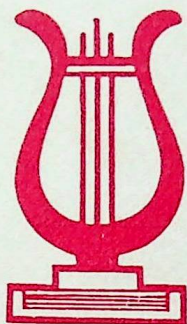


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PROCEEDINGS

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TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

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GRAND CHAPTER

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DELAWARE

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

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May 21st, 26th and 27th, 1947

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## OFFICIAL OPENING

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 21, 1947, 2.00 P. M .

The 26th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, convened in Julia M. Story Chapter Room, Pythian Castle, 906 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware, on Wednesday, May 21, 1947, at 2.00 P. M.

Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert S. Gallaher, presided in the Grand East. Acting Grand Marshal, Sister Ella F. Cleaver, escorted the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Percy C. Cotty, and other Grand Officers into the Grand Chapter Room. Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron as follows:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, welcome to the Grand East and to the task that is before you. May this, the 26th Grand Session, be a high-light in the annals of history of our Grand Chapter and of our Grand Order that is serving the Divine Plan of Life by the practice of the virtues portrayed in the lessons taught.

I am honored to be permitted to serve in the opening of this Grand Session and privileged to stand in the Grand East with my own Grand Patron, Brother Gallaher, a Past Patron of your own Chapter. Worthy Grand Matron, in presenting to you the gavel, may all its orders be in kindness and goodwill, may its decisions be in justice, directed with wisdom and obedience to the laws, rules and regulations of this Grand Chapter. I thank you, Sister Alice, for this courtesy.

Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Gallaher, welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron as follows:

Sister Alice Abbott, as a member of your own Chapter, Newark No. 10, it is indeed a great pleasure to me to welcome you to this session of the 26th Annual Grand Chapter. Newark Chapter was very happy one year ago when the Grand Chapter elected you to the highest office within its power to give. You have made an enviable record throughout your Eastern Star career, particularly this year. I am sure your Grand Chapter Session will be just what your most appropriate slogan implies, one of Harmony and Happiness and now, may I wish for you many years of health and happiness to enjoy the pleasant memories of the year 1946 and 1947.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Percy Cotty: It is also a real pleasure to me to welcome you to this Grand Chapter Session. You have served the Order of the Eastern Star with distinction and honor and I congratulate you on a task well done.

As this Grand Chapter Session passes into history and you become the Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron, I can assure you that you will find welcoming hands to greet you as you join the Past Worthy Grand Patrons' Association of Delaware.



The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the East and given Grand Honors. Sister Horn presented the gavel to Sister Abbott and Sister Abbott thanked Sister Horn and Brother Gallaher for opening the 26th Annual Grand Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware for her.

The Officers assumed their respective stations and the Grand Secretary was requested to report if there was a constitutional number of Subordinate Chapters represented to form a quorum. There being a constitutional number of chapters represented, the Grand Chapter was opened in form. Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag of our Country.

The following Grand Officers were present: Worthy Grand Matron, Alice C. Abbott; Worthy Grand Patron, Percy C. Cotty; Asso. Grand Matron, Sara S. MacNamee; Asso. Grand Patron, Horace K. Fulmer; Grand Secretary, Elizabeth M. Fisher; Grand Treasurer, Virda Simpler; Grand Conductress, Marie L. Roberts; Asso. Grand Conductress, Dora Fitzgerald; Grand Chaplain, Sadie C. Conly; Grand Lecturer, Edna L. Gifford; Acting Grand Marshal, Ella F. Cleaver; Grand Organist, Lettie McMullen; Acting Grand Adah, Elizabeth Heinel; Grand Ruth, Madeline Litchfield; Grand Esther, Edith Shinn; Acting Grand Martha, Frances Warren; Grand Electa, Beneta I. Meenan; Acting Grand Warder, May Pople; Grand Sentinel, Albert Kumpel.

#### REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Five (5) Chapters represented and 35 voting delegates present.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, made the following announcement:

Sisters and Brothers: Inasmuch as our By-Laws state that the "Annual Meeting of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the city of Wilmington on the third Wednesday of May at 2.00 o'clock P. M., or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, in any town or city in Delaware where there is a Subordinate Chapter," I had to officially open this Grand Chapter today, the third Wednesday of May. As no adequate meeting place could be secured on the exact date of our Annual Session, it was necessary for me to declare an *Emergency*, which I have done by means of an official letter to all the Subordinate Chapters in this state, after taking up the matter with some of the members of the Jurisprudence Committee and the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, as well as some of the members of our Grand Chapter. Therefore, this year our Grand Chapter Session will be held on next Monday and Tuesday, May 26th and May 27th, in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont, at 2 o'clock P. M., at which time the regular schedule of business will be transacted. As no business will come before the Grand Chapter at this time, we will recess until Monday, May 26th. The Informal Opening is scheduled for 1 o'clock. The Formal Opening at 2 o'clock P. M.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked her substitutes and expressed her appreciation to the members on the sidelines.



Grand Conductress attended at the Altar.

The Grand Marshal, by order of the Worthy Grand Matron, proclaimed the 26th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, called to recess, to reconvene at two o'clock on Monday, May 26th, in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont.

## SUNDAY EVENING

MAY 25, 1947

Divine Service was held in First and Central Presbyterian Church, Market Street at Eleventh, Wilmington, Delaware, Sunday evening, May 25, 1947, at 7.45 P. M. This service was in charge of the Negrology Committee and flowers were placed in memory of deceased members and in thankfulness by Chapters in which there had been no break in the Fraternal Chain of Membership.

### SOCIAL EVENTS

A Banquet was held in the New Century Club, Saturday evening, May 24, 1947, given in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and their Staff of Grand Officers by the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware.

A breakfast was held in Parlor "G", Hotel DuPont, on Tuesday morning, at 8.30 o'clock, for the Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers.

Luncheon on Tuesday, May 27, 1947, in Hotel Rodney.

Dinner was served to the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons in the Hob Tea Room, Monday evening, May 26.

## INFORMAL OPENING

1.00 P. M.

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, known as the Harmony and Happiness Session, was held in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont and called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, at 1 o'clock, daylight saving time.

The room was beautifully decorated in connection with Harmony. Musical clefs, cut from red and black construction paper were placed around the room. Miniature pianos were on taborettes at the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress stations and on the floor of the platform of the Associate Grand Matron and Patron, also in the Grand East.

A large plaque adorned the Grand East with the same design as the Worthy Grand Matron's program.

A hand-painted four-sectioned screen rested below the plaque surrounded by palms and flood lights from the floor representing the rising of the sun in East. Behind each star point's pedestal was a container in which a golden lyre rested.

At the sound of the gavel, the conductresses of the subordinate chapters acting as Pages and carrying American flags formed a Guard of Honor as the American Flag, carried by P. W. P. Brother J. Nelson

Abbott, Christian Flag carried by P. W. G. P. Brother Robert W. Larrimore, State Flag carried by P. W. P. Brother Harmon Money, who served with the Worthy Grand Matron in her home chapter, and Eastern Star Flag carried by P. W. P. Brother Wm. D. Ayers, were brought into the Grand Chapter room.

After placing each flag in its respective standard, the color bearers faced West and stood at attention as each Page placed her flag in a receptacle provided in the Grand East. When the last Page had returned to her station, all retired in the formation of the letter "H", in keeping with Harmony and Happiness.

A human lyre was formed. The Star Treble Chorus and Worthy Patrons of 1946-47, and Assistant Sentinels forming the frame, while the Pages, Marshals, Organists and Worthy Matrons of 1946 and 1947 of the Subordinate Chapters represented the strings, each wearing a cape of gold cloth, and sang to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the tune of "Sympathy." Words by the Sessions Chairman:

*You've had Harmony, Happiness, Harmony  
We all think you are grand,  
You are the best folks in this fair land,  
And as we bid you fond adieu,  
This is the wish we wish for you:  
May His star brightly shine, and bring you joy.*

Mrs. Millie E. Charsha, mother of the Worthy Grand Matron and to whom the Session was dedicated was presented with a huge bouquet of red roses and introduced by the Sessions Chairman. A very cordial welcome was extended by the Worthy Grand Matron and Sister Ruth M. Laws, Worthy Matron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Newport, sang "All the World is Waiting for the Sunrise," a favorite of the Worthy Grand Matron's mother.

Rev. C. N. Harris, Pastor of Harrison Street M. E. Church, gave the invocation and greetings from the City of Wilmington were extended by the Judge of the Municipal Court, Hon. Thomas Herlihy, Jr.

The Star Treble Chorus sang a medley of songs relative to roses, honoring the Worthy Grand Matron's flower for the year, after which Rev. Harris delivered an address on the Motto for the year of the Worthy Grand Matron, "Harmony and Happiness."

During a selection by the Star Treble Chorus, the Worthy Grand Matron escorted her mother, Worthy Grand Patron escorted Judge Herlihy, and the Sessions Chairman escorted Reverend Harris from the Grand Chapter room due to the fact that they were not members of the Order, and the Assistant Sentinels prepared the labyrinth for the formal opening at 2.00 o'clock.

## MONDAY AFTERNOON

MAY 26, 1947, 2.00 P. M.

Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, presiding,



presented Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Bertha S. Welch and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert M. Rogers, who opened the afternoon session.

Since the Grand Chapter had recessed from May 21 to May 26, the Grand Secretary again called the roll of Subordinate Chapters and of Grand Officers. All Chapters were represented and all Officers responded to roll call.

Selection—"Who Will Our Pilot Be"—Star Treble Chorus.

#### PARTIAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Sixteen Chapters represented with one hundred and sixty-five voting members.

Tribute to the American Flag was given by the Grand Marshal, Sister Florence E. Fader. After giving the Pledge of Allegiance the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung.

Tribute to the State Flag was given by P. W. Matron, Sister Catherine E. Weaver, Delaware Chapter No. 1, followed by the singing of "Our Delaware."

Tribute to the Eastern Star Flag was given by P. W. Matron, Sister Louise Pusey, Radiant Chapter No. 6, followed by a duet, "Star of Love," rendered by the Grand Organist, Sister Lettie McMullen and Worthy Matron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Sister Ruth Laws.

Tribute to the Christian Flag was given by the Grand Chaplain, Sister Sadie C. Conly, Five Points Chapter No. 13, followed by the singing of "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross."

Address of Welcome by Sister Miriam E. Rittenhouse, Worthy Matron of Newark Chapter, No. 10:

Through the courtesy of the Worthy Grand Matron, I have been requested to extend a cordial welcome to all who have assembled here to our Twenty-sixth Annual Session.

To our guests from other jurisdictions, I extend loving greetings. May your visit be both pleasant and profitable. You who have come representing the chapters in our own State, I trust your presence will be beneficial and full of pleasure.

To those attending for the first time, we open our doors to you and extend a fraternal love and hope these two days will remain a treasured memory.

I feel sure that every person has come to this Grand Chapter Session with a heart full of gratitude for the privilege of meeting again and taking part in this fraternal gathering. We shall advise and counsel together, review the past and plan, with faith, for the future. I hope every moment from the opening to the closing will be full of interest, inspiration and enjoyment.

To our Worthy Grand Matron, our own dear member, Sister Alice, I am happy to add my personal welcome and greetings to you. May you enjoy a long and happy life and continue to spread sunshine and gladness in our Order.

I shall ask our God to help you. He will surely hear my prayer. I will pray that he will lead you and keep you in his constant care.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for this privilege and honor.

Response by Sister Sara S. MacNamee, Associate Grand Matron and member of St. John's Chapter No. 4:

Thank you, Sister Miriam Rittenhouse. It is my happy privilege to express the appreciation of the members of this Grand Chapter for the very cordial and sincere welcome you have extended to us. Welcome is a beautiful word and yours has been gracious and complete.

Like sessions of other years, this session embodies those traditions which we, who have attended in the past, might expect to find: Color, Beauty, Character, Dignity.

Another year has passed in the history of our Grand Chapter. Through the loving kindness of a Divine Providence we are permitted to assemble again to legislate for the good of our Order. May the light of the Eastern Star so shine that in all of our deliberations we will be governed in words and deeds by the Golden Rule, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets."

Sister Miriam, to you and the Worthy Matrons of 1947 we appreciate the task you have performed. Saturday evening's banquet was a delightful affair and we thank you. We know that your reward will be the knowledge of a work well done.

May I thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of giving this response. May Harmony and Happiness abide with you all through this Session, and forever.

General Grand Chapter Officer, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Abbie Hanson, was presented at the Altar, welcomed and escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

(Our own) General Grand Chapter Committee member on Foreign Relations, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, Past Worthy Grand Matron of Delaware, was presented at the Altar, welcomed and escorted East and given Grand Honors.

General Grand Chapter Committee members, Sister Elsie Wolfe of the Foreign Relations Committee and Sister Mildred Hick of the Welfare Committee, were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions were presented at the Altar, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Julia M. Story, "Mother of Eastern Star," was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.



Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons of Delaware were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Responses to the welcome were given by P. W. G. Matron Sister Sarah Elizabeth Riggins and Brother Jay W. Miller.

Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Grand Trustees, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, Brothers Willard T. Loreman and J. Nelson Abbott, were presented in the West, escorted East and given a hearty welcome. Response was given by Bro. J. Nelson Abbott.

Deputy Grand Lecturers were presented in the West, welcomed by Worthy Grand Matron. Response was given by Sister Alice Frederick of Brandywine Chapter No. 14. They were escorted to the East and given a hand of welcome.

Welcome to Deputy Grand Lecturers from other jurisdictions by the Worthy Grand Matron, they were escorted East and given a hearty welcome.

Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Lilly Ann Pyle, was presented in the West, escorted East and given a hearty hand of welcome.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1946 were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Response was given by Sister Florence Williams, Victory Chapter No. 15, and Brother Harlan Cloud, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3. They were then escorted to the East and given a hand of welcome.

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1947 were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Response was given by Sister Ethel Derickson, Frankford Chapter No. 12, and Brother Eugene Hackendorn, St. John's Chapter No. 4. They were then escorted to the East and given a hand of welcome.

Grand Chapter Committee Members and Delegates were presented in the West and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters were welcomed by the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher. Response was given by Sister Margaret L. Sherwood, Adah Chapter No. 5. They were escorted to the East and given a hand of welcome.

Grand Representatives from Delaware to other jurisdictions were presented in the West and given a welcome by the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Horace K. Fulmer. Response was given by P. W. Matron Sister Mary Bevis, Unity Chapter No. 16.

Grand Representatives from other jurisdictions to Delaware were presented in the West, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Pages and Assistant Sentinels were presented in the West and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Response was given by Sister Mildred W. Bryan, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

Grand Officers of Bethel No. 1, Job's Daughters, assembled in the West. Sister Ivah Ostendarp, Sister Gertrude Grubb, and Brother George Ostendarp were welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Response was given by Sister Gertrude Grubb, Bethel Guardian. They were escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Worthy Grand Matron welcomed Sister Emma Wheeler, Director of the Star Treble Chorus and all members of the Chorus.

Response was given by Sister Ellebelle Middleton, President, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

The "Grand" husband of the Worthy Grand Matron and the "Grand" wife of the Worthy Grand Patron were presented in the West, welcomed, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Motion was made by Sister Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by Sister M. Etta Keys, that the reading of the minutes of 1946 Grand Session be dispensed with and they be approved as printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Grand Chapter held October 12, for the purpose of granting Charter to Unity Chapter U. D., were read and approved.

The Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, convened in Special Session at 7.00 P. M., October 12, 1946, in Julia M. Story Chapter Room, Pythian Castle, 906 West St., Wilmington, Delaware.

Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Amy Meyer, and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles V. Cleaver, presiding in the East.

Sister Meyer instructed the Grand Marshal to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and other Grand Officers into the Chapter Room.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, was given Grand Honors and Sister Amy Meyer presented her the gavel. Sister Abbott thanked Sister Meyer and Brother Cleaver for opening the Special Session for her.

Worthy Grand Matron instructed the Grand Secretary to ascertain if there was a constitutional number of Chapters represented. There being a constitutional number present, the Grand Secretary called the roll of Grand Officers. All officers present with the exception of Grand Martha and Grand Warder. Sister Ella Cleaver, Acting Grand Warder and Sister Lillian Larrimore, Acting Grand Martha.

Report of the Credential Committee, Sister Esther Schaffer and Sister Pauline Davis was received:

Fifteen (15) Chapters represented and 53 voting delegates.

Motion by Brother Cotty, seconded by Brother Cleaver, that the report be accepted and recorded. Motion Adopted.



Grand Secretary read the Call, stating the purpose of the Grand Chapter Special Session:

September 25, 1946, Wilmington, Delaware

A Special Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held on Saturday evening, October 12, 1946, at 7.00 P. M. in Julia M. Story Chapter Room, Pythian Castle, 906 West St., Wilmington, Delaware, for the purpose of granting a Charter to Unity Chapter U. D. of Lewes, Delaware.

Signed:

ALICE C. ABBOTT, W. G. M.  
PERCY C. COTTY, W. G. P.

Attest: ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
Grand Secretary.

Report of the Committee on Chapters Under Dispensation and Charters:

We, your Committee on Chapters Under Dispensation and Charters, report that Unity Chapter U. D., of Lewes, Delaware, has proved very efficient in its Ritualistic work and business management. It has all the paraphernalia necessary for a chartered chapter. We recommend that a charter be granted.

Signed:

GRACE WILKINS, Chairman  
EDNA WATSON  
MARTHA MACKEY

Motion by P. W. G. P. Brother Charles Cleaver, seconded by Associate Grand Patron, Brother Horace Fulmer, that the report be accepted and the Charter granted. Motion Adopted.

Worthy Grand Matron announced that the Constituting Ceremony will be held Tuesday evening, October 29, 1946, in the Lewes Fire Hall, Lewes, Delaware, at 8.00 o'clock P. M. Bus transportation may be reserved by contacting Sister Ella Cleaver.

Business as stated in the Call being concluded, Grand Chapter Special Session closed in form at 7.45 P. M.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
Grand Secretary.

Motion was made by Sister Amy E. Meyer, seconded by Sister Louise Green that minutes be approved as read. Motion adopted.

Sister Elizabeth Pierce reminded the members of the luncheon at the Hotel Rodney at 12 noon on Tuesday and also requested distinguished guests who expected to be here Tuesday afternoon to get in touch with her. Sister Pierce also announced the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons dinner at the Hob Tea Room, Monday evening at 6 P. M.

The Worthy Grand Matron appointed Brother Howard Payne to fill the unexpired term of Brother Leroy Beatty on the Registration Committee.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter called to recess to resume labor at 8.00 P. M.

## MONDAY EVENING

8.00 P. M.

Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin presiding, presented Past Worthy Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert W. Larrimore, who opened the evening session.

Opening Ode—"Holy, Holy, Holy."

Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from recess to resume labor.

All Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons who had not been present in the afternoon were presented at the Altar and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. They were escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Grand Officers of other jurisdictions were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Brother Robert Davis, Superintendent of the Masonic Home, and Sister Pauline Davis, Matron of the Home, were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

The Sessions Committee was presented in the West, given a welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron, and Worthy Grand Patron. Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, Chairman, responded to the very gracious welcome and thanked other members who helped the Sessions Committee, who were not on the Committee. The Committee was escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

### REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

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

*Another year has rolled around,  
Yet it seems but just a day,  
Since I stood here before you  
In an entirely different way.  
I was your Worthy Grand Matron new,  
With things to plan and work to do,  
But now my year has come to an end  
Filled with Harmony and Happiness, my friends.*

*I do not know where fell the seed  
I've tried to sow with greatest care,  
And yet I hope each seed will grow  
And bring forth fruit, sometime, somewhere.  
I hope I've sown some kindly deeds,  
Given counsel and advice to meet some needs;  
And I have faith that in shadows blue at set of sun,  
I shall be judged for what I have tried—  
—————not what I have done.*





ALICE C. ABBOTT *Worthy Grand Matron*  
1946-47

With humbleness and a keen desire to prove worthy of your trust, I have given of my very best this year in serving as your Worthy Grand Matron. Whatever has been accomplished has been through the cooperation and loyalty of the officers and members in this Grand Jurisdiction—working in Harmony with one another.

I shall always be grateful for the high honor and privilege of serving an Order that is recognized as one of the greatest moral influences of the world. I have tried to meet all the members upon the common ground of understanding, performing my duties and meeting each problem with the ultimate aim of lasting "Harmony."

I reverently thank Him from Whom cometh all wisdom and strength, for His protecting care over my loved ones, for guidance, for health and strength to carry on the arduous task of fulfilling the duties of my office.

During the year I have gained many things; a greater knowledge of our beautiful Order, a multitude of happy memories, and priceless friendships which I hope will continue throughout the years to come. As I look back, I would not ask for wealth or power, I would only ask for that supreme gift of friends that I have had in full measure.

As we carry on our deliberations at this Grand Session, let each one think, not of self but of and for the good of the Order. Let us take up the tasks before us carefully. It is my earnest prayer that "Harmony and Happiness" may prevail throughout this session.

To each of you I extend a hearty welcome to this the 26th Annual Session, and may every hour of your stay be filled with happiness and may your lives be enriched by our associations and pleasures together.

#### IN MEMORIAM

May we think of life as the Rose Bush planted in the Garden of the World, whose blossoms are continually shedding beauty and fragrance upon those in the journey of the labyrinth of Human Life. Upon this bush we find the rose and the thorn linked together in the same manner as in life, we find gladness and sorrow joined.

Death is just a transformation—a gathering by the Master Gardener of the beautiful roses from earthly gardens and placing them "In those mansions not made by hands, eternal in the Heavens" where they may bloom forever. Our departed sisters and brothers have but walked from the Garden that we call "Earthly" into the Garden of "Eternity." Treasured memories and the fragrance of sweet personalities will continue to bring gladness to the hearts that sorrow.

*"Death is not extinguishing the light,  
It is putting out the lamp  
Because dawn has come."*

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father that the circle of our Grand Family remains unbroken, but we are mindful that sorrow has entered the homes of members of the Subordinate Chapters. To all



of these we extend our sympathy in the loss of their loved ones. We also extend our sympathy to all those in other Grand Jurisdictions who have suffered bereavement.

We, of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, were greatly distressed and saddened when we learned of the death of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Olga Philip, of Hays, Kansas. In the short time that I had the pleasure of talking with Sister Philip in Tampa, Florida, I found her to be most pleasant and congenial. We wired our deepest sympathy to the loved ones at the Philip home on Thursday, May 8th.

Our Grand Secretary acknowledged with sincere sympathy the various Memorials received from Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Sad duties I had to perform were that of attending the following viewings and funerals:

July 2, 1946—Viewing of Sister Anna Vantine, Secretary of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle.

Aug. 28, 1946—Accompanied by the Grand Secretary and Sister Ella Cleaver, drove to Rehoboth Beach to express our sympathy to Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggan, in the loss of her brother.

Feb. 10, 1947—Accompanied by Grand Secretary, attended funeral of Brother Leroy Beatty, Worthy Patron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

Mar. 11, 1947—Viewing of Brother George Tattersall, Past Worthy Patron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Wilmington.

Mar. 20, 1947—Attended funeral of Sister Jean Hubert Cauffman, Past Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Delaware.

April 4, 1947—Viewing of the mother of Sister Edna Watson, Deputy Grand Lecturer.

April 22, 1947—Attended funeral of Mother Cathcart of Five Points Chapter No. 13, mother of Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, my Sessions Chairman, and Sister Sadie C. Conly, my Grand Chaplain. I had hoped that Sister Cathcart, my great aunt, would have been able to attend this Grand Chapter Session.

#### OFFICIAL TRANSACTIONS

My first official act, which was pleasant, yet difficult, was the appointment of Grand Officers and committee members. I was most zealous to distribute the appointments so that each chapter would be represented. After much forethought and meditation, with the approval of the Worthy Grand Patron, I made the following appointments of Grand Officers and Committee Members:

- Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Sadie C. Conly (13).
- Grand Lecturer, Mrs. Edna L. Gifford (14).
- Grand Marshal, Mrs. Florence E. Fader (10)
- Grand Organist, Mrs. Lettie L. McMullen (10).
- Grand Adah, Mrs. Agnes Wooten (7).
- Grand Ruth, Mrs. Madoline Litchfield (1).
- Grand Esther, Miss Edith Shinn (14).

Grand Martha, Mrs. Mildred J. Wilgus (15).  
 Grand Electa, Mrs. Beneta I. Meenan (3).  
 Grand Warder, Mrs. Elberta S. Clendaniel (9).  
 Grand Sentinel, Mr. Albert J. Kumpel (8).

#### DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

Delaware No. 1, Mrs. Edna H. Watson.  
 Mizpah No. 2, Mrs. Marian J. Simpson.  
 Julia M. Story No. 3, Miss Martha M. White.  
 St. John's No. 4, Mrs. Elva W. Lang.  
 Adah No. 5, Mrs. E. Paris Bounds.  
 Radiant No. 6, Mrs. Virginia Hambright.  
 Sussex No. 7, Mrs. Louise Wright.  
 Caesar Rodney No. 8, Mrs. Lillian Larrimore.  
 Georgetown No. 9, Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte.  
 Newark No. 10, Mrs. Arzie P. Lewis.  
 Kent No. 11, Mrs. Louise S. Emory.  
 Frankford No. 12, Mrs. Elsie E. Daye.  
 Five Points No. 13, Mrs. Mildred K. Grubb.  
 Brandywine No. 14, Mrs. Alice Frederick.  
 Victory No. 15, Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte.  
 Unity U. D., Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

##### CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Pauline Davis (15)

##### JURISPRUDENCE

Mrs. Sarah E. Riffin (11)

##### CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

Mr. Charles V. Cleaver (3)

#### CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION AND CHARTERS

Mrs. Martha D. Mackey (13)

##### EDUCATIONAL

Mr. Harlan L. Cloud (3)

##### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Walter J. Williams (15)

Mrs. Mabel C. Johnston (2)

Mrs. Hettie Hall (5)

##### NECROLOGY

Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler (1)

Mrs. Lydie F. McCloskey (10)

Mrs. Alice Minner (4)

Mr. Thomas C. Rodway (11)



## PRINTING

Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher (4)  
 Mrs. Florence C. Lang (1)  
 Mrs. Myrtle L. Sawdon (6)

## GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS

Mrs. Helen W. Calhoon (9)

## JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver (3)  
 Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb (13)  
 Mr. Robert W. Larrimore (8)

## INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE

Mr. Robert M. Rogers (2)  
 Mrs. Ruth Derrickson (12)  
 Mrs. Grace Hild (14)

## REGISTRATION

Mrs. Mabel L. Stirlith (3)  
 Mrs. Lois Ayres (4)  
 Mr. Leroy Beatty (2)

## EXAMINING

Mrs. Martha W. Krapf (10)  
 Mrs. Mary L. Clower (4)  
 Mrs. Jane M. F. Brinton (1)

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

## RED CROSS

Mrs. Ellen Robinson (3)

## SUMMER BENEFIT

Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver, General Chairman (3)  
 Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler (1)  
 Mrs. Gladys E. Guerke (2)  
 Mrs. Frances M. Shorter (3)  
 Mrs. Mary A. Fiorelli (4)  
 Mrs. E. Paris Bounds (5)  
 Mrs. Edith McLean (6)  
 Mrs. Helen Covey (7)  
 Mrs. Lillian I. Arters (8)  
 Mrs. Trevilla Lenhart (9)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth D. Correll (10)  
 Mrs. Emma P. Widdoes (11)  
 Mrs. Florence Burbage (12)  
 Mr. Paul Fleming (13)  
 Miss Edith Shinn (14)  
 Mrs. Florence Williams (15)  
 Mrs. Mary Bevis (Unity U. D.)

## SESSIONS

- Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, Chairman (13)  
 Mrs. Bertha Kelly (1)  
 Mrs. Bella S. Tattersall (2)  
 Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver (3)  
 Mrs. Emma D. Thomas (4)  
 Mrs. Anna O. Elliott (5)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth S. Burkins (6)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth A. Lank (7)  
 Mrs. Anna M. Harrington (8)  
 Mrs. Mildred Minner (9)  
 Mrs. Martha C. Davis (10)  
 Mrs. Henrietta Williams (11)  
 Mr. John B. Williams (12)  
 Mr. Raymond K. Grubb (13)  
 Mr. George Ostendarp (14)  
 Mr. M. Eugene Gardner (15)  
 Mrs. Mary Bevis (Unity U. D.)

## HOSPITALITY

- Mrs. M. Etta Keys (1)  
 Mrs. Amy E. Meyer (3)  
 Mrs. Bertha S. Welch (7)  
 Mrs. Bertha M. Smith (4)

## GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

- Mr. Robert W. Larrimore—Reservations (8)  
 Mrs. M. Etta Keys—Badges (1)  
 Mrs. Martha W. Krapf—Souvenirs (10)  
 Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher (4)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce (13)  
 Mrs. Mary M. Clower (4)  
 Mrs. Edna L. Gifford (14)  
 Mr. Charles V. Cleaver (3)

Upon the recommendations of the Worthy Grand Matrons of other Grand Jurisdictions, it was my pleasure to appoint the following Grand Representatives of Delaware in other Grand Jurisdictions:

Puerto Rico	Eduardo Torres
California	Mrs. Ethel Barnett, the unexpired term of Mrs. Josephine Young
District of Columbia	Mrs. Anna S. Printz
Florida	Mrs. Mary Lewis, the unexpired term of Clara Esteban
Georgia	Mrs. Daisy Marshall
Kentucky	Mrs. Beatrice Davis
Maryland	Mrs. Clara Harman, the unexpired term of Mrs. Bertha Woods
Nevada	Mrs. Kate Lemaire
New York	Mrs. Daisy Bull



North Carolina.....	Mrs. Mary Hammond Green
North Dakota.....	Mrs. Hazen McCoy, the unexpired term of Margaret Monicken
Oregon.....	Mrs. Mabel Pelton Jacobs
South Carolina.....	Mrs. Samille R. Weeks
Texas.....	Mrs. Dora Brawner
Vermont.....	Mrs. Eva Capron
Saskatchewan.....	Mrs. Mary McMurdo

It gave me much pleasure to recommend for appointment as Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware, the following:

Puerto Rico.....	Mrs. Beneta I. Meenan
Quebec.....	Mrs. Lorraine Putzier
Manitoba.....	Mrs. Kate Smith
California.....	Mrs. Grace Hild
Connecticut.....	Mrs. Lillian Arters
District of Columbia.....	Mr. Ferd L. Reuter
Georgia.....	Mrs. Helen Calhoon
Iowa.....	Mrs. Ella Cleaver
Kentucky.....	Mr. Harlan Cloud
Maine.....	Mrs. Mildred Wilgus
Massachusetts.....	Mrs. Naomi S. Knauss
Missouri.....	Mrs. Lydia F. McCloskey
Montana.....	Mrs. Jane M. F. Brinton
New Jersey.....	Mrs. Lillian M. Larrimore
New Mexico.....	Mrs. Mary Bevis
New York.....	Mrs. Edna L. Gifford
North Dakota.....	Mrs. Bertha G. Marvel
Oklahoma.....	Mr. Thomas C. Rodway
Oregon.....	Mrs. Mae T. Phillips
Rhode Island.....	Mrs. Florence Williams
Scotland.....	Mrs. Helen Covey

#### OFFICIAL VISITS

One of the most pleasant duties of the Worthy Grand Matron is to visit officially, with her Grand Family, the Subordinate Chapters. On each of the seven visits to the down-state chapters, a 34-passenger bus was chartered for our Grand Officers, Past Grands, Deputy Grand Lecturers, and members desiring to make the trip. Much fun was enjoyed on the bus, and the weatherman was extremely generous in arranging the storms so that they would be elsewhere than where the Worthy Grand Matron was making an official visit, thus making travel conditions very favorable.

My chapters, you have given to me a year of Harmony and Happiness, and I shall cherish the year's experience always. My official visits were privileges enjoyed rather than duties performed, and I shall always remember your sincere greetings, courteous acts, the spirit of friendliness that permeated the atmosphere in every

meeting, the very beautiful flowers and gifts presented to me, and everything you did for my happiness and comfort. Again, I say an appreciative "thank you!"

It has been my privilege to make the following visitations:

- June 19—Kent Chapter No. 11, Harrington, Del.
- “ 21—Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Wilmington.
- “ 24—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Wilmington.
- “ 26—Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville.
- Sept. 17—Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights.
- “ 23—Victory Chapter No. 15, Dover.
- “ 25—St. John's Chapter No. 4, Wilmington.
- “ 26—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle.
- Oct. 4—Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Georgetown.
- “ 8—Unity U. D., Lewes.
- “ 10—Five Points Chapter No. 13, Newport.
- “ 17—Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford.
- “ 21—Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar.
- “ 22—Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington.
- “ 25—Radiant Chapter No. 6, Wilmington.
- Nov. 22—Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark.

The visit to my Home Chapter, Newark No. 10, was one of the highlights of my year. This meeting was held in the newly renovated Newark New Century Club Building; the meeting room beautifully decorated and filled to capacity. The Special Ceremony and song which the officers gave in my honor will always linger in my memory. I was very happy to present to my chapter an Electa's cup in honor of my mother for whom I have dedicated my "Harmony and Happiness" year.

I wish to thank Sister Ella Cleaver for substituting for the Grand Marshal on the official visit to Georgetown Chapter No. 9.

My sincere thanks to you, Grand Officers, for your high percentage of attendance at all of the official visits. I shall never forget your faithfulness.

June 6, 1946—Accompanied by the Grand Conductress, Sister Marie Roberts, her husband, mother and the Marshal of Kent Chapter No. 11, I had the pleasure of attending the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and other grand officers of the Grand Chapter of Maryland to Caroline Chapter No. 62, Denton, Maryland.

March 21, 1947—Accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer, and Grand Electa, I had the pleasure of attending the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other grand officers of the Grand Chapter of Maryland to Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Maryland.

#### GRAND JURISDICTIONS VISITED

June 10—Attended the Opening Session of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, O. E. S., in Altoona, Pennsylvania.



April 28, 29, and 30—Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, I attended the three-day session of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, O. E. S., in the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland. My Worthy Grand Patron and I were very happy and grateful for receiving Honorary Membership in the Grand Chapter of Maryland. We deeply appreciate this honor from our Sister Jurisdiction.

#### MY GAVEL

My gavel, a gift from my mother and sister, small in size and in monetary value, is extremely rich in sentiment to me. It was presented by my husband at the time of my Installation. No doubt, you have seen more beautiful gavels, but to me, mine is lovely. It has been used by the presiding officers at all of my official visits, at the special meeting of the Grand Chapter, at the Constituting of Unity Chapter No. 16, and in the various chapters when I was the Installing Officer.

#### INSTALLATIONS

I was afforded genuine pleasure and was graciously honored by being invited to install officers in all the chapters in the State. Due to conflicting chapter meetings, I was unable to do all the installing. Assisted by the Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, and Grand Organist, I installed in the following chapters:

Jan. 3—Newark Chapter No. 10—All officers installed except the Associate Patron.

“ 6—Adah Chapter No. 5—All officers installed except the Starpoint Adah.

“ 7—Brandywine Chapter No. 14—All officers installed.

“ 9—Five Points Chapter No. 13—All officers installed.

“ 10—Radiant Chapter No. 6—All officers installed except the Associate Patron.

“ 13—Victory Chapter No. 15—All officers installed.

“ 14—Delaware Chapter No. 1—All officers installed.

“ 15—Kent Chapter No. 11—All officers installed except Starpoint Adah and the Sentinel.

“ 22—St. John's Chapter No. 4—All officers installed.

Due to illness, I was very sorry I was not able to install the officers of Sussex Chapter No. 7.

I was very pleased to have the Worthy Grand Patron accompany me on all of my Installations.

I wish to thank these chapters for their lovely gifts which they presented to me and the Grand Officers assisting at the Installations and also the Worthy Matrons for their personal gifts. All were greatly appreciated.

#### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

July 3—Met with the Grand Lecturer, Sister Gifford, to go over plans and instructions for the School for the Deputy Grand Lecturers.

July 9—Held School of Instruction for the Deputy Grand Lecturers in Delaware Chapter's meeting room, 6.30 P. M. All Deputies,

except two, were present, as well as the Line Officers, Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer and the Worthy Grand Patron. I felt this school was very successful.

Sept. 9—To Grand Lecturer's home with Sister Elvira Ziegler where she received instructions in her new duties as Acting Deputy Grand Lecturer for Delaware Chapter No. 1, in the absence of Sister Edna Watson whose husband was very ill.

Schools of Instruction were held in all Subordinate Chapters by the Grand Lecturer and myself. We found the Ritualistic work being exemplified in a very creditable manner—thus showing the splendid results of all the efforts and instructions being given by our Deputy Grand Lecturers. Many thanks to you, Deputies, for your untiring efforts in carrying out my instructions.

There was a marked increase in the attendance at the various schools, showing that the members were eager to learn more about our Order.

Again, I was happy to have the Worthy Grand Patron accompany the Grand Lecturer and me to most of these schools.

Schools were held as follows:

- Feb. 3—Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar.
- “ 5—Kent Chapter No. 11, Harrington.
- “ 6—Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford.
- “ 10—Victory Chapter No. 15, Dover.
- “ 11—Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington.
- “ 12—St. John's Chapter No. 4, Wilmington.
- “ 14—Radiant Chapter No. 6, Wilmington.
- “ 18—Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights.
- “ 21—Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Wilmington.
- “ 25—Unity Chapter No. 16, Lewes.
- “ 27—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle.
- Mar. 7—Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Georgetown.
- “ 10—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Wilmington.
- “ 12—Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville.
- “ 13—Five Points Chapter No. 13, Newport.
- “ 28—Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark.

#### HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Honorary Membership is a priceless gift. No greater courtesy can be extended, no higher compliment paid than this symbol of friendliness. I trust I shall always prove worthy of this evidence of your esteem. To the following chapters who honored me, I say—Many thanks!!

- Kent Chapter No. 11—Harrington.
- Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville.
- Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle.
- Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Georgetown.
- Unity Chapter No. 16, Lewes.
- Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford.
- Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar.



Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington.  
 Five Points Chapter No. 13, Newport.  
 Grand Chapter of Maryland, O. E. S.  
 Bethel No. 1, Order of Job's Daughters.

#### JOB'S DAUGHTERS

September 18—Accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron, Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Robert W. Larrimore; Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Lillian Larrimore; and Sister Gertrude Grubb, I attended the regular meeting of Bethel No. 1, Order of Job's Daughters, at which time the Initiatory work was exemplified. I was very much interested in the work and enjoyed the discussion by the girls as to what could be done to hold the interest of the members.

April 2—The Worthy Grand Patron and I, accompanied by ten of our Grand Officers, attended another meeting of the Bethel. We thoroughly enjoyed the work and the kind hospitality extended to us. Much praise should be given the new Grand Guardians, Sister and Brother Ostendarp and the new Bethel Guardians, Sister and Brother Grubb, for their interest in the Bethel. I extended an invitation to the Bethel to sing at our Grand Chapter Divine Service in First and Central Presbyterian Church on Sunday, May 25th.

A donation of \$10.00 from the Grand Officers was given the Bethel towards payment of a crown for the Honor Queen.

#### SUMMER BENEFIT

On the evening of July 30, I attended a committee meeting at the home of Sister Ella Cleaver, Chairman of the Summer Benefit. It was decided at this meeting to continue the same procedure for this fund as had been done for the past three years—that of collecting a dollar from each member of the Grand Chapter. A substantial amount was realized for this fund.

#### MASONIC HOME

One of the many pleasures of a Worthy Grand Matron is her association with the Masonic Home. We are proud of this home because the guests are very happy and are receiving every attention. Sister and Brother Davis' love and understanding is most gratifying. Man can build a mansion of brick and stone, but it takes the heart of a woman to make it a home.

I appreciated the wonderful response to my Thanksgiving letter for gifts of canned goods, jams and jellies. I know the guests are enjoying your donations.

On Saturday evening, December 21st, the Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers held a Christmas Party for the guests. An entertainment was given and refreshments served to all. We thoroughly enjoyed our visit with these folks.

I should like to propose this toast to our guests in the Home:

*“Let me grow lovely, growing old,  
So many fine things, do;  
Laces and ivory and gold,  
And silks, need not be new.*

*There is healing in old trees,  
Old streets a glamour hold.  
Why may not I as well as these,  
Grow lovely, growing old?”*

#### EDUCATIONAL REHABILITATION FUND

On August 21st, letters were sent to all the chapters stating the closing was drawing near of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's three-year project—"The Educational Rehabilitation Fund," and for the chapters to please send to the Grand Secretary's office their contributions so that the report of this Grand Jurisdiction would reach the General Chairman in time to be compiled and read at the Triennial Session in Tampa, Florida, in November. The response from this letter was very gratifying and the sum of \$756.15 plus a \$25.00 War Bond was realized.

#### HOSPITAL OR SERVICE PROJECT

This project has been very close to my heart this year, and I wish to thank all the members for their splendid cooperation and support. I deeply appreciate your many contributions and the time spent in carrying cheer to our boys. Too much praise cannot be given Sister Sarah E. Riggin, Chairman, for all her labor and many hours spent on such a worthwhile project, which has been a tremendous success. However, to Sister Riggin, I know it was a "Labor of Love." I wish to thank Sister M. Etta Keys, better known as the "Cookie Lady," who gave so generously of her sugar—cup by cup—so that the Veterans could enjoy home-made cookies which our members baked for the various "Teas" in the Veterans Administration Hospital.

Oct. 20, 1946—Accompanied by the Worthy Grand Patron, Past Worthy Grand Matrons, Sister Sarah E. Riggin, M. Etta Keys, Elizabeth E. Pierce, and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles V. Cleaver, we held a Tea at the Veterans Administration Hospital from 2 to 4 P. M. We also delivered 50 afghans to them, made in Sister Elizabeth Pierce's year. Attractive pencils were given those who could not partake of the refreshments. All of the patients seemed to enjoy our hospitality.

Jan. 10, 1947—Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin and I called on a Veteran and his family to inquire if there was any help or aid we could give them. This Veteran, upon his return home, had lost part of an arm at his work. With a wife and three small children we extended whatever assistance they would call upon us to do. So far, they have not asked for any aid.

Jan. 24—Accompanied by Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Riggin; Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, we purchased



sufficient and very attractive drapery material for the wards at the Veterans Hospital. A week later we purchased sufficient rods for these draperies.

Mar. 13—Sister Fisher and I purchased more drapery material, selected by Sister Riggan, for the wards at the hospital.

Mar. 20—Sister Sarah E. Riggan, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher and I attended the U. S. O. Show at the Hospital, after which we attended a three-hour conference with Mr. Joseph Crowe, Chief of Special Services there.

Apr. 5 and 10—Took afghan squares to the Masonic Home to be sewed by the guests there for the Veterans Hospital.

Apr. 6—Attended a very lovely Easter program and afternoon Tea which Sister Riggan planned for the Veterans in the hospital.

#### CHECKS SIGNED

During the year I have signed Grand Chapter checks drawn on the Treasury from No. 145 to No. 254 inclusive.

#### CONTINGENT FUND

Report of my contingent fund of \$125.00 has been filed with the Board of Grand Trustees, as well as the report of my expenses of \$149.56 to the General Grand Chapter in November to Tampa, Florida.

#### WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION REQUESTED

May 21, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, over petition of Mrs. Florence G. Henderson, Reliance, Md., in favor of Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford, Del. Granted May 28, 1946.

May 28, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, over petition of Mrs. Lucille M. Jones, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted June 3, 1946.

June 1, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, over petitions of Mrs. Evelyn Miller, Oxford, Penna., in favor of Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark, Del. Granted July 30, 1946 by Octoraro Chapter No. 463, of Oxford, Penna.

Mr. James Keenan, 3351 N. 19th St., Phila., Penna., in favor of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights, Del. Granted September 8, 1946, by Gothic Chapter No. 272, Philadelphia, Penna.

June 3, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, over petition of Mrs. Mattie M. Bell, 333 W. 9th St., Chester, Penna., in favor of St. John's Chapter No. 4, Wilmington. Granted.

June 19, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petition of Mrs. Frances Waller, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted July 3, 1946.

Nov. 19, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania over petition of Mrs. Lettie A. Spense, 1038 Yates Ave., Marcus Hook, Penna., in favor of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington, Del. Granted January 6, 1947, by Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Penna.

Nov. 20, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petition of Mrs. Anna C. Hudson, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted December 5, 1946.

Dec. 11, 1946—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petitions of Mrs. Della Daugherty, Delmar, Md., and Mrs. Edith F. Adkins, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted December 18, 1946.

Jan. 7, 1947—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petitions of Mrs. Edith P. Vincent, Delmar, Md., and Mr. Robert J. Vincent, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted January 14, 1947.

Jan. 30, 1947—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petitions of Mrs. Lilliam Banks, Delmar, Md.; Mrs. Esther C. Banks, Delmar, Md.; Mrs. Belva Pusey, Delmar, Md.; Mrs. Victoria D. Butler (for affiliation) late member of Caroline Chapter No. 62, Denton, Md., residence now Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted February 6, 1947.

March 10, 1947—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania over petition for affiliation of Mrs. Aimee R. Grubb, Boothwyn, R.F.D., Penna., in favor of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Wilmington, Del. Not granted, as Pennsylvania does not issue a waiver for affiliation.

March 25, 1947—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over petition of Mrs. Viola R. Quinn, Delmar, Md., in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted April 3, 1947.

#### WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION GRANTED

May 22, 1946—Over petition of Miss Ruth Hudson, Selbyville, Del., in favor of Holly Chapter No. 45, Berlin, Md.

May 27, 1946—Over petition of Mrs. Dorothy J. Kane, 1008 Baltimore Ave., Elsmere, Del. in favor of Centreville Chapter No. 69, Centreville, Md.

#### DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

The following Dispensations were granted and the fee of \$1.00 accompanying each one was turned over to the Grand Secretary:

Sept. 16, 1946—To Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle, to elect and install a Secretary at a special meeting on Tuesday, September 24, 1946.

Oct. 10, 1946—To Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark, to move their paraphernalia and charter to the Newark New Century Club Building and hold meeting there on Friday, November 22, 1946.

Jan. 11, 1947—To St. John's Chapter No. 4, Wilm., to elect a Worthy Matron, Associate Matron, Conductress and Associate Conductress and install all officers at their meeting on January 22, 1947.

Jan. 11, 1947—To Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, to install Star-point Adah at their meeting on January 20, 1947.



Jan. 21, 1947—To Unity Chapter No. 16, Lewes, for the purpose of installing the Starpoint Martha at their meeting on January 28, 1947.

Jan. 27, 1947—To Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark, for the purpose of electing and installing an Associate Patron at their meeting on February 7, 1947.

Jan. 30, 1947—To Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville, for the purpose of installing the Marshal and Starpoint Ruth at their meeting on February 12, 1947.

Feb. 5, 1947—To Unity Chapter No. 16, Lewes, for the purpose of installing the Starpoint Martha who was ill when other dispensation had been asked for. To be used at their meeting on February 11, 1947.

Feb. 15, 1947—To Kent Chapter No. 11, Harrington, for the purpose of installing the Starpoint Adah and the Sentinel at their meeting on February 19, 1947.

Mar. 28, 1947—To Radiant Chapter No. 6, Wilmington, for the purpose of moving their charter on March 29, from Pythian Castle, 906 West St., to Room 323, Odd Fellows' Building, 10th and King Sts., Wilmington, Del.

#### AMENDMENTS TO SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS' BY-LAWS

I approved the following subordinate chapters' by-laws:

May 17, 1946—Five Points Chapter No. 13—Increasing salary of Secretary and Treasurer to \$60.00 and \$10.00 respectively, retroactive as of January 1, 1946.

Dec. 3, 1946—Frankford Chapter No. 12—changing date of meeting when it falls on legal holidays—then to be held the following day after each holiday at 8 P. M.

Mar. 14, 1947—Victory Chapter No. 15—to discontinue regular meeting when it falls on a Grand Chapter Session.

Apr. 7, 1947—Radiant Chapter No. 6—changing meeting night from second and fourth Fridays to first and third Thursdays.

Apr. 7, 1947—Unity Chapter No. 16—stating no meetings will be held on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, the evening preceding or the evening of the Grand Chapter Session.

May 14, 1947—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3—"When a stated meeting conflicts with a regular meeting of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, said stated meeting may be omitted by a majority vote of those members present at the preceding stated meeting."

All amendments were referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws. A copy was also sent to the Grand Secretary.

#### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

At the last Grand Chapter Session a motion was adopted that the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Chapter be revised under the supervision of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,

assisted by the Grand Secretary. On the evenings of July 1, July 16, 1946, March 17, and May 19, 1947, meetings of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee were held at my home relative to the revising. On each occasion I invited the Associate Grand Matron to attend. This revision is now complete awaiting approval of this Grand Chapter.

On the evenings of July 25, 1946, April 7 and April 22, 1947, I called at the home of the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, Brother Jay W. Miller, relative to some information on the By-Laws and the declaration of an Emergency for the Grand Chapter Session. I was accompanied on these visits by the Grand Secretary, Sister Sarah E. Riggin, and Brother Charles V. Cleaver.

#### SPECIAL SESSION OF GRAND CHAPTER

A special session of this Grand Chapter was held on Saturday evening, October 12, 1946, at 7 o'clock, in Pythian Castle, for the purpose of granting a charter to Unity Chapter U. D. Letters were sent from the office of the Grand Secretary on September 12th, notifying the members of this Special Session. I wish to thank Sisters Ella Cleaver and Lillian Larrimore for substituting for Warder and Starpoint Martha, respectively.

#### CONSTITUTING OF THE NEW CHAPTER

It was indeed a real pleasure for me to have the privilege of Constituting Unity Chapter on October 29, 1946. Approximately sixty-five members from Wilmington went by bus or private cars to witness the ceremony. The large chapter room was filled to capacity with members from all over the state. I was assisted in the Constituting Ceremony by Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles V. Cleaver, who on March 20, 1946, had instituted the chapter; Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher; Grand Treasurer, Sister Virda Simpler; Grand Chaplain, Sister Sadie C. Conly; Grand Marshal, Sister Florence E. Fader; and Grand Organist, Sister Lettie L. McMullen; the other stations being occupied by the Grand Officers. I was very happy to have all 19 Grand Officers present on this great occasion, as well as a goodly number of Past Grands, Deputy Grand Lecturers, and the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the Subordinate Chapters.

Following the Constituting Ceremonies, I had the pleasure of installing the newly elected officers, and was assisted in this by the Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, and Grand Organist.

Unity Chapter No. 16 is making great progress. The officers and members are to be congratulated and commended upon their splendid work.

A meeting was held at my home on October 14, 1946, with the Grand Marshal, Grand Secretary, Worthy Grand Patron, and Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cleaver (who had been asked to assist in the constituting ceremony) to familiarize ourselves with this ceremony.



