grand Matron

May 13, 1923.

Mrs. M. Etta Keys,  
Grand Sec'y., O. E. S.,  
Wilmington, Del.,  
My Dear Sister Keys:

Both Brother Chapin and I wish to extend our thanks and appreciation for the invitation to attend the Second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

We had very much hoped that it would be possible for us to meet with you again this year, but we regret that it will not be. This is a great disappointment to both of us.

Please accept our wishes for a splendid Session.

With fraternal love and good wishes for the members of the Grand Chapter, from Brother Chapin and myself,

Sincerely and fraternally,  
ELLIE LINES CHAPIN  
P. M. W. Grand Matron.

Chicago, Ill., May 15, 1923.

Mrs. Etta Keys,  
Grand Sec'y. O. E. S.,  
Wilmington, Del.

Loving and fraternal greetings to your Grand Chapter in Annual Session assembled. I regret my inability to be present and enjoy the fellowship with you. Since the Most Worthy Grand Matron has endorsed the work among our young girls I shall be most grateful if your Grand Chapter at this Session will endorse the organization of Job's Daughters. We ask your assistance in bringing into the lives of our growing girls the inspiration which will help build a finer, stronger womanhood.

EFFIE R. REDMAN  
Supreme Guardian.  
St. Joseph, Mo., May 14, 1923.

Mrs. M. Etta Keys,  
512 Concord Avē.,  
Wilmington, Del.

Best wishes that our Order may shine and be glorified in Delaware.

WILL W. GROW  
Most Worthy Grand Patron.

### Report of Building Committee

This committee met soon after the close of the last session to plan a program which might result in securing a building or home for the Eastern Star Chapters in this City.

As a result of several conferences, the Worthy Grand Matron wrote each of the Chapters in the City, asking them to have old building committee members resign or discharged and appoint committees of three to work in accord with the committee of the Grand Chapter.

Various sites were inspected and reported to committees, but no action taken. On their last meeting night in June, all Chapters voted to authorize their Worthy Matrons who were appointed on the building committee of the Grand Chapter to unite with the Worthy Grand Matron and incorporate under the laws of Delaware, and voted permission to the Worthy Grand Matron to withdraw money set aside in building Funds to be accounted for by shares of stock at five dollars per share.

On the eighth day of July nineteen hundred twenty-two the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation was formed;

"To advance, promote and maintain the educational, benevolent and social interest of the Order of the Eastern Star, in the State of Delaware; to erect, maintain and operate a Temple for the use of the several Chapters of the said Order, in the State of Delaware, for the conferring of degrees and the entertainment of the members of the said Chapters and their families.

To purchase or otherwise acquire, to hold, own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign and transfer, or otherwise dispose of, to invest, trade, deal in and deal with goods, wares and merchandise, and real and personal property of every class and description; and in particular lands, building, mortgages, shares, stocks, debenture securities, concessions, and any interest in real or personal property whatsoever.

To enter into, make, perform and carry out contracts of every kind, for any lawful purpose, without limit as to amount, with any person, firm, association or corporation.

To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, warrants and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

To issue bonds, debentures or obligations of this corporation from time to time, for any of the objects or purposes of the corporation, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust or otherwise.

To purchase, hold and re-issue the shares of its capital stock."

The total authorized capital stock of this corporation is One Hundred Thousand Dollars divided into twenty thousand shares of the par value of Five Dollars each.

Of said stock, Forty Thousand Dollars being eight thousand shares shall be designated "Class A" stock, and the balance, Sixty Thousand Dollars being twelve thousand shares, shall be designated "Class B" stock.

The "Class A" stock may be held only by a regularly constituted Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, located in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County and State of Delaware or by such officers of said regularly constituted Chapters as may be especially empowered to represent them, but no such Chapter shall be privileged at any time to hold more than one Thousand Shares of said "Class A" stock.

The "Class B" Stock may be issued at, when and to whom the Board of Directors may by a majority vote decide; but the holders of "Class B" stock shall not be entitled to any voice or vote in the management of the affairs of the corporation; the exclusive voting power shall be vested in the holders of "Class A" Stock.

The following is a list of the Directors, Chapters and Number of shares held by them:

Amy E. Meyer, Grand Chapter of Delaware.....	2	Shares
Jean G. Hubert, Delaware Chapter No. 1.....	46	"
Carrie H. Wright, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.....	73	"
Violet A. Rush, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.....	80	"
Mary M. Clower, St. John's Chapter No. 4.....	62	"
Mary A. Woodus, Radiant Chapter No. 6.....	60	"

A moving Picture benefit was held in November 1922, all chapters participating and as a result \$693.42 was added to our fund. The Treasurer of the Corporation will give financial reports of the funds of the corporation.

Your committee finds that a site for building will cost about twenty-thousand dollars. A new building of first class construction, containing a lodge room approximately 65 feet square; on the first floor would be offices, rest rooms and rooms that could be used for cards, in the rear an auditorium for holding dances and social affairs. The completed building, including site and furnishings, to cost in the neighborhood of \$70,000.

The necessity for acquiring an O. E. S. building is being more plainly shown to us as time goes on and it will be a great event in our history and a great stride forward when we have an O. E. S. Temple.

Fraternally submitted,

VIOLET A. RUSH

Secretary.

This estimate of carrying charges is based on a building costing \$50,000, on a lot costing \$20,000. It is probable that the assessed value of this property



would be about 80 per cent. of the total cost or \$56,000. The carrying charges on such a building would approximately be:

Interest on \$70,000 total cost at 6 per cent. ....	\$4,200.00
City taxes at \$1.90 per \$100 and County taxes at \$1 per \$100, which is the old rate, would be \$1,624. If paid in July a discount of 5 per cent. would be allowed or \$81.20 which would leave the net taxes. ....	1,542.80
Coal for heating. ....	250.00
Janitor. ....	1,200.00
Water. ....	25.00
Insurance. ....	100.00
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Total carrying charges. ....	\$7,317.80

This is counting 6 per cent interest on the entire investment which is the usual way to count, but, if the property was only mortgaged for half its value and no interest was counted on the investment of the chapters and shareholders, the interest on the mortgage would be \$2,100 and a like amount of \$2,100 could be deducted from the total carrying charges.

#### Deductions

Interest on investment for chapters and other shareholders. ....	\$2,100.00
Rent now paid by chapters to other concerns, estimated at \$150 per year for each of the five. .	750.00
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Total deductions. ....	\$2,850.00
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Net carrying charges. ....	\$4,437.80
If five other organizations could be secured to rent lodge rooms it would make a revenue of \$750 per year. ....	\$ 750.00
Three rentals per week for the banquet and dance hall at \$25 per night would be. ....	3,800.00
Total estimated revenues \$4,550.00	
Estimated revenues. ....	4,550.00
Net carrying charges. ....	4,437.80
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Balance. ....	\$ 110.20

No repairs are counted in this estimate for the reason that the building would be new. The amount charged for the use of the hall is small and is

about one-half the amount which is charged for the use of the New Century Club Building. The amount charged for use of lodge rooms is also small. It might be possible to increase both to a considerable amount but the calculation is based on the idea of making the place popular with the people by giving reasonable prices at the beginning.

Sister Jennie M. Hill, moved report be adopted, seconded by Brother Harry T. Hickey.

The following Amendment was offered:

Article 3, Section 1, Under Rules and Regulations.

Strike out clause No. 8 which reads "for home fund, 25 cents".

C. HERBERT NEUTZE  
Past Patron, Delaware Chapter No. 1

The Worthy Grand Matron made the following statement:

"This being an amendment to the rules and regulations governing the Grand Chapter, if adopted by two-thirds vote of delegates present tonight, is enforced from this time on. It is not necessary to read it at the next session before its adoption."

Brother C. Herbert Neutze moved the adoption of the amendment.

Sister Ruth A. Neutze asked the Worthy Grand Matron to explain just what this 25 cent home fund means.

Worthy Grand Matron, "I thought all understood this when it was unanimously adopted by all the delegates present at that time. This 25 cents is the beginning of a fund for an Eastern Star Home in Delaware. It is our one start for a worthy charity and an incentive. We are organized to care for the sisters, wives, widows, mothers and daughters of Master Masons, but particularly the sisters and mothers of Master Masons. They are not admitted, as my understanding goes, to the Masonic Home. The brother Masons care for their wives and children but no provision is made for their mothers or sisters, and it is the object of the Order of the Eastern Star to look after these relatives of Master Masons and members of our own organization. That is the purpose of the 25 cents home fund and it seems to me would be taking a step backward if we adopted this amendment, and I do most earnestly hope that it will not be adopted at this Session or any other Session."

Brother Neutze called for question on the motion.

On motion the amendment was killed.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Amy E. Meyer made the following statement:

I wish to acknowledge at this time the valuable assistance and advice given your Building Committee by Mr. Samuel H. Baynard, Jr., of the Del-



GRAND OFFICERS-1922-1923

TOP ROW—MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN, GRAND MARTHA; ELHANAN B. WILSON, GRAND SENTINEL; MISS CARRIE L. GEMMILL, GRAND ADAH, MRS. LAURA V. MCKAY, GRAND MARSHAL; MRS. FANNIE V. HICKMAN, GRAND ESTHER; MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN, ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS; MRS. ANN L. STAUSEBACH, GRAND RUTH; MRS. LILLIE ANN PYLE, GRAND CHAPLAIN.  
 SEATED—MRS. M. ETTA KEYS, GRAND SECRETARY; HARRY T. HICKEY, WORTHY GRAND PATRON; MRS. AMY E. MEYER, WORTHY GRAND MATRON; ALFRED M. CLOWER, ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON; MRS. LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY, ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON.

aware Charter Co., who secured our Charter without cost to us, other than the necessary State and printing charges.

The Building Committee has turned over to the Grand Chapter certificate for two shares of stock which was approved by the Grand Trustees, \$10.00. According to the articles of incorporation, I will continue the report as given by Sister Rush. The following Officers were elected:

President	AMY E. MEYER
1st Vice President	JEAN G. HUBERT
2nd Vice President	CARRIE H. WRIGHT
3d Vice President	MARY A. WOODUS
Secretary	VIOLET A. RUSH
Treasurer	MARY M. CLOWER

These officers serve as directors until November 30th next. At this session of the Grand Chapter it is necessary that you signify your choice for the directors to be elected at that time and I will be glad to receive nominations, or a motion to that effect at this time; that is, you have the privilege of choosing and you will instruct your present director to vote the two votes of the Grand Chapter of Delaware for six directors. You have the privilege of taking one from the Grand Chapter and one from the allied five Chapters in the City. In October next, the Chapters will be asked to elect a Board of Directors and direct their present director to cast their votes for it, but the Grand Chapter must do it at this Session.

Brother Harry F. Newlin moved that Sister Amy E. Meyer vote for whom she pleases, using her own discretion in voting two shares of stock of the Building Committee at the meeting of the Board of Directors. Seconded by Brother Harry T. Hickey.

#### REPORT OF TREASURER

##### Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation Cash

Dec. 8th, 1922.....	\$ 671.89	
Dec. 9th, 1922.....	540.00	
Dec. 12th, 1922.....	400.00	
April 3rd, 1923.....	4.50	
May 5th, 1923.....	703.42	
		<hr/> \$2,319.81

##### Disbursements

A. R. Benson, Check No. 1.....	\$ 2.00	
Mizpah Chapter No. 2 O. E. S.....	1.89	
Delaware Charter Co.....	74.57	
		<hr/> \$78.46

Deposited in the Security Trust Co..... \$2,241.35

MARY M. CLOWER, Treas.

Brother Harry F. Newlin moved this report be accepted and spread on the minutes of Grand Chapter, Seconded by Brother Harry T. Hickey.

Worthy Grand Matron: "I would like to tell the sisters and brothers that the proceedings of the Grand Chapter, the first proceedings, is a very full and complete record of the organization of the Order of the Eastern Star in this State. It opens with the organization of Delaware Chapter and continues through the organization of the Grand Chapter. It is a full record of the institution of the Grand Chapter, of the first session held one year ago at this time, and contains also a copy of our constitution, rules and regulations governing both this Grand Chapter and the subordinate chapters. It also contains the photographs of our very well loved Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Chapin, and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother McDaniel, our own Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Keyes, and our First Worthy Grand Matron, and First Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, first Board of Instructors and a group of the first set of Grand Officers. These proceedings are for sale to the membership. There are a limited number to be offered and the price is 65 cents per copy. I am sure that every one would appreciate this as a memento and history of the Order in this State. You may secure your copy from the Grand Secretary. Before going into the installation of officers, I am going to ask Sister Keyes to talk to us."

**Address of Right Worthy Grand Secretary  
Sister Minnie Evans Keyes**

"Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers: To have a joy is to share it, happiness was born a twin and so I have come back to Delaware to enjoy with you the second homecoming of the faithful followers of the Eastern Star of Delaware. I am sure I need not tell you I have wanted to come, for I have always planned to be with you at this session, and I shall go away carrying still higher regard for this Grand Chapter. You have passed much good legislation, you have not taken a backward step. I am pleased to see such an interested group of members here this evening. As we go about this great United States of ours, we find perhaps a larger membership than you have but there are none more true-hearted than the members of the Eastern Star of Delaware.

"I am pleased to find that you can discuss these problems and that you let the majority decide. That is the only way to do. For ages past men have gathered together to discuss problems, whether for the selfish interest of a few or the greater good of all. When you legislate, legislate for the best interests of all and then throw aside and forget all personal opinion and work for the other fellow's plan if he is successful, either to show him that he is wrong or to show yourself that he is right. In the long years of experience I have had,

I have been on the minority side many times. If the things do not go my way, I go the other fellow's way. You can safely do this in every matter that comes before you for discussion.

"There are a great many things I would like to say to you but the hour is late. I had this afternoon laid out to bring tonight something which would not have been of much use to you, but to look at, and that was a Chinese Bible sent to me by International Chapter No. 1 from Peking, China. They used the Chinese Bible when they were instituted and have members of nobility in that chapter, so I was very proud to receive it. I have not read it through, and can hardly find the 23rd Psalm, but it is there. They are also going to send me a set of jewels for my very own.

"I have been much interested indeed in your sessions. I believe in Delaware the Masonic fraternity looks upon you with a great deal more regard than you anticipate. They are observing you and watching you carefully and I think the work you are doing in furnishing a room in the Masonic Home is not going by unnoticed. Carry on this work, furnish a room in it, if you can thereby establish a precedent for listening and thinking of what the Masons are doing. Work just a step behind them in all they are undertaking. Your seed will fall upon fertile soil. I have had experience in the home problem. I was Vice-President in Michigan and I thought we should have an orphanage to take care of our children. Brother Smith said your Eastern Star Home might not materialize in his time. He may not be a very old man when you have started a small home in Delaware. Just a modest dwelling on the outskirts of your city here. Some little place where perhaps four or five mothers or sisters can be cared for. Perhaps they can do their own work if you will furnish them coal and groceries, and you have started a home for the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware. Do not plan for great buildings, little things are the things that count and when you find some dear old sister who cannot take care of herself, buy a little home or rent a place, and you have a home in Delaware.

"Over in Michigan we have an orphanage. When I was Grand Matron in 1912 I started a promotion for an orphanage in Michigan. When we adopted our laws, we said that no mother should have to commit suicide in order to make her children orphans to have them put into a home. I talked about it all over Michigan. In just five years from that day I was made Chairman of a committee to select and purchase grounds and a home. We bought twelve acres of land, a beautiful old house. We spent \$30,000 to put it in shape, and today we have 23 children in that home, 23 little souls that we are guiding and making good citizens of, who look to us for care and support and for love, which is every child's due. We were fifty years old in Michigan before we had a home. We tried to do something big and waited and waited, but finally got started, and now we are going strong, for this year we have spent \$35,000 on that home in building playrooms and sleeping porches. Great

joy will fill your heart when you have once started a home where some soul is being cared for. You could raise \$1.00 per capita for a home in Delaware when once you stop to think how far-reaching it is. Your deeds will rise up and be greater in Delaware for you have better laws than any Grand Chapter and I know of unless it be Winnipeg and Quebec, so I am proud of what you have done today.

"Just a word about your work last night. I was very much interested in what was said this afternoon by your Worthy Grand Matron. I feel you have accomplished something today in adopting a standard of work. We should all do them alike. You have in Delaware a Board of Grand Instructors. Today you have said to them 'You will instruct every chapter and officers in Delaware in the work the same as you have been doing in the past year and for three years we will make no changes in the work.' We know you are going to have uniformity of work. When that time has expired and someone thinks perhaps something should be changed in the work they will present a resolution, it will be demonstrated and if you like it, you will adopt it. Then you will go on for another length of time. Your instructors are those who have studied the work carefully. Those of the past have been of the very best quality. I urge upon you, Worthy Grand Matron, think seriously about this always, co-operate with your Grand Instructors, so that when your Grand Matron comes to visit you she will not have to say that the officers did not do the work just as they should. Rather, she will say 'I see you have observed well what our Grand Instructors have told you.' It is her duty to call your attention to any errors or corrections in your work. I have seen the work done in many chapters in Delaware and no one need apologize for the work in the chapters. It is hardly fair to ask a sister to take a Star point in the Grand Chapter if she has never held it. I can remember that I went back a few years ago to my Grand Chapter and was asked to fill Esther's station and I never was so scared in my life. I had been Adah, and I knew I could do that but I had never done Esther's work. One dear old sister said I did not say it right, and I don't believe I did.

In every chapter, you do not need expensive paraphernalia. You need honest hearts that can interpret this work. Our memory often fails us, but it needs team work and practice, and so in order to put on your work letter perfect, although I have never seen it done yet, but I know the mistake will be mistake of memory and not of your hearts.

There are chapters in other states where the officers do not understand that these characters which represent our order are taken from the holy scriptures. When you read about Adah, Ruth and Esther we do not recall and read the history of these daughters. I regret to say in these jurisdictions they seem to try to say the work just as fast as they can.

Now my sisters, I urge you to study well the lives and the history of these heroines. In some jurisdictions when the officers come out I have been

hurt because when they tried to vision Ruth with her hands full of barley and Martha, and Electa, I hope you will not laugh, because it hurts, but I have seen these officers portray these parts in what I call ball gowns, gowns with no sleeves and not appropriate at all. With this in mind we have thought about preparing some suitable robe. In bible times every man, woman and child wore a loose gown. I had five of those gowns made and brought them with me and used them last evening. One evening a chapter in Washington, D. C., put on the work with all seventeen officers wearing those gowns. It was a beautiful sight. You can more easily visualize Ruth, Esther and Martha when they have on appropriate gowns. They also wore head-bands on each of which there are tassels. On the veil there is a fringe. It all corresponds with the gowns worn in the days when these heroines of our order lived on the earth. That is why I brought them to interpret the work a little more closely. I am sorry I could not have had the whole set of robes here for you. I am going back to Washington, and I am going to be very proud of Delaware.

"In June I am going to Quebec and I will tell them some of the legislation you have passed and tell them what Delaware is doing.

"You missed a rare treat on Tuesday evening if you were not present. There was a splendid address given by a brother in the evening of our reception. It was wonderful and spoken right from the heart. I urge you to go back to your chapters inspired and helped. You do not yet realize what a Grand Chapter is in Delaware, but you will as time goes on and you will appreciate more and more these brothers who have given of their time to come here and assist you in your deliberations.

"I was glad Sister Alexander was here to tell you about Pennsylvania. I wish for you the best this whole world affords, that is peace and harmony, the reward of earnest effort and the satisfaction that comes to every person of having done their best. No person can be so slow but what they can say, I have done my best, I will renew my obligation, I will pass on, and when I lie my head upon my pillow tonight I shall be prepared to meet my God. I shall be glad when I can come again."

### Installation

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Amy E. Meyer, invited the Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Minnie Evans Keyes, to preside during installation.

Sister Keyes: "Sister Grand Marshal, you will collect the jewels and place them upon the altar for installation."

The following officers were installed for the ensuing year:

Worthy Grand Matron  
Worthy Grand Patron  
Associate Grand Matron

SISTER LILLIE S. RILEY  
BROTHER ALFRED M. CLOWER  
SISTER CORINNE N. WARREN



Grand Secretary  
 Grand Treasurer  
 Grand Conductress  
 Associate Grand Conductress  
 Grand Chaplain  
 Grand Marshal  
 Grand Organist  
 Grand Adah  
 Grand Ruth  
 Grand Esther  
 Grand Martha  
 Grand Electa  
 Grand Warder  
 Grand Sentinel

SISTER M. ETTA KEYS  
 SISTER ANNA L. STAUSEBACH  
 SISTER LOUISE W. GREEN  
 SISTER ELIZABETH LEACH  
 SISTER MARY M. CLOWER  
 SISTER LAURA V. MCKAY

SISTER ROSE E. NEWLIN  
 SISTER JENNIE M. HILL  
 SISTER MABEL P. WOOD  
 SISTER JEAN G. HUBERT  
 SISTER FANNIE V. HICKMAN  
 SISTER SARAH R. MEREDITH  
 BROTHER WALTER R. SAWDON

The Associate Grand Patron, Brother William H. Miller was unable to be present, owing to illness in his family.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware for the ensuing year duly installed.

Sister Maud Mitchell, Delaware Chapter No. 1 sang during the installation.

The Grand Trustees, Brother Frank L. Howard and Sister Rose L. Freeny were presented at the altar and introduced by the Grand Marshal.

The Board of Grand Instructors, Sister Bertha M. Smith, Sister Violet A. Rush and Sister Susie M. Marsh were presented at the altar and introduced by the Grand Marshal.

Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Keyes, said: "To the Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Meyer, it has been a great pleasure for me to be here and witness the culmination of your work in this Grand Chapter. I know the ideals which you held for the work of the Eastern Star, and I am pleased that you have had an opportunity of at least putting part of them in effect. That you have the esteem of your sisters and brothers has been evidenced. I congratulate you and as you retire to this small but very noble rank of has-beens, you will look back I am sure upon the record of your year with great pleasure. The friendships you have made will always be most precious to you. You have found in all your work that those with whom you had little knowledge, have come forward and been your most loyal supporters. We often have disappointments, we do not all reach the goal for which we strive, but we may do some good, and even striving is achieving, and so I think Sister Meyer, that you have achieved, and as you look back over these years, you will find it has been worth while, all the sacrifices you have made. I have been asked to present you with a little gift from one who served with you when you were Worthy Matron in your own chapter, Sister Lillie Pyle."

Sister Meyer: "Sister Keyes, had you been with me day by day you could not have better expressed the feeling and the realization I have of all you have just been pleased to tell me. It is true that I have striven, but I have not accomplished all that which I set out to do. It is also true and more happily so that I have, I feel that I have, many more friends today than I had when I began this year's work. I have found friendship, support and loyalty where I least expected it, and it has meant much to me. If I have been able to accomplish much or little, it is because you have had faith in me. I will thank my Associate Matron, Sister Pyle, when I see her."

Sister Keyes: "Worthy Grand Matron, it gives me the greatest of pleasure to extend to you this gavel and to add to it the assurance of my confidence in your ability and judgment to preside over the destinies of this Grand Chapter."

### Response of Worthy Grand Matron

"I accept this gavel with great humility and with a deep sense of responsibility that rests upon me. It is with a deep sense of appreciation of the honor conferred upon me that I stand before you for the first time as your Worthy Grand Matron. We are now starting on the threshold of a new year. May I express the hope that in the coming year we may carry on the work of this Grand Chapter with the same spirit of loving kindness which has characterized the conduct of those who have preceded me. Of myself I can do nothing, and I earnestly ask the co-operation of every officer and member of this Grand Chapter, as well as the officers and members of all subordinate chapters. Let us at all times labor first for the peace and advancement of our Order in this state, and I know that our success will be assured."

The Worthy Grand Matron then read the following appointments for the ensuing year.

### STANDING COMMITTEES

#### Jurisprudence

Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, P. G. M. (Julia M. Story No. 3)	Wil.
Mrs. Julia M. Story, P. G. M. (Delaware No. 1)	Wil.
Stuart J. Horn (St. John's No. 4)	Wil.

#### Credential

Fred Macklin (Julia M. Story No. 3)	Wil.
Mrs. Ethel P. Draine (Mizpah No. 2)	Wil.
C. Herbert Neutze (Delaware No. 1)	Wil.

**Grievances and Appeals**

Walter R. Wood, (Radiant No. 6)	Wil.
Laura V. McKay (Delaware No. 1)	Wil.
Wm. H. Miller (Sussex No. 7)	Seaford

**Unfinished Business**

Wm. H. Redmile (Delaware No. 1)	Wil.
Mary A. Woodus (Radiant No. 6)	Wil.
Raymond Foster (Caesar Rodney No. 8)	Wil.

**Dispensations and Charters**

Harry T. Hickey (Adah No. 5)	Delmar
Mrs. Carrie E. Wright (Mizpah No. 2)	Wil.
Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn (St. John's No. 4)	Wil.

**Necrology**

Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee (St. John's No. 4)	Wil.
Miss Carrie E. Gemmill (Caesar Rodney No. 8)	New Castle
Mrs. Ruth A. Neutze (Delaware No. 1)	Wil.

