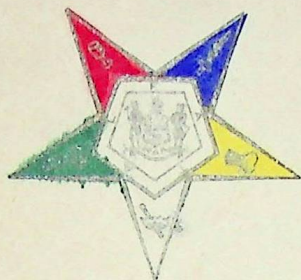


Grand Chapter of Delaware
Order of the Eastern Star



1945

PROCEEDINGS
of the
TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
GRAND CHAPTER
of
DELAWARE
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

May 16th and 17th, 1945

Wilmington, Delaware

INFORMAL OPENING

1:00 P. M. WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1945

The 24th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, was held in the duBarry Room of the Hotel duPont on Wednesday and Thursday, May 16 and 17 known as the Golden Rule Session and dedicated to the Worthy Grand Matron's mother, Sister Elizabeth Cathcart, a member of Five Points Chapter No. 13, the home chapter of the Worthy Grand Matron.

The patriotic decorations, symbolic of the year's work, harmonized with the simplicity of the room. As one entered the beautiful room, the dove of peace could be seen resting upon the miniature globe of the world, with streamers connecting the Red Cross Emblem and the Navy Hat, symbolic of the adoption of the L. S. M. No. 421, and the visitations made to the four base hospitals in the State. The Service flag in the East with one Star was in honor of a Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Frederick Stout, serving in the Pacific theatre.

The informal opening was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Sarah Elizabeth Riffin, P.W.G.M. The Grand Marshal, Sister Bessie S. Norris, entered carrying the American Flag, followed by the Christian Flag carried by P. W.P., Frank P. Keys; State Flag, P.W.P. Harlan L. Cloud; Eastern Star Flag Grand Sentinel Charles W. Krapf and Red Cross Flag P. W. M. Anna M. Harrington, a member of the "Three Gallon club".

An impressive drill was given by the marshals, worthy matrons and associate matrons of the subordinate chapters (acting as pages) ending in the formation of a guard of honor as the Mother of the Worthy Grand Matron was escorted to the East by the Grand Conductress, Sister Alice C. Abbott, her grand niece.

A reverent ceremony dedicated a white altar bible and a Christian Flag, gifts of the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons Association.

The invocation and prayer for the boys and girls in the Armed Forces was given by the Rev. H. C. Jeffers of the First United Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, the home church of Worthy Grand Matron. Dr. Willard G. Purdy, Pastor of the First and Central Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, gave the address, his subject being "The Golden Rule".

Selections were rendered at intervals by Mr. Wm. E. Smith, accompanied by Miss Jean Smyrk, students from Westminster College in Maryland.

Divine Service

Divine and Memorial Service was held on Sunday evening, May 13, 1945 at 8:00 P. M., in Olivet Presbyterian Church, 4th and Broom Streets, Wilmington, Delaware. The Rev. Dr. Luther M. Bicknell presided at the service, and the Rev. H. C. Jeffers brought the message, "Victory Over Death."

Music was furnished by the Star Treble Chorus, and Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware.

Social Activities

The banquet honoring the Grand Officers was held in the New Century Club on Tuesday evening, May 15, 1945. The invocation was given by the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cheston R. McCormick, after which the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag was given, followed by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb, Worthy Matron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, banquet chairman. An inspiring talk was given by the Hon. Wallace W. Woodford, Mayor of Dover, Delaware. Following the banquet, gifts were presented to Sister Pierce and Brother McCormick. Entertainment was furnished by the Chester, Pa. Y. M. C. A. Glee Club. Dancing followed.

Luncheon

The annual luncheon was held at the Hotel Rodney on Thursday, May 17 at 12 o'clock noon. Group singing under the leadership of the Star Treble Chorus Director, Sister Emma Wheeler, was entered into freely by those in attendance. Song sheets were furnished by Sister Ella Cleaver who very ably sketched the portraits of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron on each song sheet. The Sessions Chairman, Sister Riggin, composed the songs and served as general chairman for the luncheon.

A dinner was held in Parlor "J" at the Hotel duPont on Wednesday evening at 6 P. M. by the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons Association. Sister Florence A. Plummer, Right Worthy Grand Trustee, was guest of honor.

Grand Chapter called to order by General Sessions Chairman P.W.G. Matron Mrs. Sarah E. Rigglin.—Presenting P.W.G. Matron Mrs. M. Etta Keys and P.W.G. Patron Mr. Jay W. Miller. Worthy Grand Matron was welcomed by Sister Keys.

It is an honor and a happy privilege to welcome you, our Worthy Grand Matron, to the opening of your "Golden Rule Session."

The year just passed which we are now to review, has been rich in experience, and has been lived as far as humanly possible, in a manner that answers "Yes" to your Watch Word "Am I doing" and in obedience to your motto "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them for this is the law and the prophets."

As our Worthy Grand Matron you have been ever mindful of our duty to our service men and have led our members in initiating a new program of loving service, spreading far the light of our Eastern Star to comfort those who have given so much to preserve for us our American way of life.

We bid you a loving welcome and we wish you joy and happiness that comes from work well done. May your session be peaceful in conduct, rich in results, fraternal in spirit and progressive in action. We are ready to serve you and help make this possible.

Just ten years ago, Brother Miller and I stood in the East in your home Chapter and I extended to you the Gavel as the new Worthy Matron of Five Points Chapter and today I am more than happy to extend to you the Gavel as Worthy Grand Matron to preside over the Twenty-Fourth Grand Chapter Session of Delaware.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Jay W. Miller also welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Grand Honors were then accorded them, after which the Worthy Grand Matron accepted the Gavel.

After the Grand Officers had taken their respective stations, the Officers of Five Points Chapter No. 13 honored the Worthy Grand Matron with a ceremony in which each officer presented a red rose with a verse of scripture pertaining to "Love".

Grand Secretary called the roll of officers and Constituent Chapters. All Grand Officers present with the exception of Grand Electa who was ill, Grand Organist and Grand Esther, responded to Roll Call and all fifteen Chapters were represented.

At the Opening of Grand Session, fifteen (15) Chapters represented and 150 voting members present.

(S) Arzie P. Lewis, *Acting Chairman.*

Tribute—American Flag—Grand Marshal Mrs. Bessie S. Norris Five Points Chapter No. 13.



Worthy Grand Matron
ELIZABETH E. PIERCE
1944-1945



Worthy Grand Patron
CHESTON R. McCORMICK
1944-1945

In paying tribute to our beautiful flag, among this wonderful gathering of sisters and brothers, and at a time when chaos and destruction permeates the whole world, I feel it is appropriate to give thanks to God that we are privileged to enjoy the protection, happiness and liberty that it insures.

Our flag is an emblem of unity, freedom, power and purpose as a nation. Red is for courage, zeal, fervency, white is for purity, cleanness of life and rectitude of conduct. Blue is for loyalty, devotion, friendship, justice and truth.

Our flag, lovingly called "Old Glory", is unfurled from every corner of the globe, a symbol of hope to oppressed peoples, making no distinction between great or small, rich or poor.

"Flag of the United States of America, fond eyes welcome you, warm hearts cherish you, dying lips give you their blessing. Ours by inheritance, ours by allegiance, ours by affection."

Pledge of Allegiance—Singing "Star Spangled Banner."

Tribute State Flag—P.W. Patron Mr. Harlan L. Cloud—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

We of Delaware are all acquainted and conversant with the History of our State Flag, its colors of buff and colonial blue, the emblems thereon, and what they represent.

It is most fitting therefore, at this time in the crisis of our nations history, to pause and review the part our State displayed in the formation of the Thirteen Colonies into what is now the United States of America.

At the close of the war of the Revolution everything was in confusion. Each of the Colonies or what was left of them were sovereign unto themselves and had that condition been allowed to remain, strife and discord, mutiny and lawlessness would have prevailed.

Wise heads, however, recognized what would happen to this young and struggling Republic if these conditions continued to exist, and a system of fundamental laws were therefore framed and adopted by a Convention called for that purpose in 1787, and which, the Constitution of the United States of America, was subsequently ratified by each state separately, and went into full operation on March 4, 1789.

We of Delaware are proud that our state was the first to ratify that Constitution, in 1787, a Constitution that was to guarantee full freedom to all men, regardless of race, color, or creed, and in recognition thereof, we salute and pay tribute to Thee, the Flag of our State of Delaware.

Singing—"Our Delaware."

Tribute Eastern Star Flag—P.W. Matron Mrs. Ida Kapp—Georgetown Chapter No. 9.

We pay Tribute to the beautiful Flag of our Order, and recall that those who have seen his Star in the East, are dedicated to Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness. Its colors are an inspiration to us in our daily lives, the Blue teaches us to be true and faithful, the yellow to be obedient and just. The white to live pure and upright lives, the green to be trustful with a faith to believe, and the red to be earnest in the service of truth, and as we look upon it, may we gain a new vision of love and service, and reconsecrate our lives to the Star of the East.

"God bless our Eastern Star Banner
To it may we ever be true;
For faith and love in the Father above
Are the precepts we're clinging to.

And we who have seen His Star in the East
Believe in the wonderful Plan
Pledging Bethlehem's Star and America's Flag
For the Brotherhood of man."

Singing "Star of Love"—Star Treble Chorus.

Tribute Christian Flag—Grand Chaplain Mrs. Frances A. Huber—Five Points Chapter No. 13..

Thousands of years before the Star shone in the East to tell of Christ's birth, God gave the Jews the Ark of the Covenant. This symbol of Faith was to be carried before them wherever they journeyed. To them it was a promise from God to man, an evidence of God's greatness and power. It was only after they had dishonored that beautiful symbol that their nation did fall.

We too, have been given a symbol, the Christian Flag, the banner of Jesus Christ, whom we love and whom we serve. This is the only banner that may be flown above the Flag of our Country. On the Sabbath Day, the Christian Flag flies above our Country's flag to tell the world that this nation is the one Nation under God that has this ever before us.

May we never dishonor this beautiful banner of Faith lest we too shall fall. May we ever be permitted to repeat:

"Faith of our Fathers, Holy Faith,
We will be true to thee 'till death".

Singing—"In the Cross of Christ I Glory."

Tribute Red Cross Flag, Past Worthy Matron, Mrs. Anna M. Harrington, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

Tribute to the Red Cross Flag

The Red Cross Banner was first unfurled for service in this Country in September, 1881, when the local chapter, at Dansville, New York, just established by Miss Barton sent aid to forest-fire sufferers in Michigan. Ever since that time the Red Cross has continued to give its efficient aid wherever needed. Our Country has cause for deep gratitude of Clara Barton.

It is a very simple thing—this flag we serve. It is strong in its simplicity—its lines are rugged—its color inspiring, and yet it stands for the highest good in mankind. It typifies the one light that is never extinguished no matter how deep, how penetrating the black out. I call on you to salute with me the flag of the Red Cross—to pledge anew our service to its cause. There is none nobler.

We salute you, O Red Cross Flag—wave on forever, a beacon light of service to all.

May we through you hear the call of suffering and want and may you float on amidst the strife, a symbol of healing and comfort until peace shall come to all the world.

Singing, "Rose of No Man's Land."—Star Treble Chorus.

Address of Welcome, Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb, Worthy Matron, Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

I deem it a most happy privilege to extend to you a cordial welcome to this the 24th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of Eastern Star.

I am fully aware of the present day travelling curtailments and the necessary hotel restrictions and to those of you who have undergone these hardships to be at our Session, and to those who are attending our Session for the first time, I extend a warm greeting. May your stay with us be ever so enjoyable and may your recollections of this Session be treasured gems in the archives of your Fraternal life.

This Session has been properly named by the Worthy Grand Matron and the Worthy Grand Patron, as the "Golden Rule Session", and their year has been dedicated to Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness, and we of the Order of Eastern Star of Delaware can truly vouch as to the fulfillment of this dedication.

The "Motto" as taken from Matthew 7th Chapter, 12th verse "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets" should be kept forefront in our minds, especially during these years of conflict and strife.

We realize what the absence of fraternalism has meant in the war-torn world. Let us be ever mindful, therefore, of the great good that can be attained, as members of the Order, in a just and lasting peace. During the past year, in promulgating this spirit of service, many visitations were made to those in need, particularly the members of the armed forces, and the theme of service is exemplified in the motif of the decorations.

May your burdens be lightened by wise counsel and your journey through life be brightened by the friendships here established, and may the subject of this entire session be one of peace and harmony.

Response, Mrs. Helen C. West, Associate Grand Matron, Frankford Chapter No. 12.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers: Your gracious welcome Sister Grubb makes us happy to be here. Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron I am happy to have the privilege of responding.

We have assembled from all parts of the State and as we enter into our deliberations let us pledge ourselves anew, that this Session may be both a profitable and a happy one and that you will take away memories of happy associations, old friendships renewed, and new ones made.

We are not unmindful of the time spent by the Session committee to make this room both beautiful and comfortable for us and our guests. We thank you for all your efforts.

Worthy Grand Matron to respond to this welcome was a delightful task and I thank you for this courtesy. We wish for you and our Worthy Grand Patron one of the best Sessions ever.

Welcome—Worthy Grand Maron.

Worthy Grand Matron's Welcome to her Mother

At this time I would especially like to welcome my Mother, to whom I have dedicated this Grand Chapter Session:

"Some folks love us when we're good
Others, when we're bad
Some folks love us when we're gay
Others, when we're sad.
It takes some special quality
To win the World's applause
But Mothers are the only ones
Who love us just "because".

Presentation of Distinguished Guests

Sister Florence Plummer, Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter was presented at the altar. Welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, invited to the East and given Grand Honors. Sister Clara A. Reuter, a Member of the General Grand Chapter Educational Committee, was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted to the East and given Grand Honors. Past Worthy Grand Matron, Ella Spencer of Virginia was presented at the Altar, welcomed, invited to the East and given Grand Honors.

Sister Story, Mother of Eastern Star, was presented at the Altar, welcomed, invited to the East and given Grand Honors.

Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons were presented at the Altar, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Response—Past Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt, and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Grover C. MacNamee.

Welcome to Grand Trustees by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Response by Mr. Ferd L. Reuter.

Welcome to Deputy Grand Lecturers by Worthy Grand Matron.

Response by Sister Florence E. Fader, Deputy Grand Lecturer, Newark Chapter No. 10.

Welcome to Grand Secretary Emeritus, Mrs. Lilly Ann Pyle.

Welcome to Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons 1944, by Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Response—Mrs. Elizabeth A. Lank, Sussex Chapter No. 7 and Mr. Raymond K. Grubb, Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Welcome to Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons 1945, by Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

We have come to the end of another year; not a perfect one, not one that we had hoped for this time last year. We are thankful that the war in Europe is ended but we had hoped for Peace upon the entire world. Peace as only our Heavenly Father can give, but God knows best.

We sincerely trust that all will enter into this Session with open hearts and minds, that we may accomplish much for the good of our Order.

May our fraternal friendships be strengthened and may we have the feeling within us, that it was good to have been here.

We ask Divine guidance in all our acts.

A sincere welcome to each of you.

Response—Mrs. Mildred J. Wilgus, Victory Chapter No. 15 and Mr. Leroy W. Beatty, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

Welcome to Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters, by Grand Secretary Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher, St. John's Chapter No. 4.

Response—Past Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, Secretary, Newark Chapter No. 10.

Presentation of Grand Representatives—Welcome by Associate Grand Patron, Mr. Charles V. Cleaver, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

Response—Mrs. Virda Simpler, Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Grand Representative of Virginia.

Presentation of Pages, welcome by Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Response—Mrs. Alice M. Minner, St. John's Chapter No. 4.

Welcome to Grand Guardian, Asso. Grand Guardian, Bethel Guardian, Asso. Bethel Guardian, Bethel No. 1, Wilmington, Order of Job's Daughters.

Director of Star Treble Chorus Mrs. Emma Wheeler, Mizpah Chapter No. 2, was presented in the West, introduced and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Past Worthy Matron Mrs. Pauline Davis and Supt. Mr. Robert Davis, Masonic Home of Delaware, were presented in the West, introduced and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Welcome was extended Star Treble Chorus by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. Response was given by Mrs. Lorraine C. Putzier, President, Five Points Chapter No. 13.

As the Minutes of the Grand Chapter Session of 1944 were printed in the Proceedings, it was moved by Past Worthy Grand Patron, Jay W. Miller, and seconded by Past Worthy Grand Patron, Robert W. Larrimore that the reading of same be dispensed with. Motion carried.

The Worthy Grand Matron announced changes in her Committee appointments:

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: Mabel Gibney replacing Mary Porter; Elvira Ziegler replacing Mildred Martin. During the year she also appointed the following committee—L. S. M. Fund, Sarah E. Riggin, Chairman; M. Etta Keys, and Charles V. Cleaver.

WEDNESDAY—8:00 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by General Sessions Chairman P.W.G. Matron Mrs. Sarah E. Riggin—Presenting P.W.G. Matron Mrs. Martha W. Krarf, P. W. G. Patron Mr. John L. LeCompte.

Entrance of Grand Officers

Opening Ode—"Old Rugged Cross".

Grand Marshall called Grand Chapter from recess to resume work.

Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons who had not been presented in the afternoon were presented, welcomed, escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

Annual Report of the Worthy Grand Matron

SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

Three hundred and sixty-five days have flown by with their precious memories, since you bestowed on me the greatest honor that can come to a Sister in this State, that of being elected your Worthy Grand Matron.

I am grateful to our Heavenly Father that he has kept us from destruction by our enemies, and that the Golden Links of our Grand Family are still welded together, and may the associations we have had, one with another, this year; become lasting friendships.

I have tried to create a spirit of Loving Kindness during this year and exemplify, through my daily living, "The Golden Rule". If I have been successful, you, alone, are the judge.

If I have come to a better understanding of my sisters and brothers, if I have gained a tolerance that I did not have before, if I have a broader outlook on life and its problems, it has come through the opportunity that you have given me.

To those members who are faithful in attending Grand Chapter, and are not here on account of illness, my very best wishes go to you for a speedy recovery.

To those of you who are present, I extend a hearty welcome and thank you sincerely for your co-operation and interest in your Grand Officers this year. May you enjoy a very happy Grand Chapter Session.

In Memoriam

One of the sorrowful duties I have had to perform was attending the funeral of one of the finest members of the Order of the Eastern Star I have ever known; Past Worthy Grand Matron Sister Lilly Schofield Riley.

To know her was to love her, and her devotion to her home Chapter Radiant No. 6, kept her active in the Order long after her physical condition did not permit her to attend the meetings.

We feel her presence is with us tonight, in the beautiful basket of flowers which is in the East, in her memory. They will be taken to Silverbrook Cemetery tomorrow morning and placed on her grave.

*Even death has a wonderful Mission,
Tho it robs us of those we love,
It draws our hearts from our surroundings
To long for that meeting above.*

*No matter how heavy our loss is,
No matter how great our despair,
Doesn't Heaven seem nearer and brighter—
To know that some loved ones are there?*

We, of the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware, extend our expressions of sympathy to the General Grand Chapter in the loss of the Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, Sister Flora E. Campbell and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron Brother Alfred C. McDaniel. Both of these faithful members of the O. E. S. were known, not only to the early members of our order in the State but were known and loved all over the world.

They will be greatly missed, and while others will fill the vacancy left by their going, their memories will linger forever with those who knew them. It can be truly said of them, as in James 2:22 "By works was faith made perfect".

We were sorry to learn of the going on of Sister Margaret Wanless, member of the Welfare Committee of the General Grand Chapter, at her home, on December 1, 1944.

To the Subordinate Chapters who have lost valued members, our hearts go out in sympathy; but may we live that when our summons comes to join them in that realm where flowers never fade and sorrows come no more—we may hear Him say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

To our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, I extend my deepest and heartfelt sympathy.

A memorial service will be held tonight, in loving remembrance of those who have been called to their eternal rest.

*Tho from our chain these Golden Links
Have fallen from our sight;
Still we are sure that He knows best,
His will, not ours, is right.*

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Official Acts

My first official act was to appoint (with the aid of the Worthy Grand Patron) those who were to carry on the work of the Grand Chapter. I shall not read these names as they appeared in the proceedings of 1944 and have been read in each of the Subordinate Chapters.

May 18th—Received the resignation of Sister Mary E. Porter from our Credentials Committee and appointed Sister Mabel L. Gibney to fill the unexpired term of two years.

May 28th—Instructed the Grand Secretary to send letters to Mizpah Chapter No. 2 and Radiant Chapter No. 6, Wilmington, and Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville, advising them of the change in their Deputy Grand Lecturers.

June 1st—Sent first official letter and call for prayer for "D" Day and notice of official visits.

*To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of
the Subordinate Chapters in Delaware, O. E. S.:*

DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

Your Worthy Grand Patron joins me in sending greetings to the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware in this our first official letter.

We thank you for the honor conferred upon us and we will endeavor to be worthy of your confidence.

As the aim and purpose of every Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron is to strive for uniform work in all Chapters and knowing the willingness of all the officers to do their very best, we feel that this goal will be reached.

We are asking you to keep before you always, the Motto for the year—"The Golden Rule" and to question yourself each day. Am I doing unto others as I would that they should do to me? If we thus live, we may be assured that our Order will grow in Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness.

We are wishing for you a very pleasant vacation and trust that when you return to your Chapters in the fall, it will be with greater devotion to your God, your Country and your Chapter.

Confident of your wholehearted support and looking forward to many pleasant evenings in your Chapter Rooms, we are

Sincerely and fraternally

Elizabeth E. Pierce, Worthy Grand Matron
Cheston R. McCormick, Worthy Grand Patron.

June 1, 1944.

To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware O. E. S.:

GREETINGS:

In many of our homes, our loved ones have gone into the service of our Country, risking their lives and sacrificing the comforts of home, that we may continue to have "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness", which has been our heritage for many years.

We are reading in our daily papers about the coming invasion and "D" Day. Your Worthy Grand Patron and I are asking that when this day comes, will you as Eastern Star members, following the Star of Him who brought peace into a troubled world, resolve to take a few minutes each day during this dreadful period and pray for those boys and girls who are participating in this terrible conflict, and that a permanent peace as only our Heavenly Father can give, may reign upon this earth, forever; for God has promised in Matthew 20:4, "Whatsoever is right, I will give you."

Trusting that in some small way our prayer may lighten the task of these boys and girls, we are

Sincerely,

Elizabeth E. Pierce, Worthy Grand Matron
Cheston R. McCormick, Worthy Grand Patron.

June 5th—Informed Sister Helen C. West, Asso. Grand Matron, that I would be out of the Jurisdiction from June 12 to June 14th, inclusive.

June 12th—Left Pennsylvania R. R., in Wilmington, accompanied by the Grand Conductress, to attend the Golden Jubilee Session of the Grand Chapter of Penna.

June 14th—Returned to Wilmington from Pittsburgh.

June 20th—Visited Brandywine Chapter No. 14, the home chapter of the Worthy Grand Patron. This was my first visit to a subordinate chapter since my installation, other than my home chapter on May 25th.

June 25th—Attended meeting of Job's Daughters and acted as organist for their installation ceremony.

June 25th—Accompanied by the Grand Conductress Grand Chaplain, Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron from Five Points Chapter, and eleven members from New Castle, Newark, and Five Points Chapters, we travelled to Washington, D. C. Despite disappointment, we spent a lovely day and I was grateful to Brother Fleming, of Five Points Chapter, for the stroll of SEVEN blocks, after our delightful dinner.

June 27th—Requested Grand Secretary to send letters to Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters, requesting them to attend a meeting at the home of the Grand Secretary on July 13th, for uniformity of work among the Secretaries.

June 27th—Requested Grand Lecturer to send letters to Deputy Grand Lecturers requesting them to attend a school of instruction to be held on August 16th, 7 P.M. in Masonic Temple, Newport, Del.

July 13th—Attended meeting of the Secretaries of subordinate chapters, nine secretaries present. I feel much good was accomplished, and this will be of assistance to the Grand Secretary in the future.

August 2nd—Requested Grand Secretary to notify Georgetown Chapter and all Subordinate Chapters, that the date of Grand Visitation to Georgetown Chapter would be changed from Sept. 15th to Nov. 3rd.

August 16—Attended School of Instruction, conducted by Grand Lecturer, in Masonic Temple, Newport, for the Deputy Grand Lecturers; all Deputy Grand Lecturers, except three, were present. I wish to thank the Officers of Five Points Chapter for exemplifying the work, and the cooperation of all who attended. Despite the heat, the school proved to be very beneficial.

September 5—Held meeting of the Educational Loan Comm. for the purpose of selecting a chairman. Brother Grover C. MacNamee, the retiring member, was selected.

September 5th—Instructed Grand Secretary to send letters to Subordinate Chapters notifying them of change in the date of Grand Visitation of Frankford Chapter, from October 11th to November 8th.

September 10th—Accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Conductress, Grand Ruth, Worthy Matron and Asso. Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, attended the reception given in honor of Sister Minnie E. Keyes, in recognition of 25 years of service as the Right Worthy Grand Secretary and had the honor of acting as hostess in the dining room also in the Right Worthy Grand Treasurer's office.

September 21st—Instructed the Grand Secretary to send the following letter accompanied by the bulletin received from Sister Margaret Shepperdson to all Subordinate Chapters.

To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters Order of Eastern Star in Delaware:

GREETINGS:

The Most Worthy Grand Matron has requested that an Educational Rehabilitation Program be started throughout the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter. This project is to care for the education of the children who have been left fatherless by this terrible conflict.

You responded so beautifully last year when called upon to help with China Relief, I feel sure you will not fail to do your very best for this worthy cause. They were just our neighbors, these children, are our very own.

I am asking that each Worthy Matron appoint a committee to work as a Rehabilitation Committee in your Chapter, she will know the proper number that is required for such a committee. If each member will contribute something, no matter how small, the result will be amazing. I am hoping for \$500. Am I asking too much?

If you do not care to accept the above plan, you can use the plan outlined for you in the enclosed bulletin, but if you do accept the above plan, send your contribution direct to the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, 1614 North Union Street.

Will you try to have this in the hands of the Grand Secretary not later than December 1st?

Please have your secretary write directly to me as to what plan you have taken. Looking forward to meeting you in your own Chapter room for a very pleasant evening, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,
Worthy Grand Matron.

October 4th—Notified Asso. Grand Matron that I would be out of the Jurisdiction from Oct. 10th to the 13th inc., attending the Diamond Jubilee session of the Grand Chapter of New York.

October 10th—Left Penna. R. R. Station in Wilmington, accompanied by the Grand Conductress, Grand Lecturer, Grand Representative to New York, Worthy Matron, Asso. Matron and Conductress of Brandywine Chapter, to attend the Grand Chapter of New York.

October 11th—Due to illness, returned from the Grand Chapter of New York

October 23rd—Sent the following Thanksgiving letter:

October 23, 1944.

To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Member of Subordinate Chapters of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star:

"O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good. His mercy is everlasting and His truth endureth to all generations."

SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

This is the time of the year when our hearts turn in thanksgiving to Him from whom cometh every good and perfect gift.

We, as members of the Eastern Star in America should be exceedingly grateful when we realize the fate that has befallen our Order in other countries. Our Country has not suffered any destruction; we are still privileged to hold our meetings without fear or trembling.

You are called upon at this time of the year to give to various organizations and while we have no part in the maintenance of the Masonic Home, we know they do appreciate our gift of canned goods, fruits and jams. With the point value so high on canned goods, I realize that your response to this request cannot be all that you would wish to make it, but I am sure any gift, whether it be canned goods or otherwise, will be appreciated.

Be sure when you take your gifts to the Home that a card bearing the name of your Chapter is placed with the package. This will help Mr. and Mrs. Davis in acknowledging your gift. You have been very generous in the past and I am counting on you now.

May each of you enjoy a very happy Thanksgiving Day. I am,

Sincerely,

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, *Worthy Grand Matron.*

Oct. 29th—Instructed Grand Secretary to write to Sister Julia M. Storey advising her to use her own judgement in voting the stock of the Grand Chapter at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corp. meeting, to be held November 30th.

November 16th—Requested the Worthy Matron of Chapter _____ to arrange the officers in the chapter room as outlined in the ritual.

December 13th—Appointed Sarah E. Riggin, Past Worthy Grand Matron, as chairman of the L.S.M. Adoption Fund and authorized her to represent the Grand Chapter and meet the Captain of the ship to ascertain what was most needed.

December 24th—Accompanied by Past Worthy Grand Matrons, Sisters M. Etta Keys, Sarah E. Riggin, Martha W. Krapf, and Clara A. Reuter, Asso. Grand Patron Chas. E. Cleaver, Grand Secretary Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Marshall Sister Bessie S. Norris, Grand Trustee Bro. Ferd Reuter, Director of the Star Treble Chorus Sister Emma Wheeler, we attended the Commissioning of the L.S.M. No. 421 by invitation of the Captain in appreciation of the adoption of the crew by the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of Eastern Star. I am unable to tell you where this took place as we were all sworn to secrecy.