## FRATERNAL COURTESIES

On April 11, 1947, I received a letter from the Worthy Grand Matron of South Carolina, Sister Cora Hays, asking me to arrange a courtesy initiation for Waccamaw Chapter No. 89, Conway, S. C., for Mrs. Naomi Farmer, of 607 Lake Street, Richardson Park. Mrs. Farmer had been elected to receive the degrees on March 14th, in Waccamaw Chapter, but had moved to Richardson Park before being initiated. On April 14th, I requested Five Points Chapter No. 13 to initiate by courtesy, Mrs. Naomi Farmer. This initiation took place on May 22, 1947, after which I notified the W. G. M. of South Carolina of this courtesy initiation.

## CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence of a Worthy Grand Matron is perhaps one of her most time-consuming tasks, but I have thoroughly enjoyed it for it has brought me into closer contact with the problems of the Subordinate Chapters throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

May 22—Sent first official letter with notice of the official visits to all Subordinate Chapters which reads as follows:

May 22, 1946

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Your Worthy Grand Patron joins me in extending to you fraternal love and greetings. We deeply appreciate the honor you have conferred upon us and our respective chapters. We fully realize the responsibility we have assumed, and know that our hope of success in this great undertaking depends upon the loyal support of our entire membership. This, we earnestly solicit.

Our motto for the year is, "Harmony and Happiness" and our watchwords, "Truth and Love — Unity and Peace." Our hope is that we may march forward in all our activities by promoting our motto, and by keeping ever before us the watchwords.

We recommend a close study of the Ritual, Constitution and By-Laws, and Book of Instructions. Knowledge of our laws and Ritual promotes Harmony in the Chapters, and likewise saves unnecessary correspondence. Strive for perfection in all you do, ever keeping in mind that the Ritual is not only something to learn, but something to live by.

This year, we will continue the Service Project—that of visiting and spreading cheer to our boys in the various hospitals in the State.

The Educational Rehabilitation Project of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mamie Lander, will also be continued. The reports will have to be in by the first of October in order to be ready for the General Grand Chapter in November. We will have a little

over four months to secure funds. I would appreciate each chapter sending their contribution to our Grand Secretary as early as possible.

One of the most pleasant duties of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron is to visit officially the Subordinate Chapters. We, and our Staff of Grand Officers, are looking forward with much pleasure to our visit with you, and we trust that your Chapter will experience a most successful year, permeated with a spirit of "Harmony and Happiness."

A list of our Official Visits and the dates is inclosed.

We thank you for the high honor conferred upon us and assure you it is our earnest desire to serve you at all times.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ALICE C. ABBOTT,

Worthy Grand Matron

PERCY C. COTTY,

Worthy Grand Patron

July 1—Sent letter to all Deputy Grand Lecturers notifying them of School of Instruction on Tuesday evening, July 9th, 6.30 P. M. in Delaware Chapter's meeting room.

Aug. 21—Sent second official letter to all Subordinate Chapters which reads as follows:

August 21, 1946

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The summer months with their vacation days are past and once again we assemble in our chapter rooms, ready to enter upon our duties with renewed strength and zeal.

The time is drawing near for the closing of reports on the Most Worthy Grand Matron's three-year project—"The Educational Rehabilitation Fund."

Some Chapters have sent in their three-year contribution to the Grand Secretary's office. If your Chapter has not contributed for the year 1946, may I urge you to give this matter your immediate attention, so that the report of this Jurisdiction will reach the General Chairman by the middle of September in order to be compiled and read at the Triennial Session in Florida in November.

I trust you had a very pleasant summer.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ALICE C. ABBOTT,

Worthy Grand Matron

Aug. 21—Notified all chapters of the change in date of the official visit to Sussex Chapter No. 7 from September 19th to October 17th.



Sept. 12—Sent third official letter to all Subordinate Chapters which reads as follows:

Wilmington, Delaware  
September 12, 1946

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

A special session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, will be held on Saturday evening, October 12, 1946, at 7.00 P. M. in Julia M. Story Chapter Room, Pythian Castle, 906 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware, for the purpose of granting a charter to Unity Chapter No. 16 U. D., of Lewes, Delaware.

Fraternally,

ALICE C. ABBOTT,  
Worthy Grand Matron  
PERCY C. COTTY,  
Worthy Grand Patron

Attest:

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
Grand Secretary

Oct. 14—Sent fourth official letter to all Subordinate Chapters which reads as follows:

October 14, 1946

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The Thanksgiving season is approaching, and soon will come the call for the Nation to assemble and give thanks to our Heavenly Father for all the rich blessings that have been ours this year.

Our humble gleaner Ruth was grateful for the few culms of barley gleaned from the fields of Boaz, but her deepest gratitude was for the unseen blessings which sustained her as she walked the uncertain labyrinth of life.

Let us be most thankful to our gracious Master for the manifest, varied and countless blessings He has bestowed upon us.

From year to year we have forwarded to the Masonic Home our contributions of canned goods, jellies and jams. May I urge you to be as generous as possible in your gifts this year? A card bearing the name of your chapter should be placed on each package, so that Mr. and Mrs. Davis will experience no difficulty in acknowledging them.

As we observe Thanksgiving, our joy will be greater when we remember that we have tried to carry some of the blessings bestowed upon us, to others.

Best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
ALICE C. ABBOTT,  
Worthy Grand Matron  
PERCY C. COTTY,  
Worthy Grand Patron

Dec. 5—Christmas greetings were sent to all members of the Grand Chapter.

Apr. 25—Sent fifth official letter to all Subordinate Chapters which reads as follows:

1413 N. Grant Ave.  
Wilmington 49, Delaware  
April 25, 1947

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The wheels of time, as they move ever forward, are slowly but surely bringing us to the close of another Grand Chapter year when we shall place before you the record of our stewardship. The thought uppermost in our minds during this year has been "Harmony and Happiness" which we have had in full measure—due to your splendid cooperation and loyalty.

We greatly appreciate your many acts of kindness, love and courtesy, and above all your willingness to serve and do for the good of the Order. We are truly grateful for the hospitality of your chapter rooms and the warmth of your friendly firesides.

As we have labored together, I hope we have strengthened our golden chain of friendship and made the rays of our Star reach a little farther and shine a little brighter.

The Grand Chapter Session will be held in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, on Monday and Tuesday, May 26th and 27th, at one o'clock in the afternoon. As we were not able to secure an adequate meeting place for our Grand Chapter Session on the third Wednesday of May, the time which our Grand Chapter By-Laws state we should meet, we have declared an *Emergency*. Therefore, we shall open our Grand Chapter Session in Julia M. Story Chapter room, Wednesday, May 21st, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, then recess till the following Monday, May 26th, at one o'clock in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont. We are looking forward with much pleasure to greeting all of our members and friends.

We are expecting to have with us the Right Worthy Grand Conductress, Sister Abbie Hanson from Indiana, and several other distinguished guests, so please be on hand to help welcome our sisters and brothers.

Again thanking you for the high honor conferred upon us, and assuring you it was a real pleasure to serve this Grand Chapter, we remain,

Sincerely and fraternally,

ALICE C. ABBOTT,  
Worthy Grand Matron

PERCY C. COTTY,  
Worthy Grand Patron



## APPOINTMENTS

Sept. 4, 1946—Due to extreme illness of Sister Edna Watson's husband, I appointed Sister Elvira Ziegler as Acting Deputy Grand Lecturer for Delaware Chapter No. 1. I notified the Grand Lecturer and the Worthy Matron of Delaware Chapter of this temporary change.

Feb. 15, 1947—Appointed Sister Dora Fitzgerald as Acting Deputy Grand Lecturer for Sussex Chapter in the absence of Sister Louise Wright who was vacationing in Hawaii. Notified the Grand Lecturer and Sussex Chapter of this temporary change.

Apr. 4, 1947—Appointed Brother Howard Payne to Registration Committee to serve the unexpired term of the late Brother Leroy Beatty.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

To all verbal and written questions, I have given careful consideration and have replied to the best of my ability. Most of these were answered by referring to the Ritual, Book of Instructions, or the Constitution and By-Laws. Where advice was asked in several cases, I endeavored to give counsel that would be conducive to the Harmony and Happiness of the Chapters.

1. May we ballot at a *Special* meeting?

*Answer:* No.

2. May we have news items printed in our weekly home-town newspaper?

*Answer:* Yes, any *brief* news items may be printed in your weekly home-town newspaper.

3. We have a new-comer in our town, having purchased a house here. Her household goods have been in storage here for over six months, but inasmuch as she was not able to get the tenants out of her newly-purchased home, she had to stay in her former town. She has now been living here nearly four months. Would she be eligible to join our chapter?

*Answer:* No. The person must have lived in the jurisdiction of the chapter six months. See Article A, Section 30. Rules and Regulations governing Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

4. Our Secretary passed away. May we hold a Special meeting to elect a new one?

*Answer:* Yes, after a Special Dispensation has been granted from the Worthy Grand Matron for the purpose of electing a Secretary and all members have been notified 10 days before the election meeting.

5. Our charter is now draped for one of our deceased members. The 30-day period has not expired. Another one of our members just passed away. Do we undrape the charter (even though the 30-day period hasn't expired) and then drape it again for the other member?

*Answer:* No, do not undrape the charter. Have the presiding officer mention the passing away of this other member, thus the drape remaining on the charter for 60 days for the two deceased members.

6. I am Marshal in my chapter, but due to the illness of our Secretary, I am serving in her station until she is able to assume her duties. How shall I sign the Minutes?

*Answer:* Secretary, pro-tem.

7. Can a suspended member of ——— Chapter affiliate with another chapter in the city?

*Answer:* No. The member must be reinstated in his or her chapter before she can affiliate with another chapter.

8. Can a person join our chapter who is unable to kneel at the Altar due to arthritis in her knees?

*Answer:* Yes. I see no reason why a person should be deprived the privileges of our Order due to her inability to kneel at the Altar. She could stand with bowed head while taking the Obligation.

9. We would like a Special Dispensation granted for the purpose of holding our regular meeting on December 26th, as our regular meeting night occurs on December 25th. You will find enclosed \$1.00 for this Special Dispensation.

*Answer:* It is impossible for me to grant this Dispensation, because *regular* meetings cannot be changed. Meetings are either *regular* or *special*. I suggest amending your By-Laws.

10. Our Secretary passed away. Should we fill this station pro-tem or hold an election to elect a new one?

*Answer:* Since this is a very important office, I suggest having an election to elect a new Secretary.

11. If a Past Worthy Matron from another Jurisdiction affiliates with our chapter, should she be listed as a Past Worthy Matron?

*Answer:* She will always be a Past Worthy Matron from the Jurisdiction where she came, and my opinion is, after affiliating with your chapter, she should be listed as an Affiliated Past Worthy Matron.

12. Is it legal for a chapter to receive a petition from one whose husband was a Master Mason in good standing at the time of his death, but has remarried and whose present husband is not a Mason?

*Answer:* When this person remarried, she ceased to be the widow of the Master Mason; therefore, she would not be eligible to petition a chapter.

13. Can a secret ballot be taken on any part of our chapter business?

*Answer:* Yes. I refer you to Page 34, Section 11 of the Grand Chapter Rules and Regulations which reads: *Unless otherwise ordered*, the voting shall be by raising the right hand.



14. What is the proper procedure for investigating the Masonic affiliation of a petitioner?  
*Answer:* To write the Secretary of the Lodge to which the Master Mason belongs.

#### IRREGULARITIES

1. Minutes being typewritten and pinned in Minute Book.
2. Pocketbooks at officers stations.
3. Members discussing chapter business in presence of those who are not members of the Order and also at *public* chapter suppers.
4. Walking through the Labyrinth during recess of the chapter.
5. Secretaries not using correct stationery for certain phases of the work.
6. Not opening Bible for test oath.
7. Wearing colored hose.

#### DECISIONS

Inasmuch as we were not able to secure an adequate meeting place for our Grand Chapter Session on the third Wednesday of May, the time which our Grand Chapter By-Laws state we should meet, I took the matter up with some of the members of the Jurisprudence Committee and the Constitution and By-Laws, as well as some of the members of our Grand Chapter. After much discussion and consideration, it was decided for the good of the Order to declare an *Emergency*, which I did by means of an official letter sent to all the Subordinate Chapters in the State. As I wanted to comply with the By-Laws and was able to obtain a chapter room, I officially opened the 26th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, in Julia M. Story Chapter Room, on the third Wednesday of May, the twenty-first, at 2 P. M., then recessed until the following Monday where adequate accommodations had been made in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont for our annual two-day session; the regular order of business taking place.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To amend Article V, Section 1 of Constitution and By-Laws to read:  
 "The Annual Meeting of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington on the Third Monday of May at two o'clock P. M., or, at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, in any town or city in Delaware where there is a Subordinate Chapter.
2. That the Deputy Grand Lecturers be given authority to give examinations in Class B, but the certificate be issued by the Grand Lecturer.
3. That a nominating committee be appointed to receive nominations for the elective offices and a definite hour be set for the

closing of the nominations. My reason for this, which dates back ten years, is that it will eliminate the "whispering campaigns" which are very confusing and often cause misunderstandings. It will also give every voting delegate the opportunity to know who is a candidate for the office.

4. Candidates may be seated during the lecture of the Worthy Patron in the Initiatory Work.
5. Increase capitation tax from 75c to \$1.00 per member—this would eliminate the necessity of raising money by means of a summer benefit.
6. That a Past Worthy Matron or Past Worthy Patron from another Grand Jurisdiction, who has affiliated with us in this Grand Jurisdiction, be known as an *affiliated Past Worthy Matron* or *Past Worthy Patron*, having all the privileges and prerogatives of the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons in this Grand Jurisdiction.

#### GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

As Worthy Grand Matron, it was my happy privilege to attend the twenty-fifth Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter in Tampa, Florida, November 10-15, 1946, where over 5,000 delegates and members were registered for the largest convention ever to be held in Tampa.

Forty-one of our members from Delaware attended the sessions; fourteen of whom were voting delegates, this being the largest number of Delawareans to ever attend the General Grand Chapter.

Our Delegation left by special car on "The Champion" over the Pennsylvania Railroad Lines, Friday, November 8, arriving in Tampa, Saturday afternoon, November 9th. Thirty of our family and friends bade us goodbye and best wishes for a safe and pleasant journey as we boarded the train in Wilmington. We enjoyed much fun on the trip to Tampa, and the unique garb and black leather overnite bag of Brother Charles Cleaver drew much attention.

Most of our members were registered at the Hotel Hillsboro and Mirasol, where we found everything for our comfort and enjoyment.

Sunday morning we attended religious services in the beautiful Tampa Theatre. The sermon was delivered by the 74-year-old Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Florida, F. and A. M., and Pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

From three to five o'clock on Sunday afternoon, it gave me much pleasure to entertain at tea in my suite in the Hotel Hillsboro in honor of the Delaware Delegation and some of our Eastern Star friends. The guests numbered one hundred. I do appreciate the help given me by my friends in making this tea successful.

Following the Delaware Tea, Brother Larrimore and I enjoyed our visit to the Texas Tea, where I received a lovely picture of the Texas Bluebonnets and some of the flower seeds.



At 9 P. M. a pageant entitled "The Gleaners" was given by the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma at the Municipal Auditorium.

The exchange of souvenirs between the Grand Jurisdictions on Sunday evening and Monday at the Floridan Hotel created much fun and laughter.

Monday afternoon, Sister Helen Anderson, a Past Worthy Matron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, now residing in Tampa, drove several of us around the city of Tampa and to St. Petersburg where we saw the famous "Green Benches." Sister Anderson was extremely helpful and kind to the Delaware Delegation.

The Informal opening on Monday evening at 8.30 o'clock, held in the Homer Hesterly Armory, was very beautiful, with many notables of the city and state present, and Delaware was very proud to have in this lengthy procession three members; namely, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce and Clara A. Reuter as Ladies-in-Waiting, and Brother Robert W. Larrimore, as an Assistant Worthy Grand Sentinel.

The theme of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's session was, "The Silver Lining of Peace." Our hearts were saddened by the absence of the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harold Landeryou, who had been confined to his bed for a year with a nervous breakdown.

One of the most thrilling sights was the Flag Cavalcade. The Delaware Delegation again was very proud when they saw the State Flag being carried with great dignity by our Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Larrimore.

The Formal Opening was at 10 A. M., Tuesday, November 12th. Each morning the sessions were preceded by lovely and very impressive pageants.

Tuesday evening at 6 P. M. was the Crystal Ball with 1100 attending, after which we were invited to the Egypt Temple Shrine Club to dance and witness a floor show.

Wednesday was devoted to regular order of business and reports. The only changes noticed were:

1. That at this session and hereafter, all candidates are to be regularly nominated preceding the election to the office for which they aspire.
2. That the Right Worthy Grand Trustees be elected for 9, 6, and 3 years as indicated.
3. The office of Worthy Grand Sentinel be made elective instead of appointive as heretofore. However, this will not take place until the Triennial session in 1949.

The evening session ended with a Memorial Service, "Garden of Memories."

Thursday was devoted to reports and election of officers. This took quite a long while. I was very much impressed with Brother Landeryou's report—one section in which he stressed the point that we should encourage our Masonic Brothers to join the Order of the Eastern Star. It is not just a woman's organization, but is for *Masons*, their wives, daughters, mothers, widows and sisters.

One of the outstanding reports was that of Sister Minnie E. Keyes, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, who after 26 years of service retired from the office. Her report showed many interesting items.

A very beautiful pageant was given Thursday evening in the Armory by the members from Hawaii. Also, a lovely fashion show by one of Tampa's Department Stores—ending with a beautiful wedding party.

Friday, the Delaware Delegation went to Silver Springs by bus, the round trip requiring nearly four and one-half hours. Thirty-seven members took the trip and we were really thrilled with our ride in the glass bottom boats.

Friday evening was Installation of Officers, after which the 25th Triennial Session closed in regular form to meet in Toronto, Canada, in 1949.

Altogether, it was an enjoyable session. It was a real pleasure to attend the various State breakfasts, luncheons and dinners we were invited to, and meeting so many lovely and congenial sisters and brothers from other Grand Jurisdictions. It was a very strenuous week, but I thoroughly enjoyed it all.

The delegation from Delaware were quite proud to have their state recognized in the appointments of Sister Olga Philip, Most Worthy Grand Matron—that of Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, Past Worthy Grand Matron, who was appointed to serve as a member of the Foreign Relations Committee.

The majority of our delegation left by train for home Saturday afternoon, arriving in Wilmington, 1.30 P. M., Sunday, November 17th. Eight of our members joined 400 other Eastern Star members from the Convention and flew to Cuba—spending a few days there.

I wish to express my deep and sincere gratitude to you, my Grand Chapter, for the privilege of this wonderful trip. It made me realize that whether a subordinate chapter, a Grand chapter, or the General Grand Assembly, we are all striving to maintain the high principles upon which our Order was founded.

I wish to thank Sister Martha W. Krapf, Chairman of the Souvenir Committee, and Sister M. Etta Keys, Chairman of the Badge Committee, for their choice selection of very attractive souvenirs and badges which so many members admired. Again, many thanks to Brother Robert W. Larrimore for handling the transportation in a very creditable manner.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

May 20, 1946—Attended luncheon meeting at the home of the Grand Treasurer in Claymont, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, and retiring Grand Treasurer, after which the Grand Treasurer and I went to the Industrial Trust Company to have the signatures changed at that bank.

Aug. 1, 1946—Informed the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the Jurisdiction on vacation and for her to assume my duties.



Nov. 7, 1946—Informed the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Fulmer, that I, the Worthy Grand Patron and the Associate Grand Matron, would be out of the Jurisdiction for 9 days attending the General Grand Chapter Session in Tampa, Florida, and for him to assume my duties.

March 5, 1947—Notified all Grand Officers that we had been invited to do the Initiatory work in Delaware Chapter No. 1, on Tuesday evening, April 8th. This work was done, with 18 of the 19 Grand Officers present—illness preventing the absent officer from attending.

March 27, 1947—Held Sessions Committee meeting at my home.

April 28, 1947—Informed the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the Jurisdiction for three days attending the Grand Chapter of Maryland and for her to assume my duties.

#### SOCIAL AFFAIRS

I was very happy and grateful for the privilege and opportunity of associating with the officers and members in so many social affairs, and I thoroughly enjoyed every one.

June 4, 1946—Attended Silver Wedding Anniversary party at the home of the Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles Cleaver and Sister Ella Cleaver.

June 9—Attended a tea and reception at the summer home of P. W. G. M., Sister Sarah E. Riggins, at Rehoboth Beach in honor of P. W. G. M., Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce and Jr. P. W. G. P., Brother Charles V. Cleaver.

June 11—Attended reception for our W. G. P., Brother Cotty, our Grand Ruth, and Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Edna Watson following the regular meeting of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

June 13—Attended Master Masons Night at Five Points Chapter No. 13.

July 3—Attended farewell dinner party at Hob Tea Room, given by P. W. G. M., Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, in honor of Sister Bessie S. Norris, former Deputy Grand Lecturer of Five Points Chapter No. 13, who was leaving for Arizona to make her home.

July 13—Attended Blue Rocks baseball game at Wilmington Park with the 4-Star-4-Club.

Sept. 7—Attended luncheon meeting at the home of the Grand Secretary for the Secretaries of the Subordinate Chapters.

Sept. 9—Attended meeting and reception of Chester Chapter No. 335, when they honored the Grand Ruth of Pennsylvania, Sister Mary Martin. I was accompanied by the W. G. P., Brother Cotty, his wife, P. W. G. M., Sister Bertha Smith, and our Grand Ruth, Sister Madoline Litchfield.

Oct. 16—Attended Birthday Party of Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Md.

Oct. 18—Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, attended a special initiation ceremony and party of Mt. Holly Chapter No. 147, Mt. Holly, New Jersey.

Oct. 21—Attended a delightful banquet of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, preceding my official visit there.

Oct. 25—Attended Birthday Party of Radiant Chapter No. 6, following my official visit.

Nov. 19—Attended annual banquet of St. John's Chapter No. 4, held in the Wilmington New Century Club.

Dec. 2—Attended annual banquet of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, held in the Masonic Temple, New Castle.

Dec. 3—Attended annual banquet of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, held in the Calvary P. E. Church House, Wilmington.

Dec. 5—Attended annual banquet of Five Points Chapter No. 13, held in the Newport M. E. Church building.

Dec. 10—Attended annual banquet of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, held in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont.

Dec. 11—Attended annual banquet of Newark Chapter No. 10, held at the Newark Country Club.

Dec. 13—Attended annual banquet of Victory Chapter No. 15, held in the Hotel Richardson, Dover.

Dec. 19—Attended annual banquet of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, held in the Calvary P. E. Church House.

Dec. 28—Attended annual banquet of Radiant Chapter No. 6, held in the Hob Tea Room.

Jan. 4, 1947—Attended annual banquet of Delaware Chapter No. 1, held in the Calvary P. E. Church House.

Jan. 28—Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, attended a dinner-party and initiation of twenty-four candidates in Areme Chapter No. 192, in Harrisburg, Penna.

Jan. 29—Attended Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons Banquet and annual initiation in Immanuel P. E. Church House.

Jan. 31—Attended annual banquet of the Star Treble Chorus in the Coffee Shop, Wilmington.

Feb. 7—Attended Birthday Party of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Wilmington.

Feb. 13—I was guest of honor at a very delightful Valentine Tea given by P. W. G. M., Sister Sarah E. Rigg in her home, Wilmington.

Feb. 13—Attended Birthday Party of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Newport.

Mar. 3—Was guest of honor at a Birthday Party given at the Grand Marshal's home in Newark by the Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers. This was a very delightful affair, and I greatly appreciated the beautiful gift of china which they presented to me.

Mar. 11—Attended Birthday Party of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington.



Mar. 16—Attended Grand Lecturer's Silver Anniversary Tea at her home in Gordon Heights.

Mar. 19—Attended Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons dinner-meeting in Masonic Temple, New Castle.

Mar. 24—Attended Birthday Party of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Wilmington.

Mar. 25—Attended the first Birthday Party of Unity Chapter No. 16, Lewes.

Apr. 16—Attended Birthday Party of Kent Chapter No. 11, Harrington.

Apr. 17—Attended Birthday Party of Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford.

Apr. 18—Attended Birthday Party of Newark Chapter No. 10, Newark.

Apr. 29—Attended Annual Banquet of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, in the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, accompanied by the Grand Secretary.

May 6—Attended Birthday Party of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Gordon Heights.

May 8—Attended Birthday Party of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle.

May 12—Attended Birthday Party of Victory Chapter No. 15, Dover.

May 21—Attended Birthday Party of Port Deposit Chapter No. 78, Port Deposit, Maryland.

May 24—Attended Annual Banquet for the Grand Officers of Delaware in the Wilmington New Century Club House. This was a wonderful affair—in my opinion, the best banquet ever.

I received several invitations to receptions for Grand Officers in the Grand Jurisdictions of Maryland, District of Columbia, and New Jersey, but due to conflicting dates, I was unable to attend.

I wish to thank all the chapters for their many courtesies to me at their banquets and birthday parties and the beautiful corsages which they presented to me. These lovely affairs will linger in my memory.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

In my travels up and down the state, I have found the chapters performing excellent work, really striving for perfection and uniformity. I believe the Worthy Matrons are studying the Ritual, Constitution and By-Laws, and Book of Instructions to avoid unnecessary mistakes in legislation, and are trying to impress upon the members the importance of keeping secret the transactions of the chapters.