**Grand Ruth**

Mrs. Jennie M. Hill (Julia M. Story No. 3)	Wil.
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**Grand Esther**

Mrs. Mabel P. Wood (Radiant No. 6)	Holly Oak
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**Grand Martha**

Miss Jean G. Hubert (Delaware No. 1)	Wil.
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**Grand Electa**

Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman (Adah No. 5)	Wil.
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**Grand Warder**

Mrs. Sallie R. Meredith (Caesar Rodney No. 8)	New Castle
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**Grand Sentinel**

Walter E. Sawdon (Radiant No. 6)	Wil.
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**Fraternal Correspondent**

Miss Corinne N. Warren, A. G. M.	Seaford
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**Address of Worthy Grand Patron**

"Worthy Grand Matron, this is what I think a great night for you and me. I would be ungrateful if I failed to thank all the officers and members of this Grand Chapter for the honor conferred on me in making me the Grand

Worthy Patron of this body. I feel unable, however, to express fully my appreciation. The Order of the Eastern Star in the past few years has made the most remarkable growth in the history of secret organizations. Even some of the members of the organization have been surprised to learn that it now stands third largest in the secret organizations in the world. With a membership of nearly 1,500,000 it has surpassed everybody with the exception of the Masons, who lead them all, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. To have been selected to one of the highest offices within the gift of this splendid organization, to be made an officer of any kind in this wide-awake body of nearly 1,500,000 earnest women and men, for the women must always lead in the Eastern Star, is an honor out of the ordinary for anyone. I assure you that I appreciate it, that I will do my best for the advancement of the Grand body which has honored me, as well as for the advancement of the Eastern Star in any place or any time. I thank you."

**Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron Made the Following Remarks:**

"Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Worthy Grand Matron, Brothers and Sisters, I am glad to say that I have reached the point where I am one of the past. I have had a delightful year. It is quite true that I have not been able to accomplish much. I have, however, made an earnest effort beginning with Clayton and going directly down the State. I wish to say tonight that I feel grateful to all the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, the officers and members of the Eastern Star for the kind manner in which I have been received during the past year, which has been one glorious year, and I feel sure that the same treatment will be accorded the present Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron that was given to my Worthy Grand Matron and myself.

I thank you."

Brother Neutze at the request of Sister Keyes was asked to retire and present the First Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware in the East.

Sister Keyes: "Sister Story and Brother Newlin, to me has been delegated the duty of presenting you with the jewels of your stations as Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron of Delaware. They have been chosen with care and with an idea of pleasing you in their beauty and in their design. The jewel of the Past Grand Matron of Delaware is studded with pearls and with a diamond, and I am sure that each pearl will be counted a friend and the diamond will reflect the light of the Eastern Star. The pentagon which encircles the five points of our star will represent the five virtues, and I trust Sister Story that as you wear this you will be reminded of the many friends and happy memories of your service in the Grand Chapter.

"Brother Newlin, this small jewel is of the same character as that of the Worthy Grand Matron with the exception that it contains the badge of your office, the square and compass. I trust you will be pleased to wear this and that it will remind you of the many pleasant occasions as well as much hard work done. I can see that this Sister and Brother have a smile on that won't come off and that always helps. I am going to ask Sister Grand Adah, Sister Newlin, to come and pin the jewel on this Past Grand Patron and Brother Howard, who was Sister Story's Patron in Delaware Chapter, to have the same privilege of pinning this jewel upon the breast of our First Worthy Grand Matron."

Sister Story: "Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and all the dear Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and also my subordinates that I have seen grow up as mushrooms, you might say, I wish to thank the Grand Chapter of Delaware for this beautiful jewel. This jewel to me is as precious as my wedding ring, and I shall always look at it and remember it as one of the dearest possessions and the happiest time in my life climbing to be your Worthy Grand Matron. Although my time was short and I feel as though I am not really worthy of this beautiful jewel for the little bit of work I did in the Grand Chapter, yet I feel that I have been with you and blazed the way to a certain extent as the mother brings up her children. Each and every child as it grows and as time goes on meets with changing conditions; so it is with you, and each and every one is more educated up to the work and will be better and better all the time. I thank you."

Brother Newlin: "Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and our country cousin, Sister Keyes, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, the hour is late and I won't say very much. At the present time we do not all realize what a big thing we have in Delaware in having the Grand Chapter. It will take two or three years for us all to realize that the Grand Chapter will be the largest thing of the Eastern Star in Delaware, and we will all live up to the Grand Chapter. I thank the Grand Chapter for this jewel. I hope that I have earned it. However, if at any time I can be of any use to the new officers or any of the members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, I am at your service. I thank you."

Sister Keyes: "Worthy Grand Matron, I would like to ask the new Associate Grand Conductress to present at the East, Sister Hickey and Brother William Hickey. This is the Worthy Grand wife and the Worthy Grand son."

"Sister Meyer, it gives me again great pleasure to address you this time upon the occasion of presenting you a jewel from the Grand Chapter of Delaware. As I have said before, this jewel will remind you of many happy occasions and I trust that nothing but the greatest of happiness will follow you as you wear this to your home and meditate upon the work of the past year. The beauty of this jewel is not for its intrinsic value but for

the kind thought that has been in the heart of this Grand Chapter in making it possible for you to wear this. I am sure you will enjoy it as you progress along toward old age. Home and love are two small words, with but four letters in each, and yet in all the world's wide range of space there are no two words more complete than home and love. When angels speak in heaven above they find no sweeter words than home and love."

"Brother Hickey you have your wife and son with you, and I will ask Sister Hickey to pin this jewel upon your coat. I am sure your acquaintance has broadened and grown, your ideas have grown more beautiful as you have thought more along the lines of work of the Eastern Star, and I trust as you take this back with you it will always remind you of a happy and joyful year in the Eastern Star. It is the grand wives and grand husbands that are the men behind the men behind the guns."

Sister Riley: "Sister Meyer, Junior Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, it gives me the greatest pleasure to present this jewel and pin it on you. For over two years we have worked together in the Eastern Star work, first as President and Secretary of your Past Matrons' and Past Patrons' Association, and in the preliminary work of the organization of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star of Delaware, and the last year as Associate Grand Matron to you. I want to say this evening to you and to the members that I have always and ever found you ready to do everything to promote the welfare of the Order of the Eastern Star. I have also found in you always those qualities which a Worthy Grand Matron should possess and it gives me great pleasure to be the one who has pinned the Grand Chapter jewel on you this evening."

Sister Meyer: "Worthy Grand Matron, Sisters and Brothers, I do not know in my association in this work, who could please me better or be nearer to me in pinning on me this wonderful jewel of the Past Grand Matron. I will wear it appreciating and remembering all the kindnesses and all the joys of my year of service as your Worthy Grand Matron. My Grand Secretary disregarded the one order I have issued at any time in the Order of the Eastern Star. I told her positively there was to be no jewel for the Junior Grand Matron and I see that she has very lovingly disregarded my request. I felt that I would be only too happy to wait another year or more for this token, but she and the Grand Trustees evidently ruled otherwise, and so tonight when I leave I carry with me my badge of office. Sister Riley, I have most thoroughly enjoyed our association these past two years, they have been ever pleasant, without friction, and I have found in you a loyalty to your superior officers, whoever they might be, in the Grand Chapter or in the General Grand Chapter. You have ever at all times and under all circumstances effaced yourself that the dignity of the work and the dignity accorded to those who were preceding you might not be impaired. May you have the pleasure of realizing during this year all the loyalty, all the dignity pertaining

to your office, all the good, all the joys and happiness and privileges of the Worthy Grand Matron. I hope that you will never encounter one who will ever for one moment forget to honor our Worthy Grand Matron, for indeed, sisters and brothers, she is worthy of all that you can accord her."

Brother Hickey: "Worthy Grand Matron, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Brothers and Sisters, this is the crowning night for the Past Worthy Grand Patron. I am pleased to have my good wife come here this evening and pin the badge which was so kindly presented by the Grand Chapter of the Order of Delaware.

"The past year has been one of joy in the work in the interests of Eastern Star work which is only the starting, as far as I am concerned personally, giving the support that is within me to the uplift and creating of new chapters, and I sincerely hope that every member will give to the present officers their support. I have had the pleasure of being with your new Worthy Grand Matron at the time of the organizing of this chapter and the work of Sister Riley was great then. The work was always great. This is the outcome of the labor, and I sincerely hope that we will all meet with prosperity and growth in years to come."

Brother Stuart J. Horn: "I have been asked to perform tonight and have been waiting with a great deal of fear. It is an unfortunate thing that whenever I am asked to take part in anything the time is so short that I don't have time to spread myself as I would like. Reference has been made by the Worthy Grand Matron tonight to the work of the Grand Chapter of Michigan, particularly to the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Michigan. Please understand that we here in Delaware are as proud of our jurisdiction as the Grand Chapter of Michigan or any other in the United States. Past Worthy Grand Matron Meyer, I will have to cut this short. You know the three wise men went directly to the town under the direction of the star but Artiband didn't go with them. He stopped on his way to perform the little acts of mercy and kindness until finally as an old man he reached his reward. In the Grand jurisdiction of Delaware, it is necessary to have an executive who is competent, capable, self-sacrificing to her duties. We have had that the past year. I know the sacrifices you have made. I know the devotion you have spent on the Order, I know the interest you have taken, and I know how hard it has been for you sometimes to render decisions. To do this it has been necessary for you to have the entire support of your subordinate officers. They have been devoted to you and on behalf of these subordinate officers, I have been asked to present this to you as a token of their appreciation and devoted loyalty." She was then presented with a beautiful sewing table.

Sister Meyer: "Sisters and Brothers, Past Grand Officers and committeemen, I can't tell you how wonderfully proud and pleased I am at this gift. I little thought that Brother Horn had me in mind when he began to talk,

and really you have shown this past year your devotion to me so that it is scarcely necessary to have a concrete expression of your feelings to me. I am most happy to accept it. It is something I have wanted for a long, long time. It is something that I will use almost every day. I have two babies for whom I sew and I know that when I make them little dresses and suits I will have this with me as a wonderful and most useful reminder of my officers, our association and my work as your Worthy Grand Matron."

Brother Horn: "Reference was also made a while ago by one that this was a great night. It is to all of us. We have been entertained, honored and friends have been honored and we have been surprised. I don't know when I have been more surprised to listen to a speech full of dramatic eloquence by my old time friend, the Present Worthy Grand Patron. I want to say in all sincerity that when St. John's Chapter No. 4 was instituted, it was necessary to go around and endeavor to secure the best possible material that it was possible to get for the charter members, the first name that was suggested to my mind was that of Alfred Clower, and he fell for it right away. He came in with his wife, and brought their relations in good numbers. He has been loyal to his chapter. I have been asked by the members of the chapter to present to him a little token of appreciation from the members of the chapter."

Brother Clower: "I thank my chapter for this gift whatever it may be. You speak true words and good words when you said I thought a great deal of my chapter. My chapter honored me as their third patron. This Grand Chapter has done the same thing as their third Grand Patron. It is something to think about and I thank you."

A beautiful basket of lillies was presented to Brother Hickey from his wife and was received by him.

Sister Leach on behalf of officers and committees of Grand Chapter presented a gift to Brother Hickey, which he received with a very pleasant speech.

Sister Marsh on behalf of Adah Chapter presented a bunch of beautiful flowers. Brother Hickey responded.

Brother Hickey's son, Brother William Hickey, presented a beautiful bunch of flowers to Sister Hickman on behalf of Adah Chapter.

Sister Freeny was given flowers, also Sister Marsh.

Brother Sawdon presented to the Worthy Grand Matron a gift and flowers from Radiant Chapter No. 6 which were appropriately received by her.

Sister Keyes was presented with a box of candy from the Grand Chapter.

Sister Meyer was given a gift from Julia M. Story Chapter, presented by Sister Hill, a beautiful blue silk quilt. Sister Meyer thanked Julia M. Story Chapter for this gift.



The Worthy Grand Matron and retiring Worthy Grand Matron and Patron received other beautiful gifts.

Sister Keys was presented with beautiful flowers from Delaware Chapter No. 1, as were Sister Green and Sister McKay.

Brother Howard made a motion that "A check for \$25.00 be drawn to partly defray the expenses of our Worthy Grand Patron during the past year." Seconded by Brother Clower. Carried.

### Telegram

Mrs. Lillie Schofield Riley,  
Pythian Castle,  
Wilmington, Del.,

Congratulations, love and best wishes for successful years.

MARY NOBLE HOOK.

The Grand Secretary stated there was no further business to come before the Grand Chapter.

Closing Prayer:

The Grand Marshal by order of the Grand Matron and in the name of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, declared the Grand Chapter of Delaware closed to meet the third Wednesday in May, 1924.



AMY E. MEYER,  
Grand Matron

HARRY T. HICKEY,  
Grand Patron

*M. Etta Keys.*

Grand Secretary.

## In Memoriam

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Lovingly Dedicated to the Memory of  
SISTERS and BROTHERS  
of  
OTHER JURISDICTIONS

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"Swift and more swiftly do they fall,  
Those links we love so well, we cannot keep.  
But He who gives His loved ones sleep,  
Some glad sweet day, shall whisper, Lo,  
They wait, the ones who loved you so".

## In Memoriam

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Lovingly Dedicated to the Memory of  
SISTERS and BROTHERS  
of  
OUR OWN JURISDICTION

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"Gone unto that land upon whose peaceful shore  
There rests no shadow, falls no pain;  
Where those who meet shall part no more  
And those long parted shall meet again".



## Appendix



## FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

In submitting my report as Fraternal Correspondent, I bring to you gleanings from forty-eight Grand Jurisdictions.

It has been a wonderful mind journey, from the frozen North to the sunny South, from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans. I have also taken a trip (by airplane of course) and enjoyed a visit to the Grand Chapter of Scotland and have found displayed everywhere that beautiful spirit of fraternity which is so dear to the hearts of all Eastern Stars, for "There's neither East nor West border, nor breed nor birth, when Eastern Stars stand face to face, though they come from the ends of the earth'."

"I wish that space would permit me to give you in full an account of the splendid reports, the eloquent and inspiring speeches, the wonderful addresses by distinguished Masons at the opening of many Grand Chapters; as it will not be possible for me to do this, I can only give you what is of general interest.

"In all jurisdictions 'Old Glory' has been an honored guest. In Nevada and Ontario the 'Stars and Stripes' and 'Union Jack' were displayed side by side.

"Your Flag and my Flag, safely it holds,  
Your land and my land, within its folds'."

Delaware, the Baby Grand Chapter of the United States, extends a loving welcome to the two new Grand Chapters organized in June 1922, one at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, and one at Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec, Canada.

Beautiful Memorial Services were conducted for those of our members who have passed through the shadows, to a "Life of Endless Day."

In many jurisdictions, Homes have been established or funds have been started for that purpose. Several jurisdictions have a fund for the education of the Home children which will fit them to take up the duties and responsibilities of life, and also to carry on the work which we have begun.

The Order of the Eastern Star made a splendid response last year to the appeal for the orphan children of the Near East. As a result of our efforts, the lives of hundreds of children were saved. This year the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Cora R. Franz, has requested that this benevolent work be continued, as the need of funds is more urgent, even than last year

Growing out of a desire to inform girls of the teen age that Masonry has had a distinct part in the building of American principles and ideals, and that it has been nobly assisted by the Order of the Eastern Star, the Order of the Rainbow for girls was organized in McAlester, Oklahoma, on April 6, 1922, with seventy-six Charter members, being sponsored by South McAlester Chapter No. 149, Order of the Eastern Star. In one year they have secured sponsorship from 128 different organizations, who are willing to stand back of the Order in their towns and cities.

Job's Daughters is another organization for young girls, and has made splendid progress in the less than three years of its existence; at the Second Annual Session held October 12, 1922, twelve chartered and twenty-nine U. D. Bethels, covering a vast range of territory were reported. They now have active Bethels in the following states: Nebraska, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Oregon, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Maryland and New Mexico. Several petitions for Dispensations for Bethels in other States have been received. The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Franz, urges each Grand Chapter to recognize and adopt one of these Organizations to prevent any discord which might arise in having both Orders started in one Jurisdiction.

The special Committee on the National O. E. S. Temple and Educational Plan are devising ways and means to promote this work, and it is our earnest hope that when the next Assembly shall convene we may have laid the cornerstone of our Temple and secured sufficient funds to begin its erection.

Thus the influence of our Order is ever widening and deepening and the beautiful rays of our Star are reaching out in all directions.

It has been a joy and a privilege to have reviewed the various Proceedings and to have served my Worthy Grand Matron during her term of office even in a small way.

I also wish to express my thanks and appreciation to our Grand Secretary, Sister Keys, for the promptness with which I have received the Proceedings.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY

Associate Grand Matron, and Fraternal Correspondent.

## ALABAMA

## Twenty-second Annual Session

Montgomery

November 14, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Margaret D. Southerland.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Ben. M. Jacobs.

The Grand Chapter of Alabama, convened in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Temple at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The absence of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, and Associate Grand Patron, being noted, Past Grand Matron, Alice Goins assumed the chair and requested Past Grand Patron, Geo. A. Beauchamp to assist her.

There not being a constitutional number of Chapters represented, Grand Chapter adjourned to meet on Wednesday evening November 15, at 7 o'clock.

## Wednesday Evening, 7 o'clock

The Grand Chapter was convened, but in the absence of a quorum, it was resolved by those present that the Grand Chapter be called to meet in annual session in the Masonic Temple at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning November 21, 1922, and it was further resolved that the Grand Secretary issue proper notices for the same.

## Tuesday Morning, November 21

Grand Chapter called to order by Past Grand Patron, Geo. A. Beauchamp.

There being a constitutional number of Chapters represented, the Grand Matron proceeded with the opening of the Grand Chapter.

Alabama was honored by the appointment of Mrs. Amy A. Carle, as Worthy Grand Adah of the General Grand Chapter. The Worthy Grand Matron requested that she be brought to the East, where she was introduced, presented with an arm cluster of roses by the Grand Matron on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Alabama and given the Grand Honors. A splendid cut of Sister Carle appears on one of the front pages of the proceedings.

Mrs. Eloise C. Balmer, P. G. M., of Louisiana, was presented, welcomed and given the Grand Honors.

The Worthy Grand Matron reports much cause for encouragement. The Order has increased in membership, contributions to the Home have been generous, much enthusiasm in Subordinate Chapters and many new ones. She suggested the names of twenty-five to Sister Grand Matrons for appointment to represent other Grand Jurisdictions near Alabama and has made seventeen appointments as official representatives of Alabama in their Grand Jurisdictions. She issued 30 dispensations and refused 2. Installed the officers

of 12 Chapters. Held 31 schools of instruction. Was formally presented to the Grand Lodge of Alabama by the Most Worshipful Grand Master. Was made an Honorary Member of 7 Chapters, made 5 decisions and 6 recommendations. Has attended all but two of the Masonic Home Board meetings and expresses her thanks and appreciation for assistance from Grand Officers and members of the Chapters of the State of Alabama.

The Grand Patron has issued 25 dispensations for new Chapters and reorganized 1. The Boys' Dormitory at the Masonic Home was completed and furnished, and is but another evidence of the Eastern Star's desire to aid and assist our Masonic brethren. The Home has been a source of pride to every member of the Star.

Owing to business engagements, he found it impossible to attend the General Grand Chapter Assembly held in Washington, D. C., last November, but was ably represented by Sister Osborn.

The Grand Secretary reports that the corner stone of the O. E. S. Building at the Masonic Home was laid on January 23, 1922, the total cost of the building and furniture was \$34,302.69 all of this amount has been paid except \$1500.00.

In response to a call made for the Near East Relief, \$469.13 was received. Fellowship Forum subscriptions were \$132.00. Christmas Fund \$209.00. Morris Day Fund, \$4791.66. In discharging the duties of her office, she has kept before her a motto which she has been trying to live up to since her school days, "To do the right thing at the right time, in the right way; to eliminate errors; to see both sides of the question; to be courteous; to work for the love of the work; to anticipate requirements; to master circumstances; to act from reason rather than rule; to be satisfied with nothing short of perfection."

I regret that lack of space will not permit me to print in full the poem entitled, "A Dream" composed by the Grand Chapter poetess, Sister Grace K. McDonald.

Associate Grand Matron, Sister Louise Reed, gave a fine report of the Seventeenth Triennial of the General Grand Chapter, held in Washington, D. C., last November.

## ALBERTA

### Eleventh Annual Session

Calgary

June 7—8, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Jennie M. Blair.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Phil. Pidgeon.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Grand Marshal, Sister Savage who instructed the Associate Grand Conductress to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Officers to enter the Chapter room.



The Union Jack was presented at the Altar by the Grand Marshal escorted by the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, all joined in singing the "National Anthem," after which it was presented in the Grand East and received with the Grand Honors.

Greetings were received from the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, of the General Grand Chapter, Right Worthy Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter, and a number of Grand Chapters.

His Worship, Mayor S. H. Adams, welcomed the Grand Chapter to the City of Calgary, and Right Worshipful Brother F. S. Selwood, Deputy Grand Master, A. F. and A. M. on behalf of the Masonic Fraternity extended a welcome to the members present and assured them that by living up to the high ideals for which our Order stands, they could safely count on the support and co-operation of all good Masons.

In extending a welcome to Brother John Vert, Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Oregon, the Worthy Grand Matron informed him that he was the first Past Grand Patron from a Sister Grand Jurisdiction to honor their Annual Session.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported having constituted five new Chapters and assisted the Grand Patron, Brother Pidgeon in instituting two; she made 42 visits, recommended the appointment of 29 Grand Representatives of other Grand Chapters in this province, and confirmed the appointment of other Grand Matrons and signed the commissions of 22 Grand Representatives of this Grand Chapter in other Jurisdictions; issued 39 special dispensations, approved the By-Laws of 8 Chapters; she had the very great pleasure of visiting the Grand Chapter of British Columbia on June 21, and 22, held at Nanaimo; and expresses her thanks and appreciation for all courtesies extended to her during term of office, in the following:

I've been picking up the sunbeams,  
 All along this glad year's way.  
 Till I have a goodly harvest,  
 In my treasure house today.  
 Many steps that I have traveled,  
 Many paths that I have known,  
 You have scattered full of blessings,  
 That I count today my own.

The Worthy Grand Patron reports having instituted 4 Chapters, accompanied the Worthy Grand Matron on several official visits, and installed the officers of Electa Chapter, No. 10; he received numerous invitations to visit other Grand Jurisdictions and regrets his inability to do so.

The Grand Secretary reports a balance in the bank of Nova Scotia of \$1218.66. Amount in the Home Fund, \$3806.41. Increase of membership, 489.

The Fraternal Correspondent visited 49 Grand Chapters by the book route.

## ARIZONA

## Twenty-second Annual Session

Tucson

February 16—17, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Blanche L. Whetstone.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Clement H. Coleman.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by Past Grand Patron, Dr. Edwin S. Miller.

The Grand Marshal invited the Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

After assuming their respective stations, the Grand Matron directed the Grand Marshal to present the flag. When she returned with it, the Grand Chapter was called up, all uniting in singing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"Here's to the Red of it—There's not a thread of it,  
No, nor a shred of it, in all the spread of it

From foot to head;

But heroes bled for it, faced steel and lead for it,  
Precious blood shed for it, bathing in red."

"Here's to the White of it, thrilled by the sight of it,  
Who knows the right of it, but feels the might of it  
Through day and night;

Womanhood's care for it made manhood dare for it,  
Purity's prayer for it, kept it so white."

"Here's to the Blue of it, heavenly hue of it,  
Star-spangled view of it, constant and true.

Here's to the whole of it—

Stars, stripes and poles of it, here's to the soul of it,  
Red, White and Blue."

Six Past Grand Matrons and seven Past Grand Patrons were welcomed by the Grand Matron and accorded Grand Honors.

Grand Representatives from 18 Sister Grand Jurisdictions were presented and welcomed.

The Worthy Grand Matron presented an interesting report; the correspondence had been heavy, but a delight to her heart and while no new Chapters have been organized, during her year, the increase in membership throughout the State seems remarkable and speaks well for the stability of the Order. She approved the By-Laws of 2 Chapters, approved amendments of By-Laws of 8 Chapters, traveled about 2,690 miles by rail and 630 by automobile, granted 9 special dispensations, refused 1, visited and was the Honor Guest of each Chapter in the State, and found the Ritualistic work well rendered, found harmony prevailing in nearly every Chapter, only once was it necessary to exert official pressure.

She makes some splendid suggestions for the "Good of the Order". She has observed that every little ripple of discord that ever arises is caused, more or less by lack of discretion in our correspondence or conversation and has seen several ripples that were prevented from becoming tidal waves, simply by silence. "Silence is golden" and if you must speak when a member comes to you consuming with wrath because of her treatment from another member of her Chapter, do not add fuel to the flames, but put on a fire extinguisher, by urging patience, moderation and faith in the final triumph of truth." She says rivalry for office should have no place in our Order. "They serve who only stand and wait."

The Worthy Grand Patron reports having received invitations from Sister Grand Chapters, many Christmas and New Years' greetings as well as from his own Grand Jurisdiction. He recommends that the Committee on Jurisprudence of this Grand Chapter establish a ruling permitting the institution of subordinate Chapters in communities where no Blue Lodge exists when, in the opinion of the Grand Patron, such institutions will be beneficial to the Order.

Grand Secretary reports total membership, 3,697. Total cash in general fund, \$3,308.11. Masonic and O. E. S. Home Fund, \$2,730.50

Brother Fay Hempstead, Past Patron of Esther Chapter No. 217 of Little Rock, Arkansas, the Most Puissant General Grand Master of Royal and Select Masters of the United States of America, was introduced by Bro. R. N. Fredericks, welcomed by the Grand Matron and voted an Honorary Member of this Grand Chapter.