December 26th—Instructed the Grand Secretary to send the following letter relative to adopting the Crew of the L.S.M. No. 421

December 26, 1944

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware:

DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

First may I say to you, I hope your Christmas has been happy. This is the season when we all want to make gifts to those we love, unconsciously suggested to us I believe because it was at this season, so many years ago, God made the great gift of His Son to us. He came to bring peace on earth, but as yet men have not been willing to forget self and greed and to have sufficient faith to follow His star and as a result of our wickedness our world is in a state of war. Many of our young men and women have risked their life and too many have given their life that we may continue to enjoy our homes and freedom. To them, you and I owe a debt we shall never be able to pay.

It has been our policy to ask you first for contributions for any given project and then to spend your funds as carefully as possible. This time we have reversed this procedure. There was a ship that had been christened and was about to be commissioned. It would soon sail away to a place miles from here. Ships leaving here have all been sponsored by some individual or organization. This ship of which I speak had no one to sponsor it. I am sure you feel as we did about this matter. We could not let these fifty-nine men and their ship sail into the battle area without a sponsor, especially at this time of the year. I therefore appointed Sister Sarah E. Riggin, Past Worthy Grand Matron, Chairman to meet the Captain of this Ship

and find out what we could do. What the men wanted most was a sewing machine. A new machine and extra supplies for it, was bought and put on board ship in the name of the Grand Chapter of Delaware. Sister Riggins will no doubt write to your Chapter soon and tell you more about the ship.

In addition to this project, the Grand Chapter wishes to take in February, some cheer to service men located in the hospitals in Delaware. Will you be as generous as possible and send your check for these two projects to Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Secretary as soon as you can. If there are any members who wish to make an individual contribution it will be greatly appreciated.

I hope this New Year brings to each of you, happiness through service and your Chapters success through united efforts for good.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, *Worthy Grand Matron.*

January 6th—Appointed P.W.G. Matron Sister M. Etta Keys and Asso. G. Patron Brother Chas. V. Cleaver to the adoption Fund Comm.

January 11th—Received the resignation of Sister Mildred S. Martin as a member of the Credentials Comm. and appointed Sister Elvira J. Zeigler to fill the unexpired term.

February 7th—Attended the funeral of P. W. G. Matron Sister Lilley Schofield Riley.

February 17th—Notified Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, that waiver of territorial jurisdiction had been granted in favor of their Chapter by the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, over Mrs. Margaret L. Ross, Delmar.

March 6th—Called a meeting of the Jurisprudence Comm. together with the Grand Secretary at my home.

March 26th—Requested waiver of territorial jurisdiction from Frankford Chapter No. 12 in favor of Holly Chapter No. 45, Berlin, Md., over petition of Mrs. Mary Edith Farlow, Selbyville, Del.

March 26th—Notified Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar that the waiver of territorial jurisdiction had been granted in favor of Adah Chapter by the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, in favor of Mrs. Viola E. Hastings, Mrs. Ethel D. Hudson and Mrs. Mary A. McClaine, of Delmar, Md.

April 3rd—Notified Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland that waiver of territorial jurisdiction had been granted by Frankford Chapter in favor of Holly Chapter No. 45, Berlin Md., over petition of Mrs. Mary Edith Farlow, Selbyville, Del.

April 3rd—Accompanied by the Grand Marshall, installed Marshall, Organist, Electa and Sentinel in Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights, due to resignations.

April 7th—Notified Victory Chapter that waiver of territorial jurisdiction had been granted by Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, in favor of Victory Chapter, over Mrs. Emily Ann Stott and Mrs. Elsie M. Stott, of Upland, Pa.

April 8th—Notified Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters to discontinue purchasing supplies direct from General Grand Chapter as this is contrary to our law. See Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Chapter, Page 55—Section 51.

An itemized account of my Contingent Fund has been filed with the Board of Trustees.

I have signed during the year checks No. 1 to No. 64 inclusive, and since April 30 signed check No. 65.

May 5—Visited the funeral home of Albert J. McCreary to pay my respects to P.W.G. Patron Bro. Frank Howard. I did not stay for the sermon.

Official Correspondence

July 18th—Received letter from Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mamie Lander, advising the representative for the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware on the Educational Rehabilitation Comm. would be Dr. June Martin, of Oregon.

July 23rd—Received request from Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Georgetown, Del., to change the date of their Grand Visitation from Sept. 15th.

Sept. 1st—Received letter and bulletin from Sister Margaret Sheppardson, chairman Educational Rehabilitation Comm. relative to selling hard candies for funds for the Rehabilitation Program.

Sept. 21st—Received second letter and bulletin from Sister Margaret Sheppardson in regard to selling cookies for funds for the Rehabilitation Program.

Dec. 15th—Received notice from Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark of a special meeting to be held December 29th, for the purpose of initiating Candidates into the order.

Dec. 24th—Received communication from Sister Clara A. Reuter advising the chairman of the Educational Rehabilitation Comm. Sister Margaret Sheppardson had given Sister Reuter the State of Delaware, replacing Dr. June Martin as had been the original plan.

January 22nd—Received letter from Right Worthy Asso. Grand Matron, Sister Olga Philip regretting that she would not be able to attend our Grand Chapter Session, due to the ruling of the O.D.T.

January 23rd—On request of St. John's Chapter No. 4, sent a letter to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Florida in behalf of Sister Ida Macklem who was visiting in Florida.

Feb. 17th—Notified the members of the Grand Family that an invitation had been extended to them by Bethel No. 1, Wilmington, Del. Order of Job's Daughters to be their guest on March 7th.

March 14th—Received letter of sympathy from Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Minnie E. Keyes, relative to the death of P. W. Grand Matron, Sister Lilly Schofield Rilley.

March 24th—Received request from Grand Matron of Maryland, requesting a waiver of territorial jurisdiction from Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville, over petition of Mrs. Mary E. Farlow, Selbyville, Del., in favor of Holly Chapter No. 45, Berlin, Md.

Waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction

Jan. 24th—Requested of the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petition of Mrs. Margaret L. Ross, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del.

Feb. 13th—Requested of the Worthy Grand Matron of Penna., over petitions of.

Mrs. Emily Ann Stott, 1031 Woodside Ave., Upland, Pa.

Miss Elsie M. Stott, 1031 Woodside Ave., Upland, Pa.,

in favor of Victory Chapter No. 15, Dover, Del.

March 7th—Requested of the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petitions of:

Mrs. Viola E. Hastings, Delmar, Md.

Mrs. Ethel D. Hudson, Delmar, Md.

Mrs. Mary A. McClaine, Delmar, Md.,

in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del.

Official Visits

I shall always remember the official visits to your Chapters, the cordial welcomes extended to me and my grand family, the lovely gifts, the delightful entertainments all helped to make the evenings outstanding this year. I shall try to be as cordial and give you the same kind of welcome if you visit me—but please don't all come at one time.

It is my earnest opinion that every officer in the State tries to do his or her very best and I am sure that any mistakes that were made, were due to your striving to do perfect work.

Official visits were as follows:

- Sept. 18—Adah Chapter No. 5—Delmar.
- " 19—Brandywine Chapter No. 14—Gordon Heights.
- " 21—Sussex Chapter No. 7—Seaford.
- " 26—Delaware Chapter No. 1—Wilmington.
- " 28—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8—New Castle.
- Oct, 4—Kent Chapter No. 11—Harrington.
- " 6—Mizpah Chapter No. 2—Wilmington.
- " 20—Newark Chapter No. 10—Newark.
- " 9—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3—Wilmington
- " 23—Victory Chapter No. 15—Dover.
- " 25—St. John's Chapter No. 4—Wilmington.
- " 27—Radiant Chapter No. 6—Wilmington.
- Nov. 3—Georgetown Chapter No. 9—Georgetown.
- " 8—Frankford Chapter No. 12—Millville.
- " 9—Five Points Chapter No. 13—Newport.

Installations

I was happy to install the officers in the following Chapters:

Delaware No. 1—All officers.

Mizpah No. 2—All officers except Asso. Patron.

St. John's No. 4—All officers.

Radiant No. 6—All officers.
 Sussex No. 7—All officers
 Kent No. 11—All officers excepting Treasurer.
 Five Points No. 13—All officers.
 Brandywine No. 14—All Officers.
 Victory No. 15—All officers.

February 5th—Adah No. 5—Sentinel and Chaplain.
 February 22nd—Caesar Rodney No. 8—Esther.

My greatest thrill was in my home Chapter, Five Points No. 13, when I installed my husband's cousin as Worthy Patron, his wife as Conductress, my Grand Chauffer as Asso. Patron, my sister as Chaplain and having the Junior Past Worthy Matron, my sister, install me as Secretary. It was a perfect page in my Memory Book.

I was sorry that due to conflicting Chapter meetings, I was unable to accept the invitations extended to me by the other Chapters in the State. My thanks to my Grand Chaplain and Grand Marshal who accompanied me on all installations, and to Sister Thelma Dickerson who substituted for the Grand Organist when it was impossible for her to attend.

School of Instruction

Schools of instruction were held in the Subordinate Chapters by the Grand Lecturer, assisted by the Deputy Grand Lecturer. I attended these schools for the purpose of observing the work taught by these officers, and found them doing fine work. Each Deputy trying her utmost to instruct the officers in her Chapter in the correct performance of ritualistic work and book of instructions. To you, Deputy Grand Lecturers, I shall always be grateful for accepting this appointment. Thank you.

Feb. 5—Adah No. 5
 " 7—Kent No. 11
 " 9—Radiant No. 6
 " 12—Julia M. Storey No. 3
 " 13—Delaware No. 1
 " 15—Sussex No. 7
 " 20—Brandywine No. 14
 " 22—Caesar Rodney No. 8
 " 26—Victory No. 15
 " 28—St. John's No. 4
 Mar, 2—Mizpah No. 2
 " 8—Five Points No. 13
 " 14—Frankford No. 12
 " 16—Newark No. 10

Questions and Answers

Question—A member of the order has been visiting our Chapter for some time, and has decided to affiliate with us. Can she be balloted on and welcomed on the same night?

Answer—Yes. I refer you to Approved Decisions No. 13—1930.

However I would suggest the petitioner wait in the preparation room while the Chapter is balloting.

Question—We have received a petition for the conferring of degrees from a W.A.C. at the New Castle Army Air Base. As our law calls for white, in which to be initiated, shall we return this petition, or can she, if elected, be initiated in her uniform?

Answer—Yes. If these girls are sacrificing their lives that we may enjoy the privilege of freedom, we can sacrifice our law as to white dresses, that they may enjoy the privileges of our Order. There is no greater honor for the Order of the Eastern Star, than to accept a member into our Order who wears the uniform of the United States Army or any branch of the service of United States, providing they meet our requirements.

Question—A wife of a Master Mason who desires to become a member of our Chapter will not have been a resident six months when her petition is received but will be a resident six months when she is initiated. Would it be possible to receive her petition?

Answer—No I refer to article 1, Section 30, Rules and Regulations, for the governing of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

Question No. 1—My sentinel brought his resignation into the Chapter room on our stated meeting, February 6th. Due to the fact it was thought illegal for the sentinel to enter the room and present any business, it was laid on the table until the next stated meeting. What disposition do I make of this matter?

Question No. 2—Since that time I have received the resignation of three of my appointive officers. Should I declare these offices vacant and obtain special dispensations to install new officers to fill these vacancies or continue with substitutes the rest of my year?

Answer 1 and 2—I have never heard of an officer resigning after being installed into office, however, a dissatisfied officer does not make a good one, and I would suggest that you accept the resignations, for "those who assume obligations lightly and forthwith forget them" do not make good members and to be a good officer, one must first be a good member. Therefore, I would fill these vacancies with new officers; obtain a dispensation, and have them installed as soon as possible.

Question No. 3—These resignations were addressed to me in care of the Chapter and Secretary. Should I accept them in open Chapter or, should my Secretary send letters of acceptance?

Answers No. 3—Since these are your personal appointments and were not voted into office by the chapter members, my answer to this question is, have the resignation read by the Secretary so that they may be recorded in the minutes and treat them as you would any other communications—Noted and Filed. For in America we cannot compel people to serve against their will; this tends to Dictatorship, and that is what our boys are giving their lives to overcome.

Question No. 4—Can these members, after resigning, attend the stated meetings the rest of this year, or must they wait for a new year?

Answer No. 4—There is no law that says we can bar any member from attending our meetings, provided that they are in good standing and do not effect the peace and harmony of the Chapter, however if these officers, because of some personal feeling do not want to take their respective sta-

tions after having assumed the Officers Obligation around the Altar upon which rests our Holy Bible, repeating these words, "I will faithfully and impartially perform all the duties belonging to the office for which I have been selected", I would think this evidence enough that they are not interested in the welfare of the Chapter, and therefore should not desire to attend the meetings.

Dispensations Granted

Each request was accompanied by the usual fee of \$1.00.

Dec. 23rd—Granted dispensation to Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford, to hold an election on their meeting night January 4th, 1945, for the purpose of electing a trustee to fill the unexpired term caused by the resignation of a member of the Board of Trustees.

Jan. 13th—Granted dispensation to Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville, for the purpose of electing and installing a treasurer at their meeting January 24th.

January 13th—Granted dispensation to Kent Chapter No. 11, Harrington, for the purpose of installing a treasurer at their meeting January 17th.

January 16th—Granted dispensation to Georgetown Chapter No. 9 for the purpose of installing a chaplain at their meeting January 19th.

Feb. 11th—Granted Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle, for the purpose of installing Esther at their meeting February 22nd.

March 9th—Granted dispensation to Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville, for the purpose of electing a trustee at their stated meeting March 28th.

March 24th—Granted dispensation to Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights for the purpose of installing a Marshal, Organist, Electa and Sentinel at their meeting April 3rd.

April 3rd—Granted dispensation to Victory Chapter No. 15, Dover, for the purpose of installing a Marshal at their meeting.

April 26—Granted dispensation to Kent Chapter No. 11, Harrington, for the purpose of moving paraphernalia from Century Club Building to Sherwin Hall on April 28th.

Amendments

Approved October 6, 1944—Amendment to By-Laws of Victory Chapter No. 15, O.E.S., Dover, Delaware, and referred it to the Committee on Constitution and Law.

ARTICLE 1. SEC. 2. By-Laws of Victory Chapter No. 15, O.E.S., Dover, Delaware.

"When the regular meeting night falls on any National Holiday, this meeting will be discontinued."

Approved October 15th—Amendment to the By-Laws of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 O. E. S., Georgetown, Delaware, and referred it to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

"We, the undersigned, recommend that the Amendment to Article 1, Sec. 2, of the By-Laws of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 be revoked (thus returning to two meetings a month").

Approved April 3.—Amendment to By-Laws of Victory Chapter No. 15, and referred it to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

ARTICLE 6. "That \$50.00 be left in the Treasury at the end of each current year as a contingent fund for the incoming Worthy Matron." Advised Victory Chapter this Amendment would be known as Sec. 2, Art. 6.

Grand Representatives

I was pleased to appoint the following Grand Representatives to Delaware, having been recommended by the Worthy Grand Matron of Sister Jurisdictions:

British Columbia	Mrs. Ida Coop
Connecticut	Mrs. Minnie R. Schaeffer
Florida	Mrs. Clara Esteban
Idaho	Mrs. Edna Childs
Indiana	Mrs. Mary Jensen (Resigned)
	Mrs. Grace Sanders
Illinois	Mrs. Lois Faulstich
Michigan	Mrs. Adele Nesson
Minnesota	Mrs. Lulu Stearns
Missouri	Mrs. Nellie Hartman
Maine	Mrs. Golden H. Munroe
Nebraska	Mrs. Gladys Merryman
New Jersey	Mrs. Elizabeth Lubold
New Mexico	Mrs. Anna Jo. Pate
North Dakota	Mrs. Margaret Monicken
Oklahoma	Mrs. Hazel Claude
Ohio	Mrs. Alice M. Winn
Pennsylvania	Mrs. Irene J. Hazen
Virginia	Mrs. Zoie Hughes

I greatly appreciated the letters I received from the Sisters and Brothers in appreciation for their appointment as Grand Representative from Delaware to other Grand Jurisdiction:

Alabama	Mrs. Minne C. Hitchens, Georgetown No. 9
Idaho	Mr. L. Clark Ziegler, Delaware No. 1
Kansas	Mrs. Gladys Guerke, Mizpah No. 2
Maryland	Mr. J. Nelson Abbott, Newark No. 10
Michigan	Mrs. Pauline Davis, Victory No. 15
Minnesota	Mrs. Martha C. Davis, Newark No. 10
Montana	Mrs. Hettie F. Hall, Adah No. 5
Nebraska	Mrs. Eva M. Moulton, Delaware No. 1
New Jersey	Mr. Robert W. Larrimore, Caesar Rodney No. 8
New Mexico	Mr. Harley Burbage, Frankford No. 12
North Carolina	Mr. George Osendarp, Brandywine No. 14
Ohio	Mrs. Henrietta Williams, Kent No. 11
Pennsylvania	Mrs. Sadie C. Conly, Five Points No. 13
South Carolina	Mrs. Bella Tattersall, Mizpah No. 2

South Dakota	Miss Martha White, Julia M. Story No. 3
Virginia	Mrs. Viridia Simpler, Brandywine No. 14
Washington	Mrs. Elizabeth Lank, Sussex No. 7
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Mary King, Radiant No. 6
Louisiana	Mrs. Jean B. Cottman, Julia M. Story No. 3
New Brunswick	Mrs. Maude G. Ames, St. John's No. 4
Tennessee	Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher, St. John's No. 4

Education Rehabilitation

The Educational Rehabilitation Committee of the Subordinate Chapters have unanimously adopted the plan of obtaining donations from the members for this fund and the amount of \$340.19 was realized. The contribution by the individual Chapters will be given by the Grand Secretary.

L. S. M. Adoption Fund

Bro. McCormick and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts for approving of our action relative to donating the Sewing Machine to the boys on the L.S.M. No. 421 and then asking you to help us pay for it. Your contributions received indicated that you are willing to "Let your Light shine before men that they might see your good works". The amount of \$369.95 was far greater than we had hoped for. "Freely ye have received, freely you gave. The individual donations from the Chapters will also be given by the Grand Secretary in her report. Also a report in detail from the Chairman Sister Sarah E. Riggin.

Sunshine

On Saturday, March 3 accompanied by P.G.M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin Chairman, P.G.M. Sister M. Etta Keys and Asso. Grand Patron Bro. Chas. V. Cleaver, a visit was paid to the Hospitals at Fort Miles, Dover Air Base, Fort DuPont and New Castle County Air Base where we gave each boy confined in the Hospital, a box of writing paper in the name of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S. We returned home, tired but happy and with a feeling within our hearts that we had done for some mother's boy what we would like some one to do for our boys. Since then we have visited the N.C.C. Air Base three times, distributing boxes of writing paper to the boys who have returned from the battle area in Europe.

March 23. Purchased several hanks of wool for afghans and took to the Masonic Home along with 12 needles for the guests, to get started crocheting squares.

March 26. Accompanied by P. W. G. M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin, P. W. G. M. Sister M. Etta Keys, Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, we visited the four Army Hospitals in our State and gave each boy a package containing three Easter Cards, which he was privileged to send to his loved ones. The words of appreciation and the smiles we received paid us well for our efforts.

April 8. Took several hanks of wool for afghan squares to Masonic Home.

Job's Daughters

I am sorry I was unable to visit Job's Daughters as often as I had planned last May. My intentions were to attend one meeting a month after the Grand Visitations and Banquets were over. But due to Bro. Harry's illness my plans were shattered, but Lord willing I will do my part and pay my visits in the future. I did, however, make a visit at their installation in June and acted as organist. Accompanied by the W. G. Patron and 10 members of the Grand Family we paid Job's Daughters a visit on March 7. We enjoyed the work very much and greatly appreciated their hospitality. Sisters Edna L. Gifford and Ivah Ostendarp, Bro. Larrimore and Bro. Geo. Ostendarp are doing a fine piece of work with these girls. My heartfelt thanks for my Membership of Honor Certificate. A gift of \$10.00 was given at that time by the Grand Officers.

Masonic Home

Your response to the Thanksgiving Letter regarding your gifts of canned goods, jams and jellies for the Masonic Home was very gratifying. Sister and Bro. Davis have informed me they received a larger donation than any other year. This should make every Eastern Star member happy. I visited the Home several time while Worthy Grand Matron and on December 16, the Grand Family took a Christmas Party. We are deeply grateful to Bro. Frank L. Moomey, member of Lafayette Lodge No. 14 for arranging the delightful program which the guests of the Home remarked was the "Best Ever". Each guest was given a Christmas gift from Santa Claus (Bro. Willard Gifford of Brandywine No. 14). Ice cream and home made cookies were served. Mr. Charles Southwell gave each guest a Christmas Carol Book and led in group singing. We came home feeling it was an evening well spent and felt we had given enjoyment to the guests.

I am indeed grateful to the members of Five Points Chapter for the use of their cars that the guests of the Masonic Home could attend the Memorial Services on Sunday evening, May 13th. Also to our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher on Tuesday evening while we enjoyed our banquet, ice cream and cake was taken to the Masonic Home, a gift from the Grand Officers.

Honorary Memberships

God blesses us with our families, but we choose our friends.

I am indeed grateful to those Subordinate Chapters who considered me a friend worthy of honorary membership and will always try to merit your confidence.

Adah Chapter No. 5	Delmar
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Seaford
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	New Castle
Georgetown No. 9	Georgetown
Newark No. 10	Newark
Kent Chapter No. 11	Harrington

Frankford Chapter No. 12 Millville
Brandywine Chapter No. 14 Gordon Heights
Bethel No. 1 Order of Job's Daughters
Member of Honor.

Irregularities

Members speaking to the presiding officer while seated. When addressing the Chapter Member should rise.

Officers in Subordinate Chapters wearing dark stockings. White stockings are available, so let us try to overcome this habit.

Warden and Sentinel leaving their station at recess. If the doors are left unguarded the Chapter will have to be proven again.

Conductress failing to instruct candidates not to carry handkerchiefs or pocketbooks in their hand.

Members discussing Chapter business with those of our families who are not members of the Order.

Recommendations

When it is impossible for the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron to attend a Grand Visitation, the Conductress and Asso. Conductress proceed as though both officers were present and conduct either Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron, as the case may be, to the East.

Since the Ritual requires the Asso. Matron to assume the duties of the Worthy Matron, I recommend that the Conductress take an examination in the Opening and Closing Ceremony at least three days before being installed as Asso. Matron.

Inasmuch as we no longer use the words "My duty is", and "his or her station is", in the opening exercises of the Subordinate Chapters, that the Grand Chapter delete these words from the opening exercises of the Grand Chapter.

Receptions

It was my very happy privilege, accompanied by the Grand Marshal, Sister Bessie Norris, Grand Chauffer, Br. J. Paul Fleming, Sister Clara W. Fleming and Sister Henrietta Cordray of Five Points Chapter No. 13, to attend a reception on May 30, 1944 by Chestertown Chapter No. 86, Chestertown, Md., at the Chestertown Yacht Club, in honor of Sister Hazel N. Wright, Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, also a member of Chestertown Chapter. We enjoyed a most pleasant evening and the manner in which "Sweet Violets" was rendered by some of the members of the Grand Chapter of Maryland was the outstanding part of the evening.

The reception given by Five Points Chapter in honor of the Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal and myself on June 8, 1944 will be one of the outstanding pages in my memory book.

My Friendship bracelet with a link from each of the officers in Five Points Chapter will be a constant reminder of your friendship and love which you have showered on me since I was installed as your Worthy Grand Ma-

tron. The good wishes and words of encouragement that have come from the members of Five Points Chapter since I started to the Grand East have meant much to me along the way.

On September 19, 1944, attended a reception given by Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights in honor of the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Lecturer and Grand Ruth. I shall always remember my lovely bouquet of red roses, appropriate to my first station, that of Electa and the Certificate of Honorary Membership has taken its place in my heart and in the frame on the wall with the others. To make me one of you has made me live closer to the teachings of our Order.

On March 31, was given a surprise party in honor of our 25th wedding Anniversary in the St. James Parish House, Newport, by the Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers and members of Five Points Chapter, and it truly was a surprise. I am convinced that Eastern Stars can keep a secret. The Lei of 25 silver dollars was very unique and the biography of Brother Harry and me, written by the Associate Grand Patron will long be remembered. Brother Charles you missed your calling, you should have been a poet.

Good of the Order

If we would each morning pray earnestly the prayer that Sister Minnie E. Keyes has in her office in Washington.

"O, Lord, help me to keep my nose out of other people's business" that would be a great help for the good of our Order.

If the P. W. Grand Matrons and P. W. Grand Patrons; the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons, would leave the governing of the Grand Chapter affairs and the Subordinate Chapter affairs to the presiding officers,—That would be a great help for the good of our Order.

If we, as members, would realize we are here to help each other, remembering first our obligation, realizing we are founded on the principal of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth and dedicated to Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness, keeping before you always, the Golden Rule, remembering the teachings of our Ritual are lessons to be lived not only learned. Then we will give impressions to the outside world that will reflect credit to our organization and lay up for ourselves treasures in Heaven where neither moth or rust doth corrupt nor thief break through and steal—and this will be for the good of our Order, for we shall pass through this world but once—any good thing therefore that we can do, or any kindness we can show to any human being, let us do it now, do not defer it, or neglect it, for we shall not pass this way again.

Appreciation

I wish to thank the Worthy Grand Matrons of Sister Jurisdictions for their invitations to visit your Grand Chapter Sessions, and was sorry I could not accept all of them. However, I did visit Pennsylvania and New York and I had planned to go to Tennessee, but due to the ban, there was no Grand Chapter Session.

I would like to say thank you to the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons who contributed to Sister Minnie E. Keyes Silver Treasure Chest and to Bro. Charles Krapf who made the Chest and Sister Helen C. Hayes who covered it. I am indeed grateful.

To those of you who contributed to the Summer Benefit, I thank you very much and I am sorry conditions are such that we can't have our nice little get togethers as we had in previous years, but I do appreciate your contributions. And to Sister Edna Gifford, Grand Lecturer and the Deputy Grand Lecturers. You did well. \$375.50 was contributed.

I would like to express my gratitude to the members of the Subordinate Chapters for the support they gave to the Grand Chapter Project—The adoption of the crew of the L. S. M. No. 421. You responded most beautifully and we are indeed thankful that you too, saw the need of spreading sunshine and cheer to these sailor boys who are giving their all for us. Before another Grand Chapter Session is held in Delaware may we see a lasting peace that can only come from the Master above, reigning over this earth and these our adopted sons along with our own sons on their home soil.

We were only allowed to take ten guests to the commissioning but how we would have loved to have been allowed to take each and every one of you. It was a sight that we who were privileged to attend, will never forget. As we send little gifts to them from time to time through your Sunshine Chairman, may we hear His voice saying to us, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

To those of you who labored that we may have afghans to give to the boys in the Hospitals, I am indeed grateful. You have given of your time that they who have given their all might be comfortable.

And to Sister Pauline Davis, and the guests at the Masonic Home both men and women, I shall always be indebted to you for your untiring efforts that this project might be a success. We have completed. afghans since March 20th.

I want to express my appreciation to the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons for being a guest at your banquet. Each one was lovely and I thoroughly enjoyed the evenings. May I again thank you for the lovely flowers which you gave me.

I enjoyed all the Birthday parties which I was privileged to attend. Birthdays are milestones in our lives, they are stepping stones to higher ideals in our Chapter.

I appreciate the invitation extended by Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Md., to the members of the Grand Family to visit with them on March 7 at which time Sister Elsie K. Wolfe, Worthy Grand Matron and Bro. Frank E. Smith paid their Official Visit. I was happy to have Sister Elsie at Five Points Chapter at the time of my Official Visit.

Sympathy

I tried to send letters of sympathy to each Chapter who suffered the loss of a P. W. Matron or P. W. Patron or your installed officer. It was impossible to send a letter or card for the passing of each member, but in my daily prayer, I prayed for strength for all those that mourned and know that our Heavenly Father could give comfort far greater than I.

To My Grand Family

Worthy Grand Patron, Bro. Cheston, it has been very pleasant serving this year with you. You have been most congenial and have been ready at all times to lend a helping hand. May the friendship that has always existed between Brandywine Chapter and Five Points Chapter be bound closer because you and I have traveled this way together. I am happy that it was possible for your wife to be a member of our Official Family.

To my Asso. Grand Matron and Patron, Sister Helen and Brother Charles: May our Heavenly Father bestow on you good health that you may receive as much pleasure from your year of service as I have received and Bro. Charles, I would like to thank you for your part in taking sunshine to our boys in the Hospitals of our State. You have labored earnestly for the Order of the Eastern Star and may you reap your harvest next year.