I am glad to see the Conductresses and Associate Conductresses exercising more care in purging the chapters.

I believe the work of the Deputy Grand Lecturers is really beginning to show its worth and value to the various chapters. May I

suggest that officers ask their deputies or the Grand Lecturer questions they desire to know on the work, rather than Past Officers, for the Deputies and Grand Lecturer keep up-to-date on the instructions of the Worthy Grand Matron.

The willingness on the part of the officers and members to do and live Eastern Star teachings in their community is becoming more evident.

*"Not how we pray, but how we live,  
Not what we take, but what we give."*

Ceremonies die out, but principles live on forever; let us always live up to our Obligation, having our minds filled with spiritual meaning, because—

*"As you thinketh, so you are."*

#### APPRECIATION

I have come to the end of the road after serving twelve busy and happy months as your Worthy Grand Matron, and looking back over the year, sparkling with gems of opportunity and precious privileges, I thank my Heavenly Father for a year of "Harmony and Happiness." In a few hours the mantle of authority will be placed on another, and I will soon pass the gavel on to my successor, bringing to a close the written record of my year's work.

To Newark Chapter No. 10: Please stand and let everyone see what a grand bunch you are. I am grateful to you, the members of my home chapter, for your loyalty, support, and many acts of kindness and consideration extended to me each step of the way. I thank each one of you for his or her part in making this year so full of beautiful memories.

*"It would take a thousand years for me to try to show  
My gratitude to you, my dears, and then you'd never know,  
All year, some way, I've hoped you'd see in all I've had to do  
That I have tried my best to be worthy of friends like you."*

To my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cotty: It has been a joy and a privilege to share the Grand East with you. To you and your good wife, I wish to express my deep gratitude for the many kindnesses shown me during the year. Our year together has been marked by friendship and complete harmony. I have never found you too busy to render assistance or too much occupied with other affairs when I asked for help. I wish for you and Sister Cotty, good health and happiness, and can only say:

*"I wish all stars were just like you,  
With understanding swift and true,  
Quick to perceive the good and kind,  
Yet to others' faults so blind;  
It isn't just the things you say  
Or just the things you do,  
But what it takes to make a Star,  
I've found them all in you."*



To the Asso. Grand Matron and Asso. Grand Patron: Within a few short hours the responsibilities of the government of this Grand Chapter will be yours. I hope that the coming year will bring you happiness and success, and that you will enjoy your year in the Grand East together.

To my Grand Secretary: The duties of your office are many, with an ever increasing volume of work, yet you were never too busy to help me in any way you could. I wish to commend you upon your knowledge of our work and your splendid efficiency. I have thoroughly enjoyed our various O. E. S. shopping tours and luncheon meetings together, and traveling with you to the Sister Jurisdictions of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Florida. Please accept my sincere thanks for all your help and the many kindnesses and courtesies shown to me this year. I greatly appreciate it all.

To my Grand Treasurer: My sincere thanks to you for all your kindness to me. I recall the lovely flowers from your garden given me at various times during the year. I appreciate all the courtesies you have shown me, and shall remember our pleasant associations.

To my Grand Conductress and Asso. Grand Conductress: Sister Marie and Sister Dora: Our associations have always been most pleasant, and I deeply appreciate your most generous hospitality. I shall remember with much pleasure the happy times spent in your respective homes. You are traveling the same pathway I have trod, and I am wishing for you the same Harmony and Happiness that has been mine to enjoy.

To my Grand Chaplain: Sister Sadie, I have enjoyed having you serve in my official family. You have known sorrow this year, and our thoughts were with you; yet, you have known many joys. I was happy to have you serve at all the Installations where I was the Installing Officer.

To my Grand Lecturer, Sister Edna: I thank you for your untiring efforts and faithful devotion to your duties. We have spent many pleasant early and late hours together traveling up and down the State. I greatly appreciate your splendid work at the 16 Schools of Instruction, and at other times during the year.

To my Grand Marshal, Sister Floss: I shall always be grateful to you for your faithfulness and the many courtesies and kindnesses shown me this year. You and I have been friends a long time and I thank you very much for accepting the office. You have performed your duties well, and have graced your station with much dignity and charm.

To my Grand Organist, Sister Lettie: It was you who gave me my first appointment in Newark Chapter—that of Organist—thus my motto for this year—"Harmony." We marvel at the "greatest of ease" with which you perform your duties, and we certainly enjoy your splendid music. Many thanks, my friend and old neighbor, for your faithfulness this year.

To my Grand Star Points, Warder and Sentinel: No Worthy Grand Matron ever had a finer, or more loyal and appreciative corps

of Grand Officers than you have been. I appreciate, extremely, your many kindnesses and the lovely gifts given to me.

*"Tho' our paths be near or far  
We shall be friends always  
No matter where we are."*

To the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons: My sincere thanks to those of you who have helped me along my busy way.

*"Down the long, long trail I've wandered  
And now I'm just about through,  
I'm looking forward to the time  
When I'll be one of you."*

My special thanks and appreciation to Sister Sarah E. Riggan and Brother Jay W. Miller for your very wise counsel and advice. Brother Jay, my visits to your home were very pleasant as well as very instructive, and I shall never forget you and your good wife for your many courtesies.

To the Deputy Grand Lecturers: Please accept my sincere thanks for your untiring efforts and instructions in your various chapters. The seeds you have sown are really bearing fruit through your toil and labor. It has been a pleasure to work with you this year.

To the Pages and Ass't Sentinels: I know you will perform your many duties and tasks very well. Your willingness to serve has made me very happy, and I shall appreciate greatly all your kindness to me and those assembled here.

To the Grand Committee Members: Thank you so much for serving. Your positions are important, for it is through you that the business of our Grand Chapter is accomplished.

To the Star Treble Chorus: Thank you so much for the many hours spent on rehearsing and for singing my favorite songs. I know we shall all enjoy your splendid Harmony.

To my Sessions Chairman and her Committee: I am very grateful for your labors and efforts spent in the preparations you have so beautifully and willingly made for the pleasure of this Grand Chapter. I sincerely thank you for all your time and energy. The results are extremely pleasing to me.

To my loyal friends and "Trailers": I did appreciate having so many "trail" me up and down the state. We had lots of fun together and your presence meant much to me. To the faithful Cleavers, I shall never forget your many kindnesses to me.

To my Mother: The one dear person who gave so much that I might enjoy to the fullest the lovely privilege of serving this Grand Chapter, I say a humble "thank you" for everything.

To Brother J. N. Abbott: This is the last expression of appreciation in my report, but it is given to the one who is first in my heart, my husband. For your continuous thoughtfulness, generosity, words of wisdom and understanding, and for all the sacrifices you have made,



I shall always be sincerely grateful and appreciative. I shall be most happy now to change my title from Worthy *Grand* Matron and try to be a *Grand* Homemaker for you, Nelson, and we'll be together not only on "Sunday, Monday, but Always."

#### IN CONCLUSION

With a heart overflowing with richest memories, I come to the end of my year, richer by experience and happier because of the privilege given me to serve as your Worthy *Grand* Matron. It has been a pleasure, and I thank you all for the confidence placed in me. I have tried to serve and not to rule, and I hope the mistakes I have made will be stepping stones to greater achievements in this *Grand* Jurisdiction.

*"The book of my year is ended,  
Its pages more precious than gold,  
Are full of familiar faces  
Of friends both new and old.  
If I have accomplished but little,  
My efforts were true and sincere;  
And that's why I sigh as I'm closing  
The book of my happiest and busiest year."*

Fraternally submitted,

ALICE C. ABBOTT,

*Worthy Grand Matron.*

Motion by P. W. G. Patron Walter E. Sawdon, seconded by P. W. G. Patron John LeCompte, that the report be received and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

#### REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

BROTHER PERCY C. COTTY

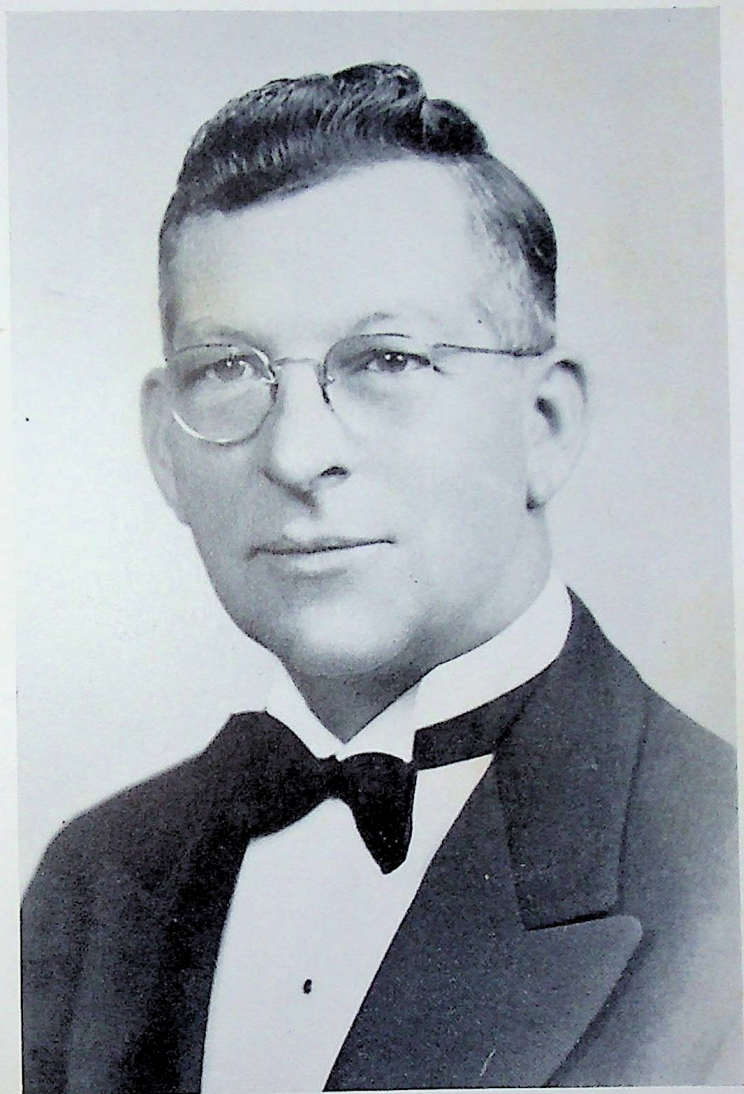
To the Worthy *Grand* Matron, *Grand* Officers, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

It seems but yesterday that I assumed the responsibility of Worthy *Grand* Patron of the *Grand* Jurisdiction of the State of Delaware. The time has come for me to report my year of stewardship and turn the reins over to my successor.

Just as a ship grows smaller and smaller to the vision as it sails toward the place where land and sky meet—this fraternal year is gliding steadily and surely to that place called "Finis."

I wish to express to you again my sincere appreciation for your vote of confidence which made possible for me this most joyful year of service to you.

If good has been accomplished for our beautiful Order it is due to the splendid loyalty of all the members throughout the State.



PERCY C. COTTY, *Worthy Grand Patron*  
1946-47



I have endeavored to give the best of my ability to the duties of Worthy Grand Patron. The past year has been a most pleasant experience.

When I return to my ordinary everyday station of life I shall carry with me the memory of my many friends made during the year of service among you.

#### GRAND VISITATIONS

It was my happy privilege to accompany our Worthy Grand Matron on all her official visits. These occasions were always so pleasant and the friendly greetings extended by all will ever be a cherished memory.

I always enjoyed the inspiring message of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice, and felt her message encouraged our members and brought them some worthwhile thought on each evening.

I have received Honorary Memberships from the following Chapters:

- June 12, 1946—Frankford No. 12
- “ 19, “ —Kent No. 11
- Sept. 2, “ —Adah No. 5
- “ 20, “ —Georgetown No. 9
- “ 26, “ —Caesar Rodney No. 8
- Oct. 17, “ —Sussex No. 7
- “ 18, “ —Newark No. 10
- “ 29, “ —Unity No. 16
- Dec. 12, “ —Five Points No. 13
- Bethel No. 1, Job's Daughters.

I shall always cherish these Honorary Memberships and wish to express to you my sincere thanks for these wonderful tokens of real friendship.

#### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

I had the pleasure of attending, with our Worthy Grand Matron, 13 schools of instruction, but those attended impressed me very much with the serious manner in which the officers of the Chapters exemplified the Ritualistic work of the Order. As long as this spirit prevails among those who exemplify the beautiful teachings of Him whose Star is in the East, we need have no fear for the future of our Order. On September 2, 1946, at Adah Chapter No. 5, the Worthy Patron being sick, I was given the honor of doing the initiatory work which I enjoyed very much.

#### CHAPTER VISITS

It would be impossible for me to express my appreciation to the members of the Chapters throughout the State for the many courtesies shown me during the past year. On every occasion I was cordially received and shown every kindness. I thank you and shall look back with pleasure on these happy occasions.

#### MASONIC HOME

It was my pleasure to visit the Masonic Home several times during the year. On each occasion I was courteously received by Mr. and Mrs. Davis and I am sure we all appreciate the happiness and joy that is being brought to our aged people and the good work that is being done in caring for them.

#### APPRECIATION

I have appreciated very much the friendliness and many courtesies extended me on visits to the various Chapters over the State. All these welcomes, gifts and tokens of friendship I have enjoyed to the utmost, including those delicious banquets of which I so heartily participated. For all these courtesies and privileges extended to me, I very sincerely thank you.

To my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice, you certainly have been a Grand Worthy Grand Matron. The Chapters you have visited I know have been greatly benefited by your visit and by your very inspiring messages. I have enjoyed the many visits I was privileged to make with you on your official visitations, and it has been a great honor and pleasure to serve with you in the Grand East. Your Motto of Harmony and Happiness has been splendidly carried out through your year. May the friendship Rosie and I have enjoyed with you carry on through the years to come.

#### INSTALLATIONS

The installation of officers of a Chapter is one of the highlights of the Chapter year. It is the beginning of a new year; the slate is wiped clear, and made ready for the writing of a new record. We all enjoy these occasions and the making of elaborate preparations for them.

#### SPECIAL SESSION

I shared the Grand East with the Worthy Grand Matron at the Special Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, held on Saturday evening, October 12, 1946, at 7.00 P. M. in Pythian Castle, Wilmington, Delaware, for the purpose of granting a Charter to Unity Chapter U. D., of Lewes, Delaware.

Veteran's Hospital: It has been my pleasure to attend several of the Teas, and assist the Chairman, Sister Sarah E. Riggin, in her duties. I have been very much interested in this worthwhile project this year and great interest has been shown on the part of the members.

#### CONSTITUTING CEREMONY

I was very happy to attend the constituting of Unity Chapter and quite proud of the privilege of signing the Charter. A large delegation from all parts of the State attended, at which time all of our Grand Officers participated in the ceremony.



## JOB'S DAUGHTERS

September 18, 1946, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Abbott, Sister and Brother Larrimore, Sister Edna L. Gifford, our Grand Lecturer and Sister Gertrude Grubb, I attended the regular meeting of Bethel No. 1. I enjoyed the initiatory work very much.

April 2nd, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron and ten of our Grand Officers, I attended another meeting of the Bethel. Fifty-nine members and friends attended this lovely meeting.

I have had a very busy and enjoyable year. It was my happy privilege to attend all of the Birthday parties except one, at which time I had a previous engagement in the State of Pennsylvania.

## TRIENNIAL IN FLORIDA

Inasmuch as a detailed report was given by our Worthy Grand Matron, of our Florida trip, all I can say is that I was by her side about twelve hours of each day, at the meetings, at breakfasts, luncheons and banquets and traveling back and forth in taxi cabs and occasionally having a Coke and a sandwich at the Auditorium during the noon hour.

## TO MY OWN CHAPTER, DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

Any words that I have would be inadequate to express to you the debt of gratitude I owe you. Your friendship, loyalty and kindness and gifts have meant much to me, and the honors that have come to me, I gladly share with you. The many occasions when you have honored me will always be gratefully remembered. And again, I would thank you for the beautiful traveling bag that was given to me collectively from Delaware Chapter.

## TO THE GRAND SECRETARY, SISTER ELIZABETH

It has been a real pleasure to serve with you this year. You have been most generous with your time and have always been ready and willing to give your assistance and advice. Thank you for the many times you have permitted me to share honors with you.

## TO THE GRAND OFFICERS

To serve with you has been an honor and I am grateful. Thank you for the many kind words and deeds that have contributed so much to my pleasure this year.

## TO MY WIFE

My year would not have been complete without your help. Your sympathy and understanding did much in helping me and to you I owe a deep debt of gratitude for your love and loyalty.

TO THE ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON

May you all give the same splendid cooperation, loyalty and happiness that it has been my pleasure to enjoy, to my successor, Brother Horace. I know you will.

TO THOSE ON THE SIDELINES

The success of any organization is dependent upon the support given it by those who hold no office. Their presence at the meetings is the spark that encourages the officers to do their best work. I have been much impressed with the good attendance at all meetings and I can assure you that this is greatly appreciated by your officers. I value highly the many friendships I have made among those on the sidelines the past year.

CONCLUSION

Thus ends the account of my stewardship, and I again desire to express my sincere thanks to the officers and members of the Chapters of Delaware. I have enjoyed my year as Worthy Grand Patron tremendously. It has been full to overflowing with pleasant associations and experiences.

May the future bring continued peace to our country, health to our Sisters and Brothers, and prosperity to our beautiful Order.

Sincerely and fraternally,

PERCY CHARLES COTTY,

*Worthy Grand Patron*

Motion by P. W. G. Patron Robert W. Larrimore, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Jane C. Zebley, that report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

SISTER ELIZABETH M. FISHER

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

Another year has rolled by and it is again time for me to give an account of my official transactions as Grand Secretary.

Much of the work in the Grand Secretary's office is routine and can be told in a few words, but it fills twelve busy months; as follows:

Lists of new officers and committees, annual proceedings, circular letters, Christmas cards, reports, notice of Special Session, programs, invitations, Memorial cards, and sympathy cards. Acknowledging



receipt of programs and invitations from other Grand Jurisdictions, acknowledging receipt of Proceedings, distributing them to the Fraternal Correspondent and Grand Representatives and to the Worthy Grand Matron.

Immediately after the close of Grand Session in May, 1946, flowers were sent to Sister Julia Marr Story and Sister Anna Stausebach, with a letter telling them how much we had missed them at the Session.

All bills were paid at once and all letters of thanks as requested by the Session Chairman were written and mailed promptly.

Signature cards were secured from Industrial Trust Company, filled in by Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and sent to the Bank, authorizing these signatures on checks drawn on the account of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

Certificates of Proficiency, 4 A Grade and 28 B Grade have been sealed with Grand Chapter Seal, attested and forwarded to the Grand Lecturer for presentation, also cards for Conductresses and Associate Conductresses who have passed satisfactory examinations in their work.

Commissions for Grand Representatives to represent Delaware in other Grand Jurisdictions were issued when requested and forwarded with a badge and letters of fraternal greetings and good wishes.

Commissions received from other Grand Jurisdictions were mailed to those members who were suggested by the Worthy Grand Matron to receive this honor. Letters were mailed giving the name and address of the Sister or Brother in other Grand Jurisdictions, representing Delaware. All have been recorded.

Christmas Cards were sent to the officers of General Grand Chapter, other Grand Jurisdictions and to the members of this Jurisdiction entitled to receive them.

Welfare Work Report for all subordinate Chapters for the last three years was compiled and sent to the General Grand Chapter Welfare Chairman.

Triennial Report was prepared and sent to the Right Worthy Grand Secretary for this Jurisdiction, before the General Grand Session in Florida.

Notice was sent to all members of Grand Chapter and to each subordinate Chapter stating that a Special Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware would be held on Saturday evening, October 12, 1946, at 7.00 o'clock P. M. in Julia M. Story Chapter Room, Pythian Castle, 906 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware, for the purpose of granting a charter to Unity Chapter U. D. of Lewes, Delaware.

I have attended the School of Instruction for Deputies and several of the Schools of Instructions for subordinate Chapters.

I have attended all Official Visits, several banquets, and all but one of the Birthday Parties.

I have made the necessary corrections in a number of Instruction Books and copies of the Constitution and By-Laws.

I supplied a new copy of Secret Work to Kent Chapter No. 11 for one very much worn. This was by order of the Worthy Grand Matron.

Held a luncheon meeting at my home for the Secretaries of subordinate Chapters, which was well attended and mutually beneficial.

Held a meeting with the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, the Committee on Credentials, Committee on Registrations and the Printing Committee.

I have attended several meetings with the Committee on Constitution and Laws of this Grand Chapter.

I had the privilege and honor of participating in a small way in the Constituting Ceremony of Unity Chapter No. 16 on Tuesday evening, October 29, 1946.

I attended the Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, which met in Tampa, Florida, November 1946, and enjoyed it all very much. I particularly enjoyed meeting the Grand Secretaries of other Grand Jurisdictions at the Secretaries Association Breakfast. I deemed it a great honor to be presented on the floor of the General Grand Chapter as the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

#### PROCEEDINGS

Our Proceedings this year were distributed by October 15th and a full report on this subject will be given by the Printing Committee.

#### PURCHASING OF SUPPLIES

The subordinate Chapters of our Jurisdiction are complying in a very satisfactory manner with the buying of supplies from Grand Chapter and the placing of orders. Delivery of same and the correspondence incident thereto, as well as the many telephone calls takes much time and attention and as our Order grows, this increases from year to year.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Our Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Jean H. Cauffman, passed away on March 17, 1947. Memorial cards were mailed to all Grand Jurisdictions, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Matrons and Grand Officers. A spray of flowers and a message of sympathy were sent to her husband, Brother Samuel Cauffman.

Thirty-eight Past Grand Matrons and Forty-eight Past Grand Patrons and the Grand Treasurer of Manitoba have answered the Roll Call for the Grand Chapter above.

Past Worthy Grand Patron, Thomas Lane Monroe of Grand Jurisdiction of South Carolina, who was also Grand Treasurer of that Jurisdiction as well as a member of the Distributions Committee of General Grand Chapter, answered the Roll Call January 19, 1947.

Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Dr. Will W. Grow, of the General Grand Chapter, who was an Honorary Member of this Grand Chapter, passed away Aug. 7, 1946



Past Most Worthy Grand Patron of New Jersey, E. Hamilton Gubbins, passed away March 29, 1947.

Past Worthy Grand Patron of the District of Columbia, Brother Edward G. Steagall, passed away January 26, 1947. Many of our members will remember Brother Steagall as the Worthy Grand Patron of the District who traveled with us to California in 1940 and was made a member of the Tribe of Blackfeet Indians at Glacier Park, Montana, with our own Worthy Grand Matron of 1940, Sister Jane Zebley.

Past Worthy Grand Matron of California, Sister Mary Josephine Young, who has been Grand Representative of Delaware in California ever since our Grand Chapter was organized in 1922, passed away this year.

We were greatly shocked and our hearts were very much saddened on learning of the death of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Olga Philip, on Monday, May 5, 1947.

*"To a beautiful Garden, these friends have gone  
To the land of perfect rest,  
Their work is done, and the setting sun  
Has sealed their life's request.  
They have left this earthly garden  
For a home beyond the sea;  
But though they are gone, they still live on  
In our Garden of Memory."*

#### APPRECIATION

I wish to express my thanks for all courtesies shown me this year. For invitations to Chapter meetings, to receptions, banquets and birthday parties. I have attended whenever it was possible, and that has been nearly all of them, and I enjoy very much meeting and greeting members of our Order up and down our beautiful State.

I am grateful for the many cards and lovely gifts and friendly notes which come to me from officers and members too.

I am glad to report an increase in membership this year. Detail will be given by the Committee on Chapters under Charters and Dispensations.

This has been a very busy year but a very happy one, with friendliness, courtesy and cooperation on every hand.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Percy, there is much that I could say to you in connection with our year of service together. You have heard of the song entitled "People will say we are in Love." Well, if I were to say all the nice things I have learned about you, they might feel inclined to say that about us, so, I'll just repeat this little verse which states the case very briefly:

*"There is a gift called friendship  
That weaves some magic spell,  
And binds our hearts together  
In ways no words can tell—  
And like a beam of sunshine  
That comes from skies of blue,  
I have found God's gift of friendship,  
Deep in the heart of you."*

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
Grand Secretary.

## REPORT OF REHABILITATION FUND

In Wilmington Savings Fund

Amount of Fund May 1, 1946.....	\$ 551.65
Received from:	
Caesar Rodney No. 8 in May 1946 for year 1945 Cont..	10.00
Unity U. D. for 1946.....	14.00
Brandywine No. 14 for 1946.....	25.00
Victory No. 15.....	15.00
Five Points No. 13 for 1946.....	25.00
Adah No. 5 for 1946.....	10.00
Julia M. Story No. 3 for 1946.....	10.00
Kent No. 11 for 1946.....	17.00
Caesar Rodney No. 8 for 1946.....	15.00
Mizpah No. 2 for 1946.....	8.50
Radiant No. 6 for 1945 and 1946.....	20.00
Newark No. 10 for 1946.....	10.00
Delaware No. 1 for 1946.....	25.00
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Total.....	\$ 756.15
Less \$100.00 withdrawn for use of Rehabilitation Service Committee.....	100.00
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Balance in Fund.....	\$ 656.15
Plus one \$25.00 Bond from Sussex Chapter No. 7.	

Chapters not listed in this report made their contributions before our books were closed in April, 1946, and were included in last year's report.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
Grand Secretary.