The Fraternal Correspondent visited in thought, forty-seven Grand Jurisdictions. She found many of the pioneers of the Order still active; she thinks the work of a Fraternal Correspondent is a liberal education.

"Drop a word of cheer and kindness  
Just a flash and it is gone;  
But there's half a hundred ripples  
Circling on and on and on.

## ARKANSAS

### Forty-seventh Annual Session

Little Rock

November 20—21, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Sarah Maye Townsend.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. J. F. Hammett.

The Forty-seventh Annual Session of this Grand Chapter convened in the Albert Pike Consistory, Nov. 20, at 10.00 a. m.

The splendid address of welcome was given by the Governor of Arkansas, Thomas C. McRae.

Twenty-six Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, were presented and accorded the Grand Honors.

Arkansas was honored at the last Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, by the appointment of Mrs. Sarah Maye Townsend, as Worthy Grand Electa. In presenting her report, the Grand Matron says:

"Another page within the book of Time  
By the Recording Angel has been turned  
And the story of the year is told."

She granted 22 special dispensations for holding Elections and Installations at other than regular times, and 5 for other purposes for the good of the Order. Installed Officers in 4 Chapters. Visited Masonic Orphans' Home, and found 82 happy, healthy children, where they were receiving every care and advantage. She was present at the Laying of the Cornerstone of the Albert Pike Memorial Temple in Little Rock. Accepted invitation from Abana Lodge No. 271, F. A. M. of Bearden, to be present at their installation of officers, and speak of the O. E. S. principles and work. She constituted 13 Chapters and organized 11. Traveled 8747 miles during the year on official business. Visited the Grand Chapters of Tennessee and Texas, where she was accorded every honor and courtesy due a Grand Matron, and was made an Honorary Member of both Grand Chapters.

The Grand Patron visited and installed the officers in 6 Chapters, officially visited 9 Chapters. He has granted dispensations for 9 new Chapters, has traveled 2050 miles, has answered 175 letters and questions, and made 4 recommendations.

The Grand Secretary reports, balance in the Treasury for general expenses \$5,793.66. Home Fund arising from dues \$3,765.25. Home Fund from special dispensations, \$5.00. For Near East Relief, \$346.45.

There were present, 19 Grand Officers, 6 deputy Grand Lecturers, 13 Past Grand Matrons 13 Past Grand Patrons, 171 Chapters represented with 260 registered delegates.

A beautiful Memorial Service was given by the Grand Officers.

"Beautiful lives are those whose span,  
Are spent in duty to God and man;  
Beautiful calm when their work is done,  
Beautiful twilight at set of sun."

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver

June 27, 1922

Grand Matron, Mrs. Beatrice A. Sabin.

Grand Patron, Mr. John N. McLeod.

The Eleventh Annual Communication of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia was held in I. O. O. F. Hall on June 27 and 28.

There being a constitutional number of Chartered Chapters represented, the Grand Chapter was opened in ample form by the Grand Matron and so proclaimed by the Grand Marshal.

The Grand Chapter was highly honored by the presence of many distinguished visitors. Mrs. Ellie Lines Chapin, Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Mrs. Emma P. Chadwick of the General Grand Chapter; Mrs. Alice Darlow, Worthy Grand Matron of Alberta; Mr. Walter Meier, Worthy Grand Patron of Washington, and Mrs. Jessie Flett, Associate Grand Matron of Alberta.

The Grand Matron extended to them a most cordial welcome, expressing her pleasure and appreciation. Six Past Grand Matrons and three Past Grand Patrons were escorted to the East and welcomed as became their rank. She appointed 19 Sisters to represent the Grand Chapter of British Columbia in their respective Jurisdictions, and recommended 22 Sisters to represent the Grand Chapters of their Jurisdictions in the Grand Chapter of British Columbia. She held 11 Schools of Instruction, and made 21 Official Visits, she gave 3 recommendations. She extends her thanks and appreciation to her Associate Grand Officers for their assistance and loyalty at all times.

"Life can hold no greater treasure,  
Than the friends whose love we share"

The Grand Patron is pleased to report that in his judgment, we have made considerable progress and that our beloved Order is continually growing, not only in British Columbia, but all over the world. He has instituted 6 Chapters and inspected two U. D., has accompanied the Grand Matron on 13 of her Official Visits, and makes 5 recommendations.

The Grand Secretary reports number of members Jan. 1, 1922, 2,532, increase during the year, 454. Balance on hand June 1, 1922, \$1,989.61.

## CALIFORNIA

Santa Cruz

October 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1921.

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Effie Easton.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Roy Musser.

The forty-ninth session of the Grand Chapter of California was held in the Hotel Casa Del Rey.

Promptly at one o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, the Grand Chapter was called to order by Past Grand Matron, Mary Elizabeth Marshal.

Representatives were present from three hundred and thirty Chapters and from sixteen Chapters under dispensation.

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, was presented and amid prolonged applause, was escorted to the East and most cordially welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, who introduced her to the members of the Grand Chapter and joined with them in extending the Grand Honors. There were also present, thirty-two District Deputy Grand Matrons, twenty Past Grand Matrons, seven Past Grand Patrons, seven Past Associate Grand Matrons, and one Past Associate Grand Patron.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported a very busy, successful year. She gave 85 decisions, issued 103 special dispensations, held 4 schools of instruction, signed with the Worthy Grand Patron, dispensations for 16 Chapters working under dispensation. Her advice to Worthy Matrons and Officers of Subordinate Chapters was excellent; one sentiment which she expressed was, that "no man or woman is as big as any office, and that an officer refusing to obey a superior officer, should be denied advancement in line. She endorses the movement of establishing Chapters of the Order of De Molay in California, and states that plans are in preparation for a like organization for girls.

The Worthy Grand Patron begins his address as follows: "The forty-ninth session of this Grand Chapter marks an epoch in the history of the Order of the Eastern Star of California. For the first time you have placed your Grand Matron in her proper position at the head of our Order, and the year has amply proved the wisdom of this change." He attended and assisted in the Installation ceremonies of many Chapters. He attended 92 Official Visits with the Grand Matron and 39 other visits, as well as social events and receptions; granted dispensations for 16 Chapters U. D. and made seven recommendations.

We learn as we journey adown through the years;  
We reap from the pleasures as well as the tears;  
We harvest our knowledge from pain or despair  
And garner experience with joys which we share.

The Grand Secretary presents her thirty-ninth annual report. Membership July 1, 1921, 61,380; net gain for the year of 7,908. Number of Chapters, 342.

## COLORADO

Pueblo

September 22—23, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Eva C. Huntington.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Robert W. Elstun.

The Thirtieth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Colorado, convened in the Auditorium, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

The Grand Secretary having reported a constitutional number of Chapters present, the Grand Chapter was opened in ample form, by the Grand Matron.

The Conductress and Associate Conductress acted as escorts when the Flag was borne into the Grand Chapter room by the Grand Marshal. As the flag was unfurled, the assembly rose and sang "America", after which the flag, which was a gift from the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Huntington, was presented to the Grand Chapter by Brother W. O. Peterson, P. G. P.

Twelve Past Grand Matrons and seven Past Grand Patrons were introduced and welcomed by the Grand Matron.

"There is naught can give more pleasure  
Bring more joy to my heart,  
Than to welcome you my loved ones  
Who so well have done your part."

Distinguished guests present were, Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter, Dr. Alfred C. McDaniel, who was introduced by the Grand Marshal, most cordially welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, and given the Grand Honors. Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Laura B. Hart was also welcomed and given the Grand Honors. Brother McDaniel was made an Honorary Member of this Grand Chapter.

Twenty-seven Grand Representatives responded to the roll call and were welcomed by the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Sanderson.

The Worthy Grand Matron gives a splendid report of a busy year; she constituted 3 Chapters and attended the institution of 1; appointed 16 to represent other Grand Jurisdictions in Colorado, and commissioned 3 to represent Colorado in their own Jurisdictions; she made 78 official visits; approved changes in By-Laws of 17 Chapters; rendered 9 decisions and made 11 suggestions; she was made an Honorary Member of 6 Chapters and 6 Past Matrons Club. She says for the "Good of the Order": "the future of our beloved Order will be exactly what we as individuals make it. To this end let us keep before us our beautiful lesson of Fidelity, and 'To thine own self be true, thou canst not then be false to any one'."

The Worthy Grand Patron signed Charters for 3 Chapters and instituted 1; he attended the Grand Matron's Grand Visitations to 17 Chapters, and expresses his thanks and appreciation to all officers and members of the various Chapters for courtesies shown him and tributes of esteem and approbation, betokened by beautiful gifts, o'ershadowed by expressions of good will.

The Grand Secretary came before the Grand Chapter for the Thirtieth time to render an account of her stewardship. Total membership July 31, 1922, 18,933. Net gain, 1,521.

The Grand Treasurer reports balance on hand September 22, \$12,008.04

A beautiful Memorial Ceremony was given for those who, having traveled through the Labyrinth of human life.

"are anchored on that shore,  
Where pain and tears and death can come no more."

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington, D. C.

May 1, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Flora E. Campbell.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Gratz E. Dunkum.

A Stated Session of the Grand Chapter, was held in the Chapter Chamber, Masonic Temple, on the above date at 7.30 P. M.

In the absence of the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Flora E. Campbell, who was not present because of having been injured in an automobile accident, Associate Grand Matron, Sister Tillie C. Chauncey assumed the Grand East as Acting Worthy Grand Matron.

The required representation from subordinate Chapters being present, the Grand Chapter was opened in due form for the transaction of business.

Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was received most cordially, given the Grand Honors and escorted to the East. She was presented with a beautiful corsage bouquet, a gift from the Grand Matron, Sister Flora E. Campbell. Sister Minnie E. Keyes, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, was heartily welcomed, and extended the Grand Honors. Brother George Fleming Moore, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, being present was Fraternally greeted by the Grand Matron. Brother Raoul Tolentino and his wife, Sister Maria Teresa Tolentino, who, as proteges of the General Grand Chapter, and who were initiated earlier in the evening in St. John Lodge Chapter, were also visitors.

Communications were received and reports of committees were acted upon.

Washington, D. C., July 6, 1922

A Special Session was held on the above date for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of the Brother L. Cabell Williamson, Past Grand Patron of the District of Columbia, and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter, and attend his funeral in a body.

### Twenty-seventh Annual Session

Washington, D. C.

January 11, 1923

The Grand Chapter convened in Annual Session on Thursday evening, January 11, 1922, in the Masonic Temple.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Hattie R. Hutchinson, called the Grand Chapter to order. The Grand Matron, Sister Flora E. Campbell, and the Grand Patron, Brother Gratz E. Dunkum, were received with Grand Honors and escorted to their stations in the East.



Distinguished guests of the General Grand Chapter present were: Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Cora R. Franz; Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Will W. Grow, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ellie Lines Chapin; Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Alfred C. McDaniel, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Minnie E. Keyes; Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, Sister Alcena Lamond; welcomed by the Grand Matron, escorted to seats in the East, and accorded the Grand Honors. 16 Past Grand Matrons and 8 Past Grand Patrons were accorded the Grand Honors; Sister Deahl Walsh, Grand Matron of Virginia was also an Honor Guest.

The District of Columbia was honored in the General Grand Chapter by the appointment of Sister Flora E. Campbell as Worthy Grand Martha. We, of the little Diamond State, extend congratulations.

The Grand Matron reports a very busy year; she granted 3 waivers of jurisdiction and refused 2; requested 9 waivers of the Grand Matron of Maryland; she issued 6 dispensations and installed the officers in 10 Chapters; she made 28 Grand Visitations to subordinate Chapters; was elected to Honorary Membership in 4 Chapters, and had the unusual honor of being invited to represent the Order of the Eastern Star of the District of Columbia, in the dedication of Temple Heights on July 15, 1922.

The new office of the Grand Secretary was duly opened and equipped at official headquarters.

The sum of \$16,000 net was the amount received from the annual Base Ball game given by the Masonic Lodges for the Endowment Fund of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home; she gives an excellent report of the most important event of the year, an event for which they began preparation for three years ago, the Seventeenth Triennial of the General Grand Chapter, held during the week of November 12 to 18, 1922.

"We go this way but once, O soul of mine,  
So why not make the journey well worth while,  
Giving to those who travel on with us  
A helping hand, a word of cheer, a smile.

The Grand Patron in his report says: "The record of our Order in the District of Columbia for the year 1922 will have written therein some interesting history for the future." He attended with the Grand Matron a number of her social visits to the constituent Chapters, and all Official Grand Visitations, and has acted as her advisor whenever his advice was needed; he granted a dispensation to form a new Chapter, Loyalty Chapter No. 32; he also says "It is proposed to erect a United Masonic Temple to accommodate all branches of Free Masonry and Allied Bodies including the Order of the Eastern Star," and recommends, that this Grand Chapter instruct its committee to cooperate with the Grand Lodge Committee in carrying forward to a successful conclusion this project which is of such great importance to Masonry and the Order of the Eastern Star; he extends his thanks and appreciation to all officers

and members of the constituent Chapters of this jurisdiction, for the many courtesies and uniform kindness to him during the past year.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Rose A. Yost, gives a good report of the year's work; she was first elected Grand Secretary in 1900 and has been re-elected to that position each year since. During that time she has seen the Order in the District grow to a membership of about 12,000 ardent members, with 29 Chapters.

The Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home report 45 adults, and 12 children; they also report bequests, donations of provisions and food-stuffs, and special gifts of different kinds.

## FLORIDA

### Eighteenth Annual Session

Jacksonville

April 18—19, 1922

Mrs. Beulah Milam Warner, Grand Matron.

Mr. Arthur B. Granger, Grand Patron.

The Grand Chapter convened in Morocco Temple, 10.00 A. M. It was called to order by Sister Cora R. Franz, Past Grand Matron, and R. W. Associate Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter.

The Grand Matron and Grand Patron were escorted to the East between two lines, formed by Past Matrons and officers of Jacksonville Chapter No. 15 with rope garlands of green from shoulder to shoulder.

Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Cora R. Franz, was presented and introduced, Past Worthy Matrons of Jacksonville Chapter No. 15, forming a Star. The Grand Officers formed pentagon outside the Star, and the Past Grand Matrons and Grand Patrons of Florida formed a circle around the star and pentagon. When the circle was complete, Sister Beulah Milam Warner, Grand Matron, gave the crowning welcome to her, through whom great honors come to their beloved Florida.

Beautiful addresses of welcome were given and responded to. Distinguished guests and visitors were welcomed and Grand Honors given, and beautiful flowers presented to them. Forty Grand Representatives answered to the roll call.

The Grand Matron appointed 16 as Grand Representatives of the Grand Chapter of Florida near other Grand Jurisdictions, and suggested 16 names as Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Chapter of Florida; she issued 36 dispensations and refused 3; she approved the By-Laws and amendments of 19 Chapters; Decisions and answers and questions, 35; Recommendations, 13; she made 103 Official Visits, and held 11 Schools of Instruction; she expresses her appreciation for all kindness shown and courtesies extended and is grateful to the Grand Chapter of Florida for the wonderful experience that has been hers in serving as its Grand Matron.

The Grand Patrons says: "Throughout the country, there seems to be a greater awakening to service in all organizations and may we not hope that the Order of the Eastern Star will catch the mighty breath of inspiration and put forth a renewed and greater effort to benefit and bless mankind. Let us realize that in the Order at large, each Grand Chapter, each subordinate Chapter, each member is doing an associative and co-operative work, and may the badge of every member be 'Americanism';" he instituted 10 new Chapters; accompanied the Grand Matron on 9 of her official visits, made 14 other visits conferring the degrees at 5 of these Chapters, installed the officers of 1 and was made Honorary Member of several, and made 2 recommendations.

The Grand Secretary reports; number of members, Dec. 31, 1920, 7,850, members reported 1921, 9,477, increase, 1,627.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance of \$5,456.49 in the treasury.

The trustee of the Masonic Home, Corrie W. Harris, reports the family now numbers thirty-three beside the superintendent and her family and assistants; donations throughout the year have been most generous.

The newly installed Grand Matron, Sister Annie H. Schneider, addressed the Grand Chapter, she says: "If I were asked for a motto for the year, I should say, 'Peace and Harmony'."

Leaf after leaf as our lessons are learned,  
More of life's beauty and truth is discerned,  
Day after day though our journey seems slow,  
We gather some gold of each sunset's glow.

## GEORGIA

### Twenty- first Annual Session

Macon

May 30—31, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Nancy Heard Davis.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. J. Harry Johnson.

On opening this book, a splendid likeness of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, greets us.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by Mrs. Winifred McConnell, Past Grand Matron.

Beautiful addresses and responses of welcome were given.

Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, was present, and was escorted into the Chapter room by Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Senie M. Hubbard, Mrs. Rose M. Ashby and Past Grand Patron, Dr. A. F. Daniel. In welcoming Sister Chapin, the Grand Matron said, "We are happy you are our honored guest and in the coming

years will recall joyously that you helped us to celebrate our twenty-first birthday". Sister Chapin was escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

Nine Past Grand Matrons and six Past Grand Patrons were present and welcomed.

Grand Representatives from 33 jurisdictions were present. A beautiful message by Sister Sallie McElroy, Grand Representative from Missouri, is incorporated in the Proceedings. I regret that lack of space will not permit me to record it.

The Chapter's flag of "Old Glory" was brought to the East, the Grand Chapter was called up and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

The Grand Matron reports having visited every section of their great State, the information gained by direct and personal contact with the Chapters, encourages her and delights her to bring good news from every section; the Sisters and Brothers are doing good work and with courage and hope are pressing to noble achievements. Because of the increase in the number of Chapters, she found it necessary to form 3 new Districts; she was present at 9 schools of instruction, by special invitation, installed the Officers of Lebanon Chapter, visited 128 Chapters, granted 49 Dispensations, suggested the names of 21 Grand Representatives near other Grand Jurisdictions and appointed 20 Sisters and Brothers to represent other Grand Jurisdictions near Georgia; answered 11 questions, approved the By-Laws of 8 Chapters constituted since last Grand Chapter Session, approved amendments of By-Laws of 10 Chapters, and revived 5 Chapters; she was elected to Honorary Membership in 13 Chapters; she makes 9 recommendations all of which were approved.

The Grand Patron's report is short and business like; he issued 14 dispensations for new Chapters, accompanied the Grand Matron on 7 Official visits, regrets that he could accept only a few of the invitations to visit the subordinate Chapter and pledges his hearty support and best wishes to his successor.

The Grand Secretary commences her report with the following lines:

"Beyond the poet's sweet dream lies  
The eternal epic of the man,  
He wisest is who only gives  
True to himself, the best he can."

Number of Chapters, 161; membership December 31, 1921, 9,565; increase for the year, 1,141.

The Treasurer reports, May 12. Balance on hand, \$1,008.43, Liberty Bonds, \$5,000.00.

The Grand Lecturer, Sister Rose M. Ashby, gives a fine report; she speaks as one having complete mastery of her subject; she says, "Let us realize that the ceremonies and rites are contained exclusively in our Ritual. Nothing else can be construed as a part of the O. E. S. work—There are only five

degrees in the Order of the Eastern Star. There are no higher degrees. When interpreted, understood and lived, the principles inculcated in our teachings will lead us consciously through the human to the Divine." Further on in her report she says: "Let us realize Principle is the Cornerstone, Keystone and Capstone of our Life's Temple. The record of each membership is a part of the warp and woof which is being woven into a fabric that affects the spiritual, moral and intellectual character of our Order. Let us strive more than ever to live and teach our principles exemplified in the lives of our heroines. Above all, let us get hold of the perfecting degree of Love, and 'whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them'. She makes two recommendations, which were adopted.

The newly elected officers were installed by the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Ellie Lines Chapin.

Rev. A. D. Echols presented the newly installed Grand Matron, Sister Ward, a beautiful hand-made gavel, made by her son, Robert, who is a student at Georgia Tech School.

## IDAHO

### Twentieth Annual Session

Wallace

June 13—14—15, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Margaret E. Pike.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Victor Peterson.

The Grand Chapter convened in Eagles Hall, at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, Sister Amelia J. Bullock, Junior Past Grand Matron, and Brother Walter C. Clark, Junior Past Grand Patron, assumed their stations in the Grand East, and Sister Bullock called the Grand Chapter to order and directed the Grand Marshal and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Newton Earl Bushnell, of Wallace, a soldier of the World War, entered, bearing the Grand Chapter Flag to the East, where it was placed and saluted. A very beautiful tribute to our flag was given and all joined in singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

Addresses of "welcome" and responses were given. Baskets of beautiful flowers and greetings were received from Wallace Chapter No. 9, Mystic Shrine of Lewiston, and Wallace Lodge No. 331, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

There were present ten Past Grand Matrons and four Past Grand Patrons, and Grand Representatives of twenty-four Jurisdictions, who brought greetings and best wishes for the success of this Twentieth Annual Session.

Sister Kittie Lee Abercrombie, Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Secretary of Oklahoma, being present, was welcomed and conducted to the East and given the Grand Honors.

The Grand Matron reports that peace and harmony prevail to a marked degree throughout the jurisdiction, and their relations with other Grand Jurisdictions are pleasant and harmonious; she is truly grateful that her immediate official family is permitted to meet unbroken. The "Grim Reaper" has entered the homes of two Grand Officers, in sister Grand Jurisdictions, and in their own subordinate Chapters, many have "fallen asleep" to all of which she extends loving sympathy.

Some time at even when the tide is low,  
 We shall slip our moorings and sail away  
 Through purple shadows that darkly trail  
 O'er the ebbing tide of the unknown sea.

She sent out two official letters, approved the By-Laws of five Chapters, granted thirty-five dispensations, approved amendments to the By-Laws of 19 Chapters, extended fraternal courtesies to eight other Grand Jurisdictions and requested the same of eight, rendered three decisions, made three recommendations, appointed 10 Grand Representatives of Idaho near other Grand Jurisdictions and recommended the appointment of 19 sisters to represent other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Jurisdiction of Idaho. As an incentive to friendly rivalry a Banner was presented to the Chapter giving the largest amount per capita for the Home Fund, Mountain Queen Chapter No. 11, of Grangeville was the fortunate Chapter. With a membership of 129 their contribution was \$129.00, being \$1.00 per member.

"Are you in earnest? Seize this very moment.  
 What you can do or dream you can, begin it.  
 Boldness has genius, power and magic in it,  
 Only begin and then the mind grows heated;  
 Begin, and then the work will be completed."

The Grand Patron issued a dispensation for one new Chapter; he says the work has been pleasant, thanks the Grand Chapter for the honor conferred upon him and is confident that the Order is more firmly established than ever.

The Grand Secretary reports, cash on hand, all funds, June 1, 1922, \$6,388.17. Total membership December 31, 1921, 6,323; net gain during year, 911.

A beautiful and impressive Memorial Service, prepared by Sister Bandelin, Grand Chaplain, was held, during which loving tribute was paid to the memory of the deceased sisters and brothers of this and other Grand Jurisdictions.

Brother Walter C. Clark, P. G. P., gave a splendid talk on "The Use and Misuse of the Black Ball" in which he says: "The misuse of the blackball is like a terrible plague, like the venom of a poisonous serpent or the inoculation of a Chapter with a loathsome disease which, unless promptly dealt with, may cause years of stagnation, together with an absolute failure in the fulfilling of the missions for which we are organized."

Both the retiring and incoming Grand Matrons were presented with beautiful gifts and flowers.

## ILLINOIS

## Forty-eighth Annual Session

Chicago

October 3—4—5, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Effie R. Redman.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. John M. Tipton.

The Grand Chapter opened in ample form at Medinah Temple at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning with all Grand Officers present. "The Flag" was borne to the East preceding the Grand Officers. As the Worthy Grand Matron approached the Grand East to the tune of "Illinois", she walked between an escort composed of the Worthy Matrons of 1922 and was the recipient of two baskets of magnificent roses.

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented, the 48th Session was opened for the transaction of business.

Many distinguished visitors were introduced, as were also Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Illinois and other Grand Jurisdictions. Sister Amalia Huhel, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Brother George Kurzenkabe, Worthy Grand Organist of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Edna Zerwekh, Worthy Grand Matron of Iowa, Sister Margaret B. Alexander, Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, Brother Thomas Creel, Worthy Grand Patron of Indiana, Brother Charles Sutherland, Worthy Grand Patron of Iowa; these received a cordial welcome and were accorded Grand Honors.

An address of welcome was given by Brother William Hale Thompson, Mayor of Chicago, which was responded to by Associate Grand Matron, Sister Helen M. Blakefield.

An American Flag was presented by President Harding and Mrs. Harding to the Eastern Star and Masonic Home at Rockford. A flag that had been presented to the Grand Chapter by Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Loraine J. Pitkin, was also presented to the Home in her memory.

The Worthy Grand Matron's report gives evidence of a very successful year. The task has not been an easy one, but the results obtained through the loyalty and service of their over 157,000 members, has so far exceeded their hopes that the reward indeed seems bounteous. She held 11 Schools of Instruction and paid 200 official visits. Every member, she knows feels proud of the wonderful new Eastern Star and Masonic Home at Rockford, Illinois. A sum approaching \$150,000 was raised, every dollar of which has been a voluntary contribution. She attended the laying of the Corner Stone. All the Masonic Bodies and the Order of the Eastern Star were well represented and participated in the parade. She attended 25 receptions, was elected to Honorary Membership in 44 Chapters and 8 Clubs, and fully appreciates the honor conferred.