To my Grand Secretary—The Other "E": You have been one of the finest Grand Secretaries a Grand Matron ever had. Words are inadequate to tell you just what you have meant to me. Always ready to share my joys or give some comforting words when everything seemed to go wrong. I shall always be grateful that our paths have crossed, and may we have a lasting friendship. Our Grand Chapter is very fortunate in having such an efficient Grand Secretary. Your willingness to serve, has no doubt made me impose on you, I hope I am forgiven.

To my Grand Treasurer—Sister Helen: You and I served as Worthy Matrons together and I am happy to have been privileged to serve with you this year. May our friendship continue.

To my Conductress and Asso. Conductress; Sister Alice and Sarah: (I would like to tell you that Sister Alice is my cousin), and Sister Alice I have thoroughly enjoyed working with you and I wish you much happiness in your journey to the Grand East. Sister Sarah, some of the nice things of Eastern Star were taught to me by you when you were a Grand Instructor, and from you I received my A Certificate. Much happiness to you both as you journey on.

To my Grand Chaplain; Sister Frances: The same faithfulness you portray in Five Points Chapter has been carried into the Grand Chapter. Thank you for attending every installation and I have enjoyed having you in my Official Family.

To my Grand Lecturer; Sister Edna: It was a pleasure to attend your Schools of Instruction and I enjoyed going with you. Your patience with the officers in trying to teach them to do their work well, made them feel perfectly at ease and I am sure you will be welcome any time in any of the Subordinate Chapters.

To my Grand Marshal; Sister Bessie: I can never repay you for your faithfulness and all the attention you bestowed upon me this year. You never missed a Grand Visitation or an installation even when you knew your health needed attention. I shall be grateful to you the rest of my life.

To my Grand Organist; Sister Mary: You and I have been friends a long time and I thank you for accepting the office. Due to your part in the War effort you were not privileged to attend the installations, but I sometimes wonder which of us was giving the greater service and doing the biggest job. Thank you for everything.

To my Adah, Ruth, Martha, Warder and Sentinel: No other Grand Matron had officers any finer; you are precious in my memory and I shall always be indebted to you for having accepted the office. And to Sister Benita, my deep appreciation for substituting for Sister Ann Leonard Grand Esther. Due to illness, Sister Pearl B. Morris, Grand Electa has not been privileged to be with us very much this year. We have missed her and hope our Heavenly Father will see fit to restore her health and strength real soon, and Sister Katie I thank you for substituting.

To the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons: In a few short hours, I shall be one of you, and will consider it an honor to have my name associated with yours. You have given much that the Order of the Eastern Star may prosper in our Diamond State. I am grateful to you for your advice and may you continue in your service and interest in our beautiful Order.

To the Pages and Guards: Thank you for the service you will render this Grand Chapter. Your willingness to accept the station, assures us of your willingness to assist in whatever task you may be called upon to perform. The greatest joy that can come to anyone is the privilege of service.

To the Members of the Chorus; and Sister Emma: You are a fine group and I don't know how we could ever do without you in Grand Chapter. Thank you for the many hours spent in rehearsals that our Session may be pleasant.

In a few short hours I shall be coming back to take my place that I had and enjoyed four years ago. I shall be happy to be numbered among you again. Your singing is always an inspiration.

To my Grand Chauffer; Brother Paul: You are one of the finest Masons I know and I appreciate your attending all but three Visitations. It meant much to know we were protected as we traveled up and down the State in the wee, small hours of the morning.

And to my Family: How could I have carried on were it not for your part that I might enjoy all the pleasure I have had this year. Helping in every way you could from Cook to Nurse. I can't help but give special recognition to my husband, although I was warned by him not to say too much—but he was splendid, suffering in silence as all Worthy Grand Matron's husbands do. I miss him very much, but God makes no mistakes, His way is the right way.

To my Home Chapter; Five Points No. 13: How can I ever repay you for all your kindnesses to me during this year? You have been faithful to your obligation and have been real Eastern Stars. I shall always be grateful and feel obligated to you, and as long as I live, I will do all in my power to make your Chapter life as happy as you made my Grand Chapter year. The privilege of having my sister, Worthy Matron of my Home Chapter this year, probably is an opportunity that rarely comes to a Worthy Matron and I am grateful to my Heavenly Father for sparing our lives that we could enjoy this privilege together.

The memory of my Official Visit to Five Points Chapter will linger forever. The lovely Star with its 102 handkerchiefs, my corsage of dollar bills from the Chapter members and my umbrella made of dollar bills from my Mother are safely tucked away with the rest of my treasures from this year.

In Conclusion: My purpose this year has been to live up to the words spoken to me by my Mother when I was installed as your Worthy Grand Matron last May in presenting to me the lovely red roses significant of our Mother Point, the Point of Love—Electa, she said:

"I present these flowers to you in words of Paul; Now abideth Faith, Hope and Love, the greatest of these is Love." Faith in my Heavenly Father has kept me strong when the load was heavy; hope that I may sow some seeds of kindness as I traveled this road and obey God's commandment and to Love my neighbor as myself, thereby doing unto others as I would have others do unto me, and as I lay my gavel down and take my place with those who have traveled this way before me, may I hear you say:

*You have fought a good fight
You have finished your course
You have kept the faith*

and to say "Thank You" just don't seem enough

*But what else can I say?
The gifts, the words, the things you've done
For me, along the way
Are too numerous to mention
And perhaps I'd forget a few,
For you never could guess what you've meant to me
In a hundred years or two.*

Fraternally submitted,

Elizabeth E. Pierce, *Worthy Grand Matron.*

Motion by Past Worthy Grand Matron, Bertha Smith, seconded by Past Worthy Grand Matron, Bessie M. Warrington, report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

Motion adopted.

Selection by Star Treble Chorus.

Report of the Worthy Grand Patron.

WORTHY GRAND PATRONS REPORT

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

Twelve months have passed since you elected me to this high office in our beloved Order—months that seemed long enough at the beginning of my year but soon proved to be rapidly slipping away. Months of untold joy and happiness in my associations with the members of this Grand Chapter as well as with old and new friends in the subordinate chapters.

To have been selected to serve at the side of your Worthy Grand Matron, whose charge is the guidance and up-building of this great organization whose lessons are Scriptural, teachings moral and whose purposes are beneficent," is indeed an honor that I have highly prized and of which I have endeavored in every way to be worthy.

The Golden Rule has been the motto of this Grand Chapter this year, chosen by your Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth, from the book of Matthew. Sisters and Brothers this is a Christian order. But while it is primarily concerned with the spiritual values of life, it makes no effort to supplant the church in the lives of its members. By putting the teachings of our Order into everyday practice we can help to strengthen and restore human character and establish a stronger bond of brotherhood. Someone has written—"when character decays and crumbles, civilization decays and crumbles." Events in Europe have certainly proven this.

Official Visits

I am glad to report that I was privileged to accompany your Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers on all official visits to subordinate chapters with the exception of two. Called out of the state on business, I missed the Grand Visitations to Mizpah Chapter No. 2 and Kent Chapter No. 11. I want you to know I sincerely regret I was unable to make these visits.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank all the subordinate Chapters for the gracious manner in which I was received in their respective Chapters; for their generous hospitality and to thank them again for the many beautiful and useful gifts presented to me for which I did little or nothing to deserve. Nevertheless, they are greatly appreciated and cherished.

I regret that, for the greater part of the year, because of much overtime work in connection with the national war effort, I was prevented from attending many Eastern Star functions to which I was invited, including some of the "School of Instruction" meetings and Installations.

*I do not see you half enough,
The days rush on so fast.
But thoughts are made of shining stuff
And friendship's gold will last.
You cannot know how frequently
You knock at my heart's door,
And come to spend the day with me—
A welcome visitor!*

Other Visits

It's an ill wind that blow nobody some good. While out of the jurisdiction I had a most pleasant visit to Westport Chapter No. 345, Kansas City, Missouri. Here on the evening of October 5th, I presented myself for examination and frightened the examining committee when I informed them who I was.

I had read a little notice in the classified section of the Kansas City Times, that there was to be, according to the notices, two Chapters meeting that night. I quickly decided on the one that had the best featured attraction which was to be the honoring of their District Deputy Grand Matron, Sister Mary L. Shores. Here I had the unexpected pleasure of meeting the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert Armour, and several other Grand Officers, Past Grands, Deputies from other Districts, many Grand Repre-

sentatives to other jurisdictions and a great many present and past Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons. Kansas City is a large district—the twenty-second—and has twenty-seven chapters.

I soon realized I had made no mistake in selecting this Chapter for my visit, in fact it was a much larger meeting and more important, in a social way, than I could have possibly anticipated. To say that I was royally received and entertained in the true spirit of fraternalism, would be putting it mildly. It was a very pleasant experience for me to have received Grand Honors in this distant jurisdiction.

Another pleasant experience was to accompany your Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers to Elkton Chapter No. 84, Jurisdiction of Maryland, on the occasion of the official visit of their Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. We had a wonderful time in this friendly Chapter

Job's Daughters

I am happy to report that I had the pleasure of attending a meeting of Job's Daughters during the year. I found their meeting interesting, well conducted under the guidance of capable hands but poorly attended. Perhaps a more attractive meeting place would induce better attendance. That we should give these girls all the help and encouragement possible need not be dwelled upon. We must bear in mind that in Job's Daughters we are building character. That the training and experience the girls receive here can later be utilized to good advantage in the Eastern Star in the way of officer material. I want to take this opportunity to again express my thanks to Bethel No. 1, Order of Job's Daughters for electing me a "Member of Honor." I greatly appreciate the honor.

Masonic Home

I am happy to report that an enjoyable evening was spent at the Masonic Home when the Grand Chapter entertained the guests at Christmas time. The old folks enjoyed the program immensely and enthusiastically joined in the group singing. They are always delighted when programs are brought to them by the various chapters.

Contingent Fund

The \$25.00 received for expenses in the performance of my duties, I am donating to the Worthy Grand Matron's Projects—\$15.00 for the Hospital Project and \$10.00 to the LSM Project.

Honorary Memberships

During the year I was elected an honorary member in the following Chapters:

Adah	No. 5	Newark	No. 10
Sussex	No. 7	Kent	No. 11
Caesar Rodney	No. 8	Frankford	No. 12
Georgetown	No. 9	Five Points	No. 13

In presenting me with these prized certificates you have made me very happy indeed. This is a very lasting type of gift. In it a message is conveyed which is not at first apparent. It is not given only because of one's high office but to me it says, "We like you and we want you to be one of us." Also, it hints, I think, "Now that you are a member, why don't you come more often?" I understand the message and when time and gasoline are more plentiful, that is what I really want to do.

Appreciation

To my own Chapter, Brandywine No. 14: I want to thank each and every one of you for your many courtesies and kindnesses throughout the year. I wish it were possible for me to find words suitable to express to you my deep appreciation. Your loyalty, sincerity and interest has meant much to me. It was a privilege and a pleasure for me to have served as your Worthy Patron during the first half of our official year.

I want to thank you too for the wonderful reception honoring me and other Grand Officers of our Chapter. This delightful occasion was also our official visit. It will long be remembered.

I am also very happy that my wife, Sister Idella, could accompany me all through the year. In fact, she substituted for me in one of the chapters. I want to thank her for keeping track of dates for me. without her reminders I might have been very late at some of the meetings or have missed them entirely.

To my Worthy Grand Matron's Chapter, Five Ponds No. 13: I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the invitation to the reception honoring Sister Elizabeth and other Grand Officers of your chapter. I have always enjoyed my visits to your chapter. This meeting, I recall, was the night I became an honorary member in your Chapter. Thanks again.

To the Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Elizabeth, I wish I could express my appreciation for your kindly consideration and the many courtesies shown me. It has been a pleasure and a privilege for me to have served this year with you.. Our year has been a most happy and congenial one.

In Memoriam

Sorrow has entered the hearts and homes of some of our members. To all of those whose hearts are saddened by sore bereavement, we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

*In the measureless realm of time,
Our earthly life is very brief;
Today our cup with joy is filled—
Tomorrow fills our hearts with grief.*

Conclusion

I want to thank everyone for the many courtesies extended to me during the year. Your friendship has been a source of much happiness to me. During the past year I have tried to be of some service to our Order. How well I have succeeded, you must be the judges.

I want to extend my best wishes to the incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. I hope your year will be a very pleasant and successful one.

And now, may the loving benediction of the Star in the East linger through the years to strengthen and guide us, so that we may go more bravely to all our tasks and know better how to lighten the load of others is my earnest prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTON R. McCORMICK,
Worthy Grand Patron.

Motion by Past Worthy Grand Patron, Grover C. MacNamee, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Walter E. Sawdon, report be accepted and referred to Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

Report of Grand Secretary

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

It seems but a very short time ago that I made my report to this Grand Chapter. The year has been a very busy one and the weeks and months have gone by very rapidly and the time for an accounting of my official transactions has again appeared upon the calendar.

A Grand Secretary's report is quite similar each year, in as much as a great deal of the work is routine, such as, immediately at the close of Grand Session, signatures at the bank must be changed, bills of Grand Session must be paid promptly, letters of thanks must be written, necessary printing and distributing of stationery must be attended to.

Prompt attention was given to all these matters and also to the correcting of a great many Instruction Books and Copies of Constitution and Law Books.

Supplies ordered by Subordinate Chapters have been mailed promptly with the exception of such things as Rituals and Bibles, which orders are sometimes held up on account of delay in the printing house or binding establishments.

Copies of Legislation of Grand Session, May 1944 were typed and mailed to the Secretary of each Subordinate Chapter immediately at the close of the Session.

List of Grand Officers and Committee members were prepared and mailed to all Jurisdictions and those entitled to receive them in our Jurisdiction.

In Memoriam

Since our last Grand Session, one of our well-loved Past Worthy Grand Matrons has answered the Heavenly Roll Call—Sister Lillie Schofield Riley. Memorial cards were prepared and mailed to all members of Grand Chapter, all Subordinate Chapters and Sister Grand Jurisdictions. Many expressions of sympathy have been received from our Sister Jurisdictions.

Brother Frank E. Howard, Past Grand Patron passed away May 2nd.
Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Alfred C. McDaniel passed away
December 11, 1944.

Our Rt. W. Grand Treasurer, Sister Flora E. Campbell passed away
on January 8, 1945.

Thirty-one Past Worthy Grand Matrons and 26 Past Worthy Grand Pa-
trons of other Jurisdictions have also answered the Heavenly Roll Call.
Sympathy cards have been sent to Sister Jurisdictions in each instance.

Seventeen Commissions for Grand Representatives of Delaware in
Sister Jurisdictions have been prepared for signature of Worthy Grand Ma-
tron, sealed with Grand Chapter Seal and mailed with a letter to the re-
spective Grand Secretaries for transmittal to the Grand Representatives.

Twenty-one appointments for Grand Representatives of Sister Juris-
dictions in Delaware have been made by our Worthy Grand Matron. Com-
missions have been received and mailed with a letter from Grand Secretary's
Office.

Twenty-four Certificates for Proficiency in Eastern Star work have been
signed and sealed and sent to Grand Lecturer Edna L. Gifford for transmit-
tal to those who have passed a satisfactory examination.

Fifteen cards for passing examinations in their work have been pre-
sented to Associate Matrons in our Jurisdiction.

Nine volumes of proceedings are being bound but on account of war
work cannot be finished.

PROCEEDINGS: 300 copies of Proceedings were mailed to those
entitled to receive them, but not until January 1945. Although the finished
material was given to the Printer on August 10, 1944 nothing but promises
resulted until January 12, 1945.

Membership

Initiated	169
Affiliated	13
Reinstated	6

Total 188 188

Lost by Suspension, Demit and Death..... 52

Total Gain.....136

A Secretary's meeting was held July 13 at the Office of Grand Secre-
tary which proved very pleasant and beneficial.

Benevolences:

Our Benevolences have been along the same lines as last year; viz.,
flowers, fruit, cigarettes, contributions to Home for Aged Women, Con-
tributions of Minquadale Home, Masonic Home, Red Cross Work, War
Relief of all kinds; Buying of War Bonds and Stamps, helping and con-
tributing to Red Cross Drive, Contributions to Blood Bank, sharing in Cloth-

ing drive for needy in Europe, sponsoring L. S. M. Ship, taking gifts and cheer to wounded soldiers in Delaware and knitting of afghans in anticipation of the Veterans Hospital in Delaware. A more complete report will be given by chairmen of the various projects.

We received a Certificate reading as follows: "The Masonic Service Association of the United States records the Fraternal Appreciation of its Member Grand Jurisdictions to Eastern Star Chapters of New Castle County, Delaware for cooperation in, and financial support of Masonic Welfare Work for the Armed Forces of the United States. Signed by the Director of Welfare and the Executive Secretary. Our Contributions to this cause was a voluntary offering of the New Castle County Chapters at the showing of a Masonic Service Moving Picture when they were guests of St. John's Chapter No. 4 which Chapter sponsored the project. The contribution amounts to \$30.00.

Three-Year Project of Most Worthy Grand Matron. (Rehabilitation)

Upon instructions from Worthy Grand Matron a separate account was opened in Wilmington Savings Fund for the money received for this purpose. Contributions have been as follows:

Delaware No. 1	\$14.50
Mizpah No. 2	14.75
J. M. Story No. 3	27.60
St. Johns' No. 4	10.05
Adah No. 5	25.00
Radiant No. 6	19.00
Sussex No. 7	20.00
Caesar Rodney No. 8	25.00
Georgetown No. 9	25.00
Newark No. 10	10.00
Kent No. 11	28.00
Frankford No. 12	15.25
Five Points No. 13	50.00
Brandywine No. 14	39.50
Victory No. 15	16.25
Interest	.29

Total \$340.19

Summer Benefit Total Contribution	375.50
	7.00
	<u>382.50</u>

L. S. M. Fund: \$369.95

L. S. M. Fund Del. No. 1	\$28.00	
Indiv. Members	8.00	\$36.00
Mizpah No. 2	\$15.00	15.00
J. M. Story No. 3	\$10.00	10.00
St. Johns No. 4	\$22.00	
Indiv. Member	5.00	27.00
Adah No. 5	\$25.00	25.00
Radiant No. 6	\$10.00	
Indiv Mem.	1.00	11.00

Sussex No. 7	\$10.00	10.00
C. Rodney No. 8	\$25.00	25.00
Georgetown No. 9	\$50.00	50.00
Newark No. 10	\$10.00	
Indiv. Mem.	2.00	12.00
Kent No. 11	\$15.15	15.15
Frankford No. 12	\$10.00	10.00
Five Points No. 13	\$55.00	55.00
Brandywine No. 14	\$29.50	
Indiv. Mem.	5.00	34.50
Victory No. 15	\$15.00	15.00
Job's Daughters	\$ 5.00	5.00
Chorus	\$10.00	10.00
Exchange Pennies	.30	.30
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Cash given S. Riggins	4.00	4.00
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		\$369.95

Upon instructions of Worthy Grand Matron. New copy of diagram sent to Adah Chapter for old one returned. Pink slip renewed for Worthy Grand Patron, Cheston R. McCormick. Pink slip renewed for Brother Wm. Meenan of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

Appreciation

I wish to express my appreciation for all courtesies shown me by the Subordinate Chapters, for invitations, cards and gifts throughout the year.

Worthy Grand Matron: It has been a joy to work with you and for you during the past year, it has flown by all too quickly. We have had some problems to solve and many pleasures to enjoy. Your kindnesses to me throughout the year have been many and I'm sure you realize my appreciation. My wish for you is that you may have in the years to come the same measure of happiness you have endeavored to bring into the lives of others during your year as Worthy Grand Matron.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,

Grand Secretary.

Financial Statement—General Fund

Per Capita Tax	\$1361.50
Initiation	84.00
Rituals	141.80
L.S.M. and Hospital Sunshine	369.95
Summer Benefit	375.50
Supplies	298.39
Receipt Books	24.20
Bibles	33.93
Surety Bonds	75.00

Past Matrons Bible Contribution	23.00
Constitutions	1.60
Instruction Books	6.00
Dispensations	9.00
Proceedings	2.25
China Relief—1943-44	1.00
International Temple Fund—1943-44	1.00
Summer Benefit—1943-44	3.00
Dispensations 1943-1944	2.00
Educational Fund	5.00
Miscellaneous	3.02
TOTAL	\$2821.14

Paid to Grand Treasurer:

May, 1944	\$ 18.53
June, 1944	85.79
July, 1944	28.15
September, 1944	210.88
October, 1944	140.45
November, 1944	49.66
December, 1944	145.09
January, 1945	1324.28
February, 1945	565.52
March, 1945	131.53
April, 1945	121.26

TOTAL.....\$2821.14

Disbursements:

C. A. Reuter, gift to Most W.G.M.....	\$ 10.00
Wick Narrow Fabric Co.	33.07
General Grand Chapter	332.89
Belton Printing, Inc.	167.25
DuPont Hotel	209.50
Reba Lilly (Stenographer)	10.00
Star Treble Chorus (Gift)	10.00
W. M. Rogers (Flowers)	26.25
Chas. L. Story Co.	90.86
F. A. Rommell	8.32
Goldey College (Mimeographing)	3.00
Wilmington Post Office	15.86
W. Larmore, Hauling	10.30

Contingent Funds:

Helen R. Wilson	5.00
E. M. Fisher	100.00
Cheston McCormick	25.00

Edna L. Gifford	50.00
Elizabeth E. Pierce	125.00
L. Clark Ziegler (Printing)	140.58
W. L. Stockwell (Gift M. E. Keyes)	10.00
Westminster Press	9.15
F. P. Keys (Surety Bnods)	82.50
Thos. Mowbray (Christmas Seals)	2.00
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	134.00
Howard Collins (Jeweler, Diamond)	66.00
Educational Loan Fund	5.00
Wm. M. Cann (Proceedings)	339.55
M. Etta Keys—For Wounded)	2.20
Sarah E. Rigin—For Wounded Boys	1.25
Elizabeth E. Pierce—For Wounded Boys	38.61
S. S. Kresge Co.	16.30
Mary Fiorelli—Grand Organist	5.00
Helen R. Wilson—Grand Treasurer	10.00
E. M. Fisher—Grand Secretary	150.00
Adams Letter Shop	13.40
Sears Roebuck Co.	58.70
Past Gr. Matrons and Past Gr. Patrons	22.00

Total Disbursements \$2338.54

Balance in Bank April 30, 1944 \$1150.40
 Receipts 2821.14

Total \$3971.54

Total Disbursements 2338.54

Balance April 30 1945.....\$1633.00

Less adj. of as on check 432—9—43..... .05

\$1632.95

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,
Grand Secretary.

This report has been audited and approved by the Board of Grand Trustees.

FERD L. REUTER,
 JULIA M. STORY,
 WILLARD T. LOREMAN.

Motion by Bother Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by Sister Helen C. West, report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.

Motion adopted.

Report of Grand Treasurer

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

I respectfully submit the following report of my official transactions:

Balance April 30, 1944	\$1150.40
Receipts April 30, 1944 to April 30, 1945	2821.14
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Total	\$3971.54
Disbursements April 30, 1944 to April 30, 1945	2338.54
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Balance April 30, 1945.....	\$1633.00
Less Adj. of 5c in check No. 432 dated Sept. 1943.....	.05
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Correct Balance April 30, 1945.....	\$1632.95
Balance as per Statement Ind. Trust Co.	\$1722.55
Less Outstanding Checks:	
No. 62	\$17.95
No. 63	13.40
No. 64	58.25
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	89.60
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Balance April 30, 1945.....	\$1632.95

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN R. Wilson,
Grand Treasurer.

F. L. REUTER,
JULIA M. STORY,
WILLARD T. LOREMAN.

Motion by Past Worthy Grand Matron Jane C. Zebly, seconded by Past Worthy Grand Matron, Julia M. Story, that the report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

A Memorial Service was held in Olivet Presbyterian Church, 4th and Broom Streets, Wilmington, Del., Sunday evening, May 13 at 8 P. M. for our Sisters and Brothers of the subordinate Chapters. and for Lilly Schofield Riley, P. W. G. M. of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S. Our Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth E. Pierce, Worthy Grand Patron Cheston R. McCormick, and the W. M.'s of Subordinate Chapters took part in the ceremony with the W. P.'s acting as ushers. A large white V, within which were placed red carnations, representing "Victory over Death," also a symbol of our recent victory in Europe, rested on a large golden ruler, in which was placed a red carnation for P. W. G. M. Lilly S. Riley. The ruler was a symbol of our W. G. M.'s and W. G. P.'s motto

for the past year, "Do Unto Others as You Would Men Should Do Unto You," a motto which has been carried out to its fullest by them.

The Rev. Dr. Luther M. Bicknell presided at the service, and Rev. H. C. Jeffers, our W. G. M.'s pastor, brought the message, "Victory over Death."

Music was furnished by the Star Treble Chorus, and Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 1, Wilmington, Del., under the able direction of Sister Emma S. Wheeler, accompanied by Sister Lydia Haley.

The committee wishes to thank all who helped make the Memorial Service helpful to those who mourn the passing of loved ones.

Fraternally submitted,

GLADYS E. GUERKE
VIRDA SIMPLER
ROB'T W. LARRMORE, P. W. G. P.
SADIE C. CONLY, Chairman

The Altar was draped.

Grand Secretary read the names of those who had passed on during the year.

IN MEMORIAM SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

Delaware No. 1

Richard C. McMullen
Florence Alexander
Alfred M. Craig
Laura V. McKay
Grace B. Clark
Emma V. Zepp
Albert H. White

Mizpah No. 2

Marian Bruer
Elizabeth Young
Jennie Shrodetz
E. Rene Carl
Anna Baylis
Margaret Lewis
Ella Stewart

St. John's No. 4

Ida White

Adah No. 5

Anna Lee Waller
Annie E. Cordrey

Radiant No. 6

Eva A. Shaffer
Laura B. Slaughter

Sussex

Mary T. King

Caesar Rodney No. 8

Emma P. Thomas
Katie C. C. Hushbeck
Mary K. Naylor
Agnes Anthony

Georgetown No. 9

Harvey Calhoun
Nellie M. Lynch

Kent No. 11

Alice M. Wix

Five Points No. 13

Lillie M. Preston

Sister Sadie Conly made a prayer and ceremony closed with hymn "Safe in the Arms of Jesus."

Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter from work to recess to resume at 10:00 A. M. Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, MAY 18—10:00 A. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by General Sessions Chairman P. W. G. Matron Mrs. Sarah E. Riggins, presenting:

P. W. G. Matron Mrs. Clara A. Reuter
P. W. G. Patron Mr. Robert W. Larrimore

Prayer.

Opening Ode—"Abide With Me."

Past Worthy Grand Matron Anna M. Janney, of Maryland, was welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Visitors from Elkton, Md., were welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Minutes of Wednesday's meeting were read.

Motion by Sister M. Etta Keys, seconded by Brother Larrimore that the minutes be accepted as read.

Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Matron extended thanks to Brother Frank Keys for taking flowers to the grave of Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillie Schofield Riley.

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER, EDNA L. GIFFORD

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of Eastern Star:

Last May when installed as Grand Lecturer, I was keenly aware of the duties and responsibilities belonging to my office (having served the previous year). Under the direction of our Worthy Grand Matron, throughout the year, I have tried to faithfully perform all the duties belonging to my office. My official report is as follows:

May 25—Examined Sister Edith Shinn of Brandywine Chapter No. 14 in half of work for Grade A certificate.

July 21—Issued Grade A certificate to Sister Madeline Litchfield, Conductress of Delaware Chapter No. 1 and Grade B certificate to Sister Bertha Kelley, Associate Conductress of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

August 2—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister May Pople, Associate Conductress of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

August 16—School of instruction for all deputy Grand Lecturers was held in Five Points Chapter room at Newport from 7 to 10:30 P. M. I am deeply grateful to Five Points Chapter for the help of their officers and for the use of their paraphernalia.

September 18—Delmar—Issued Grade B. certificate to Sister Ida Lowe, Associate Conductress of Adah Chapter No. 5.

September 20—Examined the Associate Matron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Sister Marion Simpson, in her work for Worthy Matron.

October 4—Harrington—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Lenora Watson, Associate Conductress of Victory Chapter No. 15.

October 23—Dover—Examined the Associate Matron of Victory Chapter No. 15, Sister Mildred Wilgus, in her work for Worthy Matron.

November 3—Georgetown — Examined the Associate Matron of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Sister Elberta Clemdaniel, in her work for Worthy Matron; issued Grade B certificate to Sister Lovey Stemple, Associate Conductress of Georgetown Chapter No. 9; examined the Associate Matron of Sussex Chapter No. 7, Sister Agnes Wooten, in her work for Worthy Matron; issued Grade B certificate to Sister Narris A. Tull, Associate Conductress of Sussex Chapter No. 7.