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
J. N. ABBOTT  
W. T. LOREMAN  
Grand Trustees.

## REPORT OF NURSES NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND

Each of the Subordinate Chapters in Delaware contributed \$1.00 making a total of \$16.00 which was forwarded to the Chairman of the



Committee, Sister Mae P. Smith, as our share in the plaque which is to be placed in a Memorial Building.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Secretary.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
GENERAL FUND

Sale of:	
Bibles.....	\$ 521.10
Rituals.....	119.20
Instruction Books.....	3.00
Supplies.....	724.86
Receipt Books.....	34.30
Proceedings.....	1.50
Grand Chapter By-Laws.....	.20
Novelties and Jewelry.....	31.72
Summer Benefit.....	395.00
Surety Bonds.....	80.00
Service Project—Hospital Fund.....	363.01
Dispensations, Yr. 1945-1946.....	9.00
Dispensations, Yr. 1946-1947.....	10.00
Educational Loan Fund.....	588.00
Women in White Memorial Fund.....	16.00
Per Capita Tax.....	1,632.75
Initiations.....	110.50
Subordinate Chapter By-Laws.....	68.75
Refunds W. G. M. Triennial Fund.....	.45
Refund Grand Lecturer's Fund.....	2.16
Refund Souvenirs.....	10.80
Miscellaneous.....	3.27
Total Receipts.....	<u>\$4,725.57</u>

PAID TO GRAND TREASURER—VIRDA L. SIMPLER

May 1946.....	\$ 16.16
June 1946.....	42.76
June 1946.....	187.58
July 1946.....	155.93
October 1946.....	340.54
October 1946.....	337.01
November 1946.....	168.96
December 1946.....	893.68
January 1947.....	364.93
January 1947.....	1,162.55
February 1947.....	572.16
March 1947.....	258.16
April 1947.....	225.15
Total.....	<u>\$4,725.57</u>

Approved May 17, 1947  
ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
J. N. ABBOTT  
W. T. LOREMAN

## DISBURSEMENTS

Chas. L. Story Co., Printing and Supplies	\$ 804.70
General Grand Chapter, Supplies	861.95
L. C. Ziegler, Printing	88.75
Rommell's, Chapter Seal and Christmas Cards	32.17
McCoy's Masonic Pub. Co., Paraphernalia	144.35
Contingent Funds:	125.00
Alice C. Abbott, W. G. M.	25.00
Percy C. Cotty, W. G. P.	125.00
E. M. Fisher, Gr. Sec.	10.12
E. M. Fisher, Gr. Sec., Def. in 1945 Fund	5.00
Virda Simpler	50.00
Edna L. Gifford, Gr. Lec.	25.00
E. M. Fisher, Gift from Gr. Chapter	5.75
Fried Pub. Co., Printing	1.93
Myra D. Robinson (Necrology)	1.70
Anna M. Harrington, Flowers	3.00
Bertha M. Smith, Flowers	6.00
DuPont Gift Shop, Flowers	9.20
W. A. Larmore, Hauling	14.94
Goldey College, Mimeographing	3.05
R. M. Rogers, Flowers	19.00
Elmer Betty Shop, Palms	12.00
Hotel DuPont	250.75
Wil. Post Office, Stationery, Gr. Officers	16.66
Charles V. Cleaver, Instituting New Chapter	16.50
Book of Month Club, Service Project	29.40
Wick Narrow Fabric Co., Ribbons	18.29
E. M. Fisher, Ribbon and Paraphernalia	29.11
E. M. Fisher, Service Project	19.11
Stuart's Bookbindery, Proceedings	13.50
Frank P. Keys, Surety Bonds	87.50
Kirk Simmons, Room rental Special Session	4.00
Sarah E. Riggin, Service Project	57.15
Concor Supply Co., Service Project	16.75
Geo. Hanby Co., Service Project	10.85
Crosby & Hill Co., Service Project	170.54
Milford Chronicle, Printing	62.50
Gilbert Supply Co.	5.95
Fraternal Supply Co.	3.75
Cedar Tree Press	8.50
Howard Collins, Jeweler	66.00
Nat'l Nurses Memorial Fund	16.00
Gimbel Bros., Ribbons	51.84
Adams Letter Shop, Mimeographing	33.75
Wm. Lehmborg & Sons, Inc., Paraphernalia	105.25
Wm. Mowbray, Christmas Seals	2.00
Educational Loan Fund	588.00
Kendall North Co., Novelties and Jewelry	39.70



Star Treble Chorus .....	10.00
A. C. Abbott, Grant's, Service Project .....	110.00
A. C. Abbott, Triennial Exp. Fund .....	150.00
A. C. Abbott, Badges for Triennial .....	3.00
Salaries:	
Lettie McMullen, Gr. Organist .....	5.00
Virda Simpler, Gr. Treasurer .....	10.00
E. M. Fisher, Gr. Secretary .....	175.00
E. M. Fisher, Exp. Gr. Session .....	25.00
Total .....	\$4,584.91
Balance in Bank April 30, 1946 .....	\$1,944.36
Receipts .....	4,725.57
Total .....	\$6,669.93
Disbursements .....	4,584.91
Balance April 30, 1947 .....	\$2,085.02

Respectfully submitted,  
 ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Grand Secretary.*

Approved May 17, 1947  
 ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
 J. N. ABBOTT  
 W. T. LOREMAN  
 Grand Trustees.

Motion by P. W. G. Patron Charles Cleaver, seconded by P. W. G. Matron, Sister Helen West, that report be accepted and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

VIRDA L. SIMPLER

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 for the Grand Chapter year ending April 30, 1947:

Balance May 1, 1946 .....	\$1,944.36
Receipts May 1, 1946 to April 30, 1947 .....	4,725.57
Total .....	\$6,669.93
Disbursements May 1, 1946 to April 30, 1947 .....	4,584.91
Balance April 30, 1947 .....	\$2,085.02
Bank Balance April 30, 1947 .....	\$2,136.86
Outstanding Check: April 25, No. 250 .....	51.84
Actual Balance April 30, 1947 .....	\$2,085.02

Respectfully submitted,  
 VIRDA SIMPLER,  
*Grand Treasurer.*

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
 J. N. ABBOTT  
 W. T. LOREMAN  
 Grand Trustees.

May 18, 1947.

Motion by P. W. G. Patron Walter Sawdon, seconded by P. W. G. Patron Cheston McCormick, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

Selection by Star Treble Chorus.

## REPORT OF NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

SISTER ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER, Chairman

May 26, 1947.

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

We, your Committee on Necrology submit the following report:

The Memorial Service to revere the memory of our departed members was held in First and Central Presbyterian Church, Market Street at Eleventh, Wilmington, on Sunday evening, May 25th at 7.45 o'clock. The Rev. Willard Glenn Purdy, D. D., took for his theme "Harmony and Happiness" which has been designated as the motto for the 1947 Grand Session.

The Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Percy C. Cotty, read a very befitting tribute to our deceased members. Prayer was offered by our Grand Chaplain, Sister Sadie C. Conly, after which the chapters were represented by the Worthy Matrons in an impressive ceremony portrayed by the broken links of our golden chain. The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, read a poem which was very appropriate for the occasion, after which Sister Edna Carter sang "O Guiding Star." Taps was sounded by Mr. Elmer Paris.

The Star Treble Chorus and the International Order of Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 1, rendered selections under the able direction of Sister Emma Wheeler, with Mrs. Mabel Bard Pierce accompanying.

Due to each chapter and the nearest relative of the deceased being invited to this service there were 407 in attendance.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the families of the deceased and to the subordinate Chapters. We shall meet them in the morning, to be separated no more, forever.

Fraternally submitted,

LYDIA McCLOSKEY

ALICE MINNER

THOMAS C. RODWAY

ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER, Chairman

Motion by P. W. G. Matron Mary M. Clower, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Martha Krapf, that the report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

Sister Elvira J. Ziegler, Chairman of Necrology, made a motion that a letter of thanks be sent to Dr. Willard G. Purdy for his excellent



sermon at the Memorial Service and for the hospitality of First and Central Church, seconded by Brother Horace Fulmer. Motion adopted.

THE ALTAR WAS DRAPED. The Grand Secretary read the names of members who have passed to the Great Beyond during the year.

DELAWARE CHAPTER No. 1

Sisters: Mary Unruh  
 Elsie M. Lowe  
 Bess M. Groves  
 Joanna L. Middleton  
 Annie M. Maxwell  
 Brothers: Arthur E. O'Neal  
 Robert E. Watson

MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2

Sister Bertha M. Coyle

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

Sisters: Grace R. Emmons  
 Myrtle C. Nesbitt  
 Martha M. Simms  
 Brother George T. Sauter

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4

Sisters: Emma Foulke  
 Mabel T. Jefferis  
 Margaret Deakyne  
 Florence G. Craig

ADAH CHAPTER No. 5

Sisters: Mary L. Hearne  
 Dollie A. Freney

RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6

Sister Gertrude S. Carey

SUSSEX CHAPTER No. 7

Brother Wm. F. Allen

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER No. 8

Sister Anna S. Vantine

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER No. 9

Sister Annie V. Clendaniel

NEWARK CHAPTER No. 10

Sister Catherine C. Lynam

KENT CHAPTER No. 11

Sisters: Ruth A. Fleming  
 Helen Legar

FRANKFORD CHAPTER No. 12

Brother John D. Rogers

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER No. 14

Sister Edith Reiter

The Worthy Grand Matron expressed the following thoughts:

A Memorial is not set aside for sadness, but a time for tender recollections sustained by a faith that the absent sisters and brothers are not dead but just away. We recall their virtues and live again in the warmth of their friendships. Each passing year brings its sorrows as well as its pleasures and joys. We are thankful to our Heavenly Father that the chain of our Grand Family remains unbroken, but during the year some of our members were called Home. To all those whose homes have been made lonely and whose hearts have felt the sorrow of sore bereavement, we commend you to the care of Him who hath promised "Thy Brother Shall Rise Again."

*Not now, but in the coming years,  
It may be in the Better Land,  
We'll know the meaning of these tears,  
And then, somehow, we'll understand.*

The Worthy Grand Matron, bearing a beautiful green wreath, the Grand Secretary bearing the Scroll tied with White Ribbon, bearing the names of departed members, the Grand Marshal, bearing the Christian Flag, and the Grand Chaplain approached the Altar. The wreath was placed at the base of the Altar, the Scroll upon the Altar. The Flag pointed toward the Altar. The Grand Chaplain knelt, the others standing reverently while the Star Treble Chorus sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." The Grand Chaplain made a very reverent and touching prayer, thus ending the little Memorial Ceremony in Grand Chapter.

P. W. G. Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, made an announcement concerning the breakfast in Parlor "G" Tuesday morning, also luncheon at Hotel Rodney on Tuesday.

Motion was made by Sister M. Etta Keys, seconded by Sister Elizabeth Pierce that Sister Abbie Hanson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, be made an honorary member of this Grand Chapter. Motion adopted.

Sister Hanson in accepting the membership said: "Please accept my thanks for this lovely courtesy extended to me. When you visit a Grand Chapter and they are so gracious, it makes you so happy and I want the members of this Grand Chapter to know that I will strive to live my life that you of Delaware will be proud of your Honorary member."

Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter to recess to reconvene at 10.00 A. M. Tuesday morning.

## **TUESDAY MORNING 10:00 A. M.**

Grand Chapter called to order by General Sessions Chairman, P. W. G. Matron Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, presenting Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Martha W. Krapf and Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jay W. Miller, who opened the Morning Session.



All distinguished guests who had not been presented before were welcomed by Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron Selection by Star Treble Chorus.  
Minutes of the first day's session were read and approved.

## REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

### ON THE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

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

Your Jurisprudence Committee has carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron and respectfully submits the following:

#### 1. *Dispensations Granted*

We approve all dispensations granted, except the one to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 to elect and install a secretary at a special meeting on September 24, 1946.

Paragraph 3, Section 1, Article 1, of Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware, states: Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Worthy Matron and such business as trials, conferring of degrees, installation of officers, funerals, and memorial services or ceremonials and observances, shall be transacted, etc.

This section does not specifically state that officers may not be elected at a special meeting. By inference, however, it would seem that election of officers may be held only at a stated meeting.

To avoid any question of legality in the election in Caesar Rodney Chapter, we ask that the action of the chapter be approved, but recommend that in the future election of officers be confined to stated meetings in the subordinate chapters.

#### 2. *Subordinate Chapter By-Laws*

We approve, in conjunction with the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, all changes in subordinate chapter by-laws.

#### 3. *Questions and Answers*

a. We approve answers to Questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13.

b. We approve answer to Question 6 relating to signature of marshal as secretary pro tem, but recommend that, wherever possible, officers be required to fill the stations to which they have been elected or appointed.

c. No. 11, relating to the status of a past worthy matron from another Grand Jurisdiction.

We believe that a past worthy matron from another Grand Jurisdiction, having affiliated herself with a subordinate chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, is no longer an active past worthy matron in the other Grand Jurisdiction. Her status would be that of a dimitted past worthy matron in the other Grand Jurisdiction. Whether a past worthy matron or a past worthy

patron from another Grand Jurisdiction should be listed as an affiliated past worthy matron or an affiliated past worthy patron will depend upon the action of this Grand Chapter on Recommendation No. 6 of the Worthy Grand Matron. We disapprove the answer to Question No. 11.

- d. No. 14, relating to proper procedure of investigating the Masonic affiliation of a petitioner: We agree that a proper procedure is to write the secretary of the lodge of which the Master Mason is a member, but would add that legal information, either oral or written, from a brother in good standing is also proper procedure.

#### 4. *Irregularities*

We approve the action of the Worthy Grand Matron in calling attention to various irregularities.

#### 5. *Recommendations*

- a. We approve Recommendations Nos. 2, 4, and 5.

b. Recommendation No. 1: We approve, but suggest that the amendment be worded to allow a week's variation at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, prior to or following the specified time.

- c. Recommendation No. 3: We believe this recommendation has merit. However, we believe that the nominating committee should be composed of one member from each subordinate chapter, one of whom should be named as chairman. We believe further, that nominations should be permitted from the floor of the Grand Chapter and would suggest, also, that the presiding officer introduce those who have been nominated just prior to the election for each office.

The adoption of this recommendation will require an amendment to Section 1, Article VIII of the Constitution by deleting the sentence: "No nomination for candidates for office shall be made."

With these additions, we approve the recommendation.

- d. Recommendation No. 6: We have no objection to a past worthy matron from another Grand Jurisdiction being listed as an affiliated past worthy matron after she has become affiliated with a subordinate chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction. She cannot have the privileges and prerogatives of the members of this Grand Chapter without violating Section 3, Article IV of the Constitution. She could, therefore, not have the privilege of voting or of holding an office or committee appointment in this Grand Jurisdiction. We, therefore, approve the recommendation that a past worthy matron or past worthy patron from another Grand Jurisdiction, who has affiliated with us in this Grand Jurisdiction, be known as an affiliated past worthy matron or past worthy patron; but disapprove the section relating to "having all the privileges and prerogatives of the past worthy matrons and past worthy patrons in this Grand Jurisdiction."



6. *Decision*

We approve the decision of the Worthy Grand Matron to hold the Grand Chapter Session on the dates specified. A similar emergency occurred in 1935, and the Grand Chapter Session was held a week later than the date specified in our Constitution.

Section 1, Article VIII, of the Constitution specifies that election of officers shall begin at 2 o'clock P. M., Thursday of the meeting week. Obviously, this is impossible if the Grand Chapter convenes on Monday, and the Constitution should be amended to specify that the election should be held at 2 o'clock P. M. on the second day of the Grand Chapter Session. Technically, the only way the Constitution can be fully complied with at this Grand Chapter Session is by recessing today and reconvening on Thursday. Obviously, this would be impracticable.

We, therefore, approve this decision of the Worthy Grand Matron.

We commend the Worthy Grand Matron for her zeal and enthusiasm in promoting the welfare of the Order, her meticulous attention to details, and her untiring efforts in behalf of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY W. MILLER, Chairman

JOHN L. Lecompte

SARAH ELIZABETH RIGGIN

*Committee.*

Motion by Associate Grand Patron Brother Horace K. Fulmer that the recommendations of the Worthy Grand Matron be taken up seriatim. Seconded by P. G. P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver. Motion adopted.

Recommendations of Worthy Grand Matron, Alice C. Abbott:

1. The amend Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution and By-Laws to read:

"The Annual Meeting of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington on the Third Monday of May at two o'clock P. M., or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, in any town or city in Delaware where there is a Subordinate Chapter."

Jurisprudence Committee approved the change from third Wednesday to third Monday, but suggested an amendment be made to allow a week's variation at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, prior to, or following the specified time.

Motion made by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by P. G. P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that this Amendment be made. Motion adopted.

2. That the Deputy Grand Lecturers be given authority to give examinations in Class "B", but the certificate be issued by the Grand Lecturer.

Jurisprudence Committee approved. Motion made by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by P. G. P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that this permission be granted to Deputy Grand Lecturers. Motion adopted.

3. That a Nominating Committee be appointed to receive nominations for the elective offices and a definite hour be set for the closing of the nominations.

Jurisprudence Committee approved but suggested that the nominating committee should be composed of one member from each subordinate chapter, one of whom should be named as chairman. We believe further that nominations should be permitted from the floor of the Grand Chapter and would suggest, also, that the presiding officer introduce those who have been nominated just prior to the election for each office.

After considerable discussion, motion was made by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by Associate Grand Patron, Brother Horace K. Fulmer, that we have nominations for office, but suggested the question be referred to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and that they present a more acceptable plan for receiving nominations. Motion adopted.

4. Candidates may be seated during the lecture of the Worthy Patron in the Initiatory work.

Motion by P. G. M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by Associate Grand Patron, Brother Horace K. Fulmer, that this recommendation be adopted. Motion adopted.

5. That a Past Worthy Matron or Past Worthy Patron from another Grand Jurisdiction, who has affiliated with us in this Grand Jurisdiction, be known as an affiliated Past Worthy Matron or affiliated Past Worthy Patron, having all the prerogatives and privileges of the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Jurisprudence Committee disapproved the part of this recommendation reading "be known as an affiliated Past Worthy Matron or affiliated Past Worthy Patron, having all the privileges and prerogatives of Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons in this Grand Jurisdiction, and suggested that it read "They be known as Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons and received with the Past Matrons and Past Patrons.

Motion by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by P. G. M. Sister Amy E. Meyer, that this with change in wording the recommendation be approved. Motion adopted.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Question No. 6. I am Marshal in my chapter, but due to the illness of our Secretary, I am serving in her station until she is able to assume her duties. How shall I sign the Minutes. Answer: Secretary pro-tem.

Answer approved, but suggest wherever possible officers be requested to fill the office to which they have been appointed.



Motion by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by Associate Grand Patron, Brother Horace K. Fulmer, that this answer and suggestion be accepted. Motion adopted.

Question No. 11. If a Past Worthy Matron from another Jurisdiction affiliates with our chapter, should be listed as a Past Worthy Matron?

Answer: She will always be a Past Worthy Matron from the Jurisdiction where she came, and my opinion is, after affiliating with your chapter, she should be listed as an Affiliated Past Worthy Matron.

This answer was disapproved by the Jurisprudence Committee and motion was made by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by P. G. M. Sister Helen C. West, that the decision of the Jurisprudence Committee on Recommendation No. 6 covering the same subject be accepted. Motion adopted.

Question No. 14. What is the proper procedure for investigating the Masonic affiliation of a petitioner?

Answer: To write the Secretary of the Lodge to which the Master Mason belongs.

Jurisprudence Committee approves the suggestion to write, but would add that legal information either oral or written from a brother in good standing is also proper procedure.

Motion by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by Associate Grand Patron, Brother Horace K. Fulmer, that this be accepted. Motion adopted.

#### IRREGULARITIES:

Jurisprudence Committee approved the action of the Worthy Grand Matron in calling attention to these irregularities.

Motion by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by P. G. P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that we adopt this part of the Jurisprudence Committee report, on the report of the Worthy Grand Matron. Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

#### ON THE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

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

Your Jurisprudence Committee has carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron. We find nothing to criticize in his report.

We commend him for his faithfulness at all times, his loyalty to, and earnest efforts in behalf of the good of the Order, and his generous spirit in fulfilling the duties of his office.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. LECOMPTE

SARAH ELIZABETH RIGGIN

JAY W. MILLER, Chairman

Committee.

Report of the Jurisprudence Committee on report of the Worthy Grand Patron. Moved by P. W. G. Matron Clara Reuter, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Amy Meyer, report be accepted and printed in Proceedings.

Motion by P. G. P. Brother Jay W. Miller, seconded by P. G. Matron, Sister Helen C. West, that the Report of the Jurisprudence Committee be adopted as a whole as amended. Motion adopted.

## REMARKS

By Our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Abbie Hanson

Sisters and Brothers: I bring you greetings and good wishes of 100,000 Eastern Stars in Indiana. I want to compliment you upon the very fine reverence you have shown your leaders. I have thoroughly enjoyed attending this Session of Grand Chapter of Delaware. You have been kind and courteous. It has truly been good to have been here. I am happy to be in the Home Chapter of one of our General Grand Chapter Committee members, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce.

I want to congratulate you upon your splendid reports. You have had a busy year. The success of any organization is due to efforts of your leaders and the improving of moments.

Thank you for your greeting, Sister Alice, and for the greetings of the Star Points also. I have always enjoyed surprises and to have your choir sing my Indiana Theme Song was just a lovely surprise. One of the members of your choir happens to be a "Hoosier." It has just been a joy to be here with you and I would like for you to visit our State. Our Session is the Fourth Wednesday and Thursday of April. In two years we will be celebrating our Diamond Jubilee. After meeting the members and delegates of this fine Jurisdiction, I would feel that it would not be complete if we did not have a representation from your State. You are small but you are mighty. I shall look forward to the time when I may return to Delaware.

## REMARKS

By Miss Mildred Hicks, Chairman of the Welfare Committee

The thrill of attending your Grand Jurisdiction for the first time, the welcome of your Worthy Grand Matron, and the banquet of the Past Grand Matrons, is one I will remember for many days.

I wish to speak for the Welfare Committee "Save the Children" program. We are privileged to sponsor a child in Europe, a school in Europe or school in America. The District of Columbia has taken Schools in America. There are about 800 schools needing our help. Some in Texas, Arizona, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia. Through this Federation, first we must reclaim the schools. Many of the schools have fallen into decay. They must be rebuilt, redecorated, repaired and refurnished. There are many things needed for carrying on education—health programs, hearing, dental and eye-sight of the children all need attention. The recreational program



will teach the child how to play and in later years the value of good sportsmanship. Girls are to be taught cooking and proper diet. Each child born into the world has a right to expect a sound mind, sound body and an environment that will build rather than destroy. This is not only the duty of the parent, but of Society. The war is over but we still have to win the peace and it is our duty to the world today. This Eastern Star is dedicated to truth and loving kindness. We have chosen for our slogan, "Build the World of Tomorrow by Saving the Child of Today."

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Session called from labor to recess to reconvene at 1.30 P. M.

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON 1.55 P. M.

Afternoon Session called to order at 1.55 by P. W. G. Matron Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, presenting P. W. G. Matron Sister Mattie Pyle Horn and P. W. G. Patron Brother Robert S. Gallaher, who opened the Session.

Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter from recess to resume labor.

Opening Ode.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

W. G. Patron Percy C. Cotty appointed as Judges, Brother J. Nelson Abbott and Brother Thomas Rodway. As Tellers, Sisters Jane Brinton, Florence Lang and Brothers Cleaver and Grubb. Pages were appointed collectors of ballots.

Motion was made by P. G. P. Walter Sawdon, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Helen West that members wishing to be admitted be allowed to enter. Motion adopted.

Credential Committee reported 168 voting Delegates and 4 Proxies, making a total of 172 votes. Esther K. Schaeffer, Chairman.

Moved by P. W. G. Matron Amy Meyer, seconded by P. W. G. Patron Walter Sawdon report be accepted. Motion adopted.

### RESULT OF ELECTION

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee
Worthy Grand Patron.....	Mr. Horace K. Fulmer
Associate Grand Matron.....	Mrs. Marie L. Roberts
Associate Grand Patron.....	Mr. Harlan L. Cloud
Grand Secretary.....	Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer.....	Mrs. Virda Simpler
Grand Conductress.....	Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Mrs. Edna L. Gifford
Grand Trustee.....	Mr. Willard T. Loreman

The Judges, Tellers and Pages were thanked by the Worthy Grand Patron and discharged.

## REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER

### EDNA L. GIFFORD

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

At the close of my fourth and last year as Grand Lecturer of this Grand Chapter of Delaware, I humbly wish to thank all chapters and members for the many courtesies extended to me and for the cheerful cooperation that prevailed at all schools of instructions. I have gained much in these four years both in knowledge and friendship—friendships I will cherish and keep forever. I deeply appreciate the confidence and faith conferred in me by the Past Worthy Grand Matrons, Sister Reuter, Sister Pierce, Sister West and now our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Abbott. It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve with each of you and I have endeavored to faithfully perform all the duties for which I have been selected.

July 7—Bellefonte; conducted one examination in Class A.

Aug. 17—Bellefonte; issued Grade A certificate to Deputy Grand Lecturer of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, Sister Lillian Larrimore.

Aug. 22—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of St. John's Chapter No. 4, Sister Helen Camperson. Also examined Sister Olivia Enright, Conductress of St. John's Chapter No. 4 in her work for Worthy Matron.