The Worthy Grand Patron reports having instituted 25 new Chapters throughout the State, of which 12 were in Chicago. He has attended a number of Receptions, was made an Honorary Member of 32 Chapters. With his wife he attended the Sessions of the Grand Chapter of Missouri where they were elected to Honorary Membership. He said he had done the best he could. He expresses his thanks and appreciation for what any one has given and asks the members to give to the incoming officers the same loyal support that they have given to those who are about to retire.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Nettie C. Kenner, began her report as follows:

"Ringing down the ages come the words of the Psalmist, 'We spend our years as a tale that is told', and the story told by the members of the Order of the Eastern Star in the State of Illinois in the year 1922 has taken form in a splendid edifice of brick and stone in the City of Rockford, a lasting monument to the generosity and untiring energy of the Sisters and Brothers of the Order of the Eastern Star of Illinois. I consider my Fifteenth Annual Report could bring no grander message than the fulfillment of this vision which has been before this Grand Chapter since 1914, 'a new and better home in a more desirable location'. She reports a total of 757 Chapters with a membership of 157,675, showing a gain of 14,608. Thanks, Sister Kenner, for the beautiful manner in which you announced the organization of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and the loving welcome extended us, we appreciate both with all our hearts."

The Grand Treasurer reports a cash balance of \$20,314.14.

In the Proceedings are the pictures of the General Grand Officers who have answered the summons that comes, sooner or later to us all:

Past Most Worthy Grand Matrons, Lorraine J. Pitkin and Jennie Matthews, and Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons, William H. Norris and L. Cabell Williamson.

These pioneers of our Order will ever remain a beautiful memory and an inspiration to us to emulate in our work of the Order their splendid example.

"We call it death, this slipping of earthly moorings,  
And drifting with the ebbing tide away,  
But it is only the passing through the shadows—  
Into a life of endless day."

## IOWA

### Forty-fifth Annual Session

Des Moines

October 24—25—26, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Edna Zerwekh.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. George E. Hamilton.



The forty-fifth session of the Grand Chapter met in the Coliseum, at 8 P. M., Tuesday, October 24, and was called to order by the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George E. Hamilton.

After the Grand Officers had taken their respective stations, the Flag was presented at the Altar and the Worthy Grand Matron gave a splendid tribute to the Flag, after it was placed in the Grand East, all joined in singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

Mr. Harry L. Adams, President, in behalf of the Des Moines Chamber of Commerce, gave an eloquent address of welcome. He says: "The Order of the Eastern Star has made wonderful progress in the last few years. In the old days your work was confined largely within the walls of your Chapter rooms. He congratulates the Order for giving aid to young women of Iowa, who may need it, so that they may finish their education at home. He was wonderfully impressed with the service of receiving the Flag into the Chapter room—there never was a time in the history of this country when that service was as much needed as it is at this present moment; his advice is to follow these girls into these schools and colleges, and learn that while attending there, they are fitting themselves to be loyal American citizens. In conclusion he says, "It is up to us, loyal American citizens and sons and daughters of loyal Americans, to preserve this country of ours against the onslaughts of those who have come in here from foreign countries and are now seeking to submerge others, and yourselves, and America, itself; and we ask that those who are your beneficiaries in education in Iowa may carry with them, wherever they go, not only the lip service of the grand old flag, but heart service and loyalty that we, American Citizens, owe to this great country of ours."

An address of welcome was also given in behalf of the Des Moines and Valley Junction Chapters by Mrs. Josephine Higgins, Worthy Matron Des Moines Chapter No. 89.

Sister Grace B. Sprecher, Associate Grand Matron, responded to these addresses of welcome with an original poem.

Grand Chapter then opened in full form with the Worthy Grand Matron presiding, all Grand Officers being in their respective stations as hereinbefore shown.

Distinguished visitors were introduced, presented to the Grand East and given the Grand Honors.

Seventeen Past Grand Matrons and nine Past Grand Patrons were welcomed by the Grand Matron and given Grand Honors.

Associate Grand Patron, Brother John Hammill then formerly welcomed 39 Grand Representatives, the response to this welcome was given by Sister May F. Starek.

Brother Frank W. Glaze, of Oskaloosa, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M., of Iowa, was presented, introduced, escorted to the Grand East, given a hearty welcome and presented with a

basket of flowers, to all of which he graciously responded and extended to the Worthy Grand Matron an invitation to be present at the next Communication of the Grand Lodge to be held in Sioux City in June of 1923.

The Worthy Grand Matron gave a report of a wonderful Eastern Star year in Iowa; there were at this session, 898 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of Iowa Chapters present, to each of these she gives the right hand of fellowship and from the heart the expressive sentiment—Welcome. She paid loving tribute to those who have gone on before to that "City not made with Hands, eternal in the Heavens." Constituted 14 Chapters; instituted 7; made 132 visits; attended 49 Schools of Instruction, attended Grand Chapter sessions of Nebraska and Illinois, made 34 decisions and 16 recommendations; traveled over 12,000 miles, and raised a total of \$4,463.08 for the Near East Relief Fund.

The Worthy Grand Patron attended Schools of Instruction, made several visits to the Eastern Star Masonic Home at Boone, visited 45 Chapters and regrets that, because of conflicting dates or press of business he was unable to accept others which he received; in conclusion, he says: "The outstanding thought that has deeply impressed me, is that with our wonderful organization of nearly 70,000 members, we have unlimited possibilities for greater service to humanity, and especially for the welfare of the generation which will take our places tomorrow."

The Grand Secretary, Sister Adah G. Thompson reports total number of Chapters, 456; total membership at close of year, 67,491; net gain 5,709.

## KANSAS

### Forty-Sixth Annual Session

Topeka

May 11—12, 1922

Grand Matron, Mrs. Rebecca May Ayres-Crask.

Grand Patron, Mr. John A. Ferrell.

The Grand Chapter assembled in the City Auditorium, which was beautifully decorated with the colors of the Order, palms and flowers.

The Grand Officers entered to the strains of Schubert's Military March. A beautiful patriotic tableau was given at this time. All Grand Officers present.

Hon. Henry J. Allen, Governor of Kansas, was escorted to the East and gave a short address of welcome. Addresses of welcome were given by Mrs. Margaret Bostic, Worthy Matron of Beulah Chapter No. 34, and Mrs. Flora Smith, Worthy Matron of Helena Chapter No. 210, both of Topeka.

The Grand Chapter was honored by the presence of many distinguished visitors, among them being Dr. Alfred C. McDaniel, Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter; Mrs. Mary C. Snedden, Past Most

Worthy Grand Matron. (Kansas' own Mary). The Grand Matron extended them a gracious welcome, expressing her pleasure in having them present. They were given Grand Honors and escorted to seats in the East.

Past Grand Matrons, Patrons and Representatives of other Jurisdictions were cordially welcomed, given Grand Honors and seated in the East.

The Past Grand Matrons of Kansas, were welcomed by the Grand Matron in loving greeting, and appreciation of their presence, and their helpfulness to her during the year. The Past Grand Patrons were cordially welcomed by the Grand Patron.

The Grand Matron says: "If good has been accomplished, together we share the honor, for it was made possible only through your aid and assistance and the favor of God." She pays a loving tribute to the memory of those who have passed through the Labyrinth of Life and been called to the Grand Chapter above.

"And somewhere yet on the hilltops,  
Of the country that hath no pain,  
They will wait in their beautiful doorway,  
To bid us welcome again."

She appointed 38 District Instructors, legalized the meetings of two Chapters and the election of officers of one, constituted and caused to be constituted 10 Chapters, Approved By-Laws and Amendments of 47 Chapters. Granted 105 Special Dispensations; made 157 Official Visits; conducted 55 County Meetings and 31 District Meetings; installed the Officers in 10 Chapters; recommended 17 Grand Representatives and appointed 15 Grand Representatives. Traveled (Railroad) 10,163 miles, (Automobile) 1,125 miles. Letters written, 3,456. Made 2 decisions and 7 recommendations.

The Grand Patron instituted and caused to be instituted 8 Chapters. He has given considerable time in assisting the Grand Matron to work out certain puzzling questions that have come to her for decision and direction. He has received many invitations to visit Chapters but could only accept a few. On his visit to Beulah Chapter No. 34 he was elected an Honorary Member. This honor he very much appreciates, and if he has in a measure fulfilled the duties of his station he will surrender his office with the feeling that his year's work has not been in vain.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Della Bennett, reports the largest increase in membership of any one year in their history. Total membership, 50,209, increase during the year, 6,009. Every Chapter in the State has reported and paid Grand Chapter dues. Total Masonic Home Fund, \$6,813.88.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a total amount on hand of \$25,599.06.

The Grand Matron presented Mrs. Ura Feely, Jr., Past Grand Matron as Installing Officer, the ceremony was beautifully given, and was interspersed with songs and several presentation gifts.

## KENTUCKY

## Twentieth Annual Session

Louisville

October 24, 25, 26, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Anna Maude McAuley.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Edward Schoppenhorst.

The Twentieth Annual Session convened in Scottish Rite Cathedral, October 24, A. M.

A beautiful and intricate march was executed by the Grand Officers, after which beautiful baskets of roses were presented to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, being a gift from the Grand Officers.

After the formal opening, the Flag was introduced, the Grand Officers forming a cross at the Altar, where prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain. The Flag was then borne to the East where the pledge and salute were given.

Prof. W. H. Bartholomew in an eloquent address, welcomed the delegates, and closed his fraternal welcome with the sweet and timely exhortation of Electa's "Love One Another."

This was responded to by Sister Laura Jean Gideon, Associate Grand Matron.

There were 19 District Deputies, and 17 Grand Representatives introduced and welcomed, as were also 9 Past Grand Matrons and 10 Past Grand Patrons.

Sister Joanna Bishop, Past Grand Matron of W. Virginia, Mary J. Wallace, Past Grand Matron of W. Virginia and Nannie E. Barton, Past Grand Matron of Tennessee, were introduced, welcomed and escorted East and given Grand Honors.

The Worthy Grand Matron, in her address says, "All of my official acts have been prompted with that spirit of unselfishness Christ portrayed when He said, 'greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.'" While her life has not been required, still she has given one year of untiring service, and fruition to this cause she loves.

"Beyond the poet's sweet dream lies,  
The eternal epic of the man,  
He wisest is, who only gives  
True to himself—the best he can."

She traveled 10,966 miles, made 25 official visits, wrote 2,500 letters; granted 72 dispensations; issued 6 circular letters; appointed 13 Grand Representatives; held 31 Schools of Instruction; granted 5 Waivers of Jurisdiction; appointed 32 Deputy Grand Matrons, and commissioned 14 Special Deputies, never forgetting the slogan she started the year with, "Love, the sesame that unlocks the human heart." Truly a fine record.

In his report, the Worthy Grand Patron says that he has given the very best thought and effort of which he is capable to his office. While he did not reach his goal, yet he has met with success. He instituted 7 Chapters, personally, and appointed Deputies for 27 others. He made 6 suggestions and 4 recommendations, has written 532 letters, and made 85 visits to Chapters. While this work with other duties has at times been very heavy, yet he has enjoyed it, laboring hard to present a record which would be approved.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Sarah H. Terry, reports that all detail work has been dispatched with as much accuracy as possible. While it is necessary to keep accurate accounts, and report same, it is also necessary to keep up the line of Fraternalism that holds the entire work together, and in this complex duty she has tried to keep abreast of the times and hold up the banner of work in Kentucky on an equal plane with the work of all other Grand Jurisdictions. She reports a balance on hand of \$13,743.18. Membership, 26,267, a gain of 6,266.

Sister Clara Henrich, Right Worthy Grand Conductress of the General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron of Kentucky, was introduced, royally welcomed, by Sister Terry, escorted East and given the Grand Honors, to all of which she responded in her own happy original manner.

The Trustees of the O. E. S. Home Fund, reported \$24,277.46 in the treasury. It is their earnest desire that this Fund be increased to \$100,000.

An O. E. S. Hospital Circle, which cheers the inmates of various infirmaries, also the boys who were sent to the Marine Hospital for treatment, is a part of the splendid work in which this Jurisdiction is engaged.

A beautiful Memorial Service was given by the Grand Officers. During the year 147 members of subordinate Chapters have passed away.

"Their days have come, not gone,  
Their sun has risen, not set,  
Their lives are now beyond the reach of death or change,  
Not ended, but begun."

After the newly elected Grand Matron and Grand Patron had been installed the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons formed a circle around them and sang, "Blest be the tie that binds." A beautiful ending to this very successful Session.

## LOUISIANA

### Twenty-third Annual Session

Lake Charles

May 10—11—12, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Myrtis Watson.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. J. O. Herpin.

The Banquet Hall of the beautiful new Masonic Temple was crowded long before 8.30, the appointed hour to begin the evening's program, and

Reception of Grand Chapter. Seated on the stage with the Grand Matron and Grand Patron, was Dr. J. D. Thompson, Worthy Patron of the Hostess Chapter, Ruth No. 16, who acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Lake Charles has the distinction of having the first Chapter in the State of the DeMolay Boys. A Flag presentation by nine members of the DeMolay Boys in uniform was very interesting.

Mayor J. A. Trotti gave the address of welcome for the city, Mr. Henry Meyer, W. M. of Lake Charles Lodge, No. 165, F. & A. M. extended greetings, Dr. Paul Quilty, W. M.

Calcasieu Lodge No. 400. In the absence of Mr. George T. White, Eminent Commader, Malta Commandery No. 12, Mr. Edwin F. Gayle extended the welcome from that great body. Owing to the unavoidable absence of Grand Master, Ira Sylvester, Judge Prentiss B. Carter brought greetings from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, F. & A. M. Response was made by Mrs. Georgia May Love, Associate Grand Matron.

The Grand Chapter convened in regular session in the Masonic Temple, at 10 o'clock A. M., May 10. The Junior Past Grand Matron presiding, invited the Grand Officers into the Chapter room. All Grand Officers were present except the Grand Sentinel. A constitutional number of Chapters being represented, the Worthy Grand Matron opened Grand Chapter in ample form.

The sum of \$500.00 was donated for the relief of the flood sufferers, to be placed in the hands of the incoming Grand Matron to be used by her where it is most urgently needed.

The Grand Matron in her address says that she has earnestly tried to remember that in the exercise of authority we should be governed by unselfish loyalty to the welfare of others. She pays a loving tribute to those who have been called to their Eternal Home, and extends loving sympathy to those who have been called upon to part with loved ones. She granted 7 dispensations and refused 4. She visited every chartered Chapter in the State except one, she also visited 4 of the U. D. Chapters. She says the growth of the Order has ben wonderful, every Chapter reports an increase in membership. She appointed 14 Grand Representatives and recommended the appointment of 19. She was elected to Honorary Membership in 14 Chapters. The correspondence while very arduous, requiring close attention, has been a source of pleasure. She knows her life will be broader and better for having the year of service.

“With just such comrades, just such friends,  
 I fein would walk till the journey ends,  
 Through Summer's sunshine, Winter's rain  
 And then goodbye, we will meet again.

The Grand Patron reported that the Order has not only grown in new Chapters, but also in new members. Fifteen new Chapters were instituted and 3 Chapters were constituted. He recommended that resolutions favoring the Towner-Sterling Bill be adopted and that they be sent to Senators and Representatives in Congress. This recommendation was adopted. In order to discharge the duties of his office, he has had to answer many questions and make rulings that were necessary. He does not hesitate to predict that in the course of a few years, there will be Chapters wherever there is a Blue Lodge.

"I am glad that I live—that I battle and strive,  
 For the place which I know I must fill;  
 I am thankful for sorrow—I'll meet with a grin  
 What fortune may send—good or ill.  
 I may not have wealth, I may not be great,  
 But I know I shall always be true;  
 For I have in my life that courage you gave  
 When once I rubbed shoulders with you!"

The Grand Secretary received official communications from a number of other Grand Jurisdictions, also a notice of the organization of our own Grand Chapter of Delaware. She reports a great demand for Rituals, 810 having been furnished to various Chapters. The Card Index system is used in this Jurisdiction. There are 111 chartered Chapters, 15 U. D. Chapters. Membership is 10,957, net gain, 1,938.

This Grand Chapter assesses its members 10 per annum for a Relief Fund.

Sister Adams, Jr. P. Grand Matron installed the Grand Officers, assisted by Sister King, Grand Marshal and Sister Mashburn, Grand Chaplain.

## MAINE

### Thirtieth Annual Session

Portland

May 23—24, 1922

Grand Matron, Miss Mabel J. DeShon.

Grand Patron, Rev. Ashley A. Smith.

The Thirtieth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter convened in Masonic Hall, Tuesday morning, May 23, at 10 o'clock.

All Grand Officers were present, the Grand Secretary having reported a constitutional number of Chapters represented, the Grand Chapter was opened in Ritualistic form.

An eloquent address of welcome was extended by the Grand Matron to Longfellow's "beautiful town that is seated by the sea." Many distinguished guests from Sister Grand Jurisdictions were also welcomed, given Grand Honors and seated in the East. The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand

Patrons were welcomed by the Grand Patron. Sister Nina V. A. Talbot, Grand Matron, and Brother Wilmot S. Ames, Grand Patron of 1897-98 were given an especial welcome as they were the Grand Matron and Grand Patron twenty-five years ago. They were escorted to the East and presented with flowers. The Grand Matron extended congratulations on their Silver Anniversary.

The Grand Matron reported the chain of Grand Officers unbroken, but announced that two Past Grand Patrons had passed away during the year. During the session the Grand Patron paid a special tribute in their memory.

One School of Instruction was held by the Grand Matron, at which an exhaustive study of the Constitution, Ritual and Secret Work was taken up. Every Chapter received an official visit, she personally inspected the home Chapter of every Deputy but one, and in this instance the Grand Patron was her Special Deputy. Fifty-two Chapters were inspected by herself. She reports the general condition of the Order throughout the Jurisdiction as excellent. She installed the Officers in 18 Chapters. When attending the Grand Chapter Sessions of New Hampshire and Massachusetts every courtesy was extended her.

The Grand Patron constituted 4 Chapters and instituted 3. The Officers of Tuscan Chapter had planned to give a reception in his honor, but at his suggestion the money that would have been spent for that purpose formed the nucleus of a Charity Fund. Tuscan Chapter now has a Charity fund of nearly \$600.00. This action suggests what might be done in some degree by all of our Chapters, by occasionally putting aside moneys which are often expended in one brief evening's pleasure, as the nucleus of such a fund. In concluding his address he says, "Our Order throughout this jurisdiction, and throughout the world, is yearly growing in that beneficent power which it was meant to possess and wield in the life of mankind. Ours must still be intelligent consecration, wise diligence and sweet-spirited zeal, in fulfillment of our principles, for only in those teachings, which are also those of the Holy Writ and the Christian Church, is there the promise and potency of our progress and permanency as one of the agencies and organizations to bring Light and Truth, Righteousness and Love into the world. Ours is the simple message, which if put into practice will change the atmosphere of the world."

The Grand Secretary reports that annual returns and dues have been received from all Chapters. Total receipts for year, \$6,047.24, disbursements, \$6,066.08, donations received for Charity Fund, \$311.33. There is \$2,523.10 in the Home Fund.

The Grand Treasurer reports cash on hand of \$7,750.63, disbursements, \$4,571.58. Balance in General Fund, \$3,179.05.



There are 179 chartered Chapters and 3 U. D. Chapters in this jurisdiction, membership, 28,155, increase in membership, 2,537.

The Constitution, Rules and Regulations were revised at this Session.

The Officers were installed by Past Grand Matron, Sister Emma B. Howe, who ably performed the ceremony.

## MARYLAND

### Twenty-fourth Annual Session

Baltimore

April 24—25—26, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Harry C. Mueller.

A Special Session of the Grand Chapter was held on Tuesday, August 2, 1921, at 8.00 P. M., Baltimore, for the purpose of considering the future action toward the White Shrine of Jerusalem. Nineteen Chapters were represented, and after thoroughly discussing the question, White Shrine members were given 60 days to withdraw from that Order or be subject to the penalty of expulsion from the Order of the Eastern Star.

Five Special Sessions were called to grant Charters to Chapters under dispensation, fifteen Chapters received Charters.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Session was called to order at 10 o'clock, A. M., by Sister Margaret Megenhart, First Grand Matron of Maryland.

Twenty-nine Chapters responded to the roll call, fourteen being not represented. Grand Chapter was then opened in full form, all Grand Officers being present except two. Eight Past Grand Matrons and three Past Grand Patrons were escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

Sister Minnie E. Keyes, R. W. Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter, was welcomed, escorted East and given the Grand Honors, she afterwards addressed the Grand Chapter in her own splendid manner, telling us of the wonderful growth of our Order, she says, "Things we represent are emblems of beauty and if we do live close to our Obligation, and teach to others the lessons of these five heroines of our Order, the blessing will be ours."

There were also distinguished visitors from the District of Columbia, and one Sister from Nebraska.

As the Grand Representative of Maryland, it was my great pleasure to accompany my own Grand Matron, Sister Julia M. Story, to this Grand Chapter Session, and the cordial welcome and generous hospitality (for which Maryland is famous) extended us, will ever be a beautiful memory. Maryland is very dear to me, for it is my native State. "Maryland, my Maryland."

The Grand Matron made many official visits, and visited many Chapters unofficially, she averaged 5 nights a week in the Chapter rooms during the

year. She had the pleasure of accompanying the Grand Patron at the institution of all new Chapters. There were 15 new Chapters constituted. With the Associate Grand Matron she attended the organization of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, and regretted her inability to remain during the entire Session. She granted seventy-six dispensations, and refused many. There was an appropriate memorial ceremonial by the officers and members of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Patron has instituted 7 new Chapters, in company with other Grand Officers he visited every Chapter in the State. He has assisted the Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers in the constitution of 15 Chapters. He made 4 recommendations. He urges the members to support their Grand Officers on every occasion, as it is only by their loyalty and support that accomplishments of merit can be recorded.

The Grand Secretary, Brother Wm. F. Boyd, submits a fine report. The increase in membership is 2,541, or 46 per cent. Alpha Chapter No. 1 has the largest membership, 723. He reports a balance on hand of \$1,966.74.

The Grand Treasurer reported \$12,832.89 in the Hall Fund, \$911.69 in the Reserve Fund and \$3,174.20 in the Home Fund.

This Grand Chapter has a Relief Committee, whose object is to aid unfortunate members of the Order. A Barn Dance and Rummage Sale, netted about \$600 for this branch of the work. Subordinate Chapters have Committees for the same purpose, and judging from their reports, they are doing splendid work. A voluntary collection of over \$150 was taken among the delegates for an injured Brother, and the Grand Chapter added enough to make the amount \$300.

The retiring Grand Matron, Sister Williams installed the new Grand Officers in a very impressive manner.

Sister Reviol, newly installed Grand Matron, and Brother Duval, newly installed Grand Patron, thanked the Grand Chapter members for the honor conferred upon them in well chosen words.

As Sister Willimas and Brother Mueller were leaving the East, Sister Celeste Ferguson sang, "The End of a Perfect Day."

Thus ended one of the best Sessions in the history of the Grand Chapter of Maryland.

## MASSACHUSETTS

### Forty-sixth Annual Session

Boston

May 11—12, 1922

Grand Matron, Mrs. Viola F. Pettee:

Grand Patron, Mr. George A. Mosher.

The evening preceding the Grand Chapter Session, the Matrons and Patrons Association of Massachusetts observed its twenty-fifth anniversary

with a dinner, reception, entertainment, and dance, and was one of the most brilliant which the organization has ever held, about 500 being in attendance, including representatives from all parts of the State.

At noon of the first day, 28 Past Grands with 5 of their better halves gathered around the festive board to break bread together at the Parker House.

On Thursday evening, a concert was given in Tremont Temple under the direction of Past Grand Patron, Brother Jerguson, the proceeds to go to the O. E. S. Home Fund. Three hundred and seventy dollars and seventy-five cents was netted for this worthy cause.

At 10 o'clock on Thursday morning, Sister Lillian Grover Walch, Past Grand Matron, called the Grand Chapter to order, in Tremont Temple, Boston. The Grand Officers were received, the National and State colors were borne to the East, and the Grand Chapter was opened in regular form.

The address of welcome was given by Governor Channing H. Cox, who was escorted into the Chapter room, presented by the Grand Marshal, and introduced by the Grand Matron. Worthy Grand Patron responded to this address.

Distinguished visitors were present from Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Idaho, Rhode Island, Vermont and Philippine Islands. Brother Philip A. Jerguson, Worthy Grand Sentinel of the General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Patron of Massachusetts, was presented, greeted by the Grand Matron and accorded the Grand Honors.

Sister Melissa E. Cook, Senior Past Grand Matron of Massachusetts, was introduced and presented with a basket of sweet peas, in the centre of which was a bunch of forget-me-nots.

Eighteen Past Grand Matrons and fifteen Past Grand Patrons sat in the East with Sister Cook.

Eighteen Past Grand Matrons and fifteen Past Grand Patrons responded to the roll call by the Grand Secretary, eighteen Deputy Grand Matrons and nine Deputy Grand Marshals, were presented and greeted by the Grand Matron. Thirty-six Grand Representatives answered to the roll call and were welcomed to the session by the Associate Grand Matron, and afterward conducted to seats reserved for them during the session.

A beautiful Memorial Service was held, during which time a loving tribute to the memory of the Grand Treasurer, Sister Lucy G. B. Colby, who had joined the Grand Chapter on High, was given by the Grand Secretary. A floral emblem—Crosskeys within the pentagon—was deposited upon the desk of the Grand Treasurer with these words "Faithful unto death."