November 8—Millville—Issued Grade B. certificate to Sister Ethel D. Derrickson, Associate Conductress of Frankfort Chapter No. 12; examined the Associate Matron of Frankfort Chapter No. 12, Sister Myrtle Hickman, in her work for Worthy Matron; issued Grade B certificate to Brother John B. Williams, Associate Patron of Frankfort Chapter No. 12.

November 9—Examined the Associate Matron of Adah Chapter No. 5, Sister Paris Bounds, in half of work for Grade A certificate.

November 15—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Miriam Rittenhouse, Associate Conductress of Newark Chapter No. 10, also examined her in her work for Worthy Matron.

November 20—Examined the Associate Matron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Sister Gertrude Grubb, in her work for Worthy Matron; issued Grade B certificate to Pierce Laws, Associate Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13; issued Grade B certificate to Sister Ruth Laws, Associate Conductress of Five Points Chapter No. 13; issued Grade B certificate to Brother Albert Kumpel, Associate Patron of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8; examined the Associate Matron of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, Sister Marian Kumpel, in her work for Worthy Matron.

November 27—Examined the Associate Matron of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Sister Helen Clark, in her work for Worthy Matron.

December 9—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Mae T. Ford, Associate Conductress of Kent Chapter No. 11.

December 21—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Edna Carter, Associate Conductress of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

December 29—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Frances M. Warren, Associate Conductress of Brandywine Chapter No. 14; issued Grade B certificate to Sister Helen Kitchen, Conductress of Delaware Chapter No. 1; examined the Associate Matron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Sister Ruth Bruen, in her work for Worthy Matron.

January 4—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Louise Mortlock, Associate Conductress of Radiant Chapter No. 6.

January 5—Issued Grade B certificate to Sister Grace Gainor, Conductress of St. Johns Chapter No. 4; issued Grade B certificate to Sister Alice Minner, Associate Conductress of St. Johns Chapter No. 4; examined the Conductress of St. Johns Chapter No. 4, Sister Lois Ayers, in her work for Worthy Matron.

January 8—Issued Grade B certificate to Betty Heimel, Associate Conductress of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

January 9—Examined the Associate Matron of Radiant Chapter No. 6, Sister Anna Lloyd, in her work for Worthy Matron.

February 2—Issued Grade A certificate to E. Paris Bounds, Worthy Matron of Adah Chapter No. 5.

February 15—Seaford—Issued Grade B certificate to Brother Paul Fleming, Associate Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

March 8—Examined the Past Worthy Matron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Sister Bessie Norris, in two thirds of work for Grade A certificate.

March 19—Examined the Past Worthy Matron of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Sister Elvira Zeigler, in half of work for Grade A certificate.

December—

I was unable to reach two of our Associate Matrons on my trips to their Chapters due to gas shortage to make extra trips and by permission from our Worthy Grand Matron, I deputized the Deputy Grand Lecturer of Kent Chapter No. 11, Sister Marie Roberts, to examine Sister Emma Widdoes in her work for Worthy Matron and deputy Grand Lecturer of Newark Chapter No. 10, Sister Florence Fader to examine Sister Elizabeth Beswick in her work for Worthy Matron. Both reported well done. I wish to thank Sister Marie Roberts and Sister Florence Fader for this help to me and to Sister Roberts for her hospitality.

Associate Matrons were all mailed cards stating they had taken their examinations. The work of the Order of Eastern Star was exemplified in all chapter school of instructions as follow:

Feb. 5—Adah Chapter No. 5

Feb. 7—Kent Chapter No. 11

Feb. 9—Radiant Chapter No. 6

Feb. 12—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

Feb. 13—Delaware Chapter No. 1

Feb. 15—Sussex Chapter No. 7

Feb. 16—Georgetown Chapter No. 9

Feb. 20—Brandywine Chapter No. 14

Feb. 22—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

Feb. 26—Victory Chapter No. 15

Feb. 28—St. Johns' Chapter No. 4

Mar. 2—Mizpah Chapter No. 2

Mar. 8—Five Points Chapter No. 13

Mar. 14—Frankfort Chapter No. ———

Mar. 23—Newark Chapter No. 10.

Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, accompanied me on all but one of these schools of instructions and we found in all chapters a spirit of friendly cooperation. I wish to express my appreciation to the Deputy Grand Lecturers for their willingness to cooperate at all times and to extend my thanks to the chapters for their many courtesies.

A copy of my financial report has been filed with the Grand Secretary.

Worthy Grand Matron, it has been a privilege and an honor to serve you and I thank you for your faith and trust in me as Grand Lecturer.

Fraternally submitted,

EDNA L. GIFFORD,
Grand Lecturer.

Motion by Brother Grover C. MacNamee, Past Worthy Grand Patron, seconded by Sister Julia M. Story, Past Worthy Grand Matron, that the report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.
 Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND TRUSTEES

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S.:

We your Trustees, have audited the books of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and find them to be correct.

The following is a statement covering a period from May 1, 1944 to May 1, 1945.

Cash balance May 1, 1944.....	\$1,150.40
Receipts for the year	2,821.14
	\$3,971.54
TOTAL	
Less disbursements checks No. 468 old book to No. 1 to No. 64 new check book	\$2,338.54
Cash balance	1,633.00
Correction check No. 432—194305
	\$1,632.95
Bank Balance May 1, 1945	
Outstanding checks:	
No. 62—\$17.95	
No. 63— 13.40	
No. 64— 58.25	
	\$89.60
Bank Balance Industrial Trust Co.	\$1,722.55
Less outstanding checks	89.60
	\$1,632.95
CASH BALANCE	

We recommend that the salaries and contingent fund be the same for 1945.

We recommend that the Trustees be empowered to purchase a new typewriter.

Respectfully submitted,
 FERD H. REUTER
 JULIA M. STORY
 W. T. LOREMAN

Motion by Brother Cheston McCormick, Worthy Grand Patron, seconded by Brother Robert W. Larrimore, that the report be accepted as read including recommendation.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been my happy privilege to be one of the fraternal correspondents, and I shall always treasure it.

It is impossible to give more than a brief sketch of the settings and operations of Grand Jurisdictions, all of which have been elaborate and impressive, but like the humble gleaner Ruth, I have gathered here a little and there a little, from the many fields and with pleasure bring the sheaves to this Grand Chapter. For the benefit of those who are attending Grand Chapter for the first time, I will repeat a few of the earlier events of our order. It was founded in 1850 by Robert Morris of Kentucky and it has grown to one of the largest fraternal organizations in the world to which men and women are eligible.

It is governed by four sovereign bodies, namely—

1. The General Grand Chapter, organized in Indianapolis in 1876 which meets triennially and has jurisdiction over 55 Grand Chapters.
2. The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland which meets semi-annually.
3. The Independent Grand Chapter of New York; and,
4. The Independent Grand Chapter of New Jersey, both of which meet annually.

Grand Chapter sessions vary in length, from one to five days. In general outline, sessions are very similar. All Grand Chapters with the exception of New York and New Jersey operate under the ritual written by Robert Morris, the founder of the order, the two exceptions using the Macoy ritual.

The Holy Bible rests upon every altar at all Sessions and is often placed there with a beautiful ceremony.

Our flag is always the first guest to be received, usually followed by the Eastern Star, Christian and State Flag. In Canada, the Union Jack with the Stars and Stripes are often carried side by side and given equal honor.

Addresses of welcome and good wishes were extended at many Grand Sessions by Governors, Mayors and other civic officials and, in most states by the Grand Master of Masons.

One of the outstanding events at Grand Chapter sessions is the introduction of distinguished guests.

Fifty year members were honored in several Grand Jurisdictions.

In every Grand Session a time is set apart known as "Memory Hour" where we pause in loving tribute to those who answered the Master's call. The beautiful music rendered by the Grand Choirs added much to the impressiveness of the ceremonies.

Red Cross work has been the major activity, the reports showing an amazing amount of work accomplished.

Throughout the country, there are 15 Eastern Star Homes, and 50 Eastern Star and Masonic Homes combined.

The International Eastern Star Temple, located in Washington, D. C., is supported by practically every jurisdiction.

This is the headquarters for the General Grand Chapter. Since our order is international, no flags fly over the Temple, but a bright electric Star sends out its shining rays.

The International Chapter No. 1 of Northern China was the first Chapter to contribute 100 per cent to the Temple Fund. Delaware, I am proud to say, is 100 per cent.

The Educational Loan Fund is an active operation in most of our Stars.

The Eastern Star of Tomorrow! Over 40 jurisdictions sponsor the Order of Rainbow for girls. It is the largest youth movement in the world. The founder, Brother Mark Sexson, Past Worthy Grand Patron of Oklahoma, is a great-grandson of Robert Morris.

In 18 jurisdictions, Job's Daughters is sponsored. Six states have both, in Florida the Beatitudes, and in New York, the Daughters of Eastern Star.

From the report given by the Right Worthy Grand Secretary at the last Triennial Session, we find quite an increase in membership.

I would like to thank Sister Alice Abbot and Sister Sara MacNamee for their assistance in reviewing part of the proceedings for me.

To fraternal correspondents who have so splendidly reviewed Delaware's proceedings, we extend greetings and appreciations.

I sincerely thank our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth Fisher, for her promptness in mailing the proceedings.

Worthy Grand Matron, we wish to express our gratitude for the privilege of serving as the Committee of Fraternal Correspondence and feel that we are better fitted to follow His Star through the labyrinth of human life.

Fraternally submitted,

HELEN WEST

Associate Grand Matron asked if the chapter wished it all read.

Motion by Brother Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by Sister Mary M. Clower, that only a portion be read as it would all be printed in the Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Alberta — "Friendship Session"

The thirty-third annual session of the Grand Chapter of Alberta was held in the Southminster Church, Lethbridge.

Sister Eva Lonsberry, Worthy Grand Matron, chose "In His Steps" for her motto.

The Worthy Grand Patron Brother Percy Cull and Worthy Grand Matron are both members of the same Chapter, an unusual event.

Arizona

The forty-fourth annual session of the Grand Chapter convened in

the beautiful blue room of the Masonic Temple in Phoenix on Wednesday evening, April 12, 1944.

The theme of the Worthy Grand Matron was Active Christian Faith and was outlined with silver on a purple background in the Grand East.

The session was dedicated to the men and women of our members who are serving under our Flag in all parts of the world.

From the student loan fund one girl was privileged to attend college and from this fund an ambulance was also purchased. Two ambulances, two portable X-ray machines and \$250.00 for China relief were the results of the efforts of the War Service Committee.

Connecticut — "Peace and Love Session"

The seventieth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, Order of the Eastern Star was held in Foot Guard Hall, Hartford, April 26 and 27, 1944.

The Worthy Grand Matron's color scheme of green and white for the "Peace and Love Session" was carried out in a setting of evergreens, white birch and dogwood trees and a miniature replica of the State Capitol made a beautiful and unusual background.

Florida — "The All Star Session"

The fortieth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Florida, Order of the Eastern Star, convened in the Municipal Auditorium, Tampa, Florida, on April 5, 1944.

At the back of each Star Point chair was a huge Eastern Star in five colors. Directly in the center of the balcony was suspended an electrically lighted plaque. "Every Star a Star" was the motto of the Worthy Grand Matron.

This is also the home State of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and when she was introduced, thirty-two sisters dressed in beautiful yellow dresses carrying flags of all nations, formed a pentagon around Sister Lander.

Two ambulances were presented to the Government.

Georgia — "Rose Session"

The forty-third annual session of the Grand Chapter of Georgia was held in the City Auditorium at Macon on June 13 and 14, 1944.

The session was dedicated to the memory of Sister Lessie Ulmer, a Past Worthy Grand Matron who passed away while in Office.

The Worthy Grand Matron urged members to take advantage of the Educational Loan Fund which was in splendid condition.

Idaho — "Rainbow Session"

The forty-second annual session of the Grand Chapter of Idaho convened in Payette at the High School Auditorium on June 13, 1944.

A beautiful rainbow spanned the stage and at the end was an old

fashioned iron kettle filled with gold paper suggesting the pot o' gold. In the space under the huge rainbow were five very unusual murals portraying the emblems of each star point. They were loaned by the Masonic History Company of Chicago.

The Worthy Grand Matron Sister Lillian J. Barton and Worthy Grand Patron Dr. Noll M. Leavitt had for their motto "Others" and "Loyalty" as the theme.

Maine — "Ruth Session"

The fifty-second annual session of the Grand Chapter of Maine was dedicated to the loving memory of Sister Edna M. Gilpatrick, Grand Ruth who died during her term of office.

The chair of Grand Ruth was draped with a garland of yellow carnations and her badge was pinned to the chair.

Manitoba — The "Victory Session"

The twenty-second annual session of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba was held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel, June 7, 1944.

A blue silk curtain extending across the entire stage formed the background for a large "V" with the Worthy Grand Matron's motto "Let us live our Obligation" in gold letters overhead.

Nebraska

The sixty-ninth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska convened in the Shrine Room of the Masonic Temple in Omaha on Tuesday, May 9, 1944.

A member of Job's Daughters and a Rainbow girl entered the room and opened the gates leading to the Grand East for the entrance of the Grand Officers.

The election of Brother Harold T. Landeryou as Most Worthy Grand Patron brought great honor to the State of Nebraska.

There were thirty-one members issued certificates and fifty year pins who were initiated in the Order more than fifty years ago and are now members in good standing.

New Hampshire — "Victory Through Loyalty"

The fifty-fourth annual session of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star of New Hampshire was convened in the Masonic Temple at Manchester on September 14, 1944, at 10 o'clock with Ruth Y. Coombs as Worthy Grand Matron and Joshua Studley, Worthy Grand Patron.

Among distinguished guests were the Most Worthy Grand Matron Mamie Lander and the Most Worthy Grand Patron Harold T. Landeryou and other General Grand Chapter Officers, especially their own Alma P. Chase, Worthy Grand Organist and Past Worthy Grand Matron.

North Dakota — "Golden Opportunity" Session

The fiftieth annual session of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota

was held in the spacious auditorium of the Masonic Temple in Fargo, June 21, 1944.

Brother Walter L. Stockwell, Past Worthy Grand Patron and Right Worthy Grand Trustee of the General Grand Chapter gave a brief resume of the fifty years the Grand Chapter has been organized.

The Grand Chapter is collecting money for a memorial to be placed in the International Peace Garden.

Every Chapter reported an impressive amount of work in all branches of Red Cross activity, buying war bonds and contributing generously to benevolent work and local needs.

South Carolina — "Martha" Session

The thirty-seventh annual session of the Grand Chapter was held in Aiken in the Municipal Auditorium.

The Worthy Grand Matron Sister Christine F. Powell and Worthy Grand Patron Brother P. F. Mitchell's motto was "Service with Loyalty and Faith."

The Worthy Grand Matron and husband were given life memberships in their chapter, also the Worthy Grand Patron in his Chapter.

The contributions to the Masonic Service Center Fund has been one of the war goals.

Vermont — "Victory" Session

The seventy-second annual session of the Grand Chapter of Vermont convened in the City Hall Auditorium at Montpelier, Vermont, June 7, 1944.

A huge emblematic Star in the Grand East with white rays bursting forth bearing words that carried out the Worthy Grand Matron Sister Orris M. Joslin's motto "Truth and Love, Unity and Peace."

In the Grand West was a concave of red and white streamers forming a "V" above all, was the word Victory adding the essential touch of the Victory Session.

Washington

The fifty-sixth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Washington was held in Wenatchee Auditorium, Wenatchee, Washington, June 22, 23 and 24, 1944. Sister Martha W. Churchill, W. G. M., and Floyd J. Underwood, W. G. P.

The Worthy Grand Matron Martha W. Churchill lovingly dedicated this Golden Rule Session to the men and women serving under our flag in all parts of the world that all people may live in the Light of Freedom.

The Worthy Grand Matron had for her first project an "Eastern Star War Service Fund" which was raised to help the families of service men who were needy.

W. G. M. Oliver I. Magnus

W. G. P. Warren D. Rugg

South Dakota

The Fifty-sixth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South

Dakota opened October 10, 1944, in the Corn Palace of Mitchell, South Dakota. It was called the "Loyalty Session."

Against the blue curtains in the East, sprinkled with stars, hung the motto, "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you, do ye also to them." Thirty-two Adahs of 1944 participated in a simple and impressive Obligation Ceremony.

Quebec

The Twenty-second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Quebec opened on Thursday morning, October 5, 1944, in the ballroom of the Mt. Royal Hotel, Montreal. This was called the Star of Bethlehem Session.

Texas

The sixty-second annual session of the Grand Chapter of Texas was held in Fort Worth, October 31, November 1 and 2, 1944.

The Grand Chapter session was lovingly dedicated to Mrs. Gertrude F. Darden, an aunt of the Worthy Grand Matron, Cynthia May Watts. Mrs. Darden has been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for forty-seven years. This was called the Peace Session.

Wyoming

The Forty-seventh Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Wyoming convened in the auditorium of the Shrine Temple at Sheridan on August 29, 1944. This was called the Esther Session.

Virginia

The fortieth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Virginia was held in the Hotel John Marshall, Richmond, Va., May 9, 1944.

Virginia had the happy privilege of presenting three ambulances to the Medical Corps of the United States Army, the first was designated for service overseas, the second where most needed, the proceedings did not state for what service the third was designated.

West Virginia

At the beginning of the forty-first annual session of the Grand Chapter of West Virginia, known as the Garden of Love session, the Worthy Grand Matrons admonition to her Grand Officers and members was that they must guard faithfully and nourish tenderly those principles for which our loved ones are facing death on the battle fields.

Missouri

The seventieth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Missouri convened in the auditorium of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, St. Louis, Missouri, on October 9, 1944.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Johanna Schirmer, had designated this the "Love in Service" Session, and had dedicated it to her son,

Carleton, who is serving overseas with the Air Forces, to all members who are serving, or who have served under our Flag in all parts of the world.

Michigan

The Seventy-seventh Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Michigan was appropriately designated the "Autumn Session."

The Grand Chapter of Michigan is the oldest Grand Chapter in the world. Michigan is the home Grand Chapter of our Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Minnie Evans Keyes.

Independent Grand Jurisdiction of New York

The major part of the report of the Most Worthy Grand Matron dealt with the War effort, the response to which was so immense that it is impossible to give a just summary.

Nevada

The thirty-ninth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Nevada convened in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Reno, on October 6, 1944.

Iowa

A gleaming white Statue of Liberty, with a torch which was lighted throughout the session, was the center of interest when the Grand Chapter of Iowa convened in the Hotel Fort DesMoines at DesMoines, for its sixty-sixth Annual Session.

Montana

The Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Montana, O. E. S., the "Live Neighborly" Session, convened at Helena, August 18-19, 1944.

This Grand Chapter is 100 per cent in the International Eastern Star Temple Fund.

A Red Cross ambulance was purchased, \$600 was given the Grand Lodge of Montana for their Masonic Center Fund, \$200 to China Relief, and over \$500 for the establishment of a Montana Grand Chapter Rehabilitation Fund to be known as the "Live Neighborly Fund."

British Columbia

The Thirty-third Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia, O. E. S., convened in the Crystal Ballroom of the Empress Hotel, Victoria, June 19-21, '944.

Generous contributions have been received from the members for the War Service Fund, Crippled Children's Fund, and the Queen's Canadian Fund.

An electric organ was purchased for Shaughnessy Hospital.

District of Columbia

The stated session of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia, O. E. S., convened in the Grand Chapter Chamber at the Masonic Temple on May 3, 1943.

The 48th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia, convened in the Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C., January 13, 1944.

The outstanding achievement of the year was the American Red Cross Emergency War Drive in raising \$2,473.34 through the chapters in a thirty-day campaign.

Massachusetts

The Sixty-eighth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, the "Golden Rule" Session, convened in Springfield, May 9-12, 1944.

The members of the O. E. S. in Massachusetts presented a Red Cross Ambulance to our Armed Forces plus giving a generous gift to the Masonic Service Association.

The Grand Chapter sponsors an O. E. S. Home in Orange plus the Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Oregon

The "Junetime Victory Session" of the Grand Chapter of Oregon, convened in Portland, June 12, 13, 1944, in the Shrine Room of the Masonic Temple. This room was beautifully decorated for the Fifty-fifth Annual Session.

Much Red Cross work has been done and two ambulances were purchased from contributions sent in by the members.

This Grand Chapter sponsors an Eastern Star Home.

Minnesota

Potted plants and ferns, with an illuminated cross in the background, made a beautiful setting on the stage in the Scottish Rite Temple in Minneapolis when the 66th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Minnesota convened May 8, 9 and 10, 1944.

The "Service for Victory" Session was a very interesting and enjoyable one to read.

A Clubmobile was presented by this Grand Chapter to the American Red Cross for service overseas and is now in operation in New Guinea.

Also, the members of the O. E. S. in Minnesota (through their generous contributions) gave three ambulances—to the Army, Navy and the Convalescent Ward at Fort Snelling.

South Dakota

The 55th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota, "The Pioneer Session" was held in Aberdeen, S. D., Oct. 12-14, 1943.

This Grand Chapter sponsors an Eastern Star Home at Redfield.

Through generous contributions of the members of the O. E. S. in South Dakota, an ambulance was given to the American Red Cross. Captain John E. Tysell, Marine Corp, son of the Worthy Grand Matron, accepted the ambulance for the Army.

Mississippi

The 38th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi, known as the "Faith Session" was held in Jackson, April 11-12, 1944.

Following the Public Opening, a delightful reception was held at the Governor's Mansion for the Grand Officers and Honor Guests.

The stage of the City Auditorium was beautifully decorated—emphasizing the theme, "Faith."

Greetings were brought to this Grand Chapter from both the Masonic Home for Boys in Columbus, and the Masonic Home for Girls in Meridan by the Superintendents. It was interesting to note just what these boys and girls are doing.

This Grand Chapter responded extremely well to China Relief, having contributed \$4,195.38.

Arkansas

The 68th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas, known as the "Daughter's Session," convened in Little Rock, November 22-23, 1943. The Worthy Grand Matron dedicated this session to her brother who was serving in the Armed Forces of his country.

The reports of blood donations, camp services, kit making, war bond and stamp sales, knitting, sewing, and Civilian Defense work were most gratifying.

Louisiana

The 45th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana convened in New Orleans, March 9 and 10, 1944. This Grand Chapter has sent donations to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children in Shreveport and the Masonic Home for Children in Alexandria.

This Grand Chapter also has an Educational Loan Fund and an Aged Fund for the O. E. S. Home.

Tennessee

The 44th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee convened in Memphis, March 9th and 10th, 1944. The Worthy Grand Matron's twins, very reverently placed the Bible on the Altar, and the gavel was presented to the Worthy Grand Matron by the young daughter of the Worthy Grand Patron.

The members of the O. E. S. in Kentucky have given 2,267,192 hours for Red Cross Work.

Kentucky

The 41st Annual Session—the "Mother and Daughter Garden Session" of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, convened in Louisville on

Oct. 25, 26 and 27, 1943, and was dedicated to the mother of the Worthy Grand Matron. The stage of the Memorial Auditorium, in which this session was held, had been transformed into a beautiful replica of the flower garden of the Worthy Grand Matron's mother, and from the description it must have been a beautiful setting.

Under her leadership a special Robert Morris Fund was requested and a bedroom was furnished in the Robert Morris Home. This home at LaGrange, Kentucky, is kept up by the Grand Chapter of Kentucky.

The Grand Secretary of Kentucky is the granddaughter of Robert Morris—Sister Ella Morris Mount, and at the General Grand Chapter Banquet, held in Chicago in 1943 at the Palmer House, two of our Grand Officers, Sister Pierce and Sister Abbott, had the pleasure of sitting at the same banquet table with Miss Mount, and hearing some interesting events of the Kentucky Chapters.

Kentucky has a Home and Relief Board which furnishes funds for the welfare of destitute sisters. O. E. S. Hospital Circles are formed for the purpose of sending flowers and visiting the sick within their gates and whose Eastern Star or Masonic membership is elsewhere.

The Red Cross Report was most gratifying. Many War Stamps and Bonds were sold totaling \$1,235,500.

New Mexico

The 42nd Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New Mexico convened in Albuquerque on March 16, 17, 18, 1944, in the Shrine Auditorium of the Masonic Temple. The "Victory Session" was dedicated to members of the Armed Forces of the U. S. A.

Much Red Cross Work has been done. In reading the Financial Report, I notice this Grand Chapter has a Widows and Orphans Fund, Seeing Eye Dog Fund, Educational Fund and a Victory Fund.

Maryland

The ballroom of the Lord Baltimore Hotel in Baltimore was beautifully decorated with flags of our Allies, where the 46th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, O. E. S. convened April 23-25, 1944.

Sister Mamie Lander, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was welcomed in a most unusual manner by Sister Koenig as Lord Baltimore.

The report of the Patriotic Service Committee was very gratifying to read. A field ambulance purchased Feb. 15, 1944, at a cost of \$1,543.50 was presented to the Third Service Command of the U. S. Army. A second ambulance was presented to the Army April 24, 1944. A balance of \$666.21 was left after purchasing the two ambulances, and the Grand Chapter voted to give this balance to the Red Cross.

Many hours have been spent in the various branches of Red Cross Work, as well as 602 pints of blood donated, rooms at Camp Meade were completely furnished, as well as donations given to the Masonic Service Center.

Pennsylvania

The Golden Jubilee of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania was held in Pittsburgh, June 12-15th at the Syria Mosque.

A very impressive Patriotic Pageant was given entitled: "Flags for Victory."

There are 23 guests living at the Eastern Pennsylvania Eastern Star Home, and one of the guests, Mrs. Sarah C. Rice, celebrated her 100th birthday on October 7, 1944. There are 22 guests living at the Western Pennsylvania Eastern Star Home. Many religious services have been held at these homes for the guests, as well as many parties given by the various chapters.

The report of the Fraternal Correspondent was indeed wonderful and quite unique. It was written in rhyme by Sister Isabel E. Snyder of Danville, Penna., who committed the entire report of 11 printed pages to memory. I have never read such a wonderful and interesting report.

North Carolina—Martha Session

The 39th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina was held in the Masonic Temple at Raleigh, North Carolina.

The session was dedicated to the Worthy Grand Matron Sister Martha B. McGee's Mother, Husband and Sister.

Much Red Cross and war work was done and the bright light of one session was the presentation of an ambulance to the U. S. Army.

Saskatchewan

The 28th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan was held in Regina, May 16, 17 and 18.

The session was named the "Silver Lining Session."

The W. G. M. Sister Caroline Smith had for her Motto: "We walk by faith, not by sight."

814 Adams Street
Wilmington 32, Delaware
December 6, 1944

Grand Chapter of Delaware
Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher, Sec.
1614 Union Street
Wilmington, Delaware

The twenty-second Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation was held at 1005 West Ninth Street, on November 30, 1944, and the following Directors were unanimously elected to serve until November 30, 1945.

Grand Chapter of Delaware.....Julia M. Story
Delaware Chapter No. 1.....Jeannette L. White
Mizpah Chapter No. 2.....Marion A. Bristow
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.....Jean B. Cottman
St. John's Chapter No. 4.....Elva W. Lang
Radiant Chapter No. 6.....Lillie S. Riley

The Election of officers resulted as follows:

Julia M. Story, Grand Chapter of Del.....President
Jeannette L. White, Delaware Chapter No. 1.....1st Vice-President
Marion A. Bristow, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.....2nd Vice-President
Lillie S. Riley, Radiant Chapter No. 6.....3rd Vice-President
Jean B. Cottman, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.....4th Vice-President
Elva W. Lang, St. John's Chapter No. 4..... Secretary and Treasurer

The resignation of Myrtle C. Nesbitt, Secretary of the Corporation for fourteen years, was accepted with much regret.

The Treasurer reported the total worth of the Corporation as follows:

Balance in the Wilmington Savings Fund Society.....	\$2,568.80
Balance in Security Trust Co. Checking Account.....	63.05
Two \$1,000 U. S. War Loan Bonds	2,000.00
Total.....	<u>\$4,631.85</u>

With best wishes for your success in the coming year, I am
Sincerely and fraternally,

Julia M. Story
President

ELVA W. LANG
Secretary, Delaware Order of the
Eastern Star Building Corporation

Motion by Sister M. Etta Keys, seconded by Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that Sister Julia M. Story be appointed to represent the Grand Chapter at the Delaware Building Association meeting and vote our shares of stock.

Motion adopted.

OPENING ON TIME REPORT

All Chapters are on the Honor Roll with the exception of:
Sussex No. 7 reporting late three meetings.

Georgetown No. 9 reporting late four meetings.