Oct. 2—Harrington; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of Kent Chapter No. 11, Brother Archie Ford. Also examined the Conductress of Kent Chapter No. 11, Sister Edna Williams, in her work for Worthy Matron.

Oct. 5—Georgetown; examined the Associate Matron of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Sister Lovey Stemple, in her work for Worthy Matron and examined the Conductress of Frankford Chapter No. 12, Sister Elizabeth Aydelott, in the work for Worthy Matron.

Oct. 8—Lewes; issued Grade B certificate to the Conductress of Unity Chapter U. D., Sister Dorothy Larrimore. I then examined Sister Gladys Lynch, Associate Matron of Unity Chapter U. D. in her work for Worthy Matron and also issued Sister Lynch a Grade B certificate in secret work of the Order.

Oct. 17—Seaford; issued grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Sussex Chapter No. 17, Sister Clara Smith. Also issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of Sussex Chapter No. 17, Brother Norris R. Tull, and issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Kent Chapter No. 11, Sister Isabella Sylvester, examined the Conductress of Sussex Chapter No. 17, Sister Rachel Atwell, in work for Worthy Matron.

Oct. 19—Bellefonte; examined the Conductress of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Sister Marie Burris, in work for Worthy Matron.



Oct. 21—Delmar; examined the Conductress of Adah Chapter No. 5, Sister Rita Wilkinson, in work for Worthy Matron; also issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Adah Chapter No. 5, Sister Mabel Venable, in work for Worthy Matron.

Oct. 24—Bellefonte; examined Past Matron of Kent Chapter No. 11, Sister Emma Widdoes, in half of Grade A examination.

Oct. 29—Lewes; examined the Conductress of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Sister Mary Keeler, in work for Worthy Matron, also issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of Frankford Chapter No. 12, Brother Albert Derickson. Issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Frankford Chapter No. 12, Sister Irene Watson, and issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Unity Chapter No. 16, Sister Ruth Roberts.

Nov. 7—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Newark Chapter No. 10, Sister Mary Swan, and examined the Conductress of Newark Chapter No. 10, Sister Kay Gibbs, in work for Worthy Matron.

Nov. 14—Bellefonte; issued Grade A certificate to Past Matron of Kent Chapter No. 11, Sister Emma Widdoes.

Nov. 22—Newark; examined the Conductress of Unity Chapter No. 16, Sister Dorothy Larrimore, in work for Worthy Matron.

Dec. 9—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Sister Sofronia Harmon.

Dec. 13—Dover; issued Grade B certificate to Associate Patron of Victory Chapter No. 15, Brother James McWilliams. Issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Victory Chapter No. 15, Sister Ann Cleaves. Issued Grade B certificate to Associate Patron of Unity Chapter No. 16, Brother Lynch, also examined Sister Julia Slaughter, Conductress of Victory Chapter No. 15 in work for Worthy Matron.

Dec. 19—Wilmington; examined the Conductress of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Sister Mae Payne, in work for Worthy Matron.

Dec. 23—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Sister Mildred Bryan.

Dec. 28—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Conductress of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Sister Jane White.

Dec. 29—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Sister Elizabeth Swain.

Dec. 31—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate and examined the Associate Conductress of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, Sister Nan Banks, in work for Worthy Matron; also issued Grade B certificate to the Conductress of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, Sister Esther Clymer.

Jan. 2—Bellefonte; examined the Conductress of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Sister Ruth Stiggins, in work for Worthy Matron, and issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Sister Iva Ostendarp. Examined the Conductress of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, in work for Worthy Matron.

Jan. 6—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of St. John's Chapter No. 4, Brother Eugene Hackendorn, also issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Brother Raymond Smith.

Jan. 7—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Sister Sara Scheaffer.

Jan. 8—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Conductress of Radiant Chapter No. 6, Sister Evangeline Smith, also examined the Conductress of Radiant Chapter No. 6, Sister Eleanor Smith, in work for Worthy Matron.

Jan 11—Bellefonte; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Brother Joseph Nesbitt.

Jan 27—Bellefonte; conducted Class A examination in half of work to Sister Sara Hoffman, Past Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

Mar. 6—Bellefonte; issued Grade A certificate to Past Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Sister Sara Hoffman.

Mar. 10—Wilmington; issued Grade B certificate to the Associate Patron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Brother Joseph Borglin.

May 8—New Castle; issued Grade B certificate to Brother Otto Helbing, Associate Patron of Delaware Chapter No. 1, in work for Worthy Patron.

May 20—Bellefonte; issued Grade A certificate to Sister Sadie Conly, Past Worthy Matron of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Due to Grand Officers attending Grand Visitation at Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Maryland, Newark Chapter No. 10 School of Instruction was held on March 28 instead of March 21. Our Worthy Grand Matron accompanied me on all schools of instruction and we found all members happy to cooperate. At this time I wish to thank all Deputy Grand Lecturers for their splendid work and the efforts they have put in their work certainly shows in their chapters, for the work throughout the state has been beautiful. Never have I seen the Star Points work so nearly perfect.

Worthy Grand Matron, again may I thank you for your confidence in me to fill this office and to say this year will always stand out in my memory.

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

Fraternally submitted,

EDNA L. GIFFORD,

*Grand Lecturer.*

Motion by P. W. G. Patron Charles Cleaver, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, that the report be accepted and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.



## REPORT OF GRAND TRUSTEES

WILLARD T. LOREMAN

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.

Following is a statement covering a period from April 30, 1946, to April 30, 1947:

Cash Balance April 30, 1946.....	\$1,944.36	
Receipts for the year.....	4,725.57	
Total.....	\$6,669.93	
Less Disbursements checks No. 140 to No. 251 inclusive.....	4,584.91	
Cash Balance.....	\$2,085.02	
Bank Balance April 30, 1947.....		\$2,136.86
Outstanding Check No. 250.....		51.84
Cash Balance.....		\$2,085.02
Assets Grand Chapter of Delaware:		
Jewels		
1 Steel Safe		
3 Utility Cabinets		
1 Brief Case		
One O. E. S. Seal for Delaware		
1 Typewriter		
1 Gavel		
1 Letter File		
1 Charter		
Records		
W. G. M. Pedestal (kept by Julia M. Story and Radiant Chapter)		
Subordinate Chapter supplies		
Grand Chapter supplies		
2 Shares O. E. S. Building Corporation Stock		
1 Christian Flag		
1 Altar Bible		
2 Small Bibles		

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD T. LOREMAN, *Chairman*

J. N. ABBOTT

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE

Motion by P. W. G. Patron John LeCompte, seconded by P. W. G. Patron Walter Sawdon that the report be accepted and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

## OPENING ON TIME REPORT

All Chapters on the Honor Roll—Opening on Time with the exception of:

Georgetown No. 9 Reporting 1 Meeting 10 Minutes Late.

Unity No. 16 Reporting 2 Meetings 5 Minutes Late.  
1 Meeting 10 Minutes Late.

Motion by P. W. G. Matron Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by P. W. G. Patron Robert Larrimore, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF DELAWARE ORDER OF EASTERN STAR BUILDING CORPORATION

814 Adams Street  
Wilmington, Delaware  
January 2, 1947.

The twenty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation was held at 1005 W. 9th St. on November 29, 1946, and the following Directors were unanimously elected to serve until November 30, 1947:

Grand Chapter of Delaware—Julia M. Story.

Delaware Chapter No. 1—Jeanette L. White.

Mizpah Chapter No. 2—Marian A. Bristow.

Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3—Jean B. Cottman.

St. John's Chapter No. 4—Elva W. Lang.

Radiant Chapter No. 6—Jane C. Zebley.

The Election of Officers resulted as follows:

Julia M. Story, Grand Chapter of Del.—President.

Jane C. Zebley, Radiant Chapter No. 6—1st Vice-President.

Jeanette L. White, Delaware Chapter No. 1—2nd Vice-President.

Jean Cottman, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3—3rd Vice-President.

Marian A. Bristow, Mizpah Chapter No. 2—4th Vice-President.

Elva W. Lang, St. John's Chapter No. 4—Sec. and Treasurer.

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

Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund Society . . . . .	\$2,825.51
Balance in Security Trust Co. . . . .	45.05
Two \$1000 U. S. War Loan Bonds . . . . .	2,000.00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$4,870.56</u>

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

Sincerely and fraternally,

ELVA W. LANG,

*Secretary.*

Delaware Order of the Eastern Star  
Building Corporation.

JULIA M. STORY, *President.*



Motion made by P. W. G. Patron Walter Sawdon that this report be accepted and spread upon the minutes and included in his motion that Sister Story be reappointed to represent this Grand Body. Motion was seconded by Brother LeCompte and adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION

We, your Committee on Chapters under Charters and Dispensation, reported at the Special Meeting of Grand Chapter on October 12, 1946, that:

"Unity Chapter U. D. of Lewes, Delaware, have proven very efficient in the Ritualistic Work and business management. They have all the paraphernalia necessary for a Chartered Chapter and we recommend that they be granted a Charter."

We submit the following report as a result of our examination of the Abstracts of each subordinate Chapter as of Dec. 31, 1946:

LOST:		GAINED:	
By Death.....	27	By Initiation.....	202
By Demit.....	16	By Reinstatement.....	12
By Suspension.....	16	By Affiliation.....	11
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Total Loss.....	59	Total Gain.....	225
Membership ending Dec. 31, 1946.....	2178		
Membership ending Dec. 31, 1945.....	1990		
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Net Gain.....	188		

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. GRACE WILKINS  
 MRS. MARTHA D. MACKEY  
 MRS. EDNA H. WATSON  
*Chairman.*

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Sister Helen West that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

We, your Committee on Unfinished Business, have nothing to report.

## REPORT OF GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, have nothing to report.

## REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

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

The Report of the Printing Committee has been a sorry story for several years, but this year we can strike a more cheerful note.

Quotations were requested from all printing establishments in Wilmington, equipped to do this kind of work. Only two or three were interested and the prices quoted were exorbitant. One printer, stated he had done our work years ago and would not undertake it again unless we secured a new Die for the cover, which would cost us perhaps \$30.00 or more. Our good friends, Charles L. Story Company, gave us the best quotation and upon being given the contract, said they would do everything possible to get our Proceedings printed and distributed not later than October 15th. And, on the 15th of October, because of their diligence and interest in us and our Order, the Proceedings were finished and mailed.

The manager of the Charles L. Story Printing Company told us that one of the reasons for the high cost of our Proceedings and the delay in delivery, was the type of cover we use. The emblem on the cover in colors requires a die (which will have to be renewed, before we can have any more prints made from it), necessitates sending the work out of the State, as no concern in Delaware does that kind of work. The colors have to be burned in. Our contract is so small that when it is given to a concern outside of the State, consideration is given to larger orders in preference to ours and even though a local printer finishes his part of the work on time, Proceedings cannot be fully finished until the covers are received.

We, therefore, suggest that Recommendation No. 14 in Active Legislation reading as follows:

"That the cover on Proceedings of this Grand Chapter for 1921 and 1922 be adopted as Official Cover for Delaware" be rescinded and a cover such as is used on the Proceedings of most all Grand Jurisdictions, namely, just the printed words:

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE  
YEAR 1947

or whatever the year may be. Color to be whatever the Worthy Grand Matron may desire, providing the cost is normal.

Respectfully submitted,  
MYRTLE L. SAWDON  
FLORENCE C. LANG  
ELIZABETH M. FISHER

*Chairman.*

Motion made by P. W. G. Patron Brother Sawdon, report be accepted and spread upon the minutes with the necessary recommendations complied with. Seconded by P. W. G. Patron Charles Cleaver. Motion adopted.



## REPORT OF EDUCATION LOAN COMMITTEE

P. M. EDITH McLEAN, Chairman

Wilmington, Delaware, May 1, 1947.

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

Greetings:

We, your Committee on the Educational Fund of the Grand Chapter, thank you for the privilege of serving you and are pleased to inform you that we have collected all outstanding loans.

We submit the following report:

Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund, May 1, 1946.....	\$1,348.75
June 17, 1946—Part payment on loan.....	25.00
December 5, 1946—Payment of loan in full.....	588.00
January 9, 1947—Interest to December 31, 1946.....	33.08
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Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund, May 1, 1947.....	\$1,994.83

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH M. McLEAN, *Chairman*

ADDIE SNOWDEN

MAMIE P. WENDLING

HARLAN L. CLOUD

CHESTON R. McCORMICK

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE

J. N. ABBOTT

WILLARD T. LOREMAN

Grand Trustees.

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Amy E. Meyer and seconded by P. W. G. Matron Bessie M. Warrington, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL  
TEMPLE FUND

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

We, Your Committee on International Temple Fund, report that the Subordinate Chapters are 100% and hold certificates to that effect.

We also recommend that this committee be abolished as there is nothing for them to do.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT M. ROGERS, P. G. P.,  
*Chairman.*

GRACE R. HILD

Motion by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, P. G. M., that the report be accepted and recommendation complied with. Seconded by Sister Clara A. Reuter, P. G. M. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

We report as follows: 51 guests, from Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Ohio, District of Columbia, and Canada.

449 members from the State of Delaware.

16 Chapters represented.

19 Grand Officers present.

HOWARD PAYNE

LOIS M. AYRES

MABEL STIRLITH, *Chairman*

Motion by P. G. Patron John LeCompte, seconded by P. G. Patron R. W. Rogers, that the report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS

ELLA F. CLEAVER, *Chairman*

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

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

Under the leadership of Sister Gertrude and Brother Raymond Grubb, the Bethel is growing fast, which you will notice by the following statistics: Twenty-four girls were initiated since our last session with nine more going in at their next stated meeting which will make a total membership of 62.

The Bethel has had many activities for the benefit of its Treasury: covered dish suppers, Christmas card sale, treasure hunt, rummage sales and just this month had a big calendar party which was a very fine affair.

On March 19, a visit of the Supreme Guardian, Laura Wallace, of Washington, proved to be a very enjoyable evening.

On April 2, the Bethel was honored by a visit from the Worthy Grand Matron, Alice C. Abbott, and Worthy Grand Patron, Percy C. Cotty, their staff of Grand Officers, other members of the Order and relatives of the girls, at which time the Grand Officers presented the girls with a gift of money for the purchase of a crown.

On April 27, the girls visited the Bethel at Alexandria, Va., which met in the George Washington Memorial Temple. Nineteen girls, the Grand Guardians, Bethel Guardians and parents of members went. The Grand Guardian and Associate Grand Guardian of Virginia paid their official visit. The initiatory work for ten girls was exemplified which was most beneficial to our girls.

On May 13, there was a Mother and Daughter banquet which proved a beautiful affair with about eighty Mothers and daughters in attendance. Mrs. Laura Wallace and Mrs. Austin, Past Grand Guardian of Virginia, were present.



The Supreme Council session will be held in Washington, D. C., on August 20, 21, 22 and 23. Fifteen of the girls have already registered for this session along with Grand Guardians, Bethel Guardians and Mothers.

The Bethel demonstrated their work in Brandywine Chapter and were invited to Newark Chapter, but were unable to make the trip, so Newark Chapter No. 10 visited with the Bethel.

Several donations have been made by the Bethel including the Red Cross, Drummond case, and Cancer Fund.

The girls sang at the Annual Memorial Service of the Grand Chapter held Sunday evening, May 25, at First and Central Church.

Officers of the Bethel are: Bethel Guardian, Gertrude Grubb; Associate Bethel Guardian, Raymond Grubb; Council Secretary, Mildred Conoway; Council Treasurer, Dorothy Smith, and Director of Music, Lorraine Putzier.

Brother and Sister Grubb, along with the rest of the Council members, would be very happy if the members from the various chapters would show their interest in this group of girls by visiting with them more often.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE R. GRUBB  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Clara Reuter, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Helen West report be accepted, and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF SUMMER BENEFIT COMMITTEE

E. F. CLEAVER, *Chairman*

As Chairman of the Summer Benefit, I wish to submit the following report:

This year, the same as in the last few years, we asked for a donation from each voting member of the Grand Chapter and your committee is very happy to report as follows:

Delaware Chapter No. 1	\$44.00	100%
Mizpah Chapter No. 2	31.00	
Julia M. Story No. 3	36.00	100%
St. John's No. 4	22.00	
Adah No. 5	28.00	100%
Radiant No. 6	26.00	100%
Sussex No. 7	24.00	100%
Caesar Rodney No. 8	20.00	
Georgetown No. 9	25.00	100%
Newark No. 10	30.00	100%
Kent No. 11	36.00	100%
Frankford No. 12	21.00	100%
Five Points No. 13	26.00	100%

*1.00 was collected from each voting delegate  
w.b.m. app-ap. m r p p. in ea chapter to collect  
this money was started during w.w. 2. due to*

*See - Sugar rationing etc. -  
Prior to that a Standard was set up @ 57. Rd. & members took items*



Brandywine No. 14.....	17.00	100%
Victory No. 15.....	10.00	100%
Unity No. 16.....	4.00	100%

Since making up our report Caesar Rodney No. 8 turned in \$5.00 which makes them \$25.00. Total \$395.00

Monday afternoon we received a donation of \$5.00 which will be turned in in our next report, making a Grand Total of \$400.00.

Motion by P. W. G. Matron Helen West, seconded by P. W. G. Patron Walter Sawdon that report be accepted with the correction and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE

P. W. G. MATRON ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, *Chairman*

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers.

Your Sessions Committee met at the home of the Worthy Grand Matron, March 27, to discuss the program for the Twenty-sixth Annual Grand Chapter Session known as the Harmony and Happiness Session.

After complying with our Worthy Grand Matron's request, you see the finished product before you.

We welcome our many guests from all parts of our Eastern Star world and are especially happy to have with us our Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Abbie Hanson.

I wish to thank publicly all who helped us in many ways to make this room (as the Worthy Grand Matron said) beautiful.

There were so many who helped that were not on the committee, I hesitate to mention any names, however, there were three whose names I just cannot keep from telling you how much I appreciate what they have done. Brother James McGrath from Delaware Chapter No. 1, cut the lyres out for us on his power saw and Brother Charles Cleaver, Past Worthy Grand Patron, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, painted and strung them, and last but not least, Sister Mildred Bryan, Associate Conductress and Page from Mizpah Chapter No. 2, who is responsible for our miniature pianos and plaque in the Grand East.

My sincere appreciation to Sister Ella F. Cleaver, P. W. M. from Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, for assuming chairmanship of the luncheon held in the Hotel Rodney this noon, one hundred and twenty-seven guests attended.

I would like the Grand Secretary to send letters of thanks to Mr. H. Herbert Hirzel for use of Palms, Lights and Screens; Board of Education for American Flag; Mrs. Sylvester of the American Red Cross for use of cutting machine for our capes; Hon. Thomas Herlihy and Rev. Carlton M. Harris and to Sister Pearl S. Smith, our nurse and a member of my home Chapter, who has donated her services for



us these two days. I am indeed grateful to her, and her willingness to help those of our members and guests; and to Radiant Chapter for the use of their paraphernalia.

I wish to express my thanks to the many members who helped us with our capes and to Sister Edna Gifford and our Worthy Grand Matron for their part in cutting the capes.

If I have neglected to express my appreciation to any one who helped in any way to bring Harmony and Happiness to this session, please forgive me, for it is unintentional.

Worthy Grand Matron, your committee appreciates their appointment to the Sessions Committee and if we have made you happy, we are pleased for no greater blessing can come to anyone than to be of service to those we love.

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, P. W. G. M.,  
*Chairman.*

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Clara Reuter, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Mary E. Clower, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

P. W. G. PATRON ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, *Chairman*

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

### TRANSPORTATION REPORT

May 22, 1946—Met with Mr. Servine of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, and our Worthy Grand Matron, in the Hotel DuPont to discuss transportation plans to Tampa, Florida, for our Delaware Delegation.

June 3, 1946—Sent letter to all Subordinate Chapters informing them of the exact dates of the General Grand Chapter Session in Tampa, Florida, and of our plans for a private car for the Delaware Delegation as well as the cost of the round trip.

June 20, 1946—Met with Mr. Murdock of the Seaboard Railway Company at the home of our Worthy Grand Matron, relative to transportation for our delegation and of the special scenic tour enroute.

Aug. 21, 1946—Met with Mr. Servine of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at the home of our Worthy Grand Matron, to discuss the final plans for our special car for our delegation to Tampa, Florida.

Oct. 15, 1946—To Pennsylvania Railroad city ticket office to purchase the tickets for all our members who went on the special car. There were twenty-eight of our members in the special car; the other thirteen members going on another railroad or in private automobiles.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Brother J. N. Abbott for his help and advice pertaining to railroad matters which arose from time to time. We greatly appreciated it.

We had a delightful time on the train, everyone seemed comfortable and happy, and I was happy to serve as Chairman of Transportation for the largest delegation from Delaware to ever attend the General Grand Chapter Session.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, P. W. G. P.,  
*Chairman, Transportation.*

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Louise Green, seconded by P. W. G. Matron Bertha Smith, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF SOUVENIR COMMITTEE

P. W. G. MATRON MARTHA KRAPP

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

At the invitation of the Worthy Grand Matron the Committee on Arrangements for General Grand Chapter met at her home on June 16, 1946.

After consultation we selected a souvenir, for distribution among our delegates to G. G. C. As our Worthy Grand Matron was going to New York, she very kindly offered to order them. As our first selection was not available, 400 paper cutters with the O. E. S. emblem on the handle were purchased. Some of these were sold to members and the remainder distributed among our representatives.

MARTHA W. KRAPP

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Sarah E. Riggins and seconded by P. W. G. Matron Helen West, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BADGES FOR TRIENNIAL OF GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER IN FLORIDA

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

We selected as a color scheme for our badges, Gold and Blue, our State colors. The ribbon gold and the word "Delaware" in blue. Under the name Delaware, the Blue Hen's Chicks, as our State is known as the Blue Hen State.

The story is: Captain Jonathan Caldwell, who served in Col. John Haslet's regiment in the Revolution, carried with them gamecocks of a celebrated "Blue Hen" strain, developed in Kent County and noted for their fighting ability. It is said that Delaware men never lost a battle while carrying these birds. However, one hundred and sixty-three years were to roll over Delaware before both Houses



of our Legislature at Dover, in 1939, unanimously passed a Bill making the "Blue Hen" the State's official bird. This "Blue Hen" is supposed to be on the top of our State Flag.

Fraternally submitted,

M. ETTA KEYS, P. W. G. M.

Motion made by P. W. G. Matron Louise Green and seconded by P. W. G. Patron Charles Cleaver that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

We, the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws in conjunction with the Jurisprudence Committee have received the amendments to the By-Laws of the Subordinate Chapters as previously approved by the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, and report as follows:

### FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13—May 17, 1946:

Increase the salary of Secretary and Treasurer to \$60.00 and \$10.00 respectively, to be retroactive as of January 1, 1946. We approve.

The above appears to be more a motion of the Chapter that would require an amendment. Same should be presented in form of amendment to read:

"Strike out \$40.00, Art. 8, Sec. 2, insert \$60.00;  
Strike out \$3.00, Art 8, Sec. 2, insert \$10.00."

Motion by P.W.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by P.W.G.P. Walter Sawdon, that the amendment be approved and the recommendation complied with. Motion adopted.

### FRANKFORD CHAPTER No. 12—Dec. 3, 1946:

Article 1, Section 2-A: "Change date of meeting when it falls on legal holiday. Then meeting to be held the following day after each holiday, at 8.00 P. M."

Motion by P.W.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by P.W.G.P. Robert W. Larrimore, that this amendment be approved. Motion adopted.

### VICTORY CHAPTER No. 15—March 8, 1947:

Article 1, Section 2-2A: "When the regular meeting night falls on a Grand Chapter Session, this meeting will be discontinued." We approve this change, but recommend that it be re-worded to read:

"When the stated meeting night occurs during the Annual Grand Chapter Session, this stated meeting will not be held."

Motion by P.W.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by P.W.G.P. Walter Sawdon, the amendment be approved. Motion adopted.

### RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6—March 31, 1947:

Article 1, Sec. 3: "The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month excepting July and August."

Motion by P.W.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by P.W.G.P. Robert Gallaher that this be approved. Motion adopted.

UNITY CHAPTER No. 16—April 3, 1947:

Article 1, Section 2: "The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8.00 o'clock P. M. There will be no meetings during July and August. No meetings will be held on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, the evening preceding or the evening of Grand Chapter Session. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Worthy Matron, due notice having been given to the members, and only such business transacted as may be specified in the notice."

We approve this change, but recommend rewording same to read:

"No meeting will be held Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, or when stated meeting conflicts with the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter, or on evening of Grand Chapter Banquet."

Motion by Sister Florence Fader, seconded by P.W.G.M. Helen C. West, that this change be approved. Motion adopted.

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3—May 13, 1947:

Article 2, Section 1, insert after the first paragraph:

"When a stated meeting conflicts with a regular meeting of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, said meeting may be omitted by a majority vote of those members present at the preceding stated meeting."

We approve this paragraph but recommend the word "regular" be changed to "annual."

Motion by P.W.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by P.W.G.M. Sarah E. Riggin, amendment be approved as reworded. Motion adopted.

APPROVED BY CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW COMMITTEE

S. A. HELLEN, *Chairman*

JANE C. ZEBLEY

CHARLES V. CLEAVER

The following change was recommended in Constitution and By-Laws, because of the fact that we now have sixteen subordinate chapters in our Grand Jurisdiction and the number necessary to constitute a quorum should be increased:

ARTICLE VII, SEC. 1, PAGE 10:

"Representatives or their proxies regularly appointed, of five subordinate chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, and one of the first four elective officers, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business."