"We know not how to say the word "Good Bye,"

We know not how to leave thee at the gate

That opens for thee towards that city high

Where other hands with loving welcome wait."

Schools of Instruction for Secretaries have been held during the past year conducted by the Grand Secretary, and have proved very beneficial, so much so, that they are to be continued.

The Grand Matron spent a busy year. Twelve Schools of Instruction were held by the Grand Matron and two by the Associate Grand Matron. She visited 36 Chapters officially, and was represented in 143 Chapters by Deputy Grand Matrons. She installed officers in 26 Chapters, attended the institution of 11 Chapters, attended 31 meetings of Subordinate Chapters. She issued Dispensations for 12 new Chapters. She attended a number of receptions, and was elected to Honorary Membership in 26 Chapters. She urges us to "keep our Chapters clean from all personal spite and petty jealousies, that no blemish may rest upon our Star." Amen, so may it ever be.

The Grand Patron instituted 12 Chapters and appointed an instructor for each Chapter. He attended 115 meetings and visited 75 separate Chapters. Of these meetings, 22 were Installations; 29 Inspections; 12 Institutions; 10 Constitutions and the remainder being Anniversaries, Receptions, Regular and Sundry meetings of the Order. He says, "From each of these gatherings, I came away feeling that it was 'Good to have been there'. I greatly appreciate the many kindnesses extended to me by the members of the Order, and state without equivocation—that the personnel of the Order of the Eastern Star is not to be excelled."

The Grand Secretary, Sister Carrie A. Cushing, reports a membership of 44,157 and 174 Chapters, \$8,785.20 was collected for dues. The charity fund is about \$3,000.00, and the O. E. S. Home Fund, \$34,538.00.

Sister Carrie A. Cushing, P. G. M., and Grand Secretary as Installing Matron, with Brother Philip A. Jerguson, P. G. P., Worthy Grand Sentinel, as Installing Patron, conducted the installation ceremony in an impressive manner.

## MICHIGAN

### Fifty-sixth Annual Session

Detroit

October 11—12, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Miss Irene Louise Getty.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Elwyn Pond.

Sister Emma C. Ocobock, Past Grand Matron of Michigan, and Past Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, sounded the gavel calling the Grand Chapter to order. As the Grand Officers entered, she addressed the Assembly in words full of beautiful thoughts.

The Stars and Stripes were borne to the East and all united in the National Salute to the Flag.

Distinguished guests of the General Grand Chapter, including Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, were presented, conducted

to the East and saluted with Grand Honors. Other distinguished guests from Sister Jurisdictions, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, Grand Representatives, and Special Visitors, were accorded all due honors.

Brother Clark McKenzie, Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, addressed the Grand Chapter, bringing greetings from 135,000 Masons in the State of Michigan, to 90,000 members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Owing to a serious illness, the Grand Matron was greatly handicapped in her work, she deeply regretted that she was unable to prepare her advance report in full for the session, but both the advance report and the full report are here published. While her duties were very arduous, she reports much good work accomplished. Through individual Chapters, county and district associations, she came in touch with approximately 360 Chapters. At practically all meetings, suggestions were given concerning the work of the Order, and the Orphanage building proposition as recommended by the Finance Committee was discussed wherever opportunity offered. Approximately 90 deputizations were made for visits, schools of instruction, installations, and conferences of Grand Officers. Seven Chapters were constituted, either in person or by Deputy. With few exceptions, the Ritualistic Work was letter perfect. She closes her address with the following:

"To win, if to win be honest, or lose, if to lose be square,  
To wear the while through the game a smile, and, to win or lose,  
PLAY FAIR."

The Grand Patron says that service has been the keynote of his year's work, "He profits most who serves best." Early in the year he was requested to meet with the Orphanage Board and was made a member of the Building Committee for the new addition to O. E. S. Villa. It has been a pleasure to serve on this Committee, because here he has had an opportunity to perform one of the great duties of our Order, to care for the dependent children of our sisters and brothers. He instituted 10 new Chapters, assisted the Worthy Grand Matron in constituting Pilgrim Chapter. He recommends a Budget System and a uniform receipt for dues for every Chapter in this Jurisdiction.

A gift of \$1000 was given from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons to the Orphanage Building Fund and Pontiac Lodge, F. & A. M., contributed \$250. This Jurisdiction has a Board of Relief which brings comfort and cheer to Sisters outside, as well as members of our Order in the Masonic Home, voluntary contributions of each Chapter takes care of this Fund. \$600 was added to this Fund during the year. The children are a great deal of care and attention from the Chapters; some are making articles of clothing, others are bestowing their favors on some particular child. (Work worth while.)

The Grand Secretary, Sister Eva Sprague Goodrich, reports 440 Chapters, 91,213 members, gain during the year, 9,043. Largest Chapters are; Oriental,

1017; Fern Leaf, 1106; Bryant, 1111; Flint, 1182; Park-Corinthian, 1190 and Peninsular, 1195. Sixteen Chapters have a membership of over 500.

The Grand Treasurer, Sister Jennie M. Newell, reports cash on hand, \$13,225.47, Orphanage Fund, \$31,271.30; O. E. S. Relief, \$15,000; O. E. S. Building Fund, \$7,962.00.

Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, Most Worthy Grand Matron, who was present during the entire session, addressed the Grand Chapter, and by her gracious manner and beautifully expressed sentiment, won the admiration and love of the Grand Chapter members. She was presented with a beautiful silver centre-piece, a receptacle for flowers.

Sister Gertrude N. Parkhurst, Past Grand Matron, presided during installation ceremony. She was assisted by the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ellie Lines Chapin, who installed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. The Grand Officers were literally showered with flowers, and Chapters and personal friends vied with each other in bestowing beautiful gifts.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Session of the Order of the Eastern Star of Michigan passed into history with peace and harmony abounding.

## MINNESOTA

### Forty-fourth Annual Session

Minneapolis

May 10—11, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Miss Lucy M. Sheffield.

Worthy grand Patron, Rolla E. Sevey.

The Minneapolis Chapters were hostesses at an informal reception Tuesday evening, May 9, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral of Minneapolis, in compliment to the Grand Officers.

"Our Flag", palms and cut flowers were the decorations used in the East.

They were honored in having Most Worshipful Brother Herman Held, Grand Master of Minnesota Masons, deliver a fine address.

An interesting program of music, and an Exhibition Drill by the Palestine Sentinels furnished a most delightful evening's entertainment to the large gathering present.

The Forty-fourth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Minnesota convened in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Wednesday morning, May 10, at ten o'clock.

After the Grand Officers had entered the Chapter room, and taken their stations, the Grand Chapter was opened in full form.

Beautiful addresses of welcome were given and responded to. Eleven Past Grand Matrons and six Past Grand Patrons were presented and welcomed.

Brother Herman Held, Most Worshipful Grand Master, A. F. & A. M., of Minnesota, was then conducted to the East, introduced and given a hearty welcome.

The Grand Matron in her address says, "Never in history has there been a time when there has been such a demand for service or such an opportunity for women as the present. History, literature and the Bible make many references to illustrious women who stand out as individuals in their fight against various enemies of the centuries. You and I have fallen heir to the result of their labors, and the great undertakings which we achieve through combined effort for the causes we deem just are made possible by the co-operation and loyalty of our organizations. Present day interest in radio activity illustrates what it is possible to achieve through cumulative effort. Just as today's knowledge along this line is the result of very diverse and concentrated effort in the past, so will a lofty future ideal of the Order of the Eastern Star be realized as the result of the organized work of the different Chapters of today." She appointed 44 deputies, held 23 schools of instruction, constituted 10 new Chapters, made 73 official visits. She appointed 16 Grand Representatives, and recommended the appointment of 25. She granted 27 dispensations, approved the By-Laws of 20 Chapters, and amendments to the By-Laws of 40. She rendered 21 decisions, and made 5 recommendations. She received many social courtesies from her home Chapter and other Chapters which she greatly appreciated.

The Worthy Grand Patron says that what has been accomplished was the result of "team work." He has instituted 10 Chapters either in person or by proxy, the name of one of them is "Rolla Sevey Chapter U. D.," and is located in Minneapolis, there were 118 signers to the petition. He makes 8 recommendations. He considers the most important work of the past year was starting the campaign to raise \$75,000 for the furnishing of the Masonic Home. This work has been handled by the Patriotic League Committee, in a most efficient manner. The Patriotic League Committee consists of seven noble women—consecrated to the work of assisting in preparing a home for those who need it, as well as mothering the disabled and other veterans of the World War in their midst. He has enjoyed every minute of the year's work, and if at any time he can assist in any way, he will feel honored to be called upon.

A beautiful and impressive Memorial Service was held and flowers placed on the Altar. Upon request of the General Grand Chapter, a basket of flowers was placed in memory of Brother A. H. Turriffin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, of the General Grand Chapter. "A noble man, a true faithful friend, one never to be forgotten."

The Grand Secretary, Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, reports returns received from every chartered Chapter in the jurisdiction; namely, 239. Gain in membership, 4,628; receipts more than last year, \$2,527.41. She says in conclusion that service and duty at all times and under all conditions have been given to her work, to the limit of her ability and strength.

"For 'tis only through service to others,  
By giving our truest and best,  
That our Star in its glorified splendor  
Can lead to the Haven of Rest."

The Grand Treasurer, Mrs. Julia E. Moore, reported total receipts, \$20,041.04; disbursements, \$11,268.20; balance, \$8,772.84.

The Patriotic League Committee for Masonic Home Furnishing Fund report a total of \$29,809.58.

A Christmas Party was given at the Masonic Home. Over \$150.00 was sent by Subordinate Chapters for that purpose.

The Grand Officers were installed by Sister Minnie Paine, P. G. M., and after the newly installed officers had been presented with gifts and flowers in profusion, the Grand Chapter closed with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

## MISSISSIPPI

### Sixteenth Annual Session

McComb

May 9-10, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mary H. Stigler.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. L. M. Cooper.

The public opening of this Grand Chapter Session was held Monday evening, May 8, 1922. The first address of welcome was from the Mayor of the city, Hon. W. T. Denman, whose words sound both sincere and cordial, not only welcoming them, but inviting them to come again, at the first opportunity.

Hon. F. D. Hewitt, on behalf of the Masonic bodies of the city then addressed the Grand Chapter, he said, "There are three things to be considered in delivering an address of welcome: First—From whom does the welcome come? Second—To whom is it extended? Third—Why is it extended? Four hundred and fifty Master Masons, who are members of the Blue Lodge, 250 members of the Chapter, 225 Knights Templar, and 200 Shriners, who are members of the Masonic bodies of this city, open wide their arms and hearts to receive you. The Masonic bodies delight to honor the Grand Chapter of Mississippi, Order of the Eastern Star. This welcome that we extend you comes from the heart of a fine body of men, as fine as there are to be found upon the top of the earth." A wonderful welcome indeed, I wish space would permit me to record every word of this splendid address. The wel-



come from the civic bodies, given by Mrs. Madge Quin Taylor, who extended a most hearty welcome to the members of this great organization. In her address, she says, "The gospel of the eighteenth century was liberty; the motto of the nineteenth century was equality; and the motto of the twentieth century is service." Dr. C. H. Brough once said: "I would seize this flotsam of service, I would hang it upon the wall of Hero's symbolical temple, and I would carve upon the walls of that temple these words: 'She who lives for self lives a life lower than the flowers that fade and die as the autumn leaves, but she who lives for others lives forever', 'that whosoever would be greatest among the queens of the earth, must be the servant of all.'" And finally, a welcome was given by the Hostess Chapter. The Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Lillie M. McCullough, made fitting response.

The Sixteenth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter was held in a beautiful Masonic Temple which had recently been completed in the city of McComb, at a cost of \$100,000. Grand Chapter was opened in full Ritualistic form. The National Flag was placed in the East by the Grand Chapter's three "little Mary's". All sang "America" during this ceremony.

Guests of Honor were Brother Paul H. Murphy, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, F. & A. M., and Sister Lotta M. Armistead, Worthy Grand Electa of the General Grand Chapter, were escorted to the Grand East, and welcomed by Past Grand Patron, David R. Weston. Thirteen D. D. Grand Matrons, and 25 Grand Representatives responded to roll call.

Brother John Mason told of the early history of the Eastern Star in Mississippi. This Brother organized the first three Chapters in the State.

The Grand Matron has endeavored to impress upon the members that the five points of our Star represented five phases of human life, the every day life, and urged them to illustrate in their lives the lessons taught by the heroines of our Order. Nineteen Chapters were constituted and 22 new Chapters were instituted. By-Laws to 15 Chapters were approved. Officers were installed in 6 Chapters, 11 dispensations were granted, and the Grand Matron was elected to Honorary Membership in 38 Chapters. Changes recommended by her, in the Deputy System, were adopted by the Grand Chapter. Deputies must now undergo a written examination and secure a certificate of proficiency before being eligible to appointment. Her experience this year has convinced her that Schools of Instruction were a necessity in each district at least once a year and she conducted 11 Schools of Instruction, she also assisted the Deputies in others. In visiting the Chapters, she traveled over 5000 miles by rail and over 2500 miles by auto; she visited 116 Chapters in all. She appointed 17 Grand Representatives, and recommended the appointment of 17. Three circular letters were sent to the Subordinate Chapters. She made 2 visits to the Masonic Home, she also visited the Boy's Farm Home at Columbus.

The Worthy Grand Patron issued dispensations for the formation of 29 Chapters. He reports the past year has been one of phenomenal growth in membership—the largest in the history of the Order. The net increase for the year 1921 is approximately 2500, and the total membership is now 10,305. He makes 3 recommendations; he also recommends that the Grand Chapter adopt some definite plan of work for the Masonic Homes. In conclusion he says, "The recollection of this honor can never be effaced from my memory, nor the grateful acknowledgement due you from my heart.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Myra C. Eaton, reports that the year has been a prosperous one financially as well as in growth of members. The total receipts were \$18,841.17, being an increase of \$2,167, over receipts of last year. \$210.50 was donated to the Near East Relief, \$131 was sent to the Masonic Farm School for chairs, and \$106 to the Natchez Orphans Home, and \$547.05 for blankets and bedding. She was authorized to furnish official badges to all Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions. She says that if words could express her appreciation to each one, it would be these:

"You are not as old friends or as new,  
But as Sisters and Brothers, tried and true."

An impressive Memorial Service was held in memory of those who had passed away during the year. A beautiful floral emblem, "The Gates Ajar" which was used in the service was placed on the grave of a Brother who had recently passed away.

Sister Myra C. Eaton, P. G. M., presented the Past Grand Matron's and Past Grand Patron's jewels to the outgoing Grand Matron and Grand Patron.

Many beautiful gifts were presented to the Grand Officers.

## MISSOURI

### Forty-eighth Annual Session

St. Louis

October 10—11—12, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Bessie S. Hasell.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Cloice B. Baker.

The evening before the opening of the Session was devoted to a social function in honor of the Grand Officers, and was a wonderful event, the entire evening had a touch of refinement, which could be felt throughout the well rendered program.

The Forty-eighth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter was opened in subordinate form, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, October 10, in Moolah Temple, all Grand Officers being present.

The Grand Conductress presented for introduction the following distinguished Guests: Sister Josephine Hobson, Past Grand Matron of Iowa,

Sister Anna Dreher Dudderar, Past Grand Matron of California, and Brother R. T. Hynson, Past Grand Patron of Arkansas, and Sister Anna Winston Smally, Associate Grand Matron of Montana, was also presented and welcomed.

The Grand Matron presents a very interesting report. She especially commends the work of the District Deputy Grand Matrons, and considers a good District Deputy invaluable to a Worthy Grand Matron, and to the District. There are 59 District Deputies in this Grand Jurisdiction. She appointed 17 Grand Representatives, and recommended the appointment of 13. She constituted 27 Chapters and commissioned proxies to constitute 16. She approved the By-Laws and amendments to By-Laws of 54 Chapters. She installed the Officers of 47 Chapters. She visited 92 Chapters, held 41 Schools of Instruction which were of much benefit to the officers and members, she urges the members to a better attendance at these schools, as they are held for their benefit alone. She wrote many personal letters besides four circular letters. As a result of two of her letters, Christmas and St. John's Day, in both of which she urged all to contribute to the Home Fund, \$5,031.91 was received from the St. John's day letter and \$4,415.05 was received from the Christmas letter. In conclusion she says: "I have traveled many miles in happy service to this Grand Chapter. I have on all occasions met with most cordial and loving attention."

In his address the Grand Patron says, "A matter of great interest to all, is the fact that Masonic recognition is becoming steadily established. I have found co-operation and support of the Masonic Lodges throughout the State, and it is most gratifying to note the congeniality existing between the Masonic Fraternity and the Order of the Eastern Star of this Grand Jurisdiction." Twenty-seven new links were added to the chain during the year, 22 Chapters were instituted by the Grand Patron personally, and 5 by proxy. In company with the Grand Matron, he had the pleasure of assisting in the constitution of 6 Chapters and in the installation of 36. He attended 5 Schools of Instruction. He says one of the greatest pleasures of the year was sharing in the Christmas festivities of the Home, an immense Christmas tree was loaded with presents for the children and old people. A visit to the Home was also made by the Grand Body. In company with the Grand Matron, Grand Lecturer, Grand Conductress, and two Grand Representatives, he visited the Grand Chapter of Kansas, and the welcome and generous hospitality accorded them was highly appreciated. The Grand Matron and Grand Patron were elected to Honorary membership in this Grand Body.

As one of the annual events of the year is the celebration of Uncle Job Newton's Birthday, every Grand Matron and Grand Patron looks forward to this event with a good deal of pleasure, he is called "Grandfather" O. E. S. of Missouri, and is 97 years of age.

One of the greatest events of the year has been the raising of necessary

funds for the new Masonic Temple, the Home of the Masonic Grand Lodge, and the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. When completed this Temple will be a monument to Masonry.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Genevieve F. Wyatt, P. G. M., submits her Tenth Report. Every Chapter sent in an annual report. Two Chapters have a membership of over 1000, and 18 Chapters have over 500 members. The net gain in membership was 6,685. St. Louis has 43 Chapters with a combined membership of 14,214. Total number of Chapters, 525.

The Grand Treasurer, Sister Estelle D. Walker, reported a balance on hand of \$51,142.52.

Sister Nettie Ransford, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, and Past Grand Matron and Grand Secretary of Indiana, was presented by the Grand Conductress for introduction, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, escorted to the East, and accorded the Grand Honors. She gave an interesting talk on the early history of the Order, stating that she and Brother John R. Parsons, Past Grand Patron, had been present at the organization of the General Grand Chapter.

The Grand Officers exemplified the Ritualistic Work, with Sister Nellie Page, Grand Lecturer, acting as Worthy Matron.

A resolution endorsing the Order of Job's Daughters was adopted.

Sister Mary E. Wiedenmann, Past Grand Matron, installed the Grand Officers for the year 1922-23.

Grand Chapter joined in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Worthy Grand Matron declared the Grand Chapter closed.

## MONTANA

### Thirty-third Annual Session

Helena

August 18—19, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mary Stranahan.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. George D. Vickers.

The Grand Chapter Session of Montana, opened in ample form at 9.45 A. M., Friday August 18, in the Consistory Temple at Helena.

The Grand Officers entered, preceded by Miriam Chapter's vested choir, chanting the Lord's Prayer. The colors were presented by the pages and Salute was given to the Flag by the Grand Officers, after which the colors were given a place in the East and the Grand Officers took their respective stations.

Twenty-six Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, and 18 Grand Representatives were introduced and invited to take seats in the East.

The Grand Matron regretted that she could not visit every Chapter in the State but for numerous reasons this was impossible. She installed the officers of 5 Chapters, appointed 21 Grand Representatives, recommended the appointment of 16, issued 17 special dispensations, made 75 official visits and says of them:

"Of all the beautiful pictures  
That hang on memory's wall,  
The one of visiting chapters  
Seems the best of all."

As the proxy of the Grand Patron she instituted 1 new Chapter. The greatest interest was shown at the two Schools of Instruction which were held, and the real fraternal spirit abounded on every side, the eager manner in which the Chapters received the instruction was more than a compensation for the effort and made the work a real pleasure. She made 3 decisions, 9 recommendations, and issued 2 circular letters. Her desire has been to render a service to our beloved Order, and to the Chapters, and to this end she has labored long and diligently. She only asks that her work be judged and decisions approved, that will be for the best and greatest interest of our Order.

The Grand Patron reported 3 new Chapters instituted in regular form, bringing the number of active Chapters to 103 chartered, and 3 U. D., with a total membership of 15,000. He installed the officers in 2 Chapters, accompanied the Grand Matron on 3 of her official visits, and acted for the Grand Matron by visiting 1 Chapter. He made 3 recommendations, and expresses his thanks and appreciation for the co-operation and courtesies that have been shown him on all occasions.

Twice during the year death has knocked at the door of their Grand Chapter, and summoned Past Grand Patron, Brother John G. Hammer who answered the call on Dec. 13, 1921, and Past Grand Patron, Brother Stephen P. Wright, who was laid to rest on March 10, 1922. One of the earlier Worthy Patrons of Miriam Chapter No. 1 passed away on June 24, 1922. Floral tributes and the full sympathy of the Grand Chapter were sent to the families of these Brothers.

An Eastern Star club has been organized at the State University, for the mutual benefit of members of our Order attending this institution.

The Grand Treasurer reported total receipts for the year, \$13,443.83 in the General Fund and \$1,418.50 in the Orphans Fund.

Dr. O. M. Lanstrum, Trustee of the Masonic Home of Montana, spoke of the generous assistance rendered by the Eastern Star for the Masonic Home in Montana, and expressed, for the Masonic Home Board, their grateful appreciation.

The Grand Matron invited the officers of Josephine Hepner Chapter, No. 89, to exemplify the Ritualistic work, which they did in a faultless manner.

Uniform white silk gowns were worn by the officers and the scene in the spacious new Shrine Temple was one of unsurpassed beauty and will long remain a standard to be emulated by the other Chapters of the jurisdiction.

After the newly elected officers had been installed, jewels were presented to the retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron by C. W. Pomeroy, P. G. P.

No further business appearing, Grand Chapter was closed in ample form, peace and harmony prevailing.

## NEBRASKA

### Forty-seventh Annual Session

Omaha

May 9—10—11, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Miss Maud M. Smith.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Henry H. Andrews.

The Grand Chapter met in the Auditorium of the Masonic Temple, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M., all Grand Officers present. A constitutional number of Chapters being present the Grand Chapter was opened in ample form.

Sixteen Past Grand Matrons and nine Past Grand Patrons responded to roll call.

The Grand Matron welcomed many distinguished guests in the Grand East, where they were given the Grand Honors. She said in part: "You come to us as envoys from our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, and we ask that you please carry to the Grand Chapters in your several states sincere greetings from Nebraska."

A pleasant surprise of the Session was a beautiful demonstration by the various Masonic Fraternities of the City of Omaha. Fifteen Brothers of the Order, representing the Masonic Bodies, entered, each carrying a handsome basket filled with beautiful roses. The flowers were presented to the Grand Matron and other officers. The Grand Matron thanked them for the spirit of fraternalism that prompted them to literally strew the labyrinth of our Star with roses.

The Grand Matron constituted 12 Chapters, and granted many dispensations; 154 were issued for the purpose of electing and installing officers out of time. One School of Instruction for Grand Deputies was held. Her visits to the Eastern Star Homes have been red letter days. The children in the Homes were tested and of the forty-one tests given, only 4 could be classed as retarded or backward. The Grand Matron and Grand Secretary visited the Grand Chapter Session of Iowa and both were made Honorary members of this Grand Chapter. As it was impossible for her to visit all of the 244 Chapters, she divided the work with her Grand Officers. Some of the Past Grand Matrons assisted the Grand Matron in her visitations.

The Grand Patron approved the By-Laws of 35 Chapters unconditionally and one subject to the Committee on Jurisprudence. He instituted 6 new Chapters, and issued two Dispensations to continue work when Charters had been lost by fire. He has countersigned warrants in amount of \$26,546.80, and has traveled 3,087 miles, and most of that distance by automobile.

Grand Secretary, Sister Rose M. Owens, reports a net increase in membership 2,892. The collections for the year totaled \$28,284.27. Total membership, 30,289.

Brother Lewis E. Smith, P. G. P., and present Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., was welcomed and given the Grand Honors.

Sister Anna J. Davis, Past Grand Matron was installing Officer, and a beautiful Past Grand Matron's jewel was presented to Sister Smith, the retiring Grand Matron.

Many social and enjoyable affairs occurred during the Session. The Banquet for the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons was held on Monday evening. The Grand Matron and Grand Patron were guests. At 12.30 on Monday, the official family were the guests of the Grand Matron and Grand Patron. Gifts conveying respect, love and esteem were presented to the Grand Officers at different times during the session. It seemed that no one was forgotten, and especially was this so during installation. The labyrinth appeared as one huge bouquet, and the platform so decorated that it looked like a rose garden.

## NEVADA

### Seventeenth Annual Session

Reno

June 16—17, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Bertha Halvorson.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Otto T. Williams.

The Grand Chapter convened in the Masonic Temple, at 10 o'clock Friday morning, June 16, all Grand Officers present. Old Glory was borne to the East by the Grand Marshal, while all sang "The Star-Spangled Banner." A Flag ceremony followed. "Union Jack" the flag which was presented by the Grand Chapter of Ontario to the Grand Chapter of Nevada, had an honored place in the East during the session.