These late meetings were in the winter time and I feel sure were due to transportation difficulties.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER
Grand Secretary

Motion by Brother Robert W. Larrimore, seconded by Sister Helen C. West, that the report be accepted and spread on the minutes.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION AND CHARTERS

We, your committee on Chapters under Dispensation and Charterer Chapters for the year ending December 31, 1942, have carefully checked

the Membership Reports as submitted by the secretaries of the fifteen Subordinate Chapters and find that they reveal the following changes in our membership during the calendar year 1944.

Membership on record December 31, 1943	1,678
Lost by Death	28
Lost by Demit	13
Lost by Suspension	11
Total Loss	52
Gained by Initiation	169
Gained by Reinstatement	6
Gained by Affiliation	13
Total Gain	188
Net Gain	136..
Total Membership, December 31, 1944	1,814

SISTER GRACE WILKINS
 SISTER THELMA H. DICKERSON
 SISTER MABEL M. DAVIS

Motion by Sister MacNamee seconded by Sister Alice C. Abbott that report be accepted and spread upon minutes.
 Motion Adopted.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

May 16, 1945

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:
 Your Committee on Educational Loan Fund desire to report as follows:

Balance, May 17, 1944	\$1,058.53
Interest, December 31, 1944	31.10
Donation by Kent Chapter No. 11	5.00
Received from Summer Benefit	90.12

Balance, May 16, 1945	\$1,184.75
Outstanding Loans	
Nos. 4, 5 and 6—	\$525.00

During the Grand Chapter Year now closing we have received no applications for loan, however your Committee feel the time may not be far distant when many young folks now profitably employed, will be looking about for a means to further their education, we hope when the time comes to be in position to take favorable action on applications of worthy Members and their Children.

To this end we beg to suggest that Subordinate Chapters when making up their budgets give favorable consideration to donations to this Fund.

We desire to thank Kent Chapter No. 11, for donation early this year.

Respectfully submitted,

MAMIE R. WENDLING
ADDIE MAE SNOWDEN
EDITH M. McLEAN
HELEN M. COVERY
GROVER C. MacNAMEE

Motion by Brother Robert W. Larrimore, seconded by Brother McCormick, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.
Motion adopted.

REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE FUND

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

All chapters in this Jurisdiction are 100% in the International Temple Fund, and having nothing brought to our attention, we have no report to make.

Fraternally submitted,
JOHN L. LeCOMPTE

Motion by Sister S. MacNamee seconded by Sister Edna Gifford, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.
Motion Adopted.

REPORT OF SUMMER BENEFIT

As chairman of the summer benefit of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of Eastern Star, from May 18, 1944 to April 30, 1945, I wish to submit the following report. Due to the present conditions of war, it was decided to use the plan of the previous year of asking a donation of \$1.00 per member in the Grand Chapter.

The quotas and amounts received of the fifteen Chapters are as follows:

	Quotas	Amt. Rec.
Delaware No. 1	46	46.00
Mizpah No. 2	27	17.50
Julia M. Storey No. 3	34	24.00
St. Johns No. 4	33	33.00
Adah No. 5	30	30.00
Radiant No. 6	24	24.00

*Sussex No. 7	23	21.00
Caesar Rodney No. 8	30	20.00
Georgetown No. 9	24	24.00
Newark No. 10	28	26.00
Kent No. 11	23	25.00
Frankfort No. 12	21	21.00
Five Points No. 13	22	44.00
Brandywine No. 14	14	14.00
Victory No. 15	6	6.00
Totals	385	\$375.50

Ten of our fifteen chapters were 100% or more in their donations.

I sincerely thank all who assisted and donated to our Grand Chapter summer benefit.

Fraternally submitted,

EDNA L. GIFFORD

Since filing my report I have received \$2.00 from Newark Chapter No. 10 and \$5.00 from Sister Julia M. Story making a total of \$382.50.

Motion by Sister Alice C. Abbott seconded by Sister Bessie S. Norris that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.

Motion Adopted.

*Sussex Chapter No. 7 is now 100%. (May 17th)

REPORT ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

"We, your Committee, report that we find no Unfinished Business to be considered at this Grand Session."

Fraternally submitted,

ARCHIE FAEGAN, Chairman

Motion by Sister Krapf, seconded by Sister Clower, report be accepted.

Motion Adopted.

REPORT OF PRINTING COMMITTEE

No meeting of the Printing Committee was called for there were no bids to consider as the Grand Chapter ruling is that the Proceedings are to be lithographed and there is only one firm in Delaware doing this type of work and bids from outside the State are quite exorbitant.

300 Copies of Proceedings were mailed to those entitled to receive them.

The material for the Proceedings was typed and given to the Printer on August 10, 1944 but they were not finished by him and mailed until January 12, 1945. This was quite annoying and embarrassing, but was a matter over which we had no control, as promises to finish them were made time and time again only to be broken. We are hoping for better results in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

BENEETA I. MEENAN
J. N. ABBOTT
ELIZABETH M. FISHER

Motion by Brother McCormick, seconded by Sister M. Etta Keys, that the report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.
Motion Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S.

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals are pleased to report that nothing has been submitted for consideration or adjustment. Peace and harmony prevails in this jurisdiction as far as we have been advised. May this splendid spirit of peace and harmony continue.

Fraternally submitted,

MAUDE L. MITCHELL, Chairman

Motion by Brother Grover C. MacNamee, seconded by Brother McCormick, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.
Motion adopted.

Delegation from Penns Grove, New Jersey, was welcomed by Worthy Grand Matron.

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

We, your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws in conjunction with the Jurisprudence Committee have approved the following amendments to by-laws of the subordinate chapters and which were temporarily approved by the Worthy Grand Matron:

Georgetown Chapter No. 9—

“to revoke the amendment to Article I, Sec. 2, which called one stated meeting, the first Friday, each month.” The Chapter will now revert to two stated meetings, each month the first and third Fridays.

Victory Chapter No. 15—

Art. I, Sect. 2A—When the stated meeting falls on a National Holiday such meeting may be omitted.

Art. 4, Sect. 2—“that fifty dollars (\$50.00) be left in the treasury at the end of each current year as a contingent fund for the incoming Worthy Matron.”

S. A. HELLENS
MARTHA W. KRAPP.

Motion by Sister Krapf, seconded by Sister Helen Wilson, report be adopted.

Motion adopted.

THURSDAY — 1:30 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by General Sessions Chairman P. W. G. Matron Mrs. Sarah E. Rigg—Presenting

P. W. G. Matron Mrs. Bertha S. Welch

P. W. G. Patron Mr. Robert M. Rogers

Entrance of Grand Officers.

Opening Ode: “Onward Christian Soldiers.”

Past Worthy Grand Patron Brother John Frederick was welcomed, escorted East, and given Grand Honors.

Final Report of Credential Committee not ready.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JOB'S DAUGHTERS

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

We, your Committee on Job's Daughters, submit the following report for Bethel No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware.

The Order of Job's Daughters for teen-age girls of Masonic families is founded on high ideals, the teachings include reverence for God, respect for elders, love for all the world, and loyalty to the Flag. Assisted by a splendid council, hearty cooperation from the mothers, and increased interest of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star, Grand Guardian Sister Edna Gifford and Associate Grand Guardian Brother Robert Larrimore feel that the Bethel has had a successful year. They were ably assisted by Sister Iva Ostendarp, Bethel Guardian, and Brother George Ostendarp, Associate Guardian.

A gala night was when the Bethel was honored by a visit from our Worthy Grand Matron, Elizabeth Pierce, Worthy Grand Patron Cheston McCormick, their staff of Grand Officers, other members of the Order, and relatives of the girls.

On April 23 a visit was made to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3. They exemplified their work when six candidates were initiated. One of our Past Honor Queens is Worthy Matron of Julia Story Chapter. We are very proud of Miss Ruth Bruen.

We have five girls in training in the Memorial Hospital. We are proud of them and feel that all our girls are being trained to carry on after we have passed on. While the religious teachings of the Ritualistic work have always been strongly emphasized, the social side has not been overlooked. Covered dish suppers, Christmas Greetings sales and other activities have placed the finances in good order. I urge you to visit the Bethel; become better acquainted with the work and its members. I can assure you a cordial welcome awaits you.

Fraternally submitted,

BERTHA M. SMITH, Chairman
CATHARINE E. WEAVER
ROBERT M. ROGERS

Motion by Brother McCormick, seconded by Sister Irma Barr, report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.

Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Matron invited Worthy Grand Patron to preside over election.

Worthy Grand Patron read Section 1, Article 8 on Election of Officers:

Brother Percy C. Cotty and Brother Nelson Abbott were appointed Clerks.

Sisters Ethel Bard, Maude G. Ames, Edith Shinn and Brother M. Eugene Gardner were appointed tellers.

Motion by Brother Horace Fulmer, seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, that members be admitted at this time.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members:

We, your committee on Examination of Visitors, report all members present at Grand Chapter were properly vouched for. Three visitors were examined and found to be members in good standing.

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH S. BURKINS
CLARA A. REUTER, P. W. G. M.
M. ETTA KEYS, P. W. G. M., *Chairman*

Motion by Brother Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by Sister Louise Green, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF L. S. M. ADOPTION FUND COMMITTEE

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

The Committee known as the L. S. M. Adoption Committee is pleased to make the following report:

On Dec. 15 I, Sarah Riffin, was appointed to meet with the Commanding Officer of the L. S. M. 421 for the purpose of learning what our Order could best do for the men on this Ship.

I found Capt. Peeny delighted to know that his Ship was to be sponsored. The officers and crew said a heavy-duty sewing machine would be the best possible gift. This machine and extra parts for same was bought and put on board on Dec. 20. On Dec. 24 ten of the Grand Officers, past and present, were allowed to witness the ship commissioned. A very impressive ceremony which I wish each of you could have seen. In January the Worthy Grand Matron appointed P. G. M. Sister M. Etta Keys and our Associate Grand Patron Brother Charles Cleaver to serve on this committee.

As chairman of the committee to bring some sunshine to the members of the armed forces who are in our hospital in Delaware, I sent to each Chapter a letter asking for the price of a book (pocket edition) to be sent me each month. Your response has been 100 per cent. In January 59 books, one for each man, were sent to the ship as a gift from Five Points Chapter officers of 1944. Each month since there have been 15 books sent, each bearing the name of one of our Chapters. A total of 119 books. We asked for records and your response was most generous. We have mailed 62 of these. Others will be mailed soon. I also sent three or four names of the ship's crew to each Chapter and asked you to write at least two letters each month to the boys. Our Chapters down the state have sent monthly reports. To date those six Chapters have sent 128 letters and 56 cards. I am sorry to say I have no report from Chapters in New Castle County. You, too, have written many letters and I have read some received by you. Don't stop writing even if your boy doesn't answer. I am sure they enjoy getting mail. Capt. Penny sends you his grateful thanks for everything.

At the request of the Worthy Grand Matron each Chapter sent goodly sums of money to be used here in Delaware to bring a bit of cheer to those in the hospitals in our state.

On March 3 the committee, together with the Worthy Grand Matron, took boxes of paper to each of our four hospitals. We secured the paper through Brother Zeigler and after wrapping it decorated it with Stars that our late Past Grand Matron Sister Lilly S. Riley had among her Eastern Star supplies. One box we sent to our own Past Grand Patron Brother Stout, one to Julius Cooper, who is or was a patient at Brandywine Sanitarium, and who is the son of a Past Matron of Kent No. 11. Three later trips were made to the Air Base to take gifts to wounded boys just flown here from overseas. A total of 215 boxes were distributed. From these boys just flown home we learned what real love of home means. We saw what patience, perseverance, courage and kindness are. For here we

found boys broken and bruised in body but well and happy in spirit. Each one willing to share with another.

On Holy Monday we visited each hospital again and took three Easter cards for each patient to send his loved ones. You can't imagine how they were appreciated.

In March it was decided to use some of the money you so freely gave to buy wool to be used in making afghans for the use of the boys who might be in wheel chairs and need a lap robe. You see some of the result here and there are others in the making. In addition two folding chairs have been bought.

We join the Worthy Grand Matron in thanking each Chapter for its interest in this work and trust you will be willing to continue.

We wish to thank our Grand Secretary Sister Fisher and our Past Patron Brother Keys for driving us to the hospitals when Brother Cleaver could not go.

Worthy Grand Matron, we thank you for giving us this opportunity to take in the name of the Order of Eastern Star a bit of sunshine to our brave men and women.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES CLEAVER
M. ETTA KEYS, P. G. M.
SARAH E. RIGGIN, P. G. M.

Motion by Sister Elizabeth E Pierce, seconded by Sister Bessie Norris, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.

Motion adopted.

Sister Pauline Davis reported the number of afghans made for Veterans Hospital as thirty (30) finished and 13 in the making.

It was moved by Sister Sarah E. Riggan, seconded by Sister Mamie Wendling, that a letter of thanks be sent to the folks at the Masonic Home for their help in putting the afghans together.

Motion adopted.

Sister M. Etta Keys made a motion that the afghans in the making be counted in this year's work. Sister Bessie Warrington seconded the motion.

Motion adopted.

Credential Committee reported 151 voting delegates and 7 proxies, making 158 votes.

REPORT ON RED CROSS WORK

Delaware Chapter No. 1

	HOURS
Production	514
Surgical dressings	417
Seven (7) sleeveless sweaters	140

Three (3) sweaters with sleeves	90
Thirteen (13) beanies	65
One (1) scarf	25
Five (5) helmets	75
Twenty-nine articles	
TOTAL	1326
Ten (10) blood donors.	

Mizpah Chapter No. 2

Total	HOURS
Five (5) blood donors	2389
495 Pounds Clothing for Red Cross	

Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

KNITTING

One (1) beanie	HOURS
One (1) pair spiral stump socks	5
Six (6) sleeveless sweaters	7
Two (2) men's sweaters with sleeves	180
Thirteen (13) pairs of stump socks	70
Two (2) pairs men's socks	91
Two (2) pairs stump arms	30
	12
	395
Unit hours	725
Sewing	203
Garments	24
TOTAL	1347
Made six (6) capes	

St. John Chapter No. 4

Three (3) afghans	HOURS
Surgical dressings and sewing	240
	964
TOTAL	1204

Adah Chapter No. 5

	HOURS
Surgical dressings	270
Nurse's Aid	39
Sewing	50
Knitting	55
TOTAL	414

Radiant Chapter No. 6

	HOURS
Surgical dressings	800
Sewing	379
Red Cross Drive	21
TOTAL	1200

Sussex Chapter No. 7

	HOURS
Sewing	100
Knitting	100
Two (2) sleeveless sweaters	40
Forty (40) Beanies	200
One (1) pair gloves	8
TOTAL	448

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

	HOURS
SEWING	
	HOURS
Three hundred (300) Convalescent Kits	150
Twenty (20) men's pajamas	160
Twenty (20) pairs childrens pajamas	100
Twenty-four (24) children's dresses	204
Fourteen (14) ladies blouses	56
Fourteen (14) ladies slips	14
Twelve (12) ladies skirts	36
Fifty (50) property bags	25
Twelve (12) housewives	6
Sixteen (16) ladies dresses	102
Fourteen (14) boys blouses	56
Twelve operating gowns	72
Total of Five hundred and eight (508) articles	
TOTAL	981

KNITTING

	HOURS
Twelve (12) sleeveless sweaters	240
Twelve (12) army scarfs	300
Four (4) watch caps	60
Two (2) turtle neck sweaters	70
Five (5) heavy sweaters	150
Eight (8) pairs gloves	64
Ten (10) helmets	150
Twelve (12) beanies	60
Eight (8) pairs wristlets	32
Total of Seventy-one (71) articles	

TOTAL	1126
Five thousand three hundred ninety-four (5394)	
surgical dressings	500
Red Cross	75
Red Cross Drive	14

589

One thousand (1000) lbs. of clothing for Red Cross
 Twelve (12) blood donors.
 Total of two thousand six hundred ninety-six (2696)
 hours.

Georgetown Chapter No. 9

	HOURS
Convalescent Kits	99
Five (5) blouses	20
Three (3) pairs rompers	12
One (1) lady's dress	8
TOTAL	139

KNITTING

One (1) long sleeve sweater	30
Three (3) sleeveless sweaters	60

TOTAL

Total of Thirteen (13) articles
 Surgical dressings two hundred thirty-nine (239).
 Total of four hundred sixty-eight (468) hours.

Newark Chapter No. 10

TOTAL	HOURS
	38

Kent Chapter No. 11

	HOURS
Surgical dressings	106
Knitting	160
Sewing	750
TOTAL	1016

Frankford Chapter No. 12

	HOURS
Surgical dressings	101
Sewing	60
TOTAL	161
One (1) blood donor giving five (5) pints of blood, Sister Milligan	

Five Points Chapter No. 13

	HOURS
Production	582
Motor Corps	650
Nurses' Aid	320
Canteen	363
Sewing	14
Knitting	216
Red Cross Drive	250
TOTAL	2395
Twenty-one (21) blood donors.	

Brandywine Chapter No. 14

	HOURS
Three (3) sleeveless sweaters	60
Seven (7) watch caps	105
One (1) long sleeve sweater	30
Four (4) pairs wristlets	16
TOTAL	211
Sewing	10
Surgical dressings	161
Canteen	177
Dietetic Aid	16
Unit Hours	12
TOTAL	376
Total of five hundred eighty-seven (587) hours.	

Victory Chapter No. 15

	HOURS
Knitting four (4) sleeveless sweaters	80
Sewing	18
Surgical dressings	365
Nurses' Aid	50
Canteen	20
Red Cross Drive	1410
TOTAL	<u>1943</u>

Fifteen hundred (1500) pounds of clothing for
Red Cross.

Total hours for fifteen (15) Chapters—Sixteen thousand four
hundred and thirty-one.

Fraternally submitted,

ANNA M. HARRINGTON

Motion by Sister Marie Roberts seconded by Sister Katie Boyer that
the U. S. O. hours be stricken from the Red Cross Report and the report
accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON
REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

We have carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron
and commend her for her zeal and effort in the interest of our Order
and congratulate her on the results.

We approve all dispensations granted.

We have approved in conjunction with the Committee on Constitution
and By-Laws, the by-laws of Subordinate Chapters previously approved
by the Worthy Grand Matron.

We approve questions and answers Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Question No. 4 we suggest be referred to this Grand Chapter for
discussion and decision.

We neither approve nor disapprove recommendation No. 1 but ask
that the Worthy Grand Matron make a full explanation of same for
action by the Grand Chapter.

We approve recommendations 2 and 3.

Fraternally submitted,

MARY M. CLOWER

JAY W. MILLER

SARAH E. RIGGIN

Motion by Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver,
that report of Jurisprudence Committee be accepted.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Myrtle Nesbitt, seconded by Sister Bertha Smith, that Questions and Answers be taken up Seriatim.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S REPORT
GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE, O. E. S.

May, 1945

Question No. 1—A member of the order has been visiting our Chapter for some time, and has decided to affiliate with us. Can she be balloted on and welcomed on the same night?

Answer No. 1—Yes. I refer you to approved decisions No. 13—1930. However, I would suggest the petitioner wait in the preparation room while the Chapter is balloting.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Barr, Grand Chapter approve as read.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 2—We have received a petition for the conferring of degrees from a W.A.C. at the New Castle Army Air Base. As our law calls for white in which to be initiated, shall we return this petition, or can she, if elected, be initiated in her uniform?

Answer No. 2—Yes—If these girls are sacrificing their lives that we may enjoy the privilege of freedom, we can sacrifice our law as to white dresses, that they may enjoy the privileges of our Order. There is no greater honor for the Order of the Eastern Star, than to accept a member into our Order who wears the uniform of the United States Army or any branch of the service of United States, providing they meet our requirements.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Robinson, Grand Chapter approve answer given by Worthy Grand Matron.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 3—A wife of a Master Mason who desires to become a member of our Chapter will not have been a resident six months when her petition is received but will be a resident six months when she is initiated. Would it be possible to receive her petition?

Answer No. 3—No—I refer you to Article 1, Section 30, Rules and Regulations, for the government of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Abbott, that Grand Chapter approve the answer.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 4—If the Worthy Patron does not care to learn the long lecture in the initiatory ceremony, can the Associate Patron assist by giving this part of the work?

Answer No. 4—No—Your Worthy Patron is in charge of the initiatory work and if he does not care to learn the long lecture, it is not compulsory. The Ritual informs him that it is optional and therefore it is strictly his prerogative. I personally feel that the candidate loses the most beautiful part of the initiatory work when the long lecture is omitted. However, that is the law.

Motion by Brother Fulmer, seconded by Sister Ziegler, that Question and Answer No. 4 be taken out of Report.
Motion adopted.

Question 5—My sentinel brought his resignation into the Chapter room on our stated meeting, February 6. Due to the fact it was thought illegal for the sentinel to enter the room and present any business, it was laid on the table until the next stated meeting. What disposition do I make of this matter?

Question No. 6—Since that time I have received the resignation of three of my appointive officers. Should I declare these offices vacant and obtain special dispensations to install new officers to fill these vacancies or continue with substitutes the rest of my year?

Answers No. 5 and 6—I have never heard of an officer resigning after being installed into office, however, a dissatisfied officer does not make a good one, and I would suggest that you accept the resignations, for "those who assume obligations lightly and forthwith forget them" do not make good members and to be a good officer, one must first be a good member. Therefore, I would fill these vacancies with new officers, obtain a dispensation, and have them installed as soon as possible.

Motion by Sister Green, seconded by Sister Larmore, that Questions and Answers 5 and 6 be approved.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 7—These resignations were addressed to me in care of the Chapter and Secretary. Should I accept them in open Chapter or, should my Secretary send letters of acceptance?

Answer No. 7—Since these are your personal appointments and were not voted into office by the Chapter members, my answer to this question is, have the resignations read by the Secretary so that they may be recorded in the minutes, and treat them as you would any other communications—Noted and filed. For in America we cannot compel people to serve against their will; this tends to dictatorship, and that is what our boys are giving their lives to overcome.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Green, that Grand Chapter approve this answer.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 8—Can these members, after resigning, attend the stated meetings the rest of this year, or must they wait for a new year?

Answer No. 8—There is no law that says we can bar any member from attending our meetings, provided that they are in good standing and do not affect the peace and harmony of the Chapter, however if these officers, because of some personal feeling do not want to take their respective stations after having assumed the officers' obligation around the Altar, upon which rests our Holy Bible, repeating these words, "I will faithfully and impartially perform all the duties belonging to the office for which I have been selected," I would think this evidence enough that they are not interested in the welfare of the Chapter, and therefore should not desire to attend the meetings.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Green, that Grand Chapter approve this answer.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Myrtle Nesbitt, seconded by Sister Bertha Smith, that Questions and Answers be taken up Seriatim.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S REPORT
GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE, O. E. S.

May, 1945

Question No. 1—A member of the order has been visiting our Chapter for some time, and has decided to affiliate with us. Can she be balloted on and welcomed on the same night?

Answer No. 1—Yes. I refer you to approved decisions No. 13—1930. However, I would suggest the petitioner wait in the preparation room while the Chapter is balloting.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Barr, Grand Chapter approve as read.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 2—We have received a petition for the conferring of degrees from a W.A.C. at the New Castle Army Air Base. As our law calls for white in which to be initiated, shall we return this petition, or can she, if elected, be initiated in her uniform?

Answer No. 2—Yes—If these girls are sacrificing their lives that we may enjoy the privilege of freedom, we can sacrifice our law as to white dresses, that they may enjoy the privileges of our Order. There is no greater honor for the Order of the Eastern Star, than to accept a member into our Order who wears the uniform of the United States Army or any branch of the service of United States, providing they meet our requirements.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Robinson, Grand Chapter approve answer given by Worthy Grand Matron.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 3—A wife of a Master Mason who desires to become a member of our Chapter will not have been a resident six months when her petition is received but will be a resident six months when she is initiated. Would it be possible to receive her petition?

Answer No. 3—No—I refer you to Article 1, Section 30, Rules and Regulations, for the government of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Abbott, that Grand Chapter approve the answer.

Motion adopted.

Question No. 4—If the Worthy Patron does not care to learn the long lecture in the initiatory ceremony, can the Associate Patron assist by giving this part of the work?

Answer No. 4—No—Your Worthy Patron is in charge of the initiatory work and if he does not care to learn the long lecture, it is not compulsory. The Ritual informs him that it is optional and therefore it is strictly his prerogative. I personally feel that the candidate loses the most beautiful part of the initiatory work when the long lecture is omitted. However, that is the law.

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Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Sister Green, that Grand Chapter approve this answer.

Motion adopted.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 9, SEC. 1—

Delete words "Members ex-officio of Board of Grand Instructors"

Motion by Sister Riggin, seconded by Sister West, that this be approved and complied with.

Motion adopted.

SEC. 5, PARAG. 8; SEC. 6, PARAG. 1—

"Bond of Secretary and Treasurer"

This should be stated as Blanket Bond.

Motion by Sister Krapf, seconded by Sister Clower, that this be so stated in Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion adopted.

ART. 1, SEC. 62—*2nd Reading*

Article 1, Sec. 62. Objection. A person who has been elected to take the degrees can be stopped by a member of the Chapter filing an oral or written objection with the Worthy Matron shall not reveal the name of the objector nor the reason given. "That the election of a petitioner, against whom objection has been made, shall be considered void, if the objection is not raised and the petitioner initiated within one year of the date of the election. That the status of such person be that of a rejected petitioner over whom the Chapter shall have jurisdiction for one year thereafter.

Motion by Sister Martha Krapf, seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, that this be approved and incorporated in our Constitution and Laws.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 63—

Article 1, Sec. 63. Applications for degrees and affiliation. A candidate for degrees having been rejected cannot be proposed again until six months after rejection. Any candidate for affiliation rejected in a Chapter shall have her or his dimit returned and the Chapter shall not have jurisdiction over said candidate. The candidate may apply at once for affiliation in any Chapter in the State.

Motion by Sister Martha Krapf, seconded by Brother Miller, for the adoption of this Recommendation by deleting the last seven (7) words in Article 1, Sec. 3, "which has been visited by the applicant".

Motion adopted.

ARTICLE 1, SEC. 65, PARAGRAPH 6 AND 7—

Delete words "Board of Grand Instructors".

Motion by Sister Krapf, seconded by Sister Alice Abbott, that this be approved and recorded in Rules and Regulations Governing Subordinate Chapters.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by Sister Clower, that Dispensations granted by Worthy Grand Matron be approved.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Riggin, seconded by Sister M. Etta Keys, that we approve, in conjunction with the Committee on Constitution and Laws of Subordinate Chapters, previously approved by Worthy Grand Matron.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Brother Miller, seconded by Brother Rogers, that our Constitution and By-Laws be revised and brought up to date at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.
Motion adopted.

RESULT OF ELECTION

Worthy Grand Matron	Mrs. Helen C. West
Worthy Grand Patron	Mr. Charles V. Cleaver
Associate Grand Matron	Mrs. Alice C. Abbott
Associate Grand Patron	Mr. Percy C. Cotty
Grand Secretary	Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer	Miss Helen R. Wilson
Grand Conductress	Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee
Associate Grand Conductress	Mrs. Marie Roberts
Grand Trustee	Mr. J. Nelson Abbott

THURSDAY — 8:00 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by

P. W. G. Matron Mrs. Sarah E. Riggin

P. W. G. Patron Mr. John Frederick

Entrance of Grand Officers.

Opening Ode—"Let the Lower Lights be Burning."

Reading of minutes of Afternoon Session.

Motion by Sister M. Etta Keyes, seconded by Brother Larrimore, that the minutes be approved as read.

Motion adopted.

Selection by Chorus.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S.:

We have reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron and commend him for his sincere efforts in spreading the spirit of Fraternalism in our Jurisdiction.

We approve the report.

Fraternally submitted,

MARY M. CLOWER

JAY W. MILLER

SARAH ELIZABETH RIGGIN, P. G. M.

Motion by Brother Grover C. MacNamee, seconded by Brother Robert M. Rogers, that report be accepted and spread on the minutes.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

700 in attendance—350 each day.

Motion by Brother Charles V. Cleaver that report of the Registration Committee be received and spread upon the minutes.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE

The Sessions Committee has been pleased to serve you and the Grand Body. If you are satisfied and our members have been made comfortable and happy, then indeed, are we more than repaid for our efforts. We recommend that Olivet Presbyterian Church be sent a letter of appreciation for welcoming the Grand Chapter as they did on the occasion of our Sunday Church Service and Memorial. We would mention with appreciation the splendid banquet given to our Grand Officers by the Subordinate Chapters. I think 335 were present. We ask that a letter of thanks be sent Rev. Jefferies, Dr. W. G. Purdy and Mr. William Smith for making our informal opening one long to be remembered. Also to St. John's Chapter for the use of the Eastern Star Flag, to the Red Cross for their flag, Five Points Chapter for the use of their paraphernalia, and to the members of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association for the gift of the Bible and the Christian Flag. We appreciate the DuPont Hotel allowing us to use their National and State Flag. We wish to thank everyone who brought flowers and who helped in any way to make this a happy Session. Especially does the Committee thank Past Grand Patron, Brother Larrimore. Without his help we could never have been ready.