We recommend that the word "FIVE" be deleted and the word "NINE" be supplied, making the Section 1 to read:



“Representatives or their proxies, regularly appointed, of NINE subordinate chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, and one of the first four elected officers shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.”

JANE C. ZEBLEY  
CHARLES V. CLEAVER  
S. A. HELLEN, *Chairman*

Motion by P.W.G.P. Charles C. Cleaver, seconded by P.W.G. Patron Robert W. Larrimore, that the change be approved. Motion adopted.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the report of the Jurisprudence Committee on the report of the Worthy Grand Patron be received.

Motion by P.W.G.M. Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by P.W.G. Patron Walter Sawdon, that the Worthy Grand Patron's Report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

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

We, your Committee appointed to endeavor to clarify some of the articles in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, submit the following report:

After many hours of careful study and consideration, we suggest the following procedure: THAT—

Article IV, Sec. 8, Page 9, be re-written to clarify the meaning: It now reads: “No person except Worthy Grand Matron, Asso. Grand Patron and Grand Treasurer, shall be installed as an elective officer in this Grand Chapter and no member of the Board of Instructors can serve, unless she holds a Certificate of Proficiency from the Board of Instructors, in the secret work, initiation work of the Ritual, the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of this Grand Chapter and fundamental parliamentary rules.”

IT WILL THEN READ:

“The Worthy Grand Matron, Asso. Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Asso. Grand Conductress, Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturer shall not be installed as an elective or appointed officer in this Grand Chapter until she holds a Certificate of Proficiency in Class ‘A’.”

Article V, Sec. 1, page 9. It now reads: “The annual meeting of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington on the third Wednesday of May at 2.00 o'clock P. M. or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron in any town or city in Delaware where there is a subordinate chapter.”

IT WILL THEN READ:

“The annual meeting of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington on the third Monday of May at 2.00 o'clock P.M., or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron, in any town or city

in the State of Delaware, where there is a subordinate chapter. If satisfactory accommodations are not available at the time stated, the Worthy Grand Matron may select any time within a week prior to, or following the above-mentioned date."

Article VI, Sec. 1, Page 9, REPRESENTATIVES AND PROXIES:  
Re-write to clarify:

"Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons have one personal vote each. A Worthy Matron, who is also a Past Worthy Matron has one vote. A Worthy Matron who is a Past Worthy Matron and holds the proxy of the Worthy Patron has two votes. A Worthy Matron holding the proxies of both the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron has three votes. (The same rule applies conversely to the Worthy Patron, Asso. Matron and Asso. Patron). No one shall cast more than three votes. Representatives of Chapters in arrears for dues shall not vote unless so ordered by two-thirds vote of the delegates present in the Grand Chapter. No Chapter under dispensation shall have the right to representation in this Grand Chapter until after the Grand Chapter votes to give them a Charter, after which the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Asso. Matron and Asso. Patron if present shall have all the privileges of membership in the Grand Chapter, not in conflict with these laws."

The only change we suggest in this paragraph is the sentence reading: "The same rule applies conversely to the Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Asso. Patron."

After the change, this sentence would then read:

"Neither an Associate Matron, nor Associate Patron may appoint a proxy, but either may carry a proxy of the Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron."

Article 8, Sec. 1, Page 10. "Change 2.00 o'clock P. M. Thursday" to read as follows:

"2.00 o'clock P. M. on the second day of Grand Session."

Page 18, paragraph 8, "BOND" and Page 19, Sec. 6, paragraph 1, "BOND." Combine this in one paragraph under "Blanket Bond" reading as follows:

"A Blanket Bond covering the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, shall be secured from a solvent and satisfactory Guaranty Company, authorized to transact business in the State of Delaware, in such form as is deemed necessary, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of their duties as prescribed by the Constitution. The premium for this Blanket Bond shall be paid by this Grand Chapter."

These are the only changes we suggest in the wording of the present Constitution and By-Laws.



We recommend, however, that items under "Active Legislation of the Grand Chapter—Approved Recommendations—be omitted from our Proceedings and included in our Book of Instructions.

Signed:

S. A. HELLEN, *Chairman*  
 JANE C. ZEBLEY  
 CHARLES V. CLEAVER  
 ALICE C. ABBOTT, W.G.M.  
 PERCY C. COTTY, W.G.P.  
 ELIZABETH M. FISHER, Gr. Sec.

RECOMMENDATION BY PAST WORTHY GRAND MATRON  
 SISTER SARAH E. RIGGIN

I would like to present to the Grand Chapter the problem of a meeting place in 1948. We have been advised that we cannot have the DuBarry Room or the Gold Ball Room on any Wednesday, therefore, until the Recommendation of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee has had two readings and become a law of this Grand Chapter, will the Grand Chapter declare an emergency and grant permission to hold our Grand Session Opening on the Third Wednesday of May, recessing until the Fourth Monday and Tuesday of May 1948, which will be the 24th and 25th of May and that the Grand Chapter bear the expense of the rental of the Gold Ball Room as we have out-grown the DuBarry Room.

Motion by Sister Riggan, seconded by Brother Thomas Rodway, that this recommendation be approved. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

It was moved by P.W.G. Patron Walter Sawdon, seconded by Bro. Cheston McCormick that the report of the committee on the re-editing be laid aside until the evening session when more members would be present to discuss this important legislation.

Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter to recess to resume labor at 8.00 P. M.

**TUESDAY 8.00 P. M.**

Grand Chapter called from recess to labor at 8.00 P. M.

Grand Session called to order by General Session Chairman, P.W.G.M. Elizabeth E. Pierce, presenting P.W.G.M. Sarah E. Riggan and P.W.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver, who opened the Session.

Opening Ode—I Love to Tell the Story.

Reading of the minutes of afternoon session. Approved as read.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO RE-EDIT  
SOME OF THE ARTICLES IN THE CONSTITUTION  
AND BY-LAWS OF GRAND CHAPTER

The items to be re-edited were taken up seriatim:

Article IV, Sec. 8, Page 9. After re-editing will read:

"The Worthy Grand Matron, Asso. Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Asso. Grand Conductress, Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturer, shall not be installed as an elective or appointed officer in this Grand Chapter until she holds a Certificate of Proficiency in Class 'A'."

Motion by P.G.M. Sister Jane C. Zebley, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that this change be made. Motion adopted.

Article V, Sec. 1, Page 9. After re-editing will read:

"The annual meeting of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington on the third Monday of May at 2.00 o'clock P.M., or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron in any town or city in the State of Delaware, where there is a subordinate chapter. If satisfactory accommodations are not available at the time stated, the Worthy Grand Matron may select any time within a week prior to, or following the above-mentioned date."

Motion by P.G.M. Sister Amy E. Meyer, seconded by Brother Thomas C. Rodway, that this change be made. Motion adopted.

Article VI, Sec. 1, Page 9. Representatives and Proxies.

The sentence in this Article to be changed is the one reading: "The same rule applies conversely to the Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron." After re-editing it will read:

"Neither an Associate Matron nor Associate Patron may appoint a proxy, but either may carry a proxy of the Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron."

Motion by P.G.M. Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Jane C. Zebley, that this change be made. Motion adopted.

Article 8, Section 1, Page 10. "Change 2.00 o'clock P.M. Thursday to read: '2.00 o'clock P.M. on the *Second* day of Grand Session'."

Motion by P.G.M. Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, seconded by P.G.P. Brother John LeCompte, that this change be made. Motion adopted.

Page 18, paragraph 8, "Bond" and Page 19, Sec. 6, paragraph 1, "Bond" combine in one paragraph under "Blanket Bond" reading as follows:

"A Blanket Bond covering the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, shall be secured from a solvent and satisfactory Guaranty Company, authorized to transact business in the State of Delaware, in such form as is deemed necessary, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of their duties as prescribed by the Constitution. The premium for this Blanket Bond shall be paid by this Grand Chapter."



Motion by P. G. Matron, Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, seconded by P. G. P. Brother Walter E. Sawdon, that these two paragraphs be combined as suggested. Motion adopted.

Suggestion was made by the Committee that items under "Active Legislation" of Grand Chapter—Approved Recommendations, be omitted from our Proceedings and included in our Constitution.

After considerable discussion, it was decided that the incoming Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee to work on these items of Legislation and also the Approved Decisions and present them again at next Grand Chapter Session.

## REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

SARA S. MACNAMEE, ASSO. Grand Matron

Assisted by Grand Conductress MARIE L. ROBERTS and ASSO. Grand Conductress DORA FITZGERALD

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

To have had the privilege along with the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress of traveling far and wide, visiting in fancy the Grand Sessions of other Grand Jurisdictions, visioning as we read the beauty of the surroundings, the dignity of the work and the legislation enacted, has greatly enriched our vision of service and knowledge of our Order and now we wish to share this experience with every member of our Star. However, time and space do not permit our telling you how our Order shines with undiminished lustre through countless lives. No one can review these Proceedings without gaining a feeling of increased pride in the privilege we have of being members of this beautiful Order of the Eastern Star.

For the benefit of those attending Grand Chapter for the first time, we are glad to review a few items of general information.

The Order of the Eastern Star was founded in 1850. There are now over 12,000 Chapters and the membership today more than 2,000,000. Michigan claims to be the oldest Grand Chapter, having celebrated its Seventy-fifth (75th) Anniversary in 1942. Because it used another name than the Order of the Eastern Star during its earlier years, New York discredits this claim and claims the honor for her Jurisdiction. Delaware is the smallest Grand Chapter in the United States; Illinois the largest, and Topeka, Kansas, has the largest subordinate Chapter with a membership of over 1,700. The Holy Bible, within whose pages we seek divine guidance, is reverently placed upon the Altar of all Jurisdictions. Our Flag is the Guest of Honor, it is presented at all Grand Sessions. Sharing such honors were the Christian Flag, Eastern Star Flag, State Flag and in some Grand Jurisdictions, the Union Jack is accorded the honor as the Stars and Stripes. In deep reverence each Grand Chapter pauses from its deliberations to pay loving tribute to the memory of the sisters and brothers who have been called to the Grand Chapter above.

Our International Temple is located in Washington, D. C. It flies no flag, but a large electric Star, in a pentagon, surrounded by a circle sends forth its light.

It has been a wonderful year for the Eastern Star world, much benevolent work was accomplished. Chapters are gaining in membership and the Order is steadily moving forward.

A new year lies before us, filled with responsibilities that call for Divine guidance, Love and Loyalty. On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, we extend cordial greetings to the Fraternal Correspondents of other Grand Jurisdictions and thank them for the excellent reviews of the work in Delaware. To you, Sister Elizabeth, our Grand Secretary, goes my sincere thanks for your promptness in giving the Proceedings to me.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,

SARA S. MACNAMEE,

*Associate Grand Matron.*

#### ARKANSAS—1945.

"Peace" Session opened with pageant of World Brotherhood and Peace, and dedicated to those who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II that we might have Freedom and Peace. \$3,654.87 was raised to support Worthy Grand Matron's project, a Temple Fund for an Eastern Star Temple. Annual session date changed to March.

#### ARIZONA—1946.

Most Worthy Grand Matron was honored guest at the "Peace" Session which was opened by a member of the Credentials Committee of the General Grand Chapter. Member has made a will bequeathing 20 acres in Phoenix to be used as a Home for elderly people. Grand Secretary is making card file for every member. Has more than seventy-one thousand dollars as a nucleus for Eastern Star Home. Purchased sixteen projectors and microfilm for special project for Veterans Hospitals, "Projected Books."

#### ALBERTA.

25th Annual Session (Fidelity Session) was held June 5, 1946. Colors Blue and Silver. Motto—Blest Be the Tie That Binds. The Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were joined together depicting the friendship between our two nations.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA—1946.

Celebrated their "Jewel" Session as Province of Canada was 75 years old and the Grand Chapter, 35 years old. Grand Electa of Washington gave tribute to Stars and Stripes in ceremony with Union Jack. Held three Special Sessions for Instituting Chapters. Extended invitation to General Grand Chapter to meet in Toronto in 1950. Special project of Worthy Grand Matron raised more than three thousand dollars for a Cancer Fund, also aided Crippled Children's Hospitals in Victoria and Vancouver.

#### COLORADO—Fifty-third Session (Bluebird Session)

In one chapter the Conductress and Associate Conductress had the honor of initiating their other two sisters.



In eighteen chapters the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons are husband and wife. In one chapter, a Mother and Son are Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron. The son's wife is Secretary and his sister, Treasurer. Two chapters celebrated their Golden Anniversary.

In one chapter the Secretary has held her office for thirty-two years. During World War II, the Job's Daughters donated fifty cents per capita towards the purchase of thirteen fully equipped ambulances which were sent overseas. Each vehicle carried a name-plate, "International Order of Job's Daughters."

#### CONNECTICUT.

Seventy-first and Seventy-second combined Annual Session (Faith Session).

Sister Ruth A. Jones, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, is a member of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut.

Order of the Rainbow is sponsored and have twenty-one regularly constituted Assemblies, a membership of 1,606.

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Grand Chapter Room was decorated in gold and the Session was designated "Golden Session" for the Fiftieth Anniversary.

Three chapters in the District celebrated their fiftieth anniversaries. The Grand Secretary, Sister Rose A. Yost, tendered her resignation after serving the Grand Chapter as Secretary for forty-six years.

#### INDIANA—1946.

"Dawn of Light" Session dedicated to Worthy Grand Matron's father, and loved parents of all members. Special presentation for Sister Abbie Hanson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress, for whom a special song contest resulted in "Indiana, Eastern Star and You" theme song. Proceeds of Grand Ball for purchase of Seeing Eye dogs. Dedicated 921 babies to principles of our Order. Aids in maintaining Masonic Home.

#### IDAHO.

Forty-fourth Annual Session (Idaho Session) June 11, 1946.

Mrs. Mamie Lander, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was an honored guest and spoke of her many travels to the different Grand Jurisdictions. An Afghan campaign was sponsored. Seventy-one Afghans were made for the Service men and women during the war.

#### ILLINOIS.

Peace was the predominating feature at the Seventy-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Illinois which convened at Chicago, October 2nd, 1946.

The Worthy Grand Matron in her first Official Communication to the Subordinate Chapters made an appeal that a coin collection

be taken Guest Night. From a generous response she was able to present to Chicago Chapter of the American Red Cross \$15,000 from the members.

Special Funds are: Flower Fund, this was used to help many Sisters who, though in need of a bit of financial aid, had hearts too proud to bare them; Special Charity Fund, Charity Endeavor Fund, Macon Improvement Fund, and Masonic Service Fund.

#### IOWA.

The Sixty-eighth Annual Session which the Worthy Grand Matron had designated as the Peace Session, convened in the Scottish Rite Temple, Des Moines, Iowa. This was the first time the Session was ever held in the Scottish Rite Temple. Their project for the year, making cookies, candy, and carpet rags for the service hospitals turned in amazing results. For example, 3,500 pounds of candy were contributed to the various service hospitals. 4,500 pounds of carpet rags to be made into carpet or rugs for the service hospitals. 20,000 dozens of cookies.

#### KANSAS.

The Seventieth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Kansas convened April 16, 1946. "Know-Control-Give Thyself" was the Motto chosen by the Worthy Grand Matron.

The Fiftieth Anniversary of twelve chapters were celebrated this year in Eastern Star Chapel at the Kansas Masonic Home at Wichita, Kansas.

The Kansas Grand Chapter honors its Fifty-Year Members by giving them a Fifty-Year Gold Service Jewel.

A loving cup was presented to Sister Ella Williams in special recognition as the oldest member present in point of service, the cup is held for one year.

#### KENTUCKY.

The formal opening of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky took place in Louisville, October, 1945. The "Rainbow of Peace" Session was dedicated to the daughter of the Worthy Grand Matron.

Eight new chapters were instituted during the year and several other chapters in the making. A trip to La Grange, Ky., was made to pay honor and respect to the founder of this beautiful Order, the late Bro. Robert Morris.

Hospital circles are sponsored for the purpose of bringing "good cheer and companionship" to members of the Order of the Eastern Star and Masonic Fraternity who are not affiliated in our District, but who are ill in hospitals or private homes.

#### LOUISIANA—1945.

Due to the Federal ban on conventions, was unable to hold regular session, but through ballots mailed to a committee and tabulated, election of Grand Officers was held, except Associate Grand



Conductress, and officers installed at emergency session in June. Supports Home for Aged, and presented station wagon to Masonic Home for Children.

#### MAINE—1946.

"Peace" Session was dedicated to Grand Secretary for 25 years service. Gavel used is property of Masonic Museum of Greensboro, N. C., made from oak, cedar, and poplar wood taken from decisive Revolutionary War battle ground. Thirty-one Worthy Grand Matrons and one Most Worthy Grand Matron have used it, and after traveling to all Grand Jurisdictions will be placed in the Greensboro Masonic Museum. Grand Officers conferred degrees in three chapters. Special project of incoming Worthy Grand Matron is establishment of a Maine Eastern Star Wheat Fund for UNRRA. Mourn passing of Grand Treasurer Emeritus.

#### MISSOURI.

The Seventy-seventh Annual Session (Harmony Session) Oct. 14-16, 1946, was dedicated to the Worthy Grand Matron's Mother.

Education Fund, Masonic Home, Job's Daughters and Rainbow for Girls is sponsored.

The Project for the year was Cottage Fund for children of Masonic Home. A check of \$8,952 was to be given to the Cottage Fund.

In two chapters, a mother was Worthy Matron and a son Worthy Patron. Hon. Harry S. Truman, President of U. S. A., a Past Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, A. F. & A. M., is a Past Patron of Grandview Chapter, O. E. S., Grandview, Missouri.

#### MONTANA.

The Fifty-seventh Session (Rainbow Session) Aug. 24-25, 1946. The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons, A. F. & A. M., Mr. Carlisle Kenyon, addressed the Grand Session. Job's Daughters and Order of Rainbow for Girls is sponsored.

The Project for the year was "Smiles for a Dime" Fund. \$2,509.33 was contributed to the maintenance of Rehabilitation of Youth in School and State Homes. \$2,500.00 was given to U. S. Veterans Hospital at Ft. Harrison for an electric organ.

#### MINNESOTA.

The Sixty-eighth (Garden of Faith Session) May 13-15, 1946. In the Grand East was arranged a lovely garden, the color scheme was green and silver. The American and Canadian flags were presented. The Gavel used by Worthy Grand Matron was loaned by a chapter in Canada as a token of friendship between the chapters of our two nations.

Job's Daughters, Red Cross, Veterans Hospital are sponsored. Worthy Grand Matron's Project was the "Masonic Home Maintenance Fund." \$12,000.00 was given to this fund. In this Home are some members of the Eastern Star.

## MARYLAND.

Forty-seventh and Forty-eighth Annual Session of Maryland, April 20-24, 1946.

The Session was opened on Easter Sunday. Color scheme was white and gold. Motto—"The Loyalty and Courage of Today Becomes the Peace and Victory of Tomorrow." The Patriotic Service Fund was sponsored.

## MONTANA.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Montana convened at Missoula, Montana. This was designated as the "Golden Rule Peace Session." The meeting was opened with an organ prelude. The standard bearers entered, bearing to the East the American Flag, the Union Jack, the Eastern Star Banner and the Christian Flag. The Bible was placed on the Altar as the choir sang "The Lord Is My Shepherd."

A Penny a Week War Service project was sponsored and a Clubmobile purchased.

## MISSISSIPPI.

The Fortieth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of the State of Mississippi was designated as the "Builder's Session." It convened in the Shrine Mosque, Meridan, Miss., April 16th.

This Session was dedicated to people everywhere who witness to the Word of God, and hold fast in the face of persecution to their Christian Confessions. The Motto—"Let every man take heed how he buildeth." I Cor. 3rd Chapter, 10th verse.

While presiding over the "Builder's Session," the Worthy Grand Matron used a gavel that was sent to her by her husband when he was serving overseas in the Armed Forces of our country. The mallet is made of genuine Algerian briar from Africa. The handle is of carved ivory from Italy.

## MANITOBA.

A large audience assembled for the Informal Opening of the Twenty-fourth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba. A silk velvet curtain with a five-colored Star thereon formed the background of the East. Over the Star was a white dove in flight carrying a banner with the Worthy Grand Matron's Motto, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

The back of the Star point chairs were covered with white floral decorations with the letters "FAITH" outlined in green.

The Grand Chapter Project for the year, a portable X-ray Machine to be used in Manitoba. Every chapter in the Grand Jurisdiction responded generously to the appeal.

## NEBRASKA 1946.

Combined 70th and 71st Session dedicated to Most Worthy Grand Patron, Harold T. Landeryou. Welcomes by Worthy Grand Matron most unique as she used various flowers in symbolizing



different greetings to her "Garden." Supports both Masonic Home for Aged and Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children. Issues both Certificates and Pins to fifty-year members. New Officers installed by Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lander.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK—1946.

Home jurisdiction of Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, R. Donald Stewart, held a "Friendship" Session. In Flag Presentation, Stars and Stripes honored as well as Union Jack, and presented by the Worthy Grand Matron of Maine, assisted by a Past Worthy Grand Matron of Maine. Mourns loss of their first Worthy Grand Matron. Replaced Educational Fund with a \$100.00 yearly Memorial Scholarship.

#### NEW JERSEY.

The 76th Annual Session was held at Atlantic City, "Rainbow Peace Session." Order of Rainbow for Girls, Eastern Star Home, Relief Fund and Rehabilitation was sponsored.

The Rainbow Peace Fund was to help the needy sisters and brothers; boys and girls in service and hospitals. Over \$15,000 was contributed towards this fund. The Worthy Grand Patron's project was to furnish electric razors to the blinded Veterans in the hospitals. Over eight dozen razors were given and \$3,421.90 was given to this fund.

Musical instruments, bowling alleys, and over \$200 was given for 'phone calls for Veterans on Mother's Day, to the Tilden and England Hospitals.

#### NORTH DAKOTA.

The 52nd Annual Session "Service for Peace Session", June 19, 21, 1946. Motto, "Service With Courage and Faith."

Generous support was given in time and money to the Red Cross, Florence Nightingale Home, Masonic Service and the O. E. S. Home.

The Service Fund was to supply needed equipment to the North Dakota Children's Home, San Haven Sanatorium, and the O. E. S. Home. The Worthy Grand Matron was an honored guest of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of North Dakota and presented a check to be used for Masonic Service Work.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The 56th Annual Session of New Hampshire convened in the Masonic Temple, at Manchester, Sept. 12-14, 1946. This was known as "Electa's Session." Motto, "Love One Another."

Distinguished guests were Gov. Charles Dale, Mayor Benoit, who gave civic addresses of welcome, and Horace J. McAllister, of the Grand Lodge of Masons of New Hampshire, who gave a Masonic welcoming address.

Educational, Benevolent, Rehabilitation, Order of Rainbow for Girls is sponsored; and also Eastern Star "Home Fund." 5058 clothing, shoes, bedding, etc, was collected for the Victory Clothing

Drive. Contributions of gifts, money and entertainment are given to the Masonic Home. There are 16 Eastern Star members in the Masonic Home and one Sister 90 years old.

#### NEW MEXICO.

The 44th Session (Harmony Session) Oct. 24-26, 1946. In the Grand East was a huge golden Lyre with the word "Harmony" in golden letters hung from a center curtain.

Widows and Orphans Fund, Rainbow for Girls, Job's Daughters, and Educational Fund is sponsored. The major project was Red Cross. The Grand Chapter was awarded the Citation from the U. S. Treasury Dept. for service rendered in behalf of War Finance Program. New Mexico has a "Seeing Eye Dog" Fund.

#### OHIO.

The 57th Session was held in Cleveland Oct. 22-24, 1946. "Star Lustre Session." Outstanding project for the year, Rehabilitation Fund; Rice Bowl Fund. \$9,763.62 contributed to Rehabilitation Fund, \$4,006.41 to the Rice Bowl Fund. Ohio spent more than \$6,000 in purchasing brooms from the blind.

#### OKLAHOMA.

The 37th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Oklahoma, dedicated the "Rose Session," convened in November. Civic and Fraternal welcomes were given.

A "Festal Day Fund" is taken to celebrate in some appropriate manner the birthday of Robert Morris. This special fund is oftimes used for our children and older folk at the Masonic Home.

At one school of instruction the Worthy Grand Matron and her sister, acting as Conductress and Associate Conductress, presented their mother for introduction.

#### ONTARIO.

The 31st Annual Session, "Let Your Light Shine." Benevolent Fund, Florence Nightingale Home Fund is sponsored. Sunnybrook Hospital received \$5,651.80 from the Worthy Grand Matron's Project.

Mrs. Vincent Massy presented a check to Queen Mary from the O. E. S. Patriotic Association for the British Invalid Children's Aid. A toast to the King and the President of the United States of America was proposed by William Calvert, Worthy Grand Patron.

#### OREGON—1946.

"Chapel Session" convened in Portland with beautiful chapel window as main theme of decoration. Special project was raising \$2,686.32 for Tractor fully equipped for Masonic and Eastern Star Home. Three chapters celebrated fifty years of service.

#### PENNSYLVANIA—1946.

Dedicated to the memory of Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Anna L. Windolph, the "Sunrise Session" opened informally with a pageant "Facing the Sunrise." Worthy Grand Matron presented



Board of Western Pennsylvania O. E. S. Home with \$1,000 (given to her as a personal gift) to furnish infirmary in memory of Sister Windolph. Have Memorial Chapel Fund created to add a chapel to Eastern Pennsylvania O. E. S. Home. From collection on last day of session, \$600 was presented to Jaffa Shrine for work of Crippled Children's Hospitals.