Sister Marie L. Summerfield, Worthy Grand Esther of the General Grand Chapter, was an honored Guest of the Session, as was also Sister Anna M. Warren, first Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Nevada. The distinguished sisters were welcomed by Grand Patron Williams, escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

During the year, one link was severed from the Golden Chain of Past Officers, and the Silent Reaper had entered the homes of many of the members of Subordinate Chapters. A most impressive Memorial Service was held.

The Grand Matron visited 17 Chapters and installed the officers in 4 Chapters, she found all in a good financial condition and all but 2 growing in numbers. Two circular letters were issued by her, 5 Dispensations were granted, and By-Laws of 7 Chapters approved. She recommended that one or more evenings be set aside for the purpose of the study of the book of instructions and law, by officers soon after installation.

The Grand Patron regrets that he was unable to make many visits and gives the success of the year's work to the Grand Matron. On account of his professional duties and because of the large expense incident to traveling over the State of Nevada, he could not accept the invitations of many Chapters throughout the State to make official visits.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Mary E. Talbot, reports that owing to the increase of 15 cents in the per capita tax, the finances are now in a good condition. Chapters, 18; membership, 2,184. A balance of \$1,607.82 was reported on hand in the General Fund; \$120.00 was added to the Home Fund, making the total amount in this fund \$4,402.85.

The work of the Order was exemplified by the officers of Adah Chapter No. 4, Martha Chapter No. 5, and Nevada Chapter No. 13, and were highly complimented by the Grand Officers.

Brother Edward E. Peterson, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons and Past Grand Patron of Nevada was introduced at the Altar, escorted to the East and saluted with the Grand Honors.

The Grand Officers were installed by Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Bertha Halvorson. Many handsome personal gifts and many beautiful tributes of flowers too numerous to mention in detail were presented to the retiring and incoming Grand Officers from their home Chapters. Kind and loving words were spoken to all. After singing "America" and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, this most successful Session was declared closed.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

### Thirty-second Annual Session

Lebanon

September 13—14, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. E. Maude Ferguson.

Worthy Grand Patron, Dr. Frederick E. Meader.

This Grand Chapter Session was convened in the Opera House, Lebanon, at 10 o'clock A. M. The Grand Officers entered, each bearing a long stemmed red rose, which during the entrance march were deposited in a basket and presented to the Grand Matron; the Flag was then borne to the East by the



Grand Sentinel, to the strains of "America", followed by singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the Harvard Quartette.

Beautiful addresses of welcome were given and responded to. Distinguished guests from Massachusetts and Vermont were welcomed by the Grand Matron, escorted to the East and given the Grand Honors.

Included in the address of the Worthy Grand Matron was a beautiful ceremony in memory of their two Past Worthy Grand Patrons, Bros. William R. Bartlett and Charles G. Kimball, and of the Past Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. L. Cabell Willimason, during which the Altar was draped and flowers placed in the East. The Grand Matron read to appropriate music: "L'envoi".

The Grand Matron installed officers in 6 Chapters. She has appointed 20 Grand Representatives and has recommended the appointment of 20 Sisters as Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in New Hampshire. She recommended that it be the duty of the Grand Chaplain to write letters of sympathy to Sister Grand Jurisdictions. She also recommended the formation of a Benevolent Fund to be used for charitable work. A sum of money was given as a nucleus for this Fund. It has always been a pleasure to visit the Masonic Home, and she wishes that all Eastern Star members could see the Home and realize what a great work is being done by the Masons of the State. It is gratifying to note that the contributions from the subordinate Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star are increasing each year. This year \$747.24 was sent in response to letters asking for the Eastern contribution. Four Chapters were constituted during the year.

The Grand Patron reports a healthy, normal growth of the Order in the past year. He reports 2 new Chapters to be added to their galaxy of Stars, and while their membership is not large, they are certainly most enthusiastic, loyal, and united and he looks for splendid things from them. With the Grand Matron, he visited 15 Chapters. He approved amendments to By-Laws of 7 Chapters, and also approved the By-Laws of 2 U. D. Chapters.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Bessie P. Norris, reports the number initiated during the year, 1339, the loss in membership was 248, leaving a net gain of 1,091. Receipts of the year total \$4,157.85. Cash on hand amounts to \$1,284.32. She received \$129.56 from various Chapters for the Near East Relief.

The Grand Officers were installed by P. W. G. M., Sister Florence T. Davis, assisted by Grand Marshal, Sister Esther E. Harris. The Quartette rendered appropriate music during the ceremony. After the installation, a profusion of choice roses and flowers of all kinds were presented to the outgoing and incoming Officers.

Past Grand Matron's and Past Grand Patron's jewels were presented to Sister Ferguson and Brother Meader, by Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Colburn.

Social events were: On Tuesday evening, September 12, the annual banquet of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons Association was held at Rogers Hotel. Wednesday evening, September 13, the Annual Reception was held at the Opera House from 8 to 9 o'clock. Refreshments were served. An orchestra played during the evening, and a concert program was given by the Harvard Quartette and a reader, Miss Goodspeed.

A special pleasure was afforded the Grand Chapter, when Mrs. Churchill generously opened her beautiful home, and gave the members an opportunity of viewing the wonderful collection of Indian relics and minerals, one of the largest in the United States.

## NEW JERSEY

### Fifty-second Annual Session

Newark

January 18—19, 1922

M. W. Grand Matron, Dr. Emilie Rundlett.

M. W. Grand Patron, Mr. Harry Hayward Farrier.

This Grand Chapter Session convened in Kruger's Auditorium, January 18, at 10.30 A. M.

The Grand Matron opened the Grand Chapter in full form, after it had been called to order by Sister Frances Boone, Past Grand Matron.

During the year, 21 Emergent Sessions were held for the purpose of instituting new Chapters, all of which received charters at this session.

The Grand Matron presents a very business-like report of her year's work. She pays a beautiful tribute to the memory of R. W. Grand Treasurer, Sister Elizabeth Winter, P. G. M., at whose bedside she sat and watched her pass away so calmly, that she could not help but feel that she was at peace with God and man.

A special feature of the year's work has been to provide linen for the new Wing which had been added to the Masonic Home. Response from the Chapters were very generous, and linens of all descriptions, valued at more than \$2,000 were contributed. She installed the officers in 27 Chapters, 82 Dispensations were granted by her, and 10 refused. She approved the By-Laws of 25 Chapters, revised By-Laws of 4 Chapters, and approved amendments to By-Laws of 48 Chapters. The Chapters in this jurisdiction contributed \$2,470.25 for the Near East Relief and \$225 to Colorado Flood victims.

The Grand Patron reports a busy, prosperous year. Twenty-six applications for Dispensations for new Chapters were reported, 21 of which were granted and Chapters instituted. Dispensation fees amounting to \$2,050 were turned over to the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Emma E. Farrier, reports total membership, 30,265, net increase during the year, 6,473; number of Chapters, 163; largest Chapter, Morning Star No. 22, membership, 743. This Chapter also had the largest gain in membership, 144 during the year. Total receipts for the year were \$28,731.60. Balance on hand, \$17,616.

The Grand Officers exemplified the work in a creditable manner, after which Stella Chapter No. 20 gave a very pretty drill.

With the assistance of the W. Grand Marshal, the officers for 1922-23 were installed. All of the new officers received flowers and gifts galore.

After prayer, the Fifty-second Annual Session was closed.

## NEW YORK

### Fifty-third Annual Session

City of New York

October 10, 1922

M. W. Grand Matron, Mrs. Clara S. Heisenbottle.

M. W. Grand Patron, Mr. Joseph Halter.

This Session was opened in the Ball Room of the Hotel Pennsylvania, City of New York, Tuesday morning at 10.00 o'clock.

Greetings were extended by the Grand Matron. Following this was a memorial given by the Grand Officers. The Choir sang "The Lost Chord."

The Grand Matron said "that because of the growth of the Order she had obtained this meeting place that, outside the delegates, there would also be ample room for 600 visitors."

A dinner was given at the Hotel Pennsylvania, which was a great success, for 1,751 guests were seated, and others came at the close. Those who were present enjoyed every minute of this wonderful evening.

No special request was sent out at the holiday season for Christmas contributions. A brief notice that voluntary subscriptions would be received was sent out. This fund added to that left from the previous year was the means of bringing much joy into the lives of our Home folks. Christmas Eve at midnight, twenty men and women of the local church choir gathered under the windows and sang Christmas carols.

The Grand Matron assisted in the dedication of the Masonic Temple at Whitestone. She asked for funds to beautify the grounds surrounding the Home, and \$17,026.98 was contributed. An auto bus was purchased for the comfort of the Home folks, an elevator was also installed so that invalids may be taken to the ground floor in wheel chairs. New York gained 14,078 members in the year 1921. Total membership is 102,092. In closing she said, "Every day of our life is a page of history which others will read, though we may not take the trouble to peruse it ourselves. The life next ours will be somehow different, better or worse, stronger or weaker, higher

or lower in the aims and achievements, because of our actions. It befits us to make each day a carefully written page of worthy aspirations and noble deeds, which we can recall without shame."

The Grand Secretary, Sister Annie M. Pond, reports the income for the year from all sources as \$139,371.27 and disbursements of \$103,751.68 leaving \$35,619.61.

The Grand Lecturer, Sister Crook, says, "We must do more for initiates than to teach them Ritual, Law, and History. We must develop in them a desire to live the principles of our Order, if we wish the future history of the Order to be one for good."

The Grand Historian, Sister Louise Reid, presented a splendid report of the Order in New York and elsewhere. She says: "While we have a record of many Presidents who were Masons, namely, George Washington, Andrew Jackson, James K. Polk, James Buchanan, Andrew Johnson, James A. Garfield, William McKinley, William H. Taft, Theodore Roosevelt and Warren G. Harding, she can find only one instance where the First Lady of the Land was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and she was Mrs. McKinley, who was an ardent admirer of the Great Sisterhood, which never became ordinary nor common."

The Grand Historian Emeritus, Brother Alonzo J. Burton, presented his report in which he says: "Scottish Rite Masons will spend \$350,000 to develop a welfare and educational center on a site adjoining the present Scottish Rite Cathedral in Minneapolis. Plans now being drawn indicate that the project will give Minneapolis one of the most complete cathedrals in the United States, as well as executive offices, schoolrooms, and an auditorium seating 2,000 persons." (A wonderful report).

Beautiful gifts were presented to the retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron. Other gifts were presented all of which were graciously acknowledged.

The Grand Officers were installed in their several stations by M. W. Joseph Halter, Grand Patron, assisted by M. W. Clara S. Heisenbuttle, Grand Marshal, and R. W. Spahn Everson, Assistant Grand Marshal.

## NORTH CAROLINA

### Seventeenth Annual Session

Asheville

June 13—14, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Belle Ash Peck.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. W. D. Meacham.

A fine cut of the new Shrine Wing, Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Greensboro, N. C., appears on the front page of these Proceedings.

The public opening took place Monday evening, June 12, and was a delightful occasion. Interspersed between the various addresses of welcome

and the responses were splendid musical numbers, solos, and quartette, which were greatly enjoyed. A drill by members of Esther Chapter, No. 12, giving all of the Eastern Star figures, was applauded, and proved a surprise feature of the program. A beautiful basket of sweet peas was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron by Mr. S. P. Burton, worshipful master, in behalf of Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 118, and John A. Nichols Lodge, No. 160 A. F. & A. M. Also an elegant bouquet of roses from Asheville Chapter No. 25, R. A. M., Cyrene Commandery, No. 5 and Council No. 9 was presented by Mr. Alphonso Cobb, Past Grand Commander, Knights Templar.

The formal opening of the Grand Chapter was held June 13, at 10.00 A.M. Junior Past Grand Matron, Mary Louise Allen, called the Grand Chapter to order and invited the Grand Officers to enter. "God Bless Our Eastern Star" was sung as the opening ode.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were heartily welcomed, as were also the Grand Representatives.

The Worthy Grand Matron, in her report says: "Whatever I have tried to do in life, I have tried with my heart to do well; whatever I have devoted myself to, I have devoted myself to completely. This has been my motto, and I bring to you today the report of my year's work."

Eleven Chapters were constituted, 25 official visits made and officers installed in 6 Chapters. The birthday of Robert Morris, August 31, was celebrated by the Chapters, the offering received at that time, was to be applied to the Home Maintenance Fund. An Endowment Fund for the Home has been started, which now amounts to over \$1500, nearly \$500 of this amount has been added during the year. She has visited the Orphanage many times during the year, and considers it a most interesting home to visit. One of her greatest pleasures, was to be present at the laying of the cornerstone of the Wm. J. Hicks Memorial Hospital, December 23, 1922. She is very proud of our Order having just a small part in this noble work. She visited the Home many times during the year, and it has always given her added strength to work for it, she has adopted many guests into Chapters, and they are happy to have them there. The adoption means to write letters to them, and remember them on their birthdays and any other time they wish. It makes the guests happy indeed.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Mary C. Weatherly, reports a membership of 3,876, net gain, 736; 7 Chapters have an enrollment of more than 100 members each and 3 Chapters have more than 200 each; the largest Chapter Greensboro, No. 14 has 290 members.

The Grand Treasurer, Sister Emma B. Siler, reported receipts for the year, \$12,991.43 and a balance of \$3,834.34 in the Treasury.

A splendid tribute to our Flag was presented by J. J. Phoenix, Past Grand Patron on June 14, which was Flag Day:

"It is proper that we should pause in our deliberations and offer a tribute of love, loyalty and respect to the Flag of our Country. No session of an Eastern Star Chapter is legally opened unless the National Flag is unfurled. Our membership is pledged to defend this Flag with their lives. No people ever lived under a Flag that exemplified as much Friendship, Love and Truth as the Stars and Stripes of the U. S. A. We renew our pledge of loyalty; and reverently pray that

'Long may it wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave'."

The Grand Officers were installed by Mr. J. J. Phoenix, Past Worthy Grand Patron, assisted by Mrs. Mary E. McRary, Grand Marshal, and Mr. C. M. Setzer, Grand Chaplain.

Beautiful gifts and flowers were presented to the outgoing and incoming Grand Officers.

In presenting the retiring Worthy Grand Matron with her Jewel of office Mr. C. W. Fowler, Past Worthy Grand Patron, spoke very feelingly of the love and esteem in which she is held in her home Chapter, and the excellent work accomplished in the Grand Chapter under her administration. Sister Mary Louise Allen, Past Grand Matron, expressed her pleasure in presenting the Past Grand Patron's Jewel to the retiring Grand Patron.

## OHIO

### Thirty-third Annual Session

Columbus

October 24—25—26, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Elnora D. Frohman.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. William S. Andres.

Promptly at 7.30 o'clock Tuesday evening, October 24, in Memorial Hall, Columbus, Grand Chapter was called to order, by Brother Harry J. Machle, Jr., Past Grand Patron. The Hall was most beautifully decorated with flags, flowers and ferns. As the Grand Officers entered the Grand Chapter room, they were preceded by the Matrons of the Columbus Chapters who gave a beautiful opening march. All Grand Officers were present but one. The Grand Marshal escorted "Our Flag" to its place in the East before the Grand Chapter was seated.

The Grand Matron announced that there was present a Brother whom all Ohio is proud to honor, Brother J. Ernest Teare, Past Grand Patron and R. W. Grand Trustee, he was escorted to the East and amid hearty applause, he was given the honor due his station.

Fourteen Past Grand Matrons and eleven Past Grand Patrons, were royally welcomed. Twenty-five Deputy Grand Matrons, and 38 Grand Representatives were each presented with a red rose of love as they took their

places in the East; Grand Honors were accorded them. Delaware's Grand Representative was among the number. Brother Frank M. Ransbottom, Junior Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, F. & A. M., was presented at the Altar by the Grand Conductress and after a cordial and sincere welcome by Sister Frohman, Worthy Grand Matron, was escorted to the East. A splendid address of welcome in behalf of the City of Columbus was delivered by Mayor James J. Thomas who is a Thirty-third Degree Mason. Grand Patron, Wm. S. Andres responded fittingly.

The Grand Matron reports that every chartered Chapter in the State has been visited either by the Worthy Grand Matron, or the Deputy Grand Matron of the District.

Of the Chapters visited, 33 had never been visited by a Grand Matron, while others had not had an inspection in 10 or more years. She was made an Honorary Member in 59 Chapters. She installed officers in 4 Chapters, 215 Dispensations were granted, and By-Laws and amendments to By-Laws of 158 Chapters were approved by her.

We had the honor of having Sister Frohman present at the organization of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, we well remember the inspiring talk she gave us on that occasion.

The sum of \$5,000 was set aside for an Eastern Star Relief Fund to be used in giving assistance to needy members of our Order in illness or in want in their homes.

The O. E. S. and Masonic Order work together in charitable work. During the past year \$4,000 was expended for Hospital purposes. More than \$4,500 was donated to the Near East Relief cause, 256 Chapters having responded to this plea. She had a wonderful year, she has gleaned from many sheaves and gathered much.

The Worthy Grand Patron began his report as follows: "My tent is folded, my year is ended. I shall not steal away, but, bravely and fraternally, press onward." He worked unselfishly for the upbuilding and uplift of the Order. As a just reminder he attended 287 meetings, traveled 13,353 miles wrote 4,739 letters, visited those who were ill in hospitals and homes and those who suffered and were in want, to the number of 672, Honorary membership 40 plus, instituted 19 Chapters, inspected 17.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Bessie Fargo Boice, presents her eighth annual report, showing a net gain in membership of 6,747. Balance on hand in the various funds are: General, \$82,538.38; Memorial, \$2,996.17; Endowment, \$18,975.22.

The initiatory work of our Ritual was exemplified by the Grand Officers, degrees being conferred upon 2 candidates.

The usual jewels were presented to the retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron and beautiful gifts were received by the Grand Officers, all responded with thanks.

The seventh annual banquet and meeting of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons Association, was held on October 24, at 2 P. M. A "Round Table" discussion gave much pleasure and profit to all present.

## OKLAHOMA

### Fourteenth Annual Session

Oklahoma City

April 11—12—13, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Sarah A. Morris.

Worthy Grand Patron, Dr. Howard A. Wagner.

Grand Chapter met in the Masonic Temple, April 11, 1922, at 2.30 P. M.

Grand Chapter was called to order by Sister M. Alice Miller, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, of the General Grand Chapter. The Past Matrons' Club of Oklahoma City, of which the Grand Matron is a member entered in a body. They sang one stanza of "Smiles" and presented the Grand Matron with a beautiful corsage bouquet. The Grand Matron was also presented with a gavel made by the boys of the High School, they requested her to use it during the session.

Grand Master of Oklahoma, Leslie H. Swan, on behalf of the five Masonic Lodges of the city, gave a cordial welcome to the Grand Chapter. He paid a tribute to the administration, and called attention to the time when he was Worthy Patron, and the Grand Matron was Worthy Matron of Oklahoma Chapter No. 10. Sister Pearl Spence, Worthy Matron of Nova Chapter, extended a hearty welcome in behalf of the four Chapters of Oklahoma City and an able response was made by the Associate Grand Matron, Blanche B. Neal. She said: "Do we realize our splendid opportunities? If this is an 'age on ages telling', then the Order of the Eastern Star should so build and sow that future generations shall rise up to call us of this age blessed."

The "Flag" was carried to the East by the Grand Sentinel, Brother A. J. Wier, and the salute given by the Grand Chapter.

Thirty-five Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Associate Grand Patron, B. H. Hope. We note that Delaware's Representative was among them, we are very happy to have Sister Decker represent us.

The roll call showed 17 U. D. Chapters represented, who were heartily welcomed by the Grand Patron.

The Grand Matron appointed 9 District Deputies, 22 new Chapters were constituted, 48 official visits made, officers installed in 8 Chapters, attended 25 Schools of Instruction, issued 4 circular letters, granted 37 Special Dispensations and sent out 1000 Christmas cards. She had the pleasure of visiting the Grand Chapters of Kansas and Texas and derived much pleasure and profit from their sessions. She was elected to Honorary membership in both Chapters. She was honored by being elected a patroness of Mem Chapter of Acoth of Oklahoma University, and had the extreme pleasure of



being invited to a dinner at Acoth House, after which she was initiated. She found the ceremony very impressive and that it was in close relation to the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Masons of the State. At the present time there are 14 active Acoth Chapters in the United States.

The Grand Patron was a busy man. It had been his goal to establish Chapters only in vicinities that were fully able to take care of them, and to make their Chapters a credit to the Order. He instituted 19 new Chapters, all are in a flourishing condition, 4 have applied and petitions have been mailed; also had 7 applications which he turned over to his successor. He accompanied the Grand Matron on many of her official visits.

Sister M. Alice Miller, O. E. S. Representative on the Masonic Home Board, presented a very interesting report. Forty children and 14 old people have been received into the Home during the past year. The allowances for the year amounted to \$8,937.83, an increase of \$3,607.53 over the previous year. April 1, 1922, there were in the Home, 71 boys, 51 girls, 4 old ladies and 12 old men, a total of 138. The Eastern Star built a Chapel on the Masonic Home grounds which cost \$11,508.26, which is a splendid monument of lasting endurance to the kindly thoughtfulness of this Grand Body in providing a place of worship for the Home family.

The Grand Secretary reported a net gain in membership of 4,919 during the year. Fifteen thousand three hundred and forty-five dollars and fifty-five cents was received during the year.

The Grand Treasurer's balance was \$19,671.77.

Sister M. Alice Miller, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, acted as installing Officer. Beautiful gifts and flowers in profusion were presented to the outgoing and incoming Officers.

## ONTARIO

### Seventh Annual Session

Ottawa

June 26—27—28, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Taylor.

Worthy Grand Patron, Dr. G. G. Elliott.

The Seventh Grand Session convened in the Horticultural Building, Lansdowne Park, Monday evening.

The Grand Officers were escorted by the Ottawa Ladies Patrol. As the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron reached the East a large electric "welcome" flashed forth. The Worthy Grand Matron was presented with a beautiful bouquet of sweet peas and roses.

The Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were escorted to the East. As the Grand Matron received the two flags in the East, she intertwined the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes.

Cordial welcoming addresses were given by Mayor Plant of Ottawa, Past Worthy Matron, Della Kennedy and Selma W. Mason, to which Associate Grand Matron, Sister E. E. Rockwood, responded.

The Worthy Grand Matron welcomed the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. Sister Alice Meadows responded to the address in well chosen words.

Brother Alfred C. McDaniel, Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter and Sister Minnie E. Keyes, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, were introduced, welcomed and accorded Grand Honors. Both were made Honorary Members of the Grand Chapter of Ontario. Later in the Session, Brother McDaniel addressed the assembly on the subject of Extraneous Degrees, stating fully and clearly the reasons for the attitude taken by the Officers of the General Grand Chapter to these organizations. No official action either favorable or unfavorable to the White Shrine of Jerusalem was taken at this session.

The Grand Matron granted 74 Dispensations, made 68 official visits, installed officers in 11 Chapters. She instituted 2 Chapters for the Grand Patron. She recommended that all members be required to commit to memory the obligation within 60 days after initiation. For the 'Good of the Order' she says, "The doors of opportunity for well doing are so many. Visit often, to a friend's house (and the Chapter is the House Beautiful) the way is never long. Be courteous to visitors. Be generous in judgment. Be liberal to the needy. Encourage the downhearted—there are some. Open the reserved. Share the intellect God has dowered you with as well as the sentiment. Human sympathy thrives on human intercourse."

The Florence Nightingale Fund, which is a Home Fund, now has \$5,901.08 on hand. Contributions for this fund amounted to \$3,504.83 this year.

Grand Secretary, Sister Laura E. Moore, submitted a good report. The net increase in membership was 2,431 and 1,952 were initiated during the year. Membership, 11,247. Chapters, 95.

The Grand Patron, either in person or by Deputy, instituted 11 new Chapters. His Home Chapter, Unity No. 20, honored him by conferring upon him Life Membership. He was also honored in the same manner by 4 other Chapters in Ontario. He expresses the hope that his successor in office has the support and as enjoyable a term of office as he has had.

An impressive Memorial Service was held. A page in the Proceedings was dedicated to the memory of Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Lorraine J. Pitkin. Sister Pitkin organized the first Chapter of O. E. S. in Ontario.

Sister A. May Ralston, Past Grand Matron, in a very impressive manner, acted as installing officer, assisted by Sister Minnie E. Keyes, Right Worthy Grand Secretary.

"God be with You Till we Meet Again" was sung and Grand Chapter closed to meet at Windsor, Ontario.

## OREGON

## Thirty-third Annual Session

Portland

June 13—14—15, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Minnie C. Letson.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Frank J. Miller.

This Grand Session convened in Pythian Temple, Tuesday, June 13, 10.00 A. M.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East where they were given Grand Honors and presented with beautiful bouquets from their respective Chapters.

Conforming to the established custom, the National Colors were borne into the Chapter room and to the East by the Associate Grand Patron. After being received by the Worthy Grand Patron, the audience began singing the "Star Spangled Banner". A beautiful tribute to the "Flag" was given by Sister Jennie G. Rinehart, Past Worthy Grand Matron.

"Fair Flag of the land that we love and revere  
 With a strength that shall never grow less,  
 We greet thee, the symbol of all we hold dear,  
 The hope which we cherish, the faith we profess.  
 We pledge our allegiance and all that we are  
 To thee and the country whose emblem thou art,  
 May the years find thee dearer, each stripe and each star,  
 As thy glory shines back from the patriot heart."

Cordial addresses of welcome were given and responses made. Twenty-five Grand Representatives were greeted by the Worthy Grand Patron.