Due to traveling conditions we did not have as many guests as usual but were pleased to have our Right Worthy Grand Trustee, Sister Plummer of Pennsylvania with us; also Sister Spencer, a Past Grand Matron of Virginia, and our good friend Past Grand Matron of Maryland, Sister Janney.

Brother Lee Nichols, a Past Worthy Patron of Five Points Chapter, should be included in our "Thank you" list as he brought the paraphernalia from Newport without any cost to Grand Chapter.

Today 131 members had lunch at the Hotel Rodney. It would not be out of order to express our thanks to them as you no doubt know that Dupont Hotel could not serve us.

Again we say thanks to all of you for your cooperation.

Fraternally submitted,

Pauline Davis
Maude Ames
Lillian Larrimore
W. B. Derrickson
Florence Lang
Ella Cleaver

Raymond Grubb
Alice Martin
May Heathcote
Mildred Hickey
Lydia McClosky
Sarah E. Riggin

Motion by Brother Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by Brother Jay W. Miller that the report be received and printed in Proceedings.
Motion adopted.

THURSDAY — 8:00 P. M.

Motion by Sister M. Etta Keys, seconded by Sister Helen C. West, that we have our Proceedings printed.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Elizabeth Pierce that we make a gift of \$10.00 to the Star Treble Chorus. Seconded by Sister Frances Huber.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by Sister Katie Boyer, that flowers or cards be sent to Sisters Anna Stausbach, Pearl Morris and Brother Carmine.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Sister Myra Robinson, that flowers be sent to Sister Hallie Coleman.

Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Patron stated he had left one item out of his report and that was, he was returning the \$25.00 Contingent Fund given him and wished \$15.00 to be appropriated to Hospital Fund and \$10.00 to the L. S. M. Fund.

Motion by Sister Pierce, seconded by Sister Myrtle C. Nesbitt, that flowers be sent to mother of Worthy Grand Patron who is in hospital in Burlington, New Jersey.

Motion adopted.

Greetings from Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Spencer of Virginia.

Grand Sentinel Brother Charles Krapf was escorted East and presented with a gift from Worthy Grand Matron in recognition of the fact that he had attended meetings in his Subordinate Chapter (Newark No. 10), for twenty (20) years and one month and had never missed a meeting.

Motion by Brother Grover C. MacNamee, seconded by Brother Robert Larrimore, that all bills of this Grand Chapter be paid.

Motion adopted.

A vocal duet was rendered by Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cheston R. McCormick, as their "Farewell Address."

TUNE: "IN THE EVENING BY THE MOONLIGHT"

*"We are bidding you all farewell
As we leave the East together
We have tried our best to serve you
Both in fair and stormy weather;
May the rays that lead the Wise Men
Guide your pathway near and far
Shine forever and forever, Eastern Star."*

Altar was undraped and recess declared for preparation for installation.

Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin, presided at Installation Ceremony and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John Frederick, installed his son-in-law, Brother Charles V. Cleaver as Worthy Grand Patron.

The following Grand Officers were installed.

GRAND OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1945-1946

Elected and Appointed May 17, 1945

Worthy Grand Matron	Mrs. Helen C. West	(12)
	Selbyville, Delaware	
Worthy Grand Patron	Mr. Charles V. Cleaver	(3)
	708 West 27th St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Associate Grand Matron	Mrs. Alice C. Abbott	(10)
	1413 Grant Ave., Wilmington, Delaware	
Associate Grand Patron	Mr. Percy C. Cotty	(1)
	1022 N. Clayton St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Secretary	Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher	(4)
	1614 N. Union St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Treasurer	Miss Helen R. Wilson	(6)
	707 N. Harrison St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Conductress	Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee	(4)
	208 West 31st St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Associate Grand Conductress	Mrs. Marie Roberts	(11)
	Harrington, Delaware	
Grand Chaplain	Mrs. Elvira Ziegler	(1)
Grand Lecturer	Mrs. Edna L. Gifford	(14)
Grand Marshal	Mrs. Florence Burbage	(12)
Grand Organist	Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver	(3)
Grand Adah	Mrs. Mabel Hearn	(5)
Grand Ruth	Mrs. Virda Simpler	(14)
Grand Esther	Mrs. Pauline Davis	(15)
Grand Martha	Mrs. Anna Hirzel	(8)
Grand Electa	Mrs. Henrietta Williams	(11)
Grand Warder	Mrs. Ida Coy Kapp	(9)
Grand Sentinel	Mr. Horace Fulmer	(2)
Grand Trustee	Mr. J. Nelson Abbott	(10)

Sister Sarah Riggin presented the gavel to Sister Helen C. West and welcomed her and the Worthy Grand Patron Brother Charles V. Cleaver.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

It is with deep gratitude that I accept this high honor which you have conferred upon me and my chapter.

I am not unmindful of the duties that are ahead of me but with this responsibility and obligation I require your earnest cooperation, also your love and loyalty.

The government, welfare, and prosperity of this Grand Chapter you have entrusted into my keeping for the coming year. I will to the best of my ability discharge my duties impartially to all concerned.

We as your leaders can accomplish but little without the aid of the rank and file on the sidelines, our sisters and brothers who form this great fraternal organization.

I have chosen for our motto this year, "Love and Service," and "Friendship" as my theme.

*Friendship is a chain of gold,
Shaped in God's all perfect mold,
Each link a smile, a laugh, a tear,
A grip of the hand, a word of cheer
As steadfast as the ages roll
Binding closer soul to soul.
It matters not how far, how heavy the load
Sweet is the journey on friendship's road.*

Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons you have been the builder of our Eastern Star. I humbly solicit your wise counsel and cooperation.

Grand Officers Committee members, and Deputy Grand Lecturers: May this be a happy year of "Love and Service" together. It is your year as well as mine.

Members of Frankford Chapter, your presence is an inspiration. Every honor that is mine, I gladly share with you.

Members of the Subordinate Chapters: This year I hope will be one of service that's honest and true, and love for our order, so that we may express it in terms of human helpfulness.

To the Installing Grand Officers: I wish to pay tribute so please accept my thanks, also my appreciation goes to each and every one who took part in this beautiful installation.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles, it gives me great pleasure to have the honor of sharing the Grand East with you and count it a blessing that I may have you as my co-worker this year.

In closing, my earnest prayer is that I will always be worthy of your trust.

To the members of my own Chapter:

*Of all the beautiful pictures
That hang on memory's wall
The one of my own Frankford Chapter
Seems most perfect of them all.*

I thank you with all my heart for being present and demonstrating your love and loyalty.

Sister Voice:

Music is an inspiration; the one art that is understood by rich and

poor alike. My sincere thanks for all the beauty you have added to my installation.

Musicians:

*God sent his singers upon the earth
With songs of gladness and of mirth
That they might touch the hearts of men
And bring them back to heaven again.*

Holly Chapter:

*There's a tribute that I want to pay
To special friends like you
And the folks that it won't fit, I'll say
Are mighty, mighty few.
So I want, with all my heart and soul
To always prove to be
Your friend in need, your friend indeed,
Just as you've been to me.*

My husband and daughter:

Last but not least, is a grateful thought of love for you both, who are nearer and dearer than all the world besides.

It is to me a rare privilege to have you both present. Your love and devotion through the years has made it possible for me to attain this high office.

Sister Derrickson:

I thank you for this beautiful gavel and I shall always cherish it, knowing Brother Derrickson made it. The poet has said, "Words are the windows of the soul through which our friends view the emotions of our hearts and minds." Would that I had the eloquence to express all that is in my heart of appreciation and thanks.

With all my heart, I appreciate this lovely gift. It speaks to me of your love through the years.

FOR A GIFT

*Your gift has brought to me
A chain of Golden Memories
Not with links that bend and break
For they are the kind that humans make
But one that God has made secure,
Because it is true and good and pure.*

Flowers:

Words cannot tell the joy your flowers give to me. They will fade—but their fragrance will live in my memory forever.

VERSE

*Sometimes the heart cannot give forth
All that it fain would say
Words seem but empty things
Like mists that fade away.
And so, tonight my heart is full of things
I cannot say.*

Now I have the pleasure and privilege of presenting to you, our Worthy Grand Patron Brother Charles Cleaver.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

First I wish to thank the Worthy Grand Matron for asking father W. G. P. Frederick to install me to this office and I have learned the true meaning of Eastern Star from association with him.

I wish to thank the member's of this Grand Chapter for electing me to this high office. As Worthy Grand Patron, I feel the responsibility placed upon me, but with the help of the Past Worthy Grand Patrons I promise to do my best and ask your kind cooperation. Worthy Grand Matron Helen West, I will always be ready to help you in any way that is within my power. Although we are from the extreme northern and southern parts of this jurisdiction, I trust that conditions will soon improve and we can again visit all over the state. I wish you could all stand here with me and see how beautiful these officers look and I know that by working together, we will have a happy and successful year.

CHAS. V. CLEAVER

Frankford Chapter No. 12 put on Flower Garden Ceremony and presented a gift to Worthy Grand Matron. Song for the Worthy Grand Matron was rendered by members of Berlin Chapter and a gift was presented to Worthy Grand Matron from members of Holly Chapter, Berlin, Maryland.

READING OF COMMITTEE LISTS

Grand Secretary read list of committees for Worthy Grand Matron Sister Helen C. West.

BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Mr. J. Nelson Abbott	3 Years	(10)
1413 Grant Ave., Wilmington, Del.		
Mr. Willard T. Loreman	2 Years	(4)
2306 Washington St., Wilmington, Del.		
Mrs. Julia M. Story	1 Year	(1)
1005 West 9th St., Wilmington, Del.		

STANDING COMMITTEES

Credentials

Mrs. Mabel Gibney	1 Yr.	(2)
Mrs. Esther K. Shaeffer	2 Yrs.	(10)
Mr. George Ostendarp	3 Yrs.	(14)

Jurisprudence

Mrs. Mary M. Clower	1 Yr.	(4)
Mr. Jay W. Miller	2 Yrs.	(3)
Mr. John L. LeCompte	3 Yrs.	(9)

Constitution and Laws

Mrs. Martha W. Krapf	1 Yr.	(10)
Mr. S. A. Hellen	2 Yrs.	(13)
Mrs. Jane Zebley	3 Yrs.	(6)

Chapters Under Dispensation and Charters

Mrs. Thelma Dickerson	1 Yr.	(14)
Mrs. Grace Wilkens	2 Yrs.	(9)
Mrs. Edna Watson	3 Yrs.	(1)

Educational

Mrs. Helen Covey	1 Yr.	(7)
Mrs. Edith McLean	2 Yrs.	(6)
Mrs. Addie Snowden	3 Yrs.	(5)
Mrs. Mamie Wendling	4 Yrs.	(1)
Mr. Grover C. MacNamee	5 Yrs.	(4)

Unfinished Business

Mr. Robert Rogers	(2)
Mrs. Alice Jones	(3)
Mrs. Lydia McCloskey	(10)

Necrology

Mrs. Myra Robinson	(2)
Miss Ruth Bruen	(3)
Miss Edith Shinn	(14)
Mrs. Martha Bunting	(12)

Printing

Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher	(4)
Mrs. Emma Thompson	(13)
Mrs. Pearl McCabe	(12)

Grievance and Appeals

Mrs. Katie Boyer	3 Yrs.	(11)
Mr. Charles Welch	(2 Yrs.)	(7)
Mrs. Mildred Minner	1 Yr.	(9)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Job's Daughters

Mrs. Laura Fulmer	(2)
Mrs. Martha Davis	(10)
Mrs. Emma Thomas	(4)

International Temple

Mrs. Bertha Welch	(7)
Mrs. Anna M. Harrington	(8)
Mrs. Stella Chandler	(12)

Registration

Mr. John Kennedy, Jr.	(15)
Mrs. Alice Martin	(11)
Mrs. Bertha Williams	(1)

Examining Committee

Mrs. M. Etta Keys	(1)
Mrs. Myrtle Nesbitt	(3)
Mrs. Marie Lobdell	(5)

Summer Benefit

- Associate Grand Conductress
- All Grand Officers
- All Deputy Grand Lecturers
- All Worthy Matrons

Red Cross

Mrs. Ellen Robinson (3)

Sessions Committee

Mrs. Bertha Smith, *Chairman* (4)
 All Junior Past Matrons

Distinguished Guest Committee

Mr. William B. Derrickson
 Mrs. Corinne W. Timmons

Housing Committee

Mrs. Jean Kaufman
 Mrs. Rose Newlin
 Mrs. Mattie P. Horn

LSM and Service Committee

Mrs. Sarah E. Riggan, *Chairman*
 All Line Officers

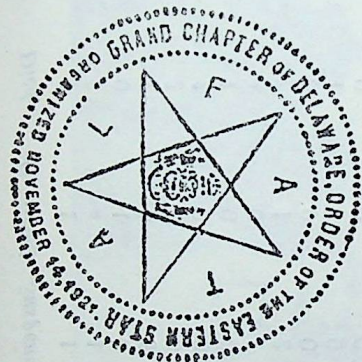
Mrs. Elizabeth Cathcart (aged 80), mother of Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron, presented Jewel to her daughter Elizabeth in a very touching manner, admonishing her to always be a good girl.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Bertha Smith, presented Jewel to Junior Past Grand Patron, Brother McCormick, and spoke of her long friendship with him and his wife.

Gifts were presented to Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron and Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron.

GRAND MARSHAL DECLARED GRAND SESSION CLOSED.

The twenty-fifth Annual Session will be held in Wilmington, Delaware, May 15 and 16, 1946.



ELIZABETH E. PIERCE
Worthy Grand Matron

CHESTON R. McCORMICK
Worthy Grand Patron

Attest: Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Secretary

Chapter	Members	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Died	Demitted	Suspended
Delaware No. 1	328	24	2	1	7	1	1
Mizpah No. 2	155	14	0	0	7	4	1
J. M. Story No. 3	116	5	0	1	0	1	0
St. John's No. 4	160	14	4	3	1	0	5
Adah No. 5	98	2	0	0	2	1	0
Radiant No. 6	76	3	0	0	2	0	0
Sussex No. 7	78	12	0	0	1	0	0
Caesar Rodney No. 8	112	18	0	0	4	0	1
Georgetown No. 9	89	6	0	2	2	1	2
Newark No. 10	84	7	0	1	0	0	0
Kent No. 11	104	5	0	0	1	1	0
Frankford No. 12	117	21	0	1	0	0	0
Five Points No. 13	134	17	0	0	1	4	1
Brandywine No. 14	94	8	0	1	0	0	0
Victory No. 15	69	13	0	3	0	0	0
	1814	169	6	13	28	13	11

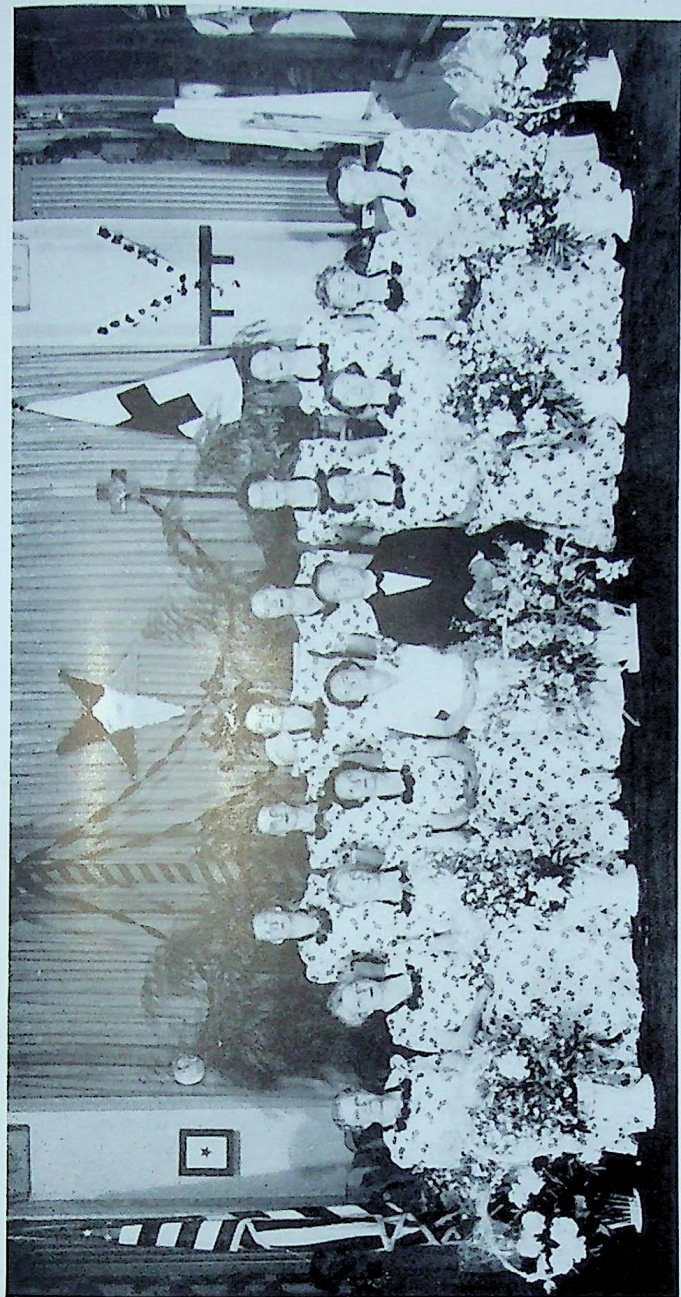
Lost by Death	28	Gained by Initiation	169
Lost by Demit	13	Gained by Reinstatement	6
Lost by Suspension	11	Gained by Affiliation	13
Total Loss	52	Total Gain	188

Membership Dec. 31, 1944	1814
Membership Dec. 31, 1943	1678
Net Gain	136

GRAND OFFICERS



First Row, Left to Right: Grand Treasurer, Helen R. Wilson; Associate Grand Conductress, Sara S. MacNamee; Acting Grand Electa, Beneta J. Meenan; Associate Grand Patron, Charles V. Cleaver; Associate Grand Matron, Helen C. West; Worthy Grand Matron, Elizabeth E. Pierce; Worthy Grand Patron, Cheston R. McCormick; Grand Adah, Helen Covey; Grand Conductress, Alice C. Abbott; Grand Secretary, Elizabeth M. Fisher; Back Row: Grand Secretary Emeritus, Lily A. Pyle; Grand Chaplain, Frances Huber; Grand Ruth, Idella McCormick; Acting Grand Esther, Katie Boyer; Grand Sentinel, Charles Kraft; Grand Martha, Anna Elliott; Grand Warder, Margaret Gardner; Grand Lecturer, Edna L. Gifford; Grand Marshal, Bessie S. Norris.



PAGES

Associate Matrons of Subordinate Chapters who served as Grand Pages



CHORUS

In Memoriam

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY
PAST WORTHY GRAND MATRON
1923 - 1924

Sister Lillie was one of our best beloved Past Worthy Grand Matrons and no gathering of Eastern Stars in Delaware seemed complete without her. The Order of the Eastern Star filled a great place in her life and the memory of her faithfulness will long remain with us all.

*"There is an open gate at the end of the road
Through which each must go alone
And there is a light we cannot see,
Our Father claims His own.*

*Beyond the gate our loved ones
Find Happiness and Rest
And there is comfort in the thought
That a loving God knows best."*



LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY
Past Worthy Grand Matron
1923 - 1924

In Memoriam

IN MEMORY OF MEMBERS
OF
SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS
IN DELAWARE

*Twilight and evening bell
And after that the dark;
And may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark*

*For though from out our bourne of time and place
The flood may bear me far
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the Bar.*

In Memoriam

IN MEMORY OF HONORED DEAD
OF SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

*“Leaf by leaf the roses fall
Drop by drop the streams run dry,
One by one our Stars pass on,
To make the rainbow in the sky.”*

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August)—7:45 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 10, 1914 Date of Charter April 18, 1914

OFFICERS

MRS. MADELINE LITCHFIELD	Worthy Matron
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602 N. Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington, Del.	
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PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Julia M. Story, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Julia M. Story, P.G.M.
- *Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile
- Mrs. Louise W. Green, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Celia K. Pierson
- Mrs. Mary N. H. Unruh
- *Mrs. Laura V. McKay
- Mrs. M. Etta Keys, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Jean H. Kaufman, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Ruth A. Neutze
- Mrs. Jeanette L. White
- *Mrs. Estelle I. Holt
- *Mrs. Ella M. Fisher
- Mrs. Mary E. H. Carpenter
- Mrs. Marguerite D. Pyle
- Mrs. Bertha B. Jones
- Mrs. Bertha B. Williams
- Mrs. Florence C. Lang
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- Mrs. Jane M. F. Brinton
- Mrs. Ida N. McGinnes
- Mrs. Hallie M. Coleman
- Mrs. Blanche N. Milbourn
- Mrs. Clara A. Reuter, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Innes I. Escott
- Mrs. Catherine E. Weaver
- Mrs. Mildred S. Martin
- Mrs. Charlotte A. Venn
- Mrs. Eva M. Moulton
- Mrs. Mamie P. Wendling
- Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler

James K. Shinn, P.P., Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5
 *Deceased †Dropped ‡Demitted

PAST PATRONS

- *Col. Enoch Moore
- *Frank L. Howard, P.G.P.
- †J. Edward Truitt
- †J. Edward Truitt
- †William E. Simon
- †Oscar W. Stiegler
- C. Herbert Neutze, P.G.P.
- ‡Rev. Edmund Stevens
- *Wm. H. Redmile, P.G.P.
- *David J. Jones
- *Frederick Lang, Jr.
- *Charles H. Blaine
- †Cornelius E. Beatty
- Robert W. Johnson
- Samuel H. Kaufman
- Harry H. Stiles
- Harvey Sanderson
- G. Randall Carpenter
- Frank P. Keys
- Ferd L. Reuter
- Calvin M. Whitesall
- Walter A. Schueler
- *Clarence R. Holt
- Percy C. Cotty
- Wm. D. Venn, Jr.
- Raymond H. Wilhelm
- Ferd L. Reuter
- Harry A. Roberts
- Percy C. Cotty
- Robert J. Oliver
- L. Clark Ziegler

MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Feb. 5, 1918 Date of Charter Apr. 18, 1918

OFFICERS

MRS. MARIAN J. SIMPSON	Worthy Matron
315 Beverly Place, Penny Hill, Wilmington, Del.	
LEROY BEATTY	Worthy Patron
200 Lore Ave., Wilmington, Del.	

MRS. ETHEL L. ADAMS Associate Matron
203 S. Ford Ave., Wilmington, Del.

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Holly Oak, Delaware Secretary

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†Mrs. Ethel M. Draine
*Miss Mary A. Green
Miss Florence P. McCullough
†Mrs. Carrie H. Wright
Mrs. Rose E. Newlin P.G.M.
†Mrs. Helen Barrett
Mrs. Irene W. M. Bauer P.G.M.
Mrs. Dora B. England
Mrs. Sadie C. Ridings
Mrs. Mary E. Porter
†Mrs. Edna I. Maloney
*Mrs. Marie L. Beatty
Mrs. Isabelle F. Collins
Mrs. May A. Heathcote
Mrs. Mabel M. Gibney
Mrs. Sarah McLachlan
*Mrs. Mary R. Blair
Mrs. Laura B. Fulmer
Mrs. Ethel M. Bard
Mrs. E. Mae Larmore
Mrs. Virginia Morris
Mrs. Bella S. Tattersall
Mrs. Edith M. Dunlop
Mrs. Myra D. Robinson
Mrs. Mabel C. Johnston
Mrs. Gladys E. Guerke
*Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

†Burton M. Meyer
†C. Barker McCullough
Harry F. Newlin, P.G.P.
*George A. Hodgson
†Jacob R. Koffenberger
Oscar D. Ridings
*Howard E. Sheppard
*George H. Larrimore
Leroy W. Beatty
Sewall K. Lynch
George M. Tattersall
†Harry L. Rash
†Thomas Heathcote, Jr.
*George A. Hodgson
*George A. Hodgson
*Howard E. Sheppard
George M. Tattersall
*George A. Hodgson
Harry F. Newlin P.G. P.
Robert M. Rogers
Horace K. Fulmer
Orville M. Steele
Leroy W. Beatty
Orville M. Steele
Horace K. Fulmer
George M. Tattersall
Horace K. Fulmer
†Demitted

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
Instituted under General Grand Chapter, March 11, 1918 Date of Charter July 22, 1918

OFFICERS

MISS RUTH V. BRUEN Worthy Matron
No. 3 Doris Ave., Claymont, Del.

WILLIAM L. MEENAN Worthy Patron
2934 Washington St., Wilmington, Del.

MRS. MABEL L. STIRLITH Associate Matron
2801 Van Buren St., Wilmington, Del.

HARLAN CLOUD Associate Patron
400 Rodman Rd., Wilmington, Del.

MISS LURA BREININGER Secretary
835 Monroe St., Wilmington, Del.

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, P.G.M.
Mrs. Lilly Ann H. Pyle
Mrs. Ann T. Hamilton
Miss Fannie W. Brown
†Mrs. Violet A. Rush
†Mrs. Jennie M. Hill
Mrs. Annabelle Sauter, P.G.M.

PAST PATRONS

†Rev. Thos V. Wingate
*Robert S. Wood
*Elhanan B. Wilson, P.G.P.
†Fred Macklin
*Andrew Cathcart
Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.
John Frederick, P.G.P.

Mrs. Alberta E. Elliott	:James Duncan, P.G.P.
Mrs. Helen C. E. Brown	:James Duncan, P.G.P.
Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt, P.G.M.	Ellsworth L. Jones
Mrs. Catherine B. Jones	William L. Nixon
Mrs. Beulah G. Backus	John Frederick, P.G.P.
*Mrs. Elizabeth P. Frederick	Ellsworth L. Jones
Mrs. Ellen H. Robinson	Dr. Jay W. Miller, P. G. P.
Mrs. Beatrice C. Nah	J. Calvin Hastings
Mrs. Frances M. Shorter	E. Everett Ragan
Mrs. E. Lillian Miller	Charles V. Cleaver
Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon	Charles V. Cleaver
Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver	E. Everett Ragan
Mrs. Helen R. Anderson	Ellsworth L. Jones
Mrs. Mary P. Frame	William L. Meenan
Mrs. Harriet V. Scott	William L. Nixon
Mrs. Alice M. Jones	Charles V. Cleaver
Miss Martha M. White	Harlan L. Cloud
Mrs. Marian Frederick	William L. Meenan
Mrs. Beneta I. Meenan	Charles V. Cleaver
Mrs. Jean B. Cottman	Harlan L. Cloud
	:Withdrew to organize Five Points Chapter No. 13
*Deceased	†Dropped
	‡Demitted

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter, Nov. 18, 1918 Date of Charter March 28, 1919

OFFICERS

MRS. LOIS AYRESWorthy Matron
	905 Washington St., Wilmington, Del.
HARRY ALLBRITAINWorthy Patron
	410 McCabe Ave., Wilmington, Del.
MRS. ALICE MINNERAssociate Matron
	113 W. 36th St., Wilmington, Del.
W. D. AYRESAssociate Patron
	905 Washington St., Wilmington, Del.
MRS. ELVA W. LANGSecretary
	814 Adams St., Wilmington, Del.

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Bertha M. Smith, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Minnie A. Riley
 Mrs. Mary M. Clower, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Sarah MacNamee
 Mrs. Hattie Wainwright
 Mrs. Martha J. McMullen
 Mrs. Alice D. Allbrittain
 *Mrs. Bertha E. M. Harrar
 Mrs. Anna G. Hirlinger
 *Mrs. Margaret Peters
 Mrs. Helen B. Money
 Miss Elizabeth M. Woodrow
 Miss K. Isabel Krause
 Mrs. Madeline D. Bailey
 Mrs. Elva W. Lang
 Mrs. Jane Griffith
 Mrs. Anne Stout
 Mrs. Elizabeth George
 Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher
 Mrs. Bella B. Gray
 Mrs. Mary A. Fiorelli

PAST PATRONS

Stuart J. Horn
 *Harvey F. Smith
 *Alfred M. Clower, P.G.P.
 Willard T. Loreman
 *Frank G. Bartram
 *Frank L. Harrar
 *Nicholas A. Grubb
 George E. Hirlinger
 *Horace K. Brown
 *Grover C. MacNamee, P.G.P.
 *Herbert D. Peters
 J. Paul Adams
 *Charles T. Wainwright
 *Edward H. Livermore
 †Elmer S. Howell
 Frederick Stout
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 George E. Hirlinger
 *Grover C. MacNamee, P.G.P.
 Joseph T. Maxwell
 Alfred T. Crossland
 Willard T. Loreman

Mrs. Florence G. Craig
 Mrs. Ella M. Smack
 Mrs. Emma G. Thomas
 Mrs. Maude G. Ames
 *Deceased

Frederick Stout
 *Harry B. Murdock
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 Willard T. Loreman
 ‡Demitted

†Dropped

ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5—DELMAR

Meets First and Third Mondays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter, Sept. 3, 1918 Date of Charter, Dec. 31, 1918

OFFICERS

MRS. E. PARIS BOUNDS Worthy Matron
 Laurel, Del.
 RALPH BAKER Worthy Patron
 Delmar, Del.
 MRS. CLEMMIE C. WEST Associate Matron
 Delmar, Del.
 RALPH E. NICHOLS Associate Patron
 Delmar, Del.
 MRS. SUSIE MARSH Secretary
 Delmar, Del.

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Susie Marsh
 *Mrs. Anna T. Ellis
 *Miss Rose L. Freeny
 *Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman
 *Mrs. Annie S. Parker
 Mrs. Leah H. Freeny
 Mrs. Irma Baker Barr, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Charlotte Lear
 Mrs. Flora Culver
 Mrs. Ella Carmine
 Mrs. Anna D. Peters
 *Mrs. Anna Lee Waller
 Mrs. Dora E. Fitzgerald
 Mrs. Mattie E. Kirk
 Mrs. Blanche L. Melson
 Mrs. Alice P. Hutchinson
 Mrs. Daisy B. Dunn
 Mrs. Mattie W. Ritchie
 Mrs. Maria Lobdell
 Mrs. Mary L. Nichols
 Mrs. Bertha G. Marvel
 Mrs. Addie Mae Snowden
 Mrs. Georgia G. Ellegood
 Mrs. Annie O. Elliott
 Mrs. Mabel R. Hearn
 Mrs. Hettie P. Hall

PAST PATRONS

†Joshua Ellegood
 *Harry T. Hickey, P.G.P.
 †Albert H. earn
 *James H. Conway
 †Albert H. Hearn
 Thos. H. Esham
 William F. Hickey
 Carroll S. Barr
 *Samuel M. Ellis
 Victor J. Carmine, P.G.P.
 †James K. Shinn
 †Paul K. Ellis
 *Walter H. Whayland
 Ralph A. Baker
 †Paul K. Ellis
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Levin R. Lowe
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Ralph A. Baker
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Ralph E. Nichols
 David J. Snowden
 Ralph A. Baker
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Ralph A. Baker
 Ralph E. Nichols

‡ Demitted to join Delaware Chapter No. 1

*Deceased

†Dropped

‡Demitted

RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6

Meets Second and Fourth Fridays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter, Oct. 29, 1919 Date of Charter Jan. 17, 1920

OFFICERS

MRS. ANNA LLOYD Worthy Matron
 507 W. 4th St., Wilmington, Del.
 CHARLES HASTINGS Worthy Patron
 1944 Lakeview Ave., Canby Park, Wilmington, Del.

MRS. LOUISE G. PUSEY Associate Matron
 5 Lindley Place, Wilmington, Del.
 CARROLL J. LLOYD Associate Patron
 507 W. 4th St., Wilmington, Del.
 MRS. JANE C. ZEBLEY Secretary
 912 West St., Wilmington, Del.

PAST MATRONS

*Mrs. Lillie S. Riley, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Anna L. Stausbach
 †Mrs. Mary A. Woodus
 †Mrs. Mabel P. Wood
 Mrs. Myrtle L. Sawdon
 †Mrs. Gladys E. Sidel
 Mrs. Edith B. Harmstead
 *Mrs. Gertrude E. Vincent
 Mrs. Jane C. Zebley, P.G.M.
 Miss Essie J. Dempsey
 Mrs. Elizabeth S. Burkins
 Mrs. Elva R. Curry
 Mrs. M. Agnes Strickland
 *Mrs. Bertha B. Lees
 Mrs. Anna M. Cavender
 Miss Helen R. Wilson
 *Mrs. Sadie C. Beatty
 Mrs. Virginia E. Hambricht
 Mrs. Edith McLean
 Mrs. Helen C. Taft
 Mrs. Hannah C. Corkadel
 Mrs. Mary Vannort
 Mrs. Eva Casper
 Mrs. Ann Leonard
 Mrs. Mary A. King

*Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

*A. Victor Hughes
 †Harry J. Beckerle
 †Walter R. Wood, P.G.P.
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 †Joseph A. Jackson
 †Joseph A. Jackson
 *John P. Zebley
 *John P. Zebley
 *John P. Zebley
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Carroll J. Lloyd
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 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 *William J. Beatty
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
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 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Carroll J. Lloyd
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 George W. Richards
 Chas. Hastings

‡Demitted

SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7—SEAFORD

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter April 21, 1920 Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920

OFFICERS

MRS. AGNES W. WOOTEN Worthy Matron
 Seaford, Del.
 CHARLES F. WELCH Worthy Patron
 Cannon, Del.
 MRS. HELEN P. TURNER Associate Matron
 Seaford, Del.
 T. SCOTT PURSE Associate Patron
 Seaford, Del.
 MRS. KATE SMITH Secretary
 Seaford, Del.

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Corinne W. Timmons P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Josephine B. Miller
 Mrs. Addie Allen
 †Mrs. Abby H. Bell
 †Mrs. Mary Elzey
 †Mrs. Amelia J. Hardesty
 †Mrs. Fannie D. Stein
 Mrs. Arabella Gerker
 Mrs. Bernice V. Hurley

PAST PATRONS

*William H. Miller
 *William H. Miller
 William F. Allen
 †Samuel J. Stein
 †Samuel J. Stein
 T. Scott Purse
 †Samuel J. Stein
 *Ezekial G. Coulbourne
 *Ezekial G. Coulbourne

Mrs. Grace M. Coulbourn
 Mrs. Esther Willin
 Mrs. Louise E. Phillips
 *Mrs. Mary T. King
 Mrs. Kate Smith
 Mrs. Mary V. LeCates
 Mrs. Bertha S. Welch
 Mrs. Louise W. Wright
 Mrs. Mary L. Hudson
 Miss Anna E. Wheatley
 Mrs. Addie H. White
 Mrs. Helen M. Covey
 Mrs. Kathleen A. Pollitt
 Mrs. Bertha J. West
 Mrs. Elizabeth A. Lank
 *Deceased

*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 †Charles H. Wheatley
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 T. Scott Purse
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch
 Charles F. Welch

†Dropped

‡Demitted

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8—NEW CASTLE

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter, May 7, 1920 Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920

OFFICERS

MRS. MARIAN J. KUMPEL Worthy Matron
 Port Penn, Del.
 J. ALBERT KUMPEL Worthy Patron
 Port Penn, Del.
 MRS. FLORENCE K. BALLARD Associate Matron
 New Castle, Del.
 J. RALPH DULING Associate Patron
 New Castle, Del.
 MISS ANNA S. VANTINE Secretary
 22 East Sixth St., New Castle, Del.

PAST MATRONS

*Mrs. Elizabeth Leach, P.G.M
 *Miss Carrie L. Gemmill, P.G.M.
 ‡Mrs. Sallie R. Meredith
 Miss Anna S. Vantine
 Mrs. Willena Yetter
 Mrs. Mary C. Hanf
 Mrs. Mary K. Naylor
 Mrs. Mary L. G. Burris
 *Mrs. Bessie R. Hewlett
 Mrs. Ida J. Smith
 Mrs. Marjorie P. Montgomery
 Mrs. Reba L. Greer
 Mrs. Bessie Williams
 Mrs. M. C. L. Ellison
 Mrs. Sophronia Hewlett
 Mrs. Emily V. Fleming
 Mrs. Mabel M. Davis
 Mrs. Lillian I. Arters
 Mrs. Lillian M. Larrimore
 Mrs. Florence M. Arters
 Miss Laura E. Larrimore
 Mrs. Isabelle V. Klabe
 Mrs. Anna Hirzel
 Mrs. Anna M. Harrington
 *Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

H. Raymond Foster, P.G.P.
 *Edward H. Naylor
 H. Raymond Foster, P.G.P.
 *Edward H. Naylor
 ‡John Ries
 †William G. Gebhard
 Edward S. Bratton
 Edward S. Bratton
 *Clifford W. Hyrons
 Howard L. Wilhelm
 Howard L. Wilhelm
 Frank L. Hewlett
 Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
 Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
 Frank L. Hewlett
 Robert W. Larrimore, P.G.P.
 Frank L. Hewlett
 Robert W. Larrimore, P.G.P.
 Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
 Martin E. Arters
 Howard L. Wilhelm
 Howard W. Simpson
 Martin E. Arters
 Robert W. Larrimore
 ‡Demitted

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9

Meets First Friday (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware June 19, '23 Date of Charter April 26 '44

OFFICERS

MRS. ELBERTA S. CLENDANIEL	Worthy Matron
Georgetown, Del.	
GEORGE BUHL	Worthy Patron
Millsboro, Del.	
MRS. FLORENCE PUSEY	Associate Matron
Georgetown, Del.	
JOHN L. LeCOMPTE	Associate Patron
Lincoln, Del.	
MRS. EDITH L. SWAIN	Secretary
Georgetown, Del.	

PAST MATRONS

*Mrs. Annie V. See
 Mrs. Florence B. Swain
 Mrs. Bessie M. Warrington, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Martha Z. Pepper
 Mrs. Nellie M. Lynch
 Mrs. Bessie N. Hobbs
 Mrs. Olivia C. Wilkins
 Mrs. Mary M. Calhoun
 Mrs. Mary H. Bailey
 Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte
 Mrs. Olive B. Holson
 Mrs. Minnie C. Hitchens
 Mrs. Mildred H. Minner
 Mrs. Florence S. Brereton
 *Miss Elizabeth A. Wilkie
 Mrs. Treville M. Lenhart
 Mrs. Helen Calhoun
 Mrs. Grace Wilkins
 Mrs. Isabelle Buhl
 Mrs. Edith L. Swain
 Mrs. Ida Coy Kapp
 *Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
 Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
 *John F. Kaiser
 *John F. Kaiser
 Crawford B. Bailey
 Crawford B. Bailey
 Frederick H. Warrington
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 Lawrence E. Sipple
 Lawrence E. Sipple
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 Frederick H. Warrington
 Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 Crawford B. Bailey
 Frederick H. Warrington
 Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
 George S. Buhl
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 ‡Demitted

NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10—NEWARK, DEL.

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 23, '25 Date of Charter Dec. 5, '25

OFFICERS

MRS. ELIZABETH W. BESWICK	Worthy Matron
204 McColly St., Milford, Del.	
T. RAYMOND McMULLEN	Worthy Patron
420 So. College Ave., Newark, Del.	
MRS. ELIZABETH D. CORRELL	Associate Matron
Newark, Del.	
J. CORRELL	Associate Patron
Newark, Del.	
MRS. MARTHA W. KRAPF	Secretary
2 Sylvan Ave., Newark, Del.	

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Alice D. Truitt
 Mrs. Arzie P. Lewis
 *Mrs. Edna R. Wood

PAST PATRONS

Robert S. Gallaher, P.G.P.
 Robert S. Gallaher, P.G.P.
 Charles J. Krapf
 Conrad K. D. Lewis

Miss Anne E. Gallaher
 Mrs. Florence E. Fader
 Mrs. Irma L. Hopkins
 Mrs. Esther K. Sheaffer
 Mrs. Anna R. Slack
 Mrs. Lettie P. McMullen
 Mrs. Naomi S. Knauss
 Mrs. Mattie Malcolm
 Mrs. Lydia F. McCloskey
 Mrs. Alice C. Abbott
 Mrs. Dorothea K. Hickman
 Mrs. Gladys C. Carr
 Mrs. Ida A. Case
 Mrs. Edna S. vanDaalen
 Mrs. Martha C. Davis
 *Deceased

William J. Holton
 Leslie T. Truitt
 Henry F. Mote
 Leslie T. Truitt
 Charles J. Krapf
 Henry F. Mote
 T. Raymond McMullen
 Leslie T. Truitt
 Leslie T. Truitt
 Harman W. Money
 T. Raymond McMullen
 Leslie T. Truitt
 J. Nelson Abbott
 Leslie T. Truitt
 Ellsworth Carr

†Dropped

‡Demitted

KENT CHAPTER NO. 11—HARRINGTON

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 17, '26 date of Charter April 16, '27

OFFICERS

MRS. EMMA P. WIDDOES Worthy Matron
 Millford, Del.
 ARCHIE FEAGAN Worthy Patron
 Harrington, Del.
 MRS. BUELAH C. RODWAY Associate Matron
 Dover, Del.
 THOS. C. RODWAY Associate Patron
 Dover, Del.
 MRS. LILLIAN HATFIELD Secretary
 Harrington, Del. ..

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Marguerite G. Cooper
 Mrs. Sarah E. Riggin, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Lillian M. Harmstead
 Mrs. Mary H. Dolby
 Mrs. Helen F. Taylor
 Mrs. Hester F. Reed
 Mrs. Blanche T. Keys
 Mrs. Marie L. Roberts
 Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers
 Mrs. Sallie E. Satterfield
 Mrs. Elsie R. Simpson
 Mrs. Ruth H. Sapp
 Mrs. Helen B. Legar
 Mrs. Alice N. Martin
 Mrs. Kate W. Boyer
 Mrs. Louise S. Emory
 Mrs. Pearl B. Morris
 Mrs. Henrietta Williams
 *Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

*Randolph Graham
 *Randolph Graham
 †Jacob C. Messner
 †Jacob C. Messner
 *Sidney B. Dolby
 *Sidney B. Dolby
 *Sidney B. Dolby
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 Archie A. Feagan
 Archie A. Feagan
 Dr. Russell J. Emory
 W. Clifford Raughley
 Archie Feagan

‡Demitted

FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12—FRANKFORD

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jan. 25, '28 Date of Charter April 21, '28

OFFICERS

MRS. MYRTLE E. HICKMAN Worthy Matron
 Wilmington, Del.

JOHN B. WILLIAMS	Clarksville, Del.	Worthy Patron
MRS. MAE T. PHILLIPS	Millville, Del.	Associate Matron
HARLEY BURBAGE	Ocean View, Del.	Associate Patron
MRS. ELIZABETH S. STOKES	Frankford, Del.	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Levessa E. Cannon
 Mrs. Margaret T. Heath
 Mrs. Helen C. West
 Mrs. Jennie B. Ruark
 Mrs. Martha P. Bunting
 *Mrs. Olive D. Gum
 Mrs. Florence C. Bunting
 Mrs. Ruth W. Branford
 *Mrs. Hilda B. Jones
 Mrs. Pearl W. McCabe
 Mrs. Maude L. Mitchell
 Mrs. Hattie I. Thomas
 Mrs. Stella E. Chandler
 Mrs. Edith P. Penniwell
 Mrs. Florence Burbage
 Mrs. Ruth Derrickson
 Mrs. Elsie E. Daye

*Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

†Topp M. Heath
 *E. Washington Bryan
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 Harley R. Burbage

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FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13—NEWPORT

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Feb. 6, 1930 Date of Charter May 21, 1930

OFFICERS

MRS. GERTRUDE R. GRUBB	12 Adelpia Ave., Silview, Del.	Worthy Matron
W. PIERCE LAWS	17 Winston Ave., Richardson Park, Del.	Worthy Patron
MRS. LORRAINE PUTZIER	202 Boxwood Rd., Richardson Park, Del.	Associate Matron
PAUL FLEMING	101 Curtis Ave., Woodcrest, Del.	Associate Patron
MRS ELIZABETH E. PIERCE	Pierson Apts., Richardson Park, Del.	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

†Mrs. Helen G. Duncan
 Mrs. Marian M. Haislett
 Mrs. Mae P. Smith
 Mrs. Josephine Wright
 Mrs. Edith Work
 Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce
 Mrs. Martha D. Mackey
 Mrs. Mildred K. Grubb
 Mrs. Maybelle K. Vansant
 Mrs. Emma W. Thompson
 Mrs. Sue R. Baldwin
 Mrs. Frances A. Huber
 Mrs. Bessie S. Norris
 Mrs. Bessie S. Norris
 Mrs. Sadie C. Conly

*Deceased

†Dropped

PAST PATRONS

†Paul W. Lowden
 Theodore W. Work, Jr.
 †James Duncan, P.G.P.
 †Amos H. Cattell
 Lester B. Haislett
 †George Walker
 Frederick G. Smith
 †Harry E. Maxwell
 Stevenson A. Hellen
 Stevenson A. Hellen
 George D. Baldwin
 Harold L. Emory
 Theodore W. Work
 Lee E. Nichols
 Stevenson A. Hellen
 Raymond K. Grubb

‡Demitted

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 14

Meets First and Third Tuesdays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware May 4, 1937 Date of Charter Dec. 7, 1937

OFFICERS

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| MISS EDITH V. SHINN | Worthy Matron |
| 1 West Court St., Claymont, Del. | |
| PAUL W. HUGHES | Worthy Patron |
| 202 Blue Rock Road, Wilmington, Del. | |
| MRS. SARAH HOFFMAN | Associate Matron |
| 900 Rosedale Ave., Bellefonte, Del. | |
| LLOYD FREDERICK | Associate Patron |
| 705 Brandywine Blvd., Wilmington, Del. | |
| MRS. LILLA V. ROGERS | Secretary |
| 405 Grandview Ave., Gordon Heights, Del. | |

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Idella E. McCormick
- Mrs. Mildred Hickey
- Mrs. Ruby D. Porter
- Mrs. Thelma Dickerson
- Mrs. Edna Gifford
- Mrs. Alice Frederick
- Mrs. Grace Hild
- Mrs. Verda Simpler

*Deceased

PAST PATRONS

- Cheston R. McCormick
- Cheston R. McCormick
- William A. Cottman
- Cheston R. McCormick
- Paul W. Hughes
- Andrew Nowell
- Geo. H. Ostendarp
- Cheston R. McCormick

†Dropped

‡Demitted

VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15—DOVER, DEL.

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August)—8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware May 13, '42 Date of Charter Dec. 15, '42

OFFICERS

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| MRS. MILDRED J. WILGUS | Worthy Matron |
| Wyoming, Del. | |
| M. EUGENE GARDNER | Worthy Patron |
| 321 Wyoming Ave., Dover, Del. | |
| MRS. FLORENCE WILLIAMS | Associate Matron |
| 319 Wyoming Ave., Dover, Del. | |
| WALTER J. WILLIAMS | Associate Patron |
| 319 Wyoming Ave., Dover, Del. | |
| MRS. MARGARET GARDNER | Secretary |
| 321 Wyoming Ave., Dover, Del. | |

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Myrtle E. Anderson
- Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner
- Mrs. Pauline Davis

*Deceased

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PAST PATRONS

- M. Eugene Gardner
- M. Eugene Gardner
- John A. Kennedy, Jr.

‡Demitted

ACTIVE LEGISLATION OF GRAND CHAPTER APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That at every semi-annual meeting of a subordinate Chapter, the Secretary shall read the Land Marks. 1922.
 2. That a committee be appointed to purchase suitable badges to be worn by our representatives to the General Grand Convention. 1922.
 3. That the Warder or Sentinel remain at their stations during recess, otherwise the Chapter must be purged on resuming order. 1922.
 4. That the degrees cannot be conferred on a candidate the same night the said candidate is elected for the degrees, unless said candidate is departing hurriedly for foreign jurisdiction. 1922.
 5. That any visitor desiring to visit a Chapter by examination must show receipt for dues paid, or a year card, before the committee will give an examination.
 6. That no member be allowed to vouch for anyone unless they have sat in Chapter, or have lawful information from a sister or brother who has sat in Chapter with them. 1922.
 7. That the Bible shall not be close at recess; by doing so, closes the Chapter. 1922.
 8. That while a Chapter is in session, excepting during recess, members be required to use the guarded door. 1922.
 9. That the Grand Chapter furnish Christmas Greetings to be sent to each Grand Jurisdiction, General Grand Chapter, present Grand Officers and to the subordinate Chapters in Dealware. 1922.
 10. That the letter "G" be omitted from the Square and Compass in all Patron's Jewels. 1922.
 11. That examination for Grade B Certificates be taken at least three days before installation. Certificates to be filed with Grand Secretary for complete record. 1923.
 12. That a uniform system of books be adopted by this Grand Chapter consisting of Minute Book, Roll Book, Secretary's Cash Book, Treasurer's Cash Book, Ledger, Record Book of petitioners elected and rejected in this State. 1923.
 13. That 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; five copies to each Chapter in Delaware and three copies to each Grand Jurisdiction.
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14. That the cover on Proceedings of this Grand Chapter for 1921 and 1922 be adopted as Official Cover for Delaware. 1923.
 15. That the Flag of our Country be required to be placed in the East at the right of the Worthy Matron in each Chapter room and that the Pledge of Allegiance be given at each meeting. 1924.
 16. That the Grand Secretary send to each Chapter a copy of all legislation enacted at the Grand Chapter Session, immediately after its close. 1924.

17. That Public Installations be discontinued.
18. That once each year there shall be set aside a night known as "Obligation Night" in which to have a Special service to renew our Obligation, the matter of the time and ceremony to be left in the hands of the Worthy Matron of each Chapter. 1925.
19. That all approved decisions and recommendations made by this Grand Chapter be printed in the Proceedings under the heading of "Approved Decisions and Recommendations", adding those made and approved each year. 1925.
20. That all Sister Officers must be dressed in white at all Chapter meetings. 1926.
21. That officers shall not be permitted to take hand bags or similar articles to their stations. 1926.
22. That no one but members be admitted to the ante-room or preparation rooms, except candidates for the degrees, until after the Chapter is closed. 1926.
23. The laws of this State forbid gambling, any form of raffling, or chances; therefore, no Chapter or any committee, or individual representing a Chapter shall be permitted to secure money for any Chapter in this manner. 1926.
24. That the sale of anything in the Chapter room be prohibited. 1926.
25. That in the future when a call is sent to the members of any Chapter for a Special Meeting, a duplicate shall be sent at the same time to the Grand Matron and Grand Secretary. 1926.
26. That in the printing of all future Annual Proceedings of this Grand Chapter, bids shall be secured from three reputable printers in Wilmington and the contract awarded to the lowest and best bidder by the committee. 1927.
27. I have noticed some of the articles appearing in the newspapers concerning the activities of the Order in this State. One recent article gave the name of the candidate initiated in one of the Chapters, while another article stated that only one office held by the officer named would be contested at the election. I would recommend that the members be more careful in giving information outside the Chapter rooms. 1928.
28. That a revised copy of the By-Laws of each Subordinate Chapter be kept on file in the Grand Secretary's office. 1928.
29. That a special dispensation be required to install officers who are not installed at the regular installation. 1928.
30. That in case of removal from one jurisdiction to another in this Grand Jurisdiction, any sister or brother desiring a demit for the purpose of joining another Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction shall have the right to petition such other Chapter for membership upon first giving notice to their original Chapter of such intention. Should the Chapter so receiving the petition elect the petitioner to membership and notify their former Chapter, under seal, accordingly, upon receipt of said notice by their former Chapter, it shall grant a demit, which shall be sent direct to the Secretary of the Chapter to which petitioner has been elected. In case of

their rejection by the Chapter to which petitioner has applied, their membership shall remain in their former Chapter. 1929.

31. That the paraphernalia shall not be used for any other purpose than that of Chapter work. 1929.

32. That no request be made or granted to confer degrees by courtesy for a Grand Chapter working under a Ritual other than the one promulgated by the General Grand Chapter and that a petitioner for membership by affiliation on demit granted by a Chapter working under such Ritual, if elected, shall be required to take the Obligation. 1930.

33. That the election of a petitioner, against whom objection has been made, shall be considered void, if the objection is not raised and the petitioner initiated within one year of the date of the election. That the status of such person be that of a rejected petitioner over whom the Chapter shall have jurisdiction for one year thereafter. 1930.

34. That each Chapter be held responsible to this Chapter for the number of Rituals furnished them at the time of Institution as a part of their required property and that the Chapter shall pay to the Grand Secretary, the list price for each Ritual lost, upon receipt of which the necessary Rituals will be sent to the Chapter. 1930.

35. That a new edition of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter as amended to date, be authorized and that this edition be under the supervision of the Grand Secretary and the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws. That five copies be furnished each Chapter, one for the use of each of the first four officers while in office, one to be kept by the Secretary for use of the members. Distribution in Grand Chapter to be decided by this Grand Chapter Session.

(Postponed until after 1931 Session). 1930.

36. That no new edition of By-Laws shall be issued by any Chapter without first submitting a copy to the Worthy Grand Matron or the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws for approval. 1930.

37. That the Visiting Card as issued heretofore, be abolished and that the "identification and receipt for dues in card form," as required by our Constitution, be the only card furnished the Chapters to be issued to members, and that the cards furnished by the General Grand Chapter be adopted for this purpose. 1930.

38. That in the future all officers appointed to serve Under Dispensation, shall be installed at the time of Instituting the Chapter and that no Chapter shall be Constituted until they have worked Under Dispensation at least six months (not including July and August) unless stated meetings are held during these months. 1930.

39. That all persons signing a petition for a dispensation for a new Chapter be required to also fill out in ink, individual petition blanks, answering all questions thereon in their own handwriting. Said petition to become the property of the Subordinate Chapter. 1930.

40. That the Proceedings be sold at \$1.50 each. 1930. That a price

41. That a price of Five (\$5.00) Dollars be placed on Secret Work and Two (\$2.00) Dollars on the Diagram of the Labyrinth. 1930.

42. That the Opening and Closing Ceremonies used in this Session of Grand Chapter be adopted as the official opening and closing ceremonies of this Grand Jurisdiction. 1930.

43. That no member of a Chapter shall furnish a list of the membership to anyone for the purpose of circularizing its members, or soliciting for any purpose other than the Eastern Star. 1931.

44. That a space be provided for the signature of the installing officer on the list of officers installed. 1931.

45. That a copy of the Book of Instructions be furnished the Associate Grand Matron and that officers of Subordinate Chapters and any members interested in the work in this Jurisdiction be allowed to purchase them, if they so desire. 1931.

46. That a form for requesting a Special Dispensation from the Worthy Grand Matron be printed, to be furnished to Chapters, as other supplies, from the office of the Grand Secretary. 1931.

47. That the Grand Secretary be authorized to dispose of all foreign Proceedings after a period of five years and that due care be taken in disposing of them. 1931.

48. That a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Chapter (marked—"Property of Grand Chapter" and with Seal affixed), be given to each member of the Jurisprudence, Constitution and By-Laws Committee and to each elective officer and returned to Grand Secretary on their retirement from office. That copies be sold to interested members of the Order for twenty cents each. 1932.

49. That "A Student Loan Fund" be established. That said sum of \$93.91 be put on interest and some amount, no matter how small, be added each year. 1933.

50. That no practice meetings be held on Sunday. 1933.

51. That the Book of Instruction on Page 8, "Reception of Grand Officers on Official Visits," be changed from "They shall be introduced and escorted to the East immediately after the Conductress and Associate Conductress have finished proving the Chapter," to "They should be introduced and escorted to the East immediately after the Chapter has been declared open." My reason for this recommendation is that Grand Honors should not be given when the Bible is closed and the Chapter not opened. 1934.

52. That the names of all Past Matrons and Past Patrons be printed in the Proceedings after the names of the officers. 1934.

53. That the Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee composed of four sisters and one brother to be known as an "Educational Fund Committee," one member to be appointed for five years, one for four years, one for three years and one for one year. Thereafter one to be appointed each year to serve for five years. Said committee to have the custody of all money belonging to the fund. All disbursements to be signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the committee. 1934.

54. That in the future in the compilation of the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, the Grand Secretary be instructed to report on all motions, resolutions or amendments as follows: "After discussion the following motion, resolution or amendment (as the case may be), being properly moved and seconded, was adopted or rejected, (as the case may be) by the Grand Chapter." 1934.

55. That a copy of the Book of Instructions be given members of

the Jurisprudence Committee. These books to remain the property of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and to be returned to the Grand Chapter at the completion of each member's term. 1934.

56. That the signs of the Five Degrees, as interpreted in the 1935 Schools of Instruction, be accepted for this Grand Chapter. 1935.

57. That no Life Membership shall be granted by Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction. (This not to affect those now holding such memberships). 1935.

58. That some ruling be adopted by this Grand Chapter whereby the Associate Patrons shall have the same restrictions as the Worthy Patron regarding the Pink Slip. 1935.