The Grand Patron welcomed 13 Past Grand Matrons and 4 Past Grand Patrons, assuring them of the need of their presence in the Grand Chapter, and their assistance in the work.

The Grand Matron in her address added a personal greeting in addition to the gracious welcome which had already been extended. She granted 26 special Dispensations, held 8 Schools of Instruction, approved By-Laws of 2 Chapters and amendments to By-Laws of 20 Chapters. She appointed 21 Grand Representatives and recommended the appointment of 22 Grand Representatives. She issued 2 circular letters. She visited all Chapters but one, and was royally entertained and welcomed. "Kind words, beautiful flowers and many gifts" were showered upon her which will always be cherished souvenirs.

The Grand Matron considered her visit to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home one of the most enjoyable events of the year. This Home was dedicated on June 14, 1922. The Ceremonies were conducted by the Masonic Grand Lodge. P. M. W. Grand Master, Will J. Moore, who is also chairman of the

Masonic and Eastern Star Home Committee, briefly addressed the assemblage, and introduced P. M. W. Grand Master, Earl C. Bronaugh, who invoked the divine blessing, which was followed by the dedication of the Home by Most Worshipful Grand Master, Frank S. Baillie. I regret that the address delivered by George T. Cochran, Senior Grand Warden, cannot be given in full, it is a gem of rare value.

Grand Matron, Minnie C. Letson, also delivered a splendid address. She concludes as follows: "The Masonic Order and the Eastern Star are really the Father and Mother in this splendid home. Here may we joyfully labor together for the comfort and happiness of our beloved family; here may we in reality provide for the widows and orphans; here may we aid, comfort and protect the aged and helpless; here may Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness abide. Surely we have cause to be grateful today that our Home is completed, and for the splendid opportunities that it furnishes us to prove to the world that we do indeed 'LOVE ONE ANOTHER'."

A fine illustration of the new Home appears in the Proceedings and also a group photograph of the guests of the Home. The total investment of all moneys expended to date is \$265,368.96.

The Grand Patron in his address says: "As I look into your faces, I thank the 'Star of Bethlehem' that the milk of human kindness will flow more abundantly because of our beloved Fraternity and because we are banded together for the service to humanity, having in mind always the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God." He instituted 4 new Chapters. He reported a prosperous year. Many new members were added to the Order, net increase being 1,994. Total membership, 19,069. Chapters, 128.

The Finance Committee reported a cash balance on hand of \$15,054.40, in addition to a time certificate for \$5000 and liberty bonds amounting to \$7500.

A reception preceded by a program and a beautiful Addenda, "Compass Lights" excellently performed by the Oregon Agricultural College Eastern Star Club, was a social feature of the Session.

Sister Ida Umbach, Past Worthy Grand Matron, at the invitation of the Worthy Grand Matron, acted as installing officer. After the installation many beautiful flowers, too numerous to mention in detail, were presented to the new officers from friends and Chapters.

A Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron.

Thus ended the Thirty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Chapter of Oregon.

## PENNSYLVANIA

## Twenty-eighth Annual Session

Harrisburg

June 13—14—15, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Alma L. Bayer.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Milford H. McCoy.

On Monday evening preceding the opening of the Grand Chapter, an informal session and reception was held in the Auditorium. The decorations were beautifully carried out in a combination of the National and O. E. S. colors. The rostrum in itself being a bower of Roses, Lillies, Ferns and Palms, a magnificent setting for the opening of the Twenty-eighth Annual Session.

The National Colors were borne into the room by Sister Carrie R. Lawrence, Past Matron of Kane Chapter, No. 165. The audience arose, and united in singing "The Star Spangled Banner", after which the "Pledge of Allegiance" was given in unison by the audience. The splendid music by the O. E. S. Chorus of 65 sisters, was enthusiastically received and greatly enjoyed. The Drill of the O. E. S. Patrol of Sisters was magnificent, some of the formations being a five pointed star, hollow square, O. E. S. Greek cross, three links and triangle.

Interesting addresses of welcome were given, and Past Grand Matron Jessie K. Berlin and Grand Matron Alma L. Bayer responded fittingly.

The Grand Chapter was opened in full form, all Grand Officers being present excepting Associate Grand Patron, Grand Esther and Grand Martha. A "Welcome Song" was beautifully rendered by the O. E. S. Chorus. Nine Past Grand Matrons and 8 Past Grand Patrons, 38 D. D. Grand Matrons and 27 Grand Representatives were cordially welcomed.

The Grand Matron opened her address with the following lines:

"Time flies, you say, Ah, no;  
Time stays, we go,  
Or else, were this not so  
Why need to chain the hours,  
For youth were always ours.  
'Time flies, you say, Ah, no;  
Time stays, we go'."

She says: "When last we met the dark cloud of the 'Edict' hung like a pall over our Order, but with faith in God and with steadfastness and loyalty on the part of my Sisters and Brothers, our beloved Order has been saved from extermination. The way has not always been clear and duty's path not always a pleasant one, but I feel confident that during the year there has been much progress. The growth of our Order has been gratifying. New Chapters have been constituted and the future is bright with promise."

Four Schools of Instruction were held, 5 new Chapters were constituted, 850 special dispensations were granted and 5 meetings of the Managers of the O. E. S. Home Board were held. She attended 17 District Meetings, and made 45 Official Visits. She was elected to Honorary Membership in 32 Chapters. Many luncheons, receptions and banquets were tendered her, and she was presented with beautiful gifts. She can proudly state that one of her fondest hopes has been realized, and that is—that the Order of the Eastern Star in Pennsylvania will "Carry On."

The Grand Patron performed the duties of his office according to the dictates of his own conscience, and has endeavored to do his share in promulgating the best interests and growth of our beautiful Order. He expresses his highest appreciation of the services rendered by the Worthy Grand Matron, no executive officer could have been more earnest and zealous in the discharge of her duties, and no doubt the future will prove that the good work she has done will bring splendid results. His first official visit was made on June 23, to his home Chapter, Grove City, No. 86, where he was honored by being made a life member.

He was made an Honorary Member in 15 other Chapters in different parts of the State. He accompanied the Grand Matron and other Grand Officers on visits to a number of Chapters and 11 District meetings; he considers that all of these meetings were of lasting benefit to the Order.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Adeline W. Barnes, reports that during the year 6,380 were initiated and 486 affiliated. Only 8 Chapters reported no initiations. Demitted 12,844. Gain by new Chapters, 181. Total membership, 56,135.

The Grand Treasurer reported a Grand Total of \$30,929.83.

The report of the Treasurer of the O. E. S. Home Committee of Managers, gives a total of \$11,090.48 to the credit of this Fund.

The initiatory work was exemplified by the Grand Officers in a very impressive manner. A beautiful Memorial Service, arranged by Sister Elizabeth Pollock, P. M., chairman of the Necrology Committee, was given at this time, with Sister Ethel Conrad, A. M., as soloist.

The newly elected Grand Officers were installed by the retiring Grand Matron, Sister Alma L. Bayer.

The retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron were presented with Past Officers Jewels. There were many presentations of lovely gifts and beautiful flowers. After singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" the Twenty-eighth Annual Session closed in regular form.

## RHODE ISLAND

## Twenty-seventh Annual Session

Providence

October 11, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Bertha Evelyn Parker.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Theodore E. Dexter.

This Grand Session opened in ample form in Freemasons' Hall, at 10.00 A. M., with all Grand Officers present.

The American Flag was borne into the Grand Chapter room by Brother Robert M. Pollard, a veteran of the Civil War. It was placed in position in the East and saluted by all present.

Fourteen Past Grand Matrons and eight Past Grand Patrons were presented and welcomed.

The Grand Matron with deepest gratitude reports the circle of Grand Officers unbroken. She granted 14 special Dispensations, made official visits of inspection to every Chapter in the State, installed the officers in every Chapter, on all of these occasions she was accompanied by the Grand Marshal, and nearly always by the Grand Chaplain.

On her Visitations and Inspections she was always accompanied by the Grand Patron, the Grand Marshal and the Grand Conductress, and nearly always by the Grand Chaplain and other Grand Officers. She has written 338 letters relating to Eastern Star matters within her own Grand Jurisdiction, and issued Christmas cards bearing the season's greetings. She has not tried to do wonderful things, but she has tried to be of use, for an understanding of the truth and beauty of our moral teachings. "Only usefulness and kindness, and here and there a simple word and deed."

The Grand Patron has endeavored by thought, word and deed to perform to the best of his ability the duties incumbent upon him as Grand Patron, and he has learned that those duties require intelligence, discretion and judgment. He assisted the Grand Matron at the Constitution ceremonies of 3 Chapters. It has been his privilege and honor to institute 2 Chapters. And finally as their Grand Patron he commends them one and all to the care and guidance of Him whose Star we have seen in the East.

The Grand Secretary, S. Penrose Williams, submitted his Twenty-sixth Annual report. Membership, 4,952. Increase, 759. Number initiated during the year, 813. Receipts, \$1,893.50. Disbursements, \$1,325.49.

The sum of \$200.00 was appropriated for the purpose of partially paying the expenses of the Representatives of this Grand Chapter, to the Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, which convened in Washington, D.C.

The Officers were installed by the retiring Grand Matron, Sister Bertha E. Karker. The newly installed Grand Matron, Sister M. Isabell Fiddes, presented her predecessor with the customary Past Grand Matron's Jewel.

The retiring Grand Patron was also presented with a Past Grand Patron's jewel.

This Grand Jurisdiction has no Fraternal Correspondence in its Proceedings, but a table showing the number of Chapters, the total membership of the Order and the increase for the year in the several Grand Jurisdictions as shown in their last printed Proceedings is included.

## SASKATCHEWAN

### Sixth Annual Session

Prince Albert

May 10—11, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Julia McCauley.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Harry Willmsmer.

The Sixth Annual Session of this Grand Chapter convened in the Masonic Temple on Wednesday morning, May 10th.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by Past Grand Matron, Sister May Irvine, who invited the Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room, and addressed them, extending the loyalty and affection of the members of the Eastern Star in Saskatchewan, and pledging their support, loyalty and confidence. The Grand Matron filled six vacancies in her official family.

The Grand Marshal presented the Canadian Flag to the singing of the National Anthem, after which the flag was displayed in the Grand East.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were cordially welcomed by the Grand Matron. Sister Rosche then sang, "Auld Lang Syne" which added to the welcome through the medium of song.

The Grand Matron reports a busy year. She appointed 36 Grand Representatives, constituted 7 Chapters, granted 12 Dispensations, refused 1, signed Charters for 7 U. D. Chapters, visited all chartered Chapters in the Province, approved the By-Laws of 9 Chapters, and amendments to By-Laws of 3 Chapters, installed the Officers in 6 Chapters, answered a number of questions and made one decision. She also makes 4 recommendations. In conclusion she says:

"I have come to the end of a wonderful year,  
 And I sit alone with my thoughts,  
 And my memory wings with fond echoes dear  
 Of the joys that this year has brought;  
 And I think, as I dream of this wonderful year,  
 Of naught but the joys I have known.  
 For the woes that once seemed to be so near  
 Like the shadows of night have flown."

The Grand Patron granted Dispensations for 10 new Chapters and in response to representatives that many were interested in the organization of Chapters, he has forwarded petitions and necessary information for the organization of 11 additional ones in the near future.



He considers the past year has been one of marked success in the addition of splendid material to their Grand Constellation. The study of "Astronomy" he has found exceedingly interesting and the creation of "Stars" in various portions of their very extensive jurisdiction has been very pleasing to him.

Fifteen Grand Representatives were present. They were welcomed by the Grand Conductress, Sister Irene Nicklin.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Violet M. Reilly, reports that the work in this Grand Jurisdiction had increased 50 per cent. and prospects are fair for a continuance of growth. This is but a reflection of O. E. S. work all over the world, unusually rapid growth, and great interest manifested in the Order. Membership, 1855. Chapters, 34. Net gain in membership, 305. Only 1 Chapter did not initiate candidates during the year. Assets, \$2,195.99. No liabilities.

Memorial pages were set aside for the beloved Sisters and Brothers of the General Grand Chapter, who have left us to resume their labors in the "Great Grand Chapter" above. Sister Ella Simmons Washburn, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Albert H. Turritin, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, and Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Right Worthy Grand Secretary, emeritus ad vitum, of the General Grand Chapter, known by the sacred title of "Mother" of the Order of the Eastern Star.

A beautiful and impressive Memorial Service followed immediately after the report of the Necrology Committee had been received.

It was adopted that the Province be divided into 4 Districts, and that the District Deputy Grand Matrons be Past Grand Matrons. A questionnaire for the D. D. Grand Matrons was prepared.

Sister Pearl McFetridge, P. G. M., installed the new Grand Officers. The installation ceremony was beautifully given, interspersed with appropriate music by Sister Blair of Mizpah Chapter No. 1. Many gifts were exchanged.

The very hearty welcome and feeling of good fellowship extended will long remain in memory of those privileged to unite here and renew the bonds of fraternal love and friendship.

## SCOTLAND

### **Eighteenth Annual Session**

Edinburgh

October 15, 1921

Glasgow

March 18, 1922

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Agnes Smellie.

Most Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. William Whyte.

The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland meets twice a year. The Half Yearly meeting is held in October and the Annual Session in March. A number

of Committee meetings are reported in the Proceedings. A great deal of the business seems to be transacted by these Committees, subject to approval of the Grand Chapter.

The Annual meeting opened in form. The Supreme Grand Chapter Office-Bearers and Members were accorded a hearty welcome by Sister Maggie J. Foulds, P. G. M., who presented the M. W. Grand Matron with the Gavel to preside over the meeting. Sister Foulds has the distinction of being the first Grand Matron of our Order in Scotland. "She did the spade work and did it well." Sister Smellie had her first office, that of a Star Point, under this Sister.

During the two years of Sister Smellie's term of office, 76 new Chapters have been instituted and 20,000 members have been added to the Order. She granted 30 Dispensations, installed the Officers in 17 Chapters. Her visits to the daughter Chapters were one of her pleasantest duties. The Supreme Grand Chapter Officers were received with the greatest kindness everywhere. She finds the best working Chapters are those where there is an entire absence of the Rituals. She strongly commends this to all. She congratulates Alexandra Chapter No. 5 on having a home of its own. She had the honor of opening their new Hall, which was bought and equipped by them for Star purposes. Her correspondence, like the Order, has been growing, but it has given her the greatest pleasure to help at all times when it was in her power. She has had many kind remembrances from America, and fraternal greetings as well, to all of which she has replied with pleasure. On Nov. 26, the endowment of a bed in the Royal Samaritan Hospital, was a dream realized. A large audience witnessed the impressive ceremony. After the ceremony, tea was served and all were shown over the Hospital. A tablet was placed over the bed which will be a permanent memorial to our Order in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The M. W. Grand Patron had the pleasure of instituting 8 new Chapters in Scotland, 2 in England, 2 in Queensland, 2 in New South Wales and 1 in Africa, which shows that our Order is making splendid progress in the Dominions across the seas.

The Grand Secretary reports that the year has been one of continued progress, despite the adverse industrial conditions, and that 9,227 new members had been added to the roll, making the total number 50,259.

The Grand Office-Bearers for the ensuing year were installed by Sister Agnes Smellie, M. W. G. M., assisted by Sister Barbara Young, Immediate Past Grand Matron.

The M. W. Grand Patron expressed his thanks to the members for re-electing him to his high office.

There being no further business, the Supreme Grand Chapter was closed in due form.

## SOUTH CAROLINA

## Fifteenth Annual Session

Columbia

June 21—22, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Elizabeth F. McDaniel.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Lucius L. Baker.

The Session of this Grand Chapter convened in Masonic Temple at 4 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, June 21.

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented, the Grand Chapter opened in ample form, with all Grand Officers present.

The Worthy Grand Matron was conducted to the Grand East with a beautiful floral ceremony.

Five Past Grand Matrons and 2 Past Grand Patrons were also present.

Brother Kenneth Baker, Past Grand Patron, delivered an eloquent patriotic address after the Flag was placed in the standard in the Grand East and the pledge of allegiance, in which the entire membership joined, was given. Many splendid welcoming addresses were given, to which appropriate responses were made.

The Grand Matron personally constituted 10 Chapters and installed the officers in 5 Chapters. She wrote more than 1000 letters and issued 3 circular letters, one to the District Deputies and 2 to the members of the Order. Three Schools of Instruction were held during the year, but she was able to attend but one.

All forms of Ritualistic work were exemplified and many questions of vital interest were discussed. She approved the By-Laws of 14 Chapters, granted 11 Dispensations, recommended the appointment of 18 Grand Representatives and appointed 11 Grand Representatives. In conclusion she says: "My heart is filled with very tender memories of my year's service. I see a great future for our Order, and I pray that this State may stand among the first in advancing it. 'Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them'."

The Grand Patron instituted 10 Chapters. In the limited time he has had, he has discharged his duties conscientiously, whole-heartedly and to the best of his ability.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Ida L. Wilson, presented her Tenth Report in which she says: "We have reason to believe that never in the history of the Grand Chapter has there been such an interest and enthusiasm in Eastern Star work as prevails in our Grand Jurisdiction today." The net increase in membership was 507. Columbia Chapter No. 59, is the largest Chapter in the State with 254 members. It also ranks first with 62 initiations. A Fund for a Memorial Home is being added to each year, it now has \$12,000 to its credit.

The Grand Secretary is also the Fraternal Correspondent, she has reviewed 53 Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

A beautiful and impressive Memorial Service was given. The Grand Chapter room was made very effective in the soft mellow light of many candles. The officers of Columbia Chapter No. 59 assisted in the ceremony.

This Grand Chapter approves the erection of an International Eastern Star Temple at Washington, D. C. The salary of the Grand Secretary was made \$500.

Sister Elizabeth McDaniel, retiring Grand Matron, installed the new Officers in a very impressive manner. Numerous gifts and flowers were presented to the outgoing and incoming officers.

A banquet given by Columbia Chapter No. 59 to members and visitors, was greatly appreciated by all.

## SOUTH DAKOTA

### Thirty-fourth Annual Session

Huron

October 11—12—13, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Lulu S. Wanzer.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Harry L. Harvey.

In Elks Hall, on Wednesday at 10.00 A. M., the Grand Chapter was called to order by Past Grand Matron, Jessie G. Harris.

The Grand Officers, led by the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, executed a beautiful opening march.

Major Otto B. Linstad, Associate Grand Patron, in full military uniform, brought in the Flag, first presenting it at the Altar, then carrying it to the East, between the two lines of Grand Officers, who stood at attention, and it was received in the East by Grand Patron Harvey, and all united in singing, "The Star Spangled Banner."

Beautiful addresses of welcome were given, to which appropriate responses were made. In beautifully chosen words, Sister Christine Hinman presented the Grand Matron with a floral key. Sister Wanzer accepted this "beautiful key" made of purple and white flowers, with a great deal of pleasure and placed it on the pedestal in the East.

Dr. Geo. A. Pettigrew, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, was then presented in the East and given the Grand Honors. (Brother Pettigrew was "our" first Most Worthy Grand Patron.)

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were conducted to the East, where they were accorded the Grand Honors, and presented with their badges and flowers; as they were escorted to their seats "Auld Lang Syne" was sung by a soloist.

The Grand Matron brings her report, not for the year of twelve months, but for sixteen months. She issued 4 circular letters, made 103 Official visits, 14 afternoon schools of instruction in connection with the evening meetings, has seen the work exemplified fully in all but 3 Chapters, and has given in-

structions in every Chapter visited. She appointed 18 Grand Representatives, and recommended the appointment of 18 Grand Representatives. She granted 48 Dispensations and refused 5. She approved the By-Laws of 2 Chapters and Amendments to By-Laws of 10 Chapters. She was elected to Honorary membership in 7 Chapters, installed the officers in 3 Chapters. She made 14 decisions and 7 recommendations.

The Grand Matron had the pleasure of being the guest of the Grand Chapters of Iowa and Nebraska. She was accorded Grand Honors and privileged to extend fraternal greetings from South Dakota. She was elected to Honorary Membership in the Grand Chapter of Iowa and also in the Past Grand Matrons' and Past Grand Patrons' Association of the Grand Chapter of Iowa.

The Worthy Grand Patron constituted 3 Chapters and granted Dispensations to organize 8 Chapters. He attended a number of Chapter meetings and the various Chapters of the State show a good growth and the interest in the work shows no diminution. His work during the past 16 months has been very pleasant, and his associations with the Grand Officers and members of the Order have been both pleasing and profitable.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Angie L. Williamson, reports a very busy year, much being accomplished in all lines of O. E. S. work. Total number of members, 17,484. Number of active Chapters, 145. Net gain, 1,841. Cash on hand, \$11,745.20. Home Fund \$23,415.00.

A very impressive Memorial Service, arranged by Mrs. Annie Bick, was given by the Past Grand Matrons.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Agnes M. Holdridge, has reviewed 58 official Proceedings of Grand Chapters. This has been a privilege which she appreciates. She closes her report with the following lines:

"If all that we say in a single day,  
With never a word left out,  
Were printed each night, in clear black and white,  
'Twould prove queer reading, no doubt.  
And then just suppose, e'er our eyes we could close,  
We must read the whole record through;  
Then wouldn't we sigh, and wouldn't we try  
A great deal less talking to do?  
And I more than half think that many a kink  
Would be smoother in life's tangled thread,  
If half that we say in a single day  
Were forever left unsaid."

The retiring Grand Matron, Sister Lulu S. Wanzer, installed the new Grand Officers in a very impressive manner. Presentations of gifts and flowers followed. After singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Chapter closed to meet at Mitchell, S. D., the second Wednesday in October, 1923.

## TEXAS

## Fortieth Annual Session

Dallas

October 24—25—26, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mary E. Roach.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. W. H. Mercer.

The Fortieth Annual Session convened in the Auditorium of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Worthy Grand Patron, W. H. Mercer, called the meeting to order and instructed the Associate Grand Conductress to invite the Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Gowned in pale lavender taffeta, with silver grape ornaments at girdle and silver slippers, the Grand Officers entered, carrying arm bouquets of Chrysanthemums of the same beautiful color. Led by the Grand Marshal, with stately dignity and grace, an intricate march was given. Ten beautiful little flower girls carrying baskets of rose petals formed an arch through which the Grand Matron was escorted to the East. The rose petals were showered upon her as she passed.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Bishop Garrett. Twenty-eight Choristers making the response, accompanied at the pipe organ by Mr. Wiseman.

Distinguished guests were: Sarah Maye Townsend, Worthy Grand Matron, and Shelly Sanderson, Past Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Arkansas. Sam. P. Cochran, Past Grand Patron, and Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee of the General Grand Chapter. Judge S. A. Penix, member of the Temple Committee of the General Grand Chapter, were presented in the East and cordially welcomed and accorded the Grand Honors.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, A. F. & A. M., Frank Johnson, was introduced by the Worthy Grand Patron, and given a cordial welcome.

Worthy Grand Martha, of the General Grand Chapter, Mabel Lee Eldridge, was introduced in the East, welcomed and presented with flowers from the Chapters of Dallas with expressions of their appreciation and love.

Dr. Alfred C. McDaniel, Most Worthy Grand Patron of the General Grand Chapter, was escorted to the East by the Grand Conductress, preceded by the Grand Marshal and Sister Buchanan who carried the Texas Flag which was presented to him by Texas at General Grand Chapter in Seattle, given Grand Honors and a most cordial welcome to the Fortieth Session of his own Grand Chapter. A song was sung at this time by Sister Annie Gene Sharp, of Ballinger.

Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and Grand Representatives, were introduced, welcomed and given the Grand Honors.

The Mayor of the City of Dallas, Mr. Sawnie Aldredge, delivered an address of welcome on behalf of the City of Dallas, and P. M. W. Grand Master, of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A. F. & A. M., Sam. P. Cochran, who is also a Past

Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, and Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee of the General Grand Chapter, extended a welcome on behalf of the Masonic Bodies. Beautiful and appropriate responses to these addresses were given by Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Mattie A. Sebitts, and Miss Jessie Mays, Past Matron, Dal-Cliff Chapter No. 574.

The Grand Matron says in her address: "Never before in the history of our meetings was there so much need of taking for the keynote of our session the principles of our Order—Charity, Truth and Loving-Kindness, for never in the world's history has there been a greater need of these splendid principles than at the present time." She made 167 official visits, attended 39 of the 40 Schools of Instruction, approved Amendments and By-Laws of 44 Chapters, granted 161 Special Dispensations, organized 2 new Chapters, made 4 visits to the Masonic Homes, wrote nearly 6000 letters, and traveled 18,433 miles in the performance of her duties. She has been made an Honorary Member of 11 Chapters and expressed her appreciation of this mark of esteem and pledged to each Chapter her loyalty. She had the privilege of attending the Grand Chapter of Arkansas. Every courtesy was shown her and she was made an Honorary Member of their Grand Chapter. In conclusion she says: "We have given unreservedly of our best and whatever have been our failings, may they serve as beacons of warning, whose kindly light shall guide those who may follow, that out of the wrecks of the irrevocable past our reward shall be a glorified Star."

The Grand Patron reported much unrest, not only in our own ranks, but with the Masonic fraternity as well. He objects to putting one cent toward the proposed O. E. S. Temple to be erected at Washington, D. C. His reason for doing so was that we could invest that money in other places with a much greater reward. It is the hope of many of the members that they will be in a position financially to maintain a Home for the children of deceased members, as well as for the old and indigent.