59. That all petitions for affiliation from New Jersey shall state thereon the Masonic relationship upon which their Eastern Star membership is based, and if it does not conform to the requirements of the General Grand Chapter, such petitions shall not be considered. 1935.

60. That the Ceremony used in receiving Distinguished Visitors at this Grand Session be adopted as official in this Grand Jurisdiction. 1935. Pages 37-38.

61. That the incoming Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee of three to bring the Book of Instruction to date in accordance with the Ritual and that slips be printed to take care of these changes. 1935.

62. That the ceremony of affiliation as used at the Schools of Instruction in 1935 be adopted and incorporated in the Book of Instruction. This in accordance with the General Grand Chapter. 1935.

63. That a sponsorship committee, composed of three members of this Grand Chapter, be appointed by the incoming Worthy Grand Matron to cooperate more fully with the Job's Daughters, which organization has been sponsored by this Grand Chapter. 1935.

64. That those portions of the Worthy Grand Matron's report and the Worthy Grand Patron's report, which require action by this Grand Chapter be duplicated and distributed to the delegates at the opening of the Grand Chapter Session. 1935.

65. That in order to facilitate the making of proper records, secretaries of Subordinate Chapters be instructed to list on their annual reports both the new and old names of members whose names have been changed since the issuance of the latest annual report. 1935.

66. That copies of the various sections of the report of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron which may properly come before the Jurisprudence Committee be placed in their hands at least two weeks before the Grand Chapter Session and the remainder of the reports be in the hands of this committee not later than one week before. 1935.

67. That all Grand Representatives Commissions expire the same month, December 31. 1936.

68. That our Proceedings be bound in book form with stiff backs, four or five in one volume. 1936.

69. That Job's Daughters be added to our mailing list.

70. That Chapters urge their committees on application to be more particular in their investigation. This is the most important committee in your Chapter. 1936.

71. That the Associate Matron march to her station when the Worthy Matron says: "The officers will take their respective stations." 1937.

72. That a Membership Committee shall be appointed each year by the Worthy Matrons. 1937.

73. That the Worthy Grand Patron make a written report to his successor in office of all outstanding petitions for dispensations and any preliminary work that has been done to create interest in localities where no Chapters exist. 1937.

74. That a committee of three be appointed to revise the Institution Ceremony. 1937.

75. That as the Conductress is the only one (except the Worthy Patron) to use the pink slip in her work, that the Associate Conductress be required to pass a Grade B examination at least three days before being installed as Conductress. 1938.

76. That a complete set of our Proceedings be bound for the use of the Worthy Grand Matron. That she be held responsible for same and deliver them to the installed Grand Matron at the same time she delivers the Seal, etc. 1938.

77. That the fourth paragraph on Page 28 in the Proceedings of 1930, be eliminated and the following substituted, "The Associate Conductress must be positive, when preparing the ballot box, that there are as many white balls as there are voting members in the Chapter room and the proper number of black balls or cubes. If there be a Chapter that has not in its possession as many white balls as it has members, they should be purchased. 1938.

78. That this Grand Body give its approval and recognize the sounding of the gavel in the Subordinate Chapters as the opening of the Chapter. 1938.

79. Having noticed some of the articles published in the newspapers regarding Eastern Star work, I recommend that Recommendation No. 1 Proceedings of 1928, Page 27, be strictly adhered to. 1941.

80. I recommend that all Chapters requesting Dispensations shall accompany their request by check drawn on Treasury of Chapter requesting same. 1941.

81. That the salary of the Grand Secretary be reduced from \$200 to \$150 per year. 1941.

82. We recommend that the percent (50%) as stated in the recommendation regarding the Summer Benefit of 1933 on Page 89 of the 1940 Proceedings, be changed to 25% to the Educational Loan Fund and 75% to the General Treasury for Grand Chapter work. 1941.

83. That the compensation to the Fraternal Correspondent be eliminated for the time being. 1941.

84. I recommend that in order to eliminate embarrassing situations, Honorary Memberships in Subordinate Chapters not be proposed or voted upon when the recipient is in the room 1943.

85. That the Grand Lecturer's contingent fund be increased to \$50.00. 1943.

86. That the gestures used in Adah's lecture for the past two years be adopted in this Jurisdiction. 1944.

87. That the Associate Conductress hand the ballot box to the Worthy Matron from the floor of the Chapter room and not go up on the platform. 1944.

88. That we discontinue the use of stoles. The Jurisdiction of Delaware has adopted the use of shoulder ribbons and no officer should wear both. 1944.

89. That the Deputy Grand Lecturer instruct new candidates in the Secret Work within thirty days after their initiation. 1944.

90. That the second paragraph on Page 28 of the 1930 Proceedings be incorporated in the Book of Instructions. 1944.

91. That the outline for Proficiency examinations in the Constitution and By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for Class A certificates as found on Pages 29, 30 and 31 of the 1930 Proceedings, be mimeographed for the use of those desiring to take the examination. 1944.

92. That a card be issued to the Associate Matrons as follows to show that they have passed the examination required. "This is to certify that ----- Associate Matron of ----- Chapter No. ----- has passed a satisfactory examination in opening and closing ceremonies. 1944.

93. That the Conductress drape the Charter immediately after the Flag Ceremony in all Chapters. This to be incorporated in the Book of Instructions. 1944.

94. Since the present method of entrance for officers of subordinate Chapters is Ritual and therefore mandatory, I recommend that No. 30 on page 4-a of the Book of Instructions, be deleted. 1944.

95. That when a Chapter amends its By-Laws, copies of said amendments be sent in threes to the Grand Secretary, one for the book in the Grand Secretary's office, one for the book held by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, and one for the Worthy Grand Matron's book. These books will then be kept up-to-date. 1944.

96. That since the bound set of books for the Grand Secretary's office cannot be found, I recommend that another set be bound and that it be kept in the Grand Secretary's office permanently. 1944.

97. That the incoming Deputy Grand Lecturers receive a copy of the Proceedings. 1944.

98. That the Worthy Grand Patron read Article 8, Sec. 1, of the Constitution, on balloting, before the election of officers each year. 1944.

99. That the words "Without further ceremony" be deleted from Article 11, Sec. 6 of the Rules and Regulations. This will give the Worthy Grand Matron the privilege of having a ceremony if she so chooses. 1944.

100. Approved Recommendation No. 38 states, "That five copies of the Constitution be furnished instead of three. Each Chapter should receive two copies of the Secret Work and one Diagram of the Labyrinth and one Book of Instructions. Each Chapter is required to have a Roll Book, a Register and a Record Book, therefore, these should be furnished at the time of institution. 1944.

101. That the Associate Grand Matron, who according to our Constitution and By-Laws, automatically becomes Fraternal Correspondent, be granted permission to divide the Proceedings received, with the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress, each to review and

report same to the Associate Grand Matron to be included in her report to this Grand Chapter 1944.

102. That the diamond used in the future for Past Grand Matron's Jewel, be a fine point eighteen (.18) white stone.

103. When it is impossible for the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron to attend a Grand Visitation, the Conductress and Associate Conductress proceed as though both officers were present and conduct either Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron, as the case may be, to the East. 1945.

104. Since the Ritual requires the Associate Matron to assume the duties of the Worthy Matron, I recommend that the Conductress take an examination in the Opening and Closing Ceremony, at least three days before being installed as Associate Matron 1945.

105. Inasmuch as we no longer use the words "My duty is" and "his or her station is" in the opening exercises of Subordinate Chapters, that the Grand Chapter delete these words from the opening exercises of the Grand Chapter. 1945.

APPROVED DECISIONS

1. The election of a petitioner to receive the degrees in a Chapter when another Chapter holds jurisdiction over the person as a rejected petition, is null and void. 1922.

2. Is it permissible to do crocheting or fancy work in Chapter during the Session. No. 1922.

3. Can we hold rehearsal at member's home? No. 1926.

4. A special election is necessary to fill vacancies in the office of Trustee. This will require a dispensation for that purpose, the members being notified ten days before the election. 1926.

5. A petition has been received from a person holding a demit from Pennsylvania, but who now resides in Maryland. Is it necessary to ask for a waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction from Maryland? Yes. 1926.

6. What should we do with a visitor who attends our Chapter and has done so for years and has never shown a receipt for dues? Every visitor must show a receipt for dues or a demit once every current year. If demit is more than one year old, she is refused admission. 1928.

7. Can the members of the Chapter stand within the Labyrinth and repeat the Obligation at the same time a candidate is taking the Obligation? No. Members can rise and repeat Obligation when presiding officer calls for it. 1928.

8. After a petitioner has been balloted upon and has been declared either elected or rejected and ballot broken, members may be admitted, after which the name of the next petitioner may come up for ballot. 1929.

9. A person with a deformity of the hand may be initiated into the Order of the Eastern Star, if such deformity does not interfere with their ability to make themselves known as a sister or brother. 1929.

10. The ballot shall not be spread on the application of a person who is not eligible to petition for the degrees. 1930.

11. A legally adopted daughter may petition for the degrees on the Masonic affiliation of the son of her foster parents. 1930.

12. A petitioner for affiliation becomes a member of the Chapter immediately upon being elected. Having signed the By-Laws of a Chapter upon being initiated. Signing of the By-Laws upon affiliation is merely a matter of Chapter record. 1930.

13. A petition for affiliation on demit granted by Chapter not using Ritual of General Grand Chapter shall be handled in the usual way, except that in addition to signing the By-Laws, such petitioner shall be required to take the Obligation of the Order as required by our Ritual. 1930.

14. Members cannot be admitted to the Chapter room during balloting. The ballot is started when the Report of the Investigating Committee is read to the Chapter. According to our procedure, action on the report is not finished until the petition is ballotted upon. 1930.

15. By-Laws of a Subordinate Chapter are required by the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter and should be classified as a supply as interpreted in my official letter No. 1. 1930.

16. A duplicate Certificate of Proficiency can be secured upon payment of a fee to cover cost of affixing the Grand Chapter Seal (See Rules and Regulations for government of Grand Chapter, Art. 111, Sec. 1 and 4), plus the list price of the Certificate. (See recommendations of Jurisprudence Committee) 1930.

17. The Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron serving from the time of the instituting of a Chapter, though not elected at the time of constituting, is entitled to the privileges and prerogatives of a past Worthy Matron or a Past Worthy Patron, since she or he filled the office for which she or he was appointed by the Worthy Grand Patron. 1930.

18. That any resolution or law voted on and adopted at any Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, shall not be in force until after the Session in which such laws were adopted, is closed, unless the time of taking effect is included in the motion.

19. That in accordance with Constitution and By-Laws, Section 44, when a person applies to a Chapter for the degrees and is rejected, said Chapter retains absolute jurisdiction over said party for one year. 1931.

20. That no member can be elected or appointed to fill two offices at the same time in a subordinate Chapter. 1931.

21. That Secretaries do not read the names of rejected candidates in other Chapters with concurrent jurisdiction and that Secretaries keep proper record of all said applicants. 1933.

22. Page 61, 1929 Proceedings. "Do not give honorary membership to anyone." This law rescinded 1933.

23. That this Grand Chapter sponsor the Order of Job's Daughters. 1933.

24. That a member who is in arrears two and one-half years for dues and has received suspension notice, may visit this Grand Chapter by another sister of the same Chapter vouching for her. 1933.

25. That a demitted or suspended Past Matron has the right to wear her Jewel, because it is her personal property; however, it does not seem to be good taste. 1935.

26. That approved Decision No. 3, 1922, be rescinded. 1936.

27. That the time referred to in Constitution be the time prevailing in the town or city on the date the Grand Chapter is in Session. 1936.

28. Since a Memorial is a service sacred to the memory of a deceased person, a Chapter is not required to hold such service, unless one of its members has died during the current year. 1938.

29. The per capita tax shall be seventy-five cents for all members on the books, December 31, regardless of when they joined the Chapter. "Chapters working under dispensations as well as chartered chapters shall pay the specified amount of per capita dues to the Grand Chapter. Constitution—Article XIII, Sec. 2, also Article III, Rules and Regulations, Sec. 1, p. 7.) The per capita shall not be pro-rated. 1944.

30. The sum of fifty cents shall be paid on all Charter members as well as those initiated prior to the end of the fiscal year to the Grand Chapter, since they all pay Five Dollars initiation fee. No fee is paid to the Grand Chapter for affiliations. 1944.

31. Only a brother may occupy the station of Worthy Patron or Associate Patron. (This decision made by Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Easton). If there is no brother present, the Worthy Matron may invite a Past Matron to call the Chapter to order and invite the Worthy Matron and other officers to enter the Chapter room. 1944.

32. A dispensation is required to hold a special election, the Chapter members being notified ten days prior thereto. (Constitution and By-Laws, Article I, Sec. 10, under Rules and Regulations governing subordinate chapters. 1944.

33. Collection plates shall not be passed in the Chapter room. The By-Laws specify the amount of dues each member shall pay. Voluntary contributions may be put into a receptacle placed in a convenient place, such as Electa's cup or on the Associate Matron's pedestal. 1944.

34. There shall be no music while the prayer is being said. (Ritual, Page 34—fine print.) 1944.

35. In the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter, Sec. 65, of the Rules and Regulations governing subordinate Chapters, PP 3, and 7, use the word "Worthy" after the word "Past" and states that the officers should be introduced by their full title. Therefore, the word "Worthy" should be used. 1944.

PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS

1910-13—MRS. M. ALICE MILLER, El Reno, Oklahoma

1919-22—MRS. ELLA LINES CHAPIN, Pine Meadow, Conn.

1928-31—MRS. EMMA P. CHADWICK, Sorrento Hotel, Seattle, Wash.

1931-34—MRS. MILDRED K. SCHANBACHER, 310 Fort St., Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada.

1934-37—MRS. FRANCES HAUN, Milan, Tennessee

1916-19—MR. GEORGE M. HYLANS, 2455 Overton, N.W., Portland, Ore.

1919-22—MR. ALFRED C. McDANIEL, 225 Grand Ave., Almo Heights, San Antonio, Texas

1922-25—MR. WILL W. GROW, 222 Logan Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

1928-31—MR. PHILLIP A. JERGUSON, 93 Wolcott St., West Medford, Mass.

- 1934-37—MR. WM. A. DUVALL, Branchville, Md.
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- 1935-36—MRS. BESSIE M. WARRINGTON, Harrington, Del.
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- ALABAMA—Mrs. Florence G. Newsom, Masonic Temple, Montgomery, Ala.—October.
- ALBERTA—Samuel J. Blair, 715 14th Ave. West, Calgary, Alberta—June.
- ARIZONA—Mrs. Danitza Angius, 307 E. Third St., Tuscon, Ariz.—February.
- ARKANSAS—Mrs. Etta C. Lynn, Box 1127 Hazen, Ark.—November.
- BRITISH COLUMBIA—Mrs. Hazel Freeze, 4767 Collingwood St., Vancouver—June.
- CALIFORNIA—Mrs. Maude MacW. Smith, 633 Phelan Building, San Francisco—October.
- COLORADA—Mrs. Nellie Wist Wegener, 306 Masonic Temple, Denver, Colo.—September.
- CONNECTICUT—Mrs. Ida B. Nixon, No. 3 Brainerd Ave., Middletown, Conn.—April.
- DELAWARE—Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher, 1614 No. Union Street, Wilmington, Del.—May.
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- FLORIDA—Mrs. Mae T. Donovan, 120 Broadway, Daytona Beach, Fla.—April.
- GEORGIA—Mrs. Claudia B. Singletary, 508 Gordon Ave., Thomasville, Ga.—June.
- IDAHO—Mrs. Loula T. Carpenter, Salmon, Idaho—June.
- ILLINOIS—Mrs. Grace Neuhaus, 32 West Randolph, Chicago, Ill.—October.
- INDIANA—Mrs. Daisy M. Crist, 216 Massachusetts Ave., Suite 538, Indianapolis, Ind.—April.
- IOWA—Mrs. Adah G. Thompson, 509-13 American Trust Bldg., Cedar Rapids, Iowa—October.
- KANSAS—Miss Gertrude V. Gough, 406 National Reserve Bldg., Topeka, Kan.—April.
- KENTUCKY—Miss Ella M. Mount, 910 Realty Bldg., Louisville 2, Ky.—October.
- LOUISIANA—Mrs. Camilla L. Barrow, Box 26, St. Francisville, La.—March.
- MAINE—Miss Mabel J. DeShon, 26 Orland Ave., Portland, Me.—May.
- MANITOBA—Mrs. Edith Keel, 118 Carmen Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba—June.
- MARYLAND—Mrs. Cora E. Wieder, 1225 East No. Ave., Baltimore, Md.—April.
- MASSACHUSETTS—Mrs. Alice E. Wallace, 1450 Commonwealth Ave., Brighton 55, Mass.—May.
- MICHIGAN—Miss Genevieve M. Nauman, West Branch, Mich.—October.
- MINNESOTA—Miss Jane C. Todd, 419 E. Mill St., Austin, Minn.—May.
- MISSISSIPPI—Mrs. Florence F. Williams, Houston, Miss.—April.
- MISSOURI—Mrs. Pearl E. Peabody, Masonic Temple, 3861 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.—October.
- MONTANA—Mrs. Eunice M. Brown, Masonic Temple, Missoula, Mont.—August.
- NEBRASKA—Miss Rose M. Owens, Masonic Temple, Omaha, Neb.—May.
- NEVADA—Mrs. Josephine M. Gosse, 465 Court St., Reno, Nev.—October.
- NEW BRUNSWICK—Mrs. Della Currie Woodstock, New Brunswick, Canada—June.
- NEW HAMPSHIRE—Mrs. Alice K. Simons, 328 Main St., Laconia, N. H.—September.
- NEW JERSEY—Mrs. Emma E. Farrier, 234 Forrest St., Jersey City, N. J.—May.
- NEW MEXICO—Mrs. Ida C. Evans, 607 Isletta Rd., Albuquerque, N. M.—March.
- NEW YORK—Mrs. Annie M. Pond, 71 West 23d St., New York, N. Y.—October.
- NORTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Bessie R. Mangum, Rocky Mount, N. C.—June.
- NORTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Minnie E. Rusk, Box 209, Fargo—June.
- OHIO—Mrs. Mary Wollerman, 138 Cornell Drive, Toledo, Ohio—October.
- OKLAHOMA—Mrs. Ethel Johnston, Box 391, Perry, Okla.—April.
- ONTARIO—Mrs. Lillian B. Turiff, 55 Runnymede Road, Toronto—September.
- OREGON—Mrs. H. Fay Ambrose, Masonic Temple, Portland, Ore.—June.
- PENNSYLVANIA—Mrs. Margaret B. Alexander, Savings Fund Bldg., 12 S. 12 St., Philadelphia, Pa.—June.
- PUERTO RICO—Mrs. Ruth Bidot, Box 383, San German, Puerto Rico—December.
- QUEBEC—Mrs. Sylvia Halsall, 5243 Globert Ave., Montreal, Canada—October.
- RHODE ISLAND—Mrs. Bertha G. Haines, 56 Zone Street, Providence, R. I.—October.
- SASKATCHEWAN—Mr. Francis Reilly, 1548 Garnet St., Regina, Sask.—May.
- SCOTLAND—William Bryce, 128 Hope St., Glasgow, Scotland—March and October.
- SOUTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Ruth Bigby Danielson, 1413 Pendleton St., Columbia, S. C.—June.
- SOUTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Kate F. Williams, Aberdeen—October.

TENNESSEE—Mrs. Leta W. LeSueur, Grand Lodge Bldg., No. Nashville, Tenn.—
 March.
 TEXAS—Miss Cora Posey, Grand Chapter Office Bldg., Arlington, Tex.—October.
 UTAH—Mrs. Naomi P. Hoskins, 1954 So. 3d St., East Salt Lake City, Utah—October.
 VERMONT—Mrs. Addie F. Allen, Milton, Vt.—June.
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 WISCONSIN—Mrs. Otilie S. Brunke, 225 East Michigan St., Milwaukee, Wis.—
 October.
 WYOMING—Mrs. Harriet Eckerson, 205 E. 12th St., Casper, Wyo.—August.

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ALABAMA—Minnie Hitchens, Georgetown No. 9	5- 1-48
ARIZONA—Essie J. Dempsey, Radiant No. 6.....	12-31-45
ARKANSAS—Edith L. Swain, Georgetown No. 9	4- 1-47
ALBERTA—Reba L. Greer, Caesar Rodney No. 8	12-31-45
BRITISH COLUMBIA—Ella F. Cleaver, Julia M. Story No. 3	12-31-45
CALIFORNIA—Sarah E. Riggan, Kent No. 11	7-31-46
COLORADO—Anne Stout, St. John's No. 4	2-14-46
CONNECTICUT—Emma Thomas, St. John's No. 4	12-31-46
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Margaret Gardner No. 15	12-31-46
FLORIDA—Helen Calhoun, Georgetown No. 9	12-31-45
GEORGIA—Isabelle Klabe, Caesar Rodney No. 8	8- 1-46
IDAHO—L. Clark Ziegler, Delaware No. 1	12-31-47
IOWA—Bertha West, Sussex No. 7—G. G. C.—1946	12-31-45
INDIANA—Charlotte Venn No. 1	5- 1-47
ILLINOIS—Eva Casper, Radiant Chapter No. 6	1- 1-48
KANSAS—Gladys Guerke, Mizpah Chapter No. 2	12-31-46
KENTUCKY—Ann Leonard, Radiant No. 6	5- 1-48
LOUISIANA—Jean Cottman, Julia M. Story No. 3	3- 1-46
MAINE—Sophronia Hewlett, Caesar Rodney No. 8	5- 1-48
MARYLAND—J. Nelson Abbott, Newark No. 10	12-31-46
MASSACHUSETTS—Bessie Norris, Five Points No. 13	1- 1-48
MICHIGAN—Pauline Davis, Victory Chapter No. 15	12-31-47
MINNESOTA—Martha M. Davis, Newark No. 10	7- 1-46
MISSOURI—Isabella Buhl, Georgetown	12-31-46
MONTANA—Hettie F. Hall, Adah No. 5	10- 1-47
NEBRASKA—Eva Moulton, Delaware No. 1	12-31-46
NEVADA—Edna S. Vandaalen, Newark No. 10	12-31-45
NEW HAMPSHIRE—Mabel VanSant, Five Points No. 13	1- 1-47
NEW JERSEY—Robert W. Larrimore, Caesar Rodney No. 8	1- 1-46
NEW MEXICO—Harley Burbage, Frankford No. 12	12-31-46
NEW YORK—Mamie P. Wendling, Delaware No. 1	12-31-47
NORTH CAROLINA—George H. Ostendarp, Brandywine No. 14	12-31-46
NORTH DAKOTA—Mabel Hearn, Adah No. 5	12-31-45
OHIO—Henrietta Williams, Kent No. 11	12-31-46
OKLAHOMA—Ruth Derrickson, Frankford No. 12	12-31-45
ONTARIO—Edith P. Penniwell, Frankford No. 12	12-31-46
OREGON—Anna Hirzel, Caesar Rodney No. 8	1- 1-48
PENNSYLVANIA—Sadie C. Conley, Five Points No. 13	12-31-46
RHODE ISLAND—Pearl Morris, Kent Chapter No. 11	6-19-47
SOUTH CAROLINA—Bella Tattersall, Mizpah No. 2	12-31-48
SOUTH DAKOTA—Martha White, Julia M. Story No. 3	3- 1-48
TENNESSEE—Elizabeth M. Fisher, St. John's No. 4	12-31-45
TEXAS—Mildred Hickey, Brandywine No. 14	12-31-45
UTAH—Mabel C. Johnson, Mizpah No. 2	12-31-45

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VERMONT—Edith M. Dunlop, Mizpah No. 2	6-15-45
VIRGINIA—Virda Simpler, Brandywine No. 15	12-31-48
WASHINGTON—Elizabeth A. Lank, Sussex No. 7	12-31-45
WEST VIRGINIA—Julia M. Story, Delaware No. 1	1- 1-46
WISCONSIN—Lillian Miller, Julia M. Story No. 3	12-31-45
SCOTLAND—Lily Ann Pyle, Julia M. Story No. 3	12-31-46
SASKATCHEWAN—Mary King, Radiant No. 6	1- 1-48
NEW BRUNSWICK—Maude G. Ames, St. John's No. 4	12-31-47
WYOMING—Georgia D. Ellegood, Adah No. 5	12-31-45
PUERTO RICO—Anna R. Slack, Newark, Del.—G. G. C.—1946	
QUEBEC—Beeneta I. Meenan, Julia M. Story No. 3	12-31-46
MISSISSIPPI—Jane Griffith, St. John's No. 4	12-31-45
MANITOBA—Sarah MacLachlan, Mizpah No. 2	6-30-46

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ALBERTA—Mrs. Bertha D. Harris, Milk River	12-31-45
ARIZONA—Mrs. Estelle M. Boll, Bowie	12-31-45
ARKANSAS—Mrs. Edna Dalzell, Benton	12-31-45
BRITISH COLUMBIA—Mrs. Ida Coop, Nachako	12-31-47
CALIFORNIA—Mrs. M. Josephine Young, 2510 Etna St., Berkley	12-31-45
COLORADO—Mrs. Elsie Craig, 1125 W. 14th Ave., Denver	12-31-45
CONNECTICUT—Mrs. Minnie R. Shaeffer, Meridan	12-31-47
DIST. OF COLUMBIA—Mrs. Ella D. McReed, Washington, D. C.	12-31-46
FLORIDA—Mrs. Clara Esteban, Tampa	12-31-47
GEORGIA—Mrs. Doris Montgomery, Warrington	12-31-46
IDAHO—Mrs. Edna Childs, Filer	12-31-47
INDIANA—Mrs. Grace Sanders, Perryville	12-31-47
ILLINOIS—Mrs. Lois Faulstick, Chicago	5- 1-47
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KANSAS—Mrs. Betty Homish, Topeka	12-31-45
KENTUCKY—Mrs. Mary C. Williams	12-31-46
LOUISIANA—Mrs. Julia Knight, Didalia	12-31-45
MAINE—Mrs. Golden H. Munroe	5- 1-48
MANITOBA—Mrs. Ida M. Lamb, Swan River	12-31-45
MARYLAND—Mrs. Blanche Winkleman	12-31-45
MASSACHUSETTS—Mrs. Mabel E. Foss	12-31-45
MICHIGAN—Mrs. Adele Wesson	1- 1-48
MINNESOTA—Mrs. Lula Stearns	12-31-47
MISSOURI—Mrs. Nellie Hartman	10-19-47
MISSISSIPPI—Mrs. Lena Hill, Iuka	12-31-45
MONTANA—Mrs. Jessie Oland, Sidney	12-31-45
NEBRASKA—Mrs. Gladys Merryman	12-31-47
NEW BRUNSWICK—Mrs. Beatrice Allen	12-31-45
NEW HAMPSHIRE—Mrs. Bernice F. Gunn, Keene	12-31-45
NEVADA—Mrs. Kate Lemaire	12-31-46
NEW JERSEY—Mrs. Elizabeth Lupold	12-31-47
NEW MEXICO—Mrs. Annie Jo. Pate	12-31-47
NEW YORK—Mrs. Sadie Aberach, New York, N. Y.	9-30-46
NORTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Jennie McAlister	12-31-46
NORTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Margaret Monicken	1- 1-48
OHIO—Mrs. Alice M. Winn	1- 1-48
OKLAHOMA—Mrs. Hazel Claude	12-31-47
ONTARIO—Mrs. Barbara Whillans, Ontario	12-31-46
OREGON—Mrs. Elsie L. Onlid, Newport, Oregon	12-31-46

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SASKATCHEWAN—Mrs. Norah Dunstan	1- 1 -47
SCOTLAND—Adam G. Horne, Glasgow	12-31-45
SOUTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Janie H. Watts	12-31-46
SOUTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Helena Quist	1- 1-48
TENNESSEE—Mrs. Musette Booker, Humboldt	12-31-45
TEXAS—Mrs. Erna Hyde, Albany	12-31-46
UTAH—Mrs. Alice E. Nelson	12-31-45
VERMONT—Mrs. Sarah J. Pratt	12-31-46
VIRGINIA—Mrs. Zoie Hughes	12-31-47
WASHINGTON—Mrs. Dollie Grosse	12-31-45
WEST VIRGINIA—Mrs. Lena Johnson, Clarksburg	9- 1-45
WISCONSIN—Mrs. Beulah Cotterill, Markesan	12-31-45
WYOMING—Mrs. Nora E. Riggs, Saratoga	1- 1-47
SASKATCHEWAN, Mrs. Norah Dunstan	12-31-45
SCOTLAND—Adam G. Horne, Glasgow	12-31-45
SOUTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Janie H. Watts	12-31-46
SOUTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Frances Solberg, Isabel	5-31-45
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