Three hundred and thirteen members of Subordinate Chapters have "crossed over" since the last session of the Grand Chapter. Especially has this Grand Jurisdiction been bereaved by the loss of Past Grand Matron, Sister Laura F. Seaman, who passed away after months of suffering. An impressive Memorial Address was given by Mrs. Mary E. Brower.

"They have but journeyed to a better shore,  
Unknown to anguish, bitterness and strife;  
They calmly wait, their loved ones lingering here,  
To meet and greet them in celestial life."

The Grand Secretary, Cassie C. Leonard, reports total membership, 53,019. Total number of Chapters, 660. Net gain, 3,773.

The Grand Treasurer, Miss Willie I. Pearson, reports cash, \$41,772.56.

Treasurer Board of Trustees, M. T. Bell, reports total, \$211,415.61, divided as follows: O. E. S. Home Building and Maintenance Fund \$161,946.36; O. E. S. Endowment Fund, \$49,469.25.

A resolution was passed giving authority to Subordinate Chapters to sponsor the Order of the Rainbow for girls.

A resolution was offered by the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Dr. Alfred C. McDaniel, providing that no Eastern Star member should hold office in any Subordinate Chapter who is affiliated with an Order which takes the O. E. S. as a basis for membership or uses the name of the Order of the Eastern Star in any manner whatever. This resolution was adopted.

A sufficient amount having accumulated to build an Eastern Star Home in Texas it was voted to procure building plans, and to erect a building, not to exceed \$150,000. After much discussion the site donated by Mr. and Mrs. Sam P. Cochran was decided upon.

Past Grand Matron, Flora A. Penix, acted as Installing Officer.

Past Grand Patron, W. H. Mercer, handed down the gold headed cane which is passed on from one Grand Patron to his successor.

After singing, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again", and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, this very successful session closed.

## UTAH

### Seventeenth Annual Session

Salt Lake City

October 12—13, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Georgiana Higson.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Fred J. Vicks.

The Grand Chapter Session convened in Masonic Temple at 10.00 o'clock A. M.

This was the first time in its history that all Grand Officers were present at the opening of the Session.

An appropriate poem entitled "Old Flag" was beautifully rendered by Sister Lillian C. Kennedy.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Willie Clay Keyes, cordially welcomed the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. Forty-four Grand Representatives were also welcomed. We note that Delaware's Grand Representative was among the number.

The Grand Matron says that she has not accomplished great things, but has endeavored to inspire enthusiasm for the high ideals of our Order, and to urge all to live daily by our obligation. She has been confronted, from time to time by evidence, that sufficient care has not been taken in the selection of competent officers. But 5 Chapters, in her judgment were doing excellent work. In most of the smaller Chapters a lack of knowledge of the laws of the Order caused discord and strife. She installed the officers in 6 Chapters, appointed 31 Grand Representatives and recommended the appointment of 21 Grand Representatives. She made 12 official visits, granted 6 Dispensations and issued 1 circular letter.



The Grand Patron instituted 1 Chapter, accompanied the Grand Matron on 4 of her official visits, which he enjoyed very much and regrets that he was not able to visit all of the Chapters. His advice for the "Good of the Order is excellent; he suggests that each Subordinate Chapter appoint a committee to instruct new members in the secret work as soon as possible after their initiation, that special emphasis should be placed on loyalty of members to the Officers, that the Ballot must be kept inviolably secret and discreet silence respecting the transactions of the Chapter should prevail at all times.

The Grand Secretary, Mrs. Frances G. Shields, reports 16 Chapters in the Jurisdiction, 8 Chapters have a membership of over 100 each and 3 Chapters have a membership of over 300. The net gain in membership during the year was 205. A budget of \$1,619.90 was allowed for the Grand Secretary's office, and all but \$24.18 was expended. Total amount in all funds, \$3,147.46.

The Grand Lecturer Sister Roxana G. Seaton, made 53 visits and gave instruction at many Schools of Instructions. Her experience has been that if you want knowledge, you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it; "Toil is the law, and when one loves his work, his life is a happy one." She has given close study to the needs of the Order, and hopes for years to be able to lend to this work her best endeavors.

An Eastern Star Board of Relief co-operates with a Masonic Board of Relief in taking care of wives and daughters of Masons. Total receipts of the year for this cause amount to \$270.50, and the disbursements were \$200.39.

The newly elected Grand Officers were installed by the retiring Grand Matron, Sister Higson, in her usual pleasing manner.

The retiring Grand Matron was presented with the emblematic jewel by Brother Vicks, retiring Grand Patron, who expressed his pleasure in having been her co-worker for the year just past.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain, after which the Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Session closed.

## VERMONT

### Fiftieth Annual Session

Burlington

June 7—8, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Josie H. Fay.

Worthy Grand Patron, Dr. John H. Miller.

This Golden Grand Session, convened in the Masonic Temple, June 7th, 1922.

The Assembly was called to order by Past Grand Matron, Mrs. Olive J. Stowell. The Grand Officers entered in a simple march, and assumed their stations. Then followed the presentation of "Old Glory" and the Vermont Flag.

Fourteen Past Grand Matrons and nine Past Grand Patrons, nine D. D. Grand Matrons, four D. D. Grand Patrons and Representatives from 75 Subordinate Chapters, were reported present by the Credential Committee.

Cordial "welcomes" were extended, to which suitable responses were given of such cheerfulness that all looked forward to a pleasant and profitable Session.

The Ritualistic Work of Fifty Years ago, was given by Ascutney Chapter No. 2. The Officers entered, dressed in the style of Fifty Years ago, and as they entered, the Lotus Quartet sang, "Just Fifty Years Ago". During the ceremony, music which was printed in the Ritual of that time was sung. A group picture of the officers appears in the Proceedings.

The Grand Matron's slogan for the year was "Be Loyal to Your Convictions of Right and Duty." She appointed 10 D. D. Grand Matrons, attended 10 District Meetings, visited 19 Chapters, assisted the Grand Patron in the constitution of 4 Chapters, and in the institution of 4 Chapters; installed the officers in 4 Chapters. Many waivers of Jurisdiction were granted by her. She has truly enjoyed receiving letters, but admits that it has kept her busy the year through trying to answer them. She makes 5 Decisions and 7 Recommendations. For the "Good of the Order" she says: Great errors are made by members in Subordinate Chapters not in knowledge that we are governed by the laws and regulations of the Grand Chapter, and that this Grand Chapter is supreme in all matters appertaining to its internal affairs, has the sole right to superintend and govern all Chapters within its jurisdiction. Only the Grand Matron and Grand Patron in office are to give instructions and make decisions.

The Grand Patron appointed 10 D. D. Grand Patrons, attended 10 District meetings, granted 14 Dispensations, made several Decisions, and approved By-Laws and amendments of By-Laws. He says: "I believe the time has arrived when the Eastern Star in Vermont should take a stand for those noble principles for which it stands and provide a Home for those who need its protection." He recommended that the membership of the Grand Chapter, in addition to the 10 cent tax which it already had, be assessed 90 cents per member, in order that they may have sufficient funds to maintain a Home and provide an endowment for the same.

"Days for deeds are few—My Sister and My Brother  
Then today fulfill your vow,  
If you mean to help another,  
Do not dream it, do it now."

The Grand Secretary, Miss Abbie F. Clarke, reports a year of progress both financially and numerically. Net gain in membership, 1,189. Chapters, 90.

An impressive Memorial Service was conducted by the Grand Officers. The service closed with a selection, "Sleep Thy Beloved" by the Lotus Quartet.

The Grand Officers were installed by Past Grand Matron, Sister Phyllis M. Burditt, who is also honored with the office of Worthy Grand Warder in the General Grand Chapter. During the installation ceremonies the Lotus Quartet

gave selections all of which were received with appreciation, and these added greatly to the impressiveness of the occasion and to the pleasure of those assembled.

Beautiful gifts and flowers were presented to the Grand Officers. This meeting will be remembered as one of the largest and most successful in the history of this Grand Jurisdiction. No further business appearing, the Grand Chapter was closed in ample form.

## VIRGINIA

### Eighteenth Annual Session

Bristol

May 10—11, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mary H. Flourney.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Ollie C. Hope.

The Eighteenth Session of the Grand Chapter convened in City Hall, at 10 o'clock A. M.

All Grand Officers were present except the Grand Secretary, Sister Henrietta Barbour, who was kept at home on account of illness. The Grand Secretary, having reported a constitutional number of delegates present, the Grand Chapter was opened in due form.

Mrs. Gertrude Bush, Past Matron of Bristol Chapter No. 28 gave an address of welcome, to which Miss Deahl Walsh, Associate Grand Matron, responded.

Three Past Grand Matrons and four Past Grand Patrons were present and were heartily welcomed by the Grand Matron.

Right Worthy Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Minnie E. Keyes; Associate Grand Matron of Tennessee; Grand Lecturer of the District of Columbia, Sister Mollie Teachum were introduced and welcomed. Some of these distinguished guests are Honorary Members of the Grand Chapter of Virginia.

The Grand Matron reported the chain of Grand Officers unbroken, but it was with deep regret she reported the passing away of Past Grand Grand Patron, Brother Countiss.

An impressive Memorial Service was held at this time.

"Let us pause for a moment with reverent breath,  
 Speak of the angel, whom mortals call death.  
 The gavel has sounded which none disobey,  
 For these friends tried and true do we sorrow today."

She sent out a circular letter to the Subordinate Chapters early in her term of office. She granted 21 Special Dispensations, appointed 24 Grand Representatives, approved the appointment of 27 Grand Representatives approved By-Laws of 2 Chapters and Amendments to By-Laws of 4 Chapters. She made 50 Official Visits. In company with the Grand Patron and his wife

she attended the institution of Harmony Chapter, U. D. She installed the officers in 6 Chapters. She has tried to impress the beautiful lessons of Charity, Truth and Loving-Kindness, and asks of her work the greatest of these.

The Grand Patron would like to see an Eastern Star Chapter established wherever there is a Masonic Lodge. He was rewarded for his devotion to the Order by having 14 new Chapters to his credit. He approved the By-Laws of 5 Chapters. He made a number of Official Visits and regretted that he was compelled to decline so many invitations from the Chapters in all parts of the State, as he thoroughly enjoyed the hospitality extended to him at all times, and in such abundant measure.

The Grand Secretary, Henrietta M. Barbour, submitted her Eighteenth Annual report. Membership, 6,038. Chapters, 63. Net gain in membership 1,235.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$3,536.91. Total amount in the Home Fund, \$16,705.99.

The Ritualistic Work was exemplified by the Grand Officers.

The Grand Officers were installed into office by Sister Nellie Bucher, Past Grand Matron of Virginia.

There being no further business to come before the Grand Chapter, the Grand Marshal by order of the Grand Matron, declared the Grand Chapter closed.

## WASHINGTON

### Thirty-fourth Annual Session

Seattle

June 15—16—17, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Edith E. Gattis.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Wm. A. Johnson.

The Grand Chapter was called to order promptly at 1 o'clock Thursday, June 15.

Grand Chapter opened in regular form. As the Grand Matron was seated Mrs. Leila Thatcher of University Chapter No. 83, sang an especially composed verse.

The Grand Marshal was directed to escort Sister Emma P. Chadwick R. W. A. G. Conductress of the General Grand Chapter, to the Grand East. This distinguished guest was welcomed and presented with flowers. As she was being conducted to the East, Sister Thatcher sang:

"There's a Star that's always shining,  
With a smile that's friendly, too,  
She is known as Emma Chadwick,  
Do we love her? Yes, we do;

Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress,  
 No better could be found;  
 We adore her in Grand Chapter,  
 And she's loved the whole State 'round."

The colors were presented by Justus Wiley, a veteran of the Civil War, and the Tribute to the Flag was given by the Grand Patron. This was followed by the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," after which all joined in the salute.

The Grand Matron records a year of many duties well performed. She granted 24 Special Dispensations and refused 10 Dispensations. She approved By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws of 70 Chapters. She visited officially every Chapter in the State, installed the officers in 5 Chapters, constituted 12 Chapters and assisted in instituting 1 Chapter. Thirty-three Schools of Instruction were held. These Schools gave an opportunity to gain that knowledge of all phases of the work of the Order, which they could not find under any other condition, and she can proudly and conscientiously proclaim: that the Chapters in the State of Washington today are weaving the picture of our Ritualistic and secret work so true to form, that their position of proficiency in the fraternal world is second to none.

The Grand Patron instituted 8 new Chapters and approved the By-Laws of each Chapter. He visited many Chapters, and had the opportunity of visiting the Grand Chapter of Illinois at its annual meeting in Peoria. He also visited the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, receiving a most cordial welcome from each.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Mabel C. Gunlach, reported total membership 28,702. Chapters, 189. Net increase in membership for the year, 3,965. Balance on hand in the General Fund, \$14,990.22.

The Eleventh Annual Report of the Trustees of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home showed that the cost of maintenance is but about \$1,000.00 greater than last year; the increase being mainly in the extra help, nurse hire, fuel and outside relief. Total cash on hand and investments of the Home amount to \$187,824.97. Monthly allowances for relief to worthy members outside of the Home have amounted to \$2,665.00 the past year. Under the care of Brother Bassett, Home Librarian, the Home Library affords reading matter in abundance for the members.

At the invitation of the retiring Grand Matron, Past Grand Matron, Ida McQuesten, installed the newly elected Grand Officers. All of the newly installed Grand Officers received an abundance of nature's choicest flowers from their respective Chapters and from their friends. The Chapter room was transformed into a bower of beauty and loveliness such as only these "messengers of love" can produce. Many valuable gifts were received by the Grand Officers. After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Sister Gattis, through the courtesy of Sister Miller, closed the Grand Chapter.

## WEST VIRGINIA

## Nineteenth Annual Session

Clarksburg

October 3—4—5, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Elizabeth Chafin.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Tom G. Strickler.

The Grand Chapter convened in the Masonic Temple at 8 o'clock P. M., and was called to order by the Grand Patron, Tom G. Strickler.

The Flag was borne to the East by the Grand Marshal, after which the Grand Chapter gave the oath of allegiance and sang "The Star Spangled Banner."

Cordial addresses of welcome were extended to 14 Past Grand Matrons and 5 Past Grand Patrons, and to Mrs. Lulu Howard, of Ohio, Grand Representative of West Virginia in Ohio. Responses to these addresses were made, expressing appreciation for the cordial welcomes extended. Seventeen Grand Representatives were also welcomed.

The Worthy Grand Matron opened her address with the following stanza:

"After a year's work of days we meet again,  
To share our pleasures and our pains,  
To pledge the best of what we are,  
To the work of our beloved Eastern Star."

Although she says, "many well laid plans have gone astray because there were not days enough in which to work them out", judging by her address, she rendered splendid service to our Order, in this State, and has a record to be proud of.

An impressive Memorial Service was held as a tribute to the memory of those who have crossed the "Silent Sea," during which Flowers of Affection were placed upon the Altar of Remembrance.

The Grand Matron visited 46 Subordinate Chapters, constituted 3 Chapters, granted 45 Dispensations, installed the officers in 4 Chapters, was elected to Honorary Membership in 6 Chapters, made 4 Recommendations (all approved), appointed 14 Grand Representatives and recommended the appointment of 20 Grand Representatives. She voices her sincere appreciation for the many courtesies extended her, the receptions, dinners and luncheons given in her honor, for the beautiful flowers and gifts that have been bestowed upon her, and hopes to be ever worthy of these beautiful honors, and wishes for her successor, the same never-failing support that it has been her privilege to enjoy.

The Grand Patron's address was short and businesslike, he reports 4 Chapters instituted; he received many invitations to visit Grand and Subordinate Chapters, but visited only 4, he makes no recommendations, he considers they should be made by the Grand Matron.

The Grand Secretary, Anna S. Hoffman, reports 89 Chapters with a membership of 11,057, the net gain in membership was 1,036. Total receipts were

\$11,260.92, balance in the checking account of the General Fund, \$5,458.98. General Fund invested in Liberty Bonds, \$5,609.25; Home Fund, checking account, \$3,475.69. Home Fund, invested in Liberty Bonds, \$11,348.93. Charity Fund, invested in War Savings Stamps, \$135.04. Total in all funds, \$26,027.89.

The Finance Committee recommended that \$250.00 be allowed for entertainment during this Grand Session. A resolution was passed that the Grand Chapter donate \$200.00 from the General Fund to the Near East Relief.

The Grand Officers were installed by Mrs. Dollie M. Strickler, with Mrs. Joanna Bishop acting as Grand Marshal and Miss Bessie Barbor as Grand Chaplain. Many beautiful gifts were presented to the retiring and incoming Grand Officers.

Next Annual Session to be held in Huntington.

## WISCONSIN

### Thirty-second Annual Session

Milwaukee

October 3—4—5, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Mayme May Pease.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Riley S. Young.

Promptly at 2 o'clock P. M., in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, the Grand Chapter was called to order by the Grand Marshal, who instructed the Associate Grand Conductress to invite the Grand Officers to enter the Chapter room.

"Old Glory" was borne to the East by the Grand Marshal, escorted by the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, after which the salute to the Flag was given, and all joined in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance.

The usual addresses of welcome and responses were given. Twenty-nine Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were presented and given Grand Honors; they were cordially welcomed by the Grand Matron.

The Associate Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Montana, Sister Anna Smalley was presented, escorted to the East, and accorded the Grand Honors; she was cordially welcomed by the Grand Patron.

The Grand Matron, in her address reports a busy year. There were 10 Chapters constituted, granted 30 Special Dispensations, ten of which were to ballot and initiate the same evening. She installed the officers in 3 Chapters. Thirty-one Dispensations were refused. She issued 2 circular letters, one for the Near East Relief, and another calling attention to the Masonic Home and to the fund being subscribed for the Eastern Star Hospital to be built at Dousman. She rendered 23 Decisions and made 6 Recommendations. She has made 40 Visitations and found that most Chapters visited were doing splendid work; and the Order steadily growing in interest as well as numbers. She considers one of the most pleasant experiences of the year, the making of friends, for

"Life can hold no greater treasures  
Than the friends whose love we share."

She could ask no greater favor for her successor than the wish that she receive the same kindness from the members that has always been tendered to her.

In submitting an account of his stewardship, the Grand Patron says, that while the year has not been one of great growth in the number of Chapters, it has been one of unusual activities and growth in the membership of the Chapters in the State. Four Dispensations were granted to begin new Chapters and these were instituted. Harmony prevailed throughout the year and all worked with but one purpose in view, the upbuilding of the Order.

The Grand Secretary's report showed that there were 237 chartered Chapters and 5 under Dispensation. Total membership was 37,875. Net gain, 3,714. Milwaukee Chapter No. 2 is still the largest, with Monona No. 5 and Bethany No. 105, close seconds. The former has 891 members and Bethany 837.

A special assessment of 50 cents per member was voted to be levied upon each member of the Order for the purpose of increasing the Eastern Star Hospital Fund.

The Treasurer reported a balance on hand in the General Fund of \$9,867.71.

The Grand Lecturer reported 66 visits made, the Order in Wisconsin is growing so rapidly, not only in the number of Chapters, but in the number of members in the individual Chapters, and the demand for thorough instruction in the approved method of performing our various ceremonies has kept pace with the growth. One of the most favorable signs of healthy growth is that a number of Chapters requested an official visit for inspection.

An impressive Memorial Service was held under the direction of the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Viola Heyter.

"Rest Thee, oh wearied precious ones,  
Rest Thee in peace for aye;  
Beyond the Stars there comes no blight,  
The long glad day shall know no night,  
And heaven is thine, alway".

After the newly elected and appointed Grand Officers had been duly installed a shower of flowers, numerous and beautiful, were presented from their individual friends and Chapters, each officer responding happily.

There being no further business, the Thirty-second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin was closed in regular form.



## WYOMING

## Twenty-fifth Annual Session

Rawlins

September 11—12, 1922

Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Viola Mechling.

Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. William H. Dickinson.

This Grand Chapter appropriately celebrated its Silver Anniversary at this Session.

Sister Anna Bristol, who presided as Grand Matron when the Grand Chapter met in Rawlins in 1902, called the Grand Chapter to order. After the Grand Matron and Grand Patron had been escorted to the East, Sister Clara Dickey Dickinson, Past Grand Matron, on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons' Association, presented to Sister Bristol a sheaf of red roses.

The Flag was borne to the East by the Grand Marshal; a pledge to the colors was given and "America" was sung by the members present, after which the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form.

A special welcome was extended by the Grand Matron to all pioneer members of the Order in Wyoming who had received the degrees by communication before Chapters were organized and to those who were members at the time of organization of the Grand Chapter in 1898, and are now enrolled as active members in Subordinate Chapters. As this Honor Roll of 125 names was called, those present responded and by invitation of the Grand Matron, were assembled in the West, while the old song "Auld Lang Syne" resounded through the Temple; they were afterwards welcomed by Sister Carrie Fisher McLaughlin, P. G. M., who also presented each with a beautiful rose.

Eleven Past Grand Matrons and five Past Grand Patrons were graciously welcomed by the Grand Matron and Grand Patron. The Grand Secretary was instructed to send messages of greeting to all absent Past Grands.

Associate Grand Patron, Brother William Pugh, cordially welcomed 23 Grand Representatives; we are pleased to note Delaware's Representative, Sister Lillie E. Townsend among the number. A charming greeting was received from Wyoming's Grand Representative in Indiana, Sister Addie C. S. Engle, P. G. M., her message closing with the following bit of clever verse:

"A bright silver milestone you're passing today,  
 May silvery radiance e'er gild your long way  
 'Till, when the same number of years have been told,  
 You reach that great milestone whose capping is gold,  
 And all along that journey no wild storm can mar,  
 If, like Magi of old, you follow the Star."

In her address the Grand Matron says she did not expect to perform the duties of such an office to the complete satisfaction of all or even herself,

but she has earnestly endeavored to be governed by the Laws we are bound to obey. Very different is the opening and close of a year. Hope, with bright plans for the future, swings wide the door for entrance, while regret stands at the end and holds up before our eyes the mistakes, failures and unrealized ambitions. She would ask that the mistakes of the year be not covered up with the mantle of charity but be used as stepping stones for the guidance of her successors to strive for greater results. (The true Eastern Spirit.) She pays a tribute to those who have answered the roll call to that Grand Chapter on High. The usual Christmas Greetings were extended in behalf of the Grand Chapter. She granted 18 Special Dispensations, appointed 16 Grand Representatives and recommended the appointment of 18 Grand Representatives, approved By-Laws of one Chapter and amendments to By-Laws of 9 Chapters. Every Chapter received an official visit. The suggestion was made that an office of "Grand Lecturer" be created and the term of office be 4 years.

The Grand Matron had the pleasure of being the honored guest of Sessions of the Grand Chapters of West Virginia, New York and Ohio. She visited the office of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Keyes in Washington, D. C., and in the evening attended a meeting of Bethany Chapter No. 24, the occasion being the official visit of the Grand Matron of the District of Columbia, and her staff of Officers. She also visited Chapters in several other States, and in all places she has been received and honored in a manner becoming her station.

The official duties of the Grand Patron were few outside of routine acts. One new Chapter was instituted and the Grand Patron was deputized to visit and instruct this Chapter. He reports peace, harmony and fraternal love prevailing in every Chapter of this jurisdiction.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Inez M. Robinson, submits her Twenty-first Annual Report. All Chapters reported and paid per capita tax within the prescribed time, and for the first time in many years no reports were returned to Secretaries for correction. Oak Leaf Chapter leads in point of members, having 458. Ft. Casper leads in the number of members initiated, having conferred the degrees upon 35 candidates. The receipts of the year amounted to \$3,520.41, and the expenditures were \$3,258.93. Membership, 5092. Chapters, 36. Especially, has the Grand Secretary appreciated the faithful and cheery subordinate Secretaries. Together with the Grand Matron and Grand Patron they all labored in happy accord with but one thought in mind—the advancement and brightening of our Star in the firmament of Wyoming and the success of their Silver Anniversary Session. She concludes her report with the following: "They fail, and they alone, who have not striven."

This Grand Chapter endorsed the Order known as "Job's Daughters," and Sister Mechling was later appointed Guardian of this Order for Wyoming.

A most welcome and distinguished visitor was present on the last evening of the session when Brother Frank A. Holliday, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming, A. F. & A. M., appeared in the Grand Chapter room and was the signal for a rousing applause. While the Grand Lodge and the O. E. S. have labored in perfect accord throughout the years, this occasion marked the first appearance of a Grand Master of Masons, officially honored as such, in any Grand Chapter session, but "the tie that binds" was drawn a bit closer by this happy event.

A School of Instruction was held the day after Grand Chapter adjourned, at which Chapter work was freely discussed. An annual conference of Subordinate Secretaries during the Grand Chapter sessions has become an established and most profitable custom. In many Grand Jurisdictions this gathering is commonly known as "The Goat Club."

The Past Grand Matrons' Association held its Annual Banquet at 6.30 P. M., on Wednesday, September 13, when 12 Past Grand Matrons assembled in the Ferris Hotel, to enjoy the wonderful five-course dinner which had been arranged for by the committee, after which a business meeting was held.

A parting of the ways, when the retiring Grand Matron bids farewell to her associates of the year, is always fraught with a tinge of sadness. On this occasion the Grand Matron in a beautiful little ceremony and well chosen words presented to each one of her Grand Officers a fragrant rose. The Installation of Grand Officers followed. Gifts were presented to retiring and incoming Officers.

There being no further business to come before the Grand Chapter, after singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," the Twenty-fifth Session of this Grand Chapter was declared closed.



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