#### QUEBEC—1945.

At the "Esther" Session the tribute to the Stars and Stripes was given by the Worthy Grand Matron of Vermont. Mourned the loss of their Grand Electa in October. Chinese Bowl for destitute Chinese children was carried to all inspections of the Worthy Grand Matron.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA.

The 39th Annual Session of South Carolina, June 18, 1946. The "Daisy Session." Colors, Green and Yellow. The Motto, "Simplicity, Sincerity and Service" in cut-out letters of yellow with a green background.

Time and money were given to Red Cross, T. B. Association, Nurses' Aid Service, Polio Relief and Cancer Fund. Clothing and shoes were given to the National Clothing Drive.

A Foundation Fund was sponsored for the Aged and Dependent Sisters and Brothers. Six new chapters instituted.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA.

The 58th Annual Session (Garden Session) Oct. 9, 1946. Blue and Silver Colors for the year carried out by Blue Stars and Silver Stars festooned over the Grand East. Educational, Home, Rehabilitation Funds are sponsored, also Job's Daughters. Motto, "Be Ye Kind," was carried out in the Project for the year. "Kindness Cottage," which is a freewill offering for every kindness shown you during the year, is to increase the Endowment Fund.

#### SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER OF SCOTLAND—1945-1946.

In addition to Grand Committee meetings, holds half-yearly meeting in October and annual meeting in March. Grand Officers known as "Grand Officer Bearers" with the exception of Star Points are elected. Has Senior and Junior Chaplains, both men. Outstanding work, Annuity Fund.

#### TENNESSEE.

The 45th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee convened in Chattanooga, March 18, 1946. The setting for the "Love and Loyalty" Session was appropriate, and beautiful in its simplicity. The decorations of red and white were in keeping with that thought.

Dispensations for seven new chapters were granted during the year. The benevolent committee gave a wonderful report; they co-operated with the Red Cross, Salvation Army, The Church, and other organizations in helping send money, fruit, flowers, cards and magazines, Bibles, and literature to the sick and shut-ins.

Fraternal greetings and all good wishes from the 48,000 Masons of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was brought by the Most Worshipful Master.

#### TEXAS—1946.

Amid a garden setting, dedicated to "Our Mothers" the "Sharing" Session was opened by the first Rainbow Girl in any jurisdiction to preside as Worthy Grand Matron. Honor guests were Sister Mamie Lander, Most Worthy Grand Matron, and W. Mark Sexton, Past Grand Patron of Oklahoma, founder of Order of Rainbow for Girls. Memorial Gates in memory of a Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and two Past Most Worthy Grand Patrons were given to Eastern Star Home. Fraternal Correspondent gave report in verse, assisted by Grand Representatives to Texas of other jurisdictions, who presented red roses in ceremony to Sister Lander and Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Vollus.

#### VERMONT—1946.

"Rainbow" Session dedicated to Grand Secretary Emeritus and Past Grand Matron. In exchange of honors, tribute to Union Jack was given by the Worthy Grand Matron of Quebec, when presented by the Grand Marshal of Quebec. In addition to 11 Deputy Grand Matrons appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron, also 11 Deputy Grand Patrons appointed by the Worthy Grand Patron, and they make annual reports to Grand Chapter. Special project, "Penny-a-Week Club" which deposited \$5,617.19 in the "Pot-o-Gold" at the foot of the Rainbow used for decoration, for the use of the Eastern Star Home.

#### WEST VIRGINIA.

The 43rd Annual Session, Oct. 1-3, 1946. Worthy Grand Matron's Project for the year was Education and Rehabilitation. \$2,500.00 was given for this Fund. In one of the chapters, a Brother 80 years old sings for initiation and is accompanied by his wife who is also 80 years old.

#### WASHINGTON—1946.

At the "Tolerance" Session, the Union Jack was honored with our own Stars and Stripes. Grand Secretary, Sister Mabel C. Clark, completed 25 years in office, was given a "Silver Shower," and re-elected. Created with \$10,000 an Endowment Fund to be presented to Masonic Grand Lodge for use in aiding a Masonic Home Hospital.

#### WYOMING.

The 47th Annual Session was held in Shrine Temple at Rawlins, Wyoming, Aug. 27-29, 1946. Known as "Harmony and Happiness Session." Frank J. Myers, Most Worshipful Grand Master of A. F. & A. M. of Wyoming, was welcomed.

The Grand Session was addressed by the Hon. Lester C. Hunt, Governor of Wyoming. Rehabilitation was one of the projects for the year. Hundreds of pounds of clothing, shoes and other articles were given to the Victory Clothing Drive.



A member of one of the chapters has adopted a family from Holland, mother, father, and two children, and also sends to them a package each week.

It was moved by Brother Horace Fulmer and seconded by Sister Florence Lang that report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

It was moved by Sister Sarah Riggin and seconded by Brother Walter Sawdon that the report of the Worthy Grand Patron be accepted and spread in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

It was moved by Brother Charles Cleaver, seconded by Sister Bessie M. Warrington, that the bills for entertaining our guests, as well as all the bills for Grand Chapter be paid and an order drawn on the Treasury for their respective amounts when approved by the Finance Committee. Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Matron had Brother Charles Krapf, a member of Newark Chapter, presented in the West, escorted East and given a hand of welcome. The Worthy Grand Matron also presented Brother Krapf with a gift.

Brother Charles Cleaver made a motion, seconded by Sister Jane Zebley, that the incoming Worthy Grand Matron go over the approved decisions and revise them and report back to this Grand Body. Also go over the Rules and Regulations governing our Grand Chapter, and those of Subordinate Chapters if time permits.

A motion was made by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Sister Jane C. Zebley, that \$10.00 be donated to the Star Treble Chorus. Motion adopted.

Motion was made by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Sister Bessie M. Warrington, that all Worthy Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patrons, Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons from other Jurisdictions who attended our grand sessions be made Honorary Members of our Grand Chapter. Motion adopted.

Sister Sarah Riggin made a motion that we send Sister Anna Stausebach flowers with a note telling her she was missed at this Grand Session. Motion seconded by Sister Amy E. Meyer. Motion adopted.

Motion was made by Sister Bertha M. Smith that flowers be sent to Sister Gladys Guerke in the Delaware Hospital. Motion seconded by Sister Anna Belle Sauter. Motion adopted.

Sister Wright of Maryland thanked the Grand Chapter for her Honorary Membership.

Bro. Steininger, W. G. Patron of Maryland, thanked the Grand Chapter for Honorary Membership.

Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce made a motion, seconded by Sister Amy E. Meyer, that all Grand Representatives to Delaware including Mr. Booth, husband of the Grand Representative from Alberta, Canada, be made Honorary Members of this Grand Body. Motion adopted.

Sister Booth, Grand Representative from Canada, thanked the Grand Chapter for their Honorary Membership, saying they were very happy to be at our Grand Session, having come all the way from Alberta, and proud to be a representative to Delaware. Sister Booth said she would carry back home the good friendship and goodwill and before leaving she extended Fraternal Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Alberta and her own Chapter.

Sister Madeline Litchfield thanked the Grand Chapter for making her a Grand Representative to Alberta, Canada, and was delighted to have the Grand Representative to Delaware from Alberta as her guest, along with Mr. Booth, for this Session.

Sister Daisy Bull, Grand Representative from New York, thanked the Grand Chapter for her Honorary Membership and was very happy to be able to attend this Session.

Sister Alice Wim, Grand Representative from Ohio, thanked the Grand Body for her Honorary Membership which she deemed quite an honor to receive.

Sister Louise Craiglow, Past Grand Matron from Washington, thanked the Grand Chapter for her Honorary Membership and included the Worthy Grand Patron of Washington, since he had to leave early.

Delaware Chapter No. 1 put on a drill for the Junior Past Worthy Grand Patron and presented him with a gift.

Sister Esther Schaeffer, of Newark Chapter No. 10, presented the Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron with a gift after which Sister Kay Gibbs, of Newark Chapter, sang a solo to Sister Abbott.

Remarks by Sister Abbie Hanson, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron:

I am sure I cannot say what is in my heart or what I would like to say to you, Worthy Grand Matron and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware. I have been received so courteously and you have been so gracious to me. I want you to know I love you and I will carry away with me pleasant memories of my first visit to the Grand Chapter of Delaware. We are coming to the close of a beautiful session and happy year. We cannot retrace our steps. We cannot travel the road again, and so to you, Alice and Percy, as you close your year, we congratulate you and then, to the incoming Worthy Grand Matron, may the Lord bless you and keep you as you serve.

Again I say thank you for my Honorary Membership and I am coming back to Delaware.

#### REPORT OF REHABILITATION SERVICE COMMITTEE

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

The following report is given. The first visit to the Veterans Hospital was made on Sunday, Oct. 20, 1946, from 2 to 4 P. M. A tea table was arranged as attractively as possible, fruit juice punch and home-made cookies together with apples were served the patients





OPEN HOUSE EASTER SUNDAY 1947 AT VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL

Standing at extreme right. Two veterans, next Worthy Grand Patron, Percy C. Cotty; Worthy Grand Matron, Alice C. Abbott, and Chairman of the Committee, Sarah E. Riggin.

in each ward. Those patients who were not allowed to eat were given a little pencil gift. On the above date we took to the hospital for use among the patients, 50 Afghans which were made during Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce's year as Worthy Grand Matron. We also had the folding wheel chair bought at that time delivered at the hospital.

Early in November two subscriptions to the Book of the Month Club were ordered through the Grand Secretary's office for the hospital library.

In November, I was appointed on Hospital Committee by J. J. Crowe, Head of Recreation. Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher was appointed my alternate.

In December, just previous to our party at the hospital while attending the Annual Banquet of Newark Chapter, held in Newark, our Worthy Grand Matron's Chapter, I asked if we might buy in addition to what had already been planned for the Christmas Party, twelve dozen Christmas tree ornaments. These had been asked for by the Recreation Department. At the suggestion of Brother Cleaver, Past Worthy Grand Patron, a collection box was passed and \$32.50 was realized. This money was used to help finance the Christmas party.

Mrs. Wheelwright gave through our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cotty, the twelve dozen tree ornaments for us to take to the hospital. As Chairman of this work I wrote Mrs. Wheelwright thanking her for same.

We went to the hospital laden with many gifts. First, each patient was given Christmas cards and stamps so that he might remember his families during the holidays. Each one also received a box of nuts and candy tied with bright red ribbon, apples and fruit juice punch and angel food cake were served. To those who were not permitted to eat we gave packages of cigarettes. The ribbon used to tie Christmas boxes was donated by the Star Treble Chorus. The materials for the cakes were donated by Victory Chapter and they were all made by Sister Wilgus, member of Victory Chapter and our present Grand Martha. After every one had been served we had two cakes left. These we took to the Home for Aged Women, Harrison and Gilpin Avenue. Read letter of thanks.

Ten days before Christmas we mailed cards, stamps, box of candy and a carton of cigarettes to William Fitzgerald, son of Sister Fitzgerald, our Associate Grand Conductress, and to Julius Cooper, son of Sister Cooper, first Matron of Kent Chapter. Both of these veterans were in government hospital outside of Delaware. Box of candy and oranges to Mr. Ralph Virden, husband of member of Victory Chapter, who was a patient in Delaware Hospital. Together with the Worthy Grand Matron, visited a veteran who lost his arm while working in the Pennsylvania Railroad yards. Took oranges and nuts to his children and offered to help family if they needed it. No call for help came.



Our next party at the hospital was January 19, serving the usual iced fruit punch and cookies with cigarettes for those unable to eat. The party in February was similar except each patient was given a package of cigarettes. This was made possible by donations of some of our members. Each of the following gave a carton of cigarettes: Sisters Alice Abbott, Martha Krapf, Myra Robinson, Mattie Malcom and Jane Zebley; and Brothers Percy Cotty, Worthy Grand Patron, and Frank P. Keys.

A party was held the following month (March) with the usual attractive tea table being rolled from ward to ward by one of our brothers.

On April 6 we held open house in the recreation room for patients and their guests. Two tea tables complete with lace cloth, punch bowl, candles, flowers, etc., were set up and during the afternoon an informal program was given. It included selection by Star Treble Chorus, cornet solos by Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cleaver, specialty dances by little Carol Foster and Kenny Jester, accordion solos by Miss Donovan and piano selections by Mr. Albert Pettit. This party was highly praised by both patients, guests and personnel of hospital.

Our last party was held on May 6. At this time Sister Chason went with our members through the wards playing and singing. The patients enjoyed this very much and asked for certain favorite selections.

These parties were all held from 2 to 4 in the afternoon.

We have delivered 7 Afghans to date. One from Delaware Chapter and 6 from our Baby Chapter, Unity No. 16. There are a number still to be delivered. Three from Newark and also from Sussex and Kent Chapters.

Early last fall we bought a punch bowl, ice pan, mixing bowl, ladle, large spoon, flower vase and two candle sticks for use in the recreational work. (Previous to this I had been taking these things from home.) We are still waiting to get a suitable pitcher, the money for which was given by Mizpah Chapter. (No glass or china.) Among the donations through our committee are 100 yards of oxford cloth by Sister Mabel Stirlith; knives, spoons, ice pick, ladle, games, case of No. 5 cans of pineapple juice by Sister Edith McLean; cake plates by Sisters Keys, Simpler and Shinn; cookie basket, Sister Myrtle Sawdon; orange, pineapple, grapefruit and grape juice, Sister Edna Gifford; a lovely tablecloth with emblematic star embroidered in each corner by Sister Bertha Kelly. Sugar by Adah Chapter members.

Sister Litchfield called, offering a piano, but the Veterans Hospital did not need it; however, the National Guard was most anxious to get various pieces that could be used in day rooms to be set up in Armories of the State. With very little effort we secured two pianos; the second one through Sister Martins; 78 records, 5 lamps with shades, 2 lamps without shades; 3 shades; 13 books; 1 complete set of Waverly



Novels; 2 radios; 12 copies of Reader's Digest; 4 ash trays; 7 strong chairs; 3 victrolas. Most of these articles were sent to Sister Keys and the Army truck picked them up.

Our largest donation to the Veterans Hospital was buying, cutting, making and hanging the drapes in 3 wards. Sisters Abbott, Fisher, Crosby and Hill, and Grant's, made a splendid reduction in price of the material. They were cut, made and hung by Sisters Lorraine Putzier, Bertha Kelly, Sara Hoffman, Laura Fulmer, May Pople, Elizabeth Fisher, Alice Abbott, Sara MacNamee, Ella Cleaver, Beneta Meenan, May Payne, Maude Ames, Mabel Stirlith and Sara Riggan. The reason they hang so well is because our own men put the fixtures and rods up. They were Brothers Robert Larrimore, Pierce Laws, Charles Cleaver, William Meenan, and Irvin Putzier. As there were nearly a hundred windows this was no small job, I assure you.

If you wonder how we could spend so much money just remember Sister Helen West and Brother Charles Cleaver left a goodly amount of money in this fund when their year was completed.

I was asked by Sister May Smith, Past Matron of Five Points Chapter, if we could furnish some volunteers to help at the armory where an affair was being given to raise money for a Nurses National Memorial in Washington. I might add here, Delaware lost one "woman in white" in Africa. This young lady was a graduate of the State Hospital and Delaware's contribution will be in her memory. The following volunteered for this project: Sisters Hilda Buckmaster, Helen Helbing, Emma Dorchell, Beneta Meenan, Ella Cleaver, M. Etta Keys, Emma Gehret, Josephine Kuckenbacker, Iva Ostendarp, May Payne, Sarah Hoffman, Marian Kumpel, Grace Hild, Florence Lang, Lillian Arters, Alice Minner, Madoline Litchfield, Anna Harrington and Brothers Meenan, Cleaver, Keys, Payne and Kumpel. A total of 106½ volunteer hours was given. In addition each chapter was asked to donate \$1.00 and as each did the Grand Secretary sent a check of \$16.00 to the National Committee. (Read letter).

At the present time, 3 of our members are taking the indoctrination course which is being given at the Veterans Hospital. This is a standard course given in all government hospitals to those who are willing to work as volunteers in the hospital. I had expected to take this course but moving away it wasn't possible. The members taking the above course are: Sisters Helen Welsh, Sadie Conly, and Mildred Grubb.

It is quite impossible to give the names of all sisters and brothers who have gone to the Veterans' Hospital and helped serve these parties, but to each of you I want to express my personal thanks and also the grateful thanks of the patients, their families and the personnel of the hospital.

Last but by no means least my thanks go to Sister Keys for her donations of sugar and her many telephone calls to ask you good



people to make cookies, which you so generously did. In fact, you made 4,361.

Worthy Grand Matron, the work has been close to my heart and I have enjoyed helping to bring a little bright spot in the long days the veterans spend in the hospital. A few years ago thousands of our boys and men went whistling and singing off to war. A war, not for gain or glory, but to defend our ideals and freedom. Many did not come back. Many lie beneath the palms of the Pacific, the poplars of France, the beech trees of England or the olive trees of Africa. Many nations have buried in their earth the mortal remains of our boys. Little American flags flutter above neat white crosses, reminding us of the awful cost of war. As we approach Memorial Day, let us remember them and why they fought and died. Let us also remember with compassion those who came home with no song on their lips but sick in mind, body and soul, and help them when we can, but most of all as members of the Order of the Eastern Star and followers of the Prince of Peace; let us see that we do all in our power to prevent such a waste of life again. Let us strive for Peace on Earth and Goodwill among all men.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH E. RIGGIN  
M. ETTA KEYS

Motion by P.W.G.M. Jane C. Zebley that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by P.W.G.M. Mary M. Clower. Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF RED CROSS

P. M. ELLEN K. ROBINSON, *Chairman*

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

I herewith submit report of Red Cross work done by Subordinate Chapters from May 1, 1946 to April 30, 1947.

Delaware Chapter No. 1: 421 knitting hours; 535 unit hours; 249 garments.

Mizpah Chapter No. 2: 385 unit hours.

Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3: 436 knitting hours; 439½ unit hours; 135 garments.

St. John's Chapter No. 4: 227½ unit hours making boys' shirts, girls' dresses and skirts.

Adah Chapter No. 5: No report.

Radiant Chapter No. 6: 214½ unit hours; 10 garments; 182 buttons and button holes.

Sussex Chapter No. 7: 288 knitting hours; 64 unit hours; 22 garments.

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8: 286 knitting hours; 124 garment hours; 68 garments.

Georgetown Chapter No. 9: No report.

Newark Chapter No. 10: No report.

Kent Chapter No. 11: No report.

Frankford Chapter No. 12: No report.

Five Points Chapter No. 13: 90 hours canteen; 912 motor corps; total 1002 hours.

Brandywine Chapter No. 14: 389 unit hours; 91 garments.

Victory Chapter No. 15: No report.

Unity Chapter No. 16: 104 knitting hours; 61 unit hours; 9 garments.

The time consumed in this Red Cross work was 1829 knitting hours and 3157½ unit hours, making a total of 4986½ hours.

The work completed consisted of 19 mufflers, 30 sweaters with sleeves, 2 sleeveless sweaters, 10 wristlets, 1 beanie and 56 Afghan squares, 6 ice bag covers, 6 hospital bags, 140 girls' skirts, 29 girls' dresses, 209 baby shirts, 37 boys' shirts, 13 snow suits, 12 boy's overalls and 16 girls' capes, making a grand total of 586 garments.

I wish to thank all who have cooperated in any way, and especially our baby chapter, Unity No. 16, for the work they have accomplished this past year.

The need for Red Cross work is still urgent. Although the war is over, the widows and orphans of the European countries must be clothed and fed. In the coming year I hope each chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction will feel the necessity of doing Red Cross work.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for the privilege of working with you this year and hope your session will continue to be full of love and harmony.

ELLEN K. ROBINSON,  
*Chairman of Red Cross.*

Motion made by P.W.G. Patron Robert Larrimore and seconded by P. M. Florence Lang, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

Greetings were received from all Sister Jurisdictions, also from:

Grand Secretary Emeritus, Minnie E. Keyes.

Supreme Council of Job's Daughters.

Rt. Worthy Grand Secretary, Mamie Lander.

Rt. Worthy Grand Trustee, Brother Stockwell.

Rt. Worthy Grand Conductress, Sister Ruth A. Jones

and many more distinguished members of our Order in other Jurisdictions.

Farewell address of W. G. M. Alice C. Abbott, and Worthy Grand Patron, Percy C. Cotty.

They sang the following to the tune of "When We Grow Too Old to Dream":

*"When we grow too old to dream  
Harmony will linger forever,  
Mem'ries of our happy year  
Will always live in our hearts.*



*So Truth and Love,  
Unity and Peace,  
Our Watchwords for this year  
Will long remain in our hearts.*

*When we grow too old to dream  
We'll have you all to remember,  
When we grow too old to dream  
Your friendships will live in our hearts.*

*So please accept our thanks,  
With love we now impart;  
When we grow too old to dream  
Your friendships will live in our hearts."*

The Altar was undraped and Grand Officers of 1946-47 retired and preparations were made for installation of Grand Officers elected to serve 1947-48.

P. W. G. Matron Annabelle Sauter was installing officer and the following officers were installed:

Worthy Grand Matron—Sara S. MacNamee.  
Worthy Grand Patron—Horace K. Fulmer.  
Asso. Grand Matron—Marie L. Roberts.  
Asso. Grand Patron—Harlan L. Cloud.  
Grand Secretary—Elizabeth M. Fisher.  
Grand Treasurer—Virida Simpler.  
Grand Conductress—Dora Fitzgerald.  
Asso. Grand Conductress—Edna L. Gifford.  
Grand Trustee—Willard T. Loreman.  
Grand Lecturer—Edna Watson.  
Grand Chaplain—Lois M. Ayres.  
Grand Marshal—Alice Minner.  
Grand Organist—Myrtle Sawdon.  
Grand Adah—Thelma Dickerson.  
Grand Ruth—Lorraine Putzier.  
Grand Esther—Florence Williams.  
Grand Martha—Mary Bevis.  
Grand Electa—Marian Kumpel.  
Grand Warder—Laura Fulmer.  
Grand Sentinel—William Meenan.

#### ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON SISTER SARA S. MACNAMEE

Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:  
We stand on the threshold of a new fraternal year. As I assume my station as Worthy Grand Matron, will you join me in the spirit of the following lines:

*"This is my creed for every day,  
To do my best as I go on my way;  
To meet what comes with an upturned face  
And bring my duty a touch of grace.*

*To do what I can to scatter cheer  
And brighten the lives of my sisters here.  
To speak in kindness, and now and then  
Give service to others as best I can."*

I am keenly aware of the honor that is mine in this hour and most grateful to each of you for your friendship and support. In undertaking this trust I am of the belief that with the aid of my sisters and brothers and the help of God, I shall not fail in my duty but prove that the confidence reposed in me was not misplaced. Life holds no greater gift than that of service to others. My constant endeavor shall be to add many new links in the Golden Chain of Friendship, to share your joys, to be able to be helpful and understanding in your sorrows and adversities.

To you, Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, it is through your untiring efforts that this Grand Chapter has grown. Each of you have contributed your very best. Your encouragement shall be a guiding hand through my year.

To my own Chapter, St. John's No. 4, I am asking you to share this honor with me. I realize that I shall need, and feel that I shall have, your continued confidence and prayers. A sincere thank you for each thoughtful kindness.

To our sisters and brothers in our Subordinate Chapters, it is upon you we lean. It is upon you we depend. Without your devotion to the teachings of our Order brought to us from the Holy Scriptures, the Grand Chapter would be powerless to aid the unfortunate, but knowing your loyalty to the teachings of our Order we enter our field of labor with encouragement and hope, believing we shall be able to continue in every good work.

To my Grand Family, Grand Deputies, Grand Committee Members, I feel assured of the full cooperation of each and every one of you as you share the honors and duties. May it be a year of gladness and service to others. As we go hand in hand, let us add strength to strength and grace to grace.

Sister Anna Belle, words fail as I try to say "Thank You" for installing me and my Grand Officers. You willingly took the place of one tonight, whom if God had spared, would have been given this honor—My Husband, who served in the Grand East with you. Your friendship has meant much to me.

In our Installation Ceremony each officer carried a white Bible with yellow ribbons. My first appointment in the Order of the Eastern Star was that of Chaplain, which was represented tonight by the Bible, the symbol of God's greatest gift. My first appointment in the Grand Chapter, that of Ruth, was represented by the yellow ribbons, thus I have honored both appointments.

The gavel I will use during my term of office is the one I used when Worthy Matron of St. John's Chapter No. 4. It was presented to me by Sister Margaret Deakyne.



My Motto for the year is "Our Best in the Beauty of Service."  
My prayer, "Give Thy servant an understanding heart."

My wish is that the Book of Books, our Bible, will be our guide and that the spirit of the Eastern Star will imbue each one of us with those precious gifts of Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness. With this faith, we begin a new year.

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Sister Olivia Enright, Worthy Matron of St. John's Chapter No. 4, and Sister Lois M. Ayres, Past Matron of St. John's Chapter No. 4, presented a basket beautifully covered and lined in lavender and purple colors, with ribbons of the five emblematic colors, which was filled with gifts from the officers of St. John's Chapter. They also presented a bouquet of red roses, to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sara S. MacNamee, as St. John's is her Home Chapter.

### ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON BROTHER HORACE K. FULMER

Tonight as I look out over my many friends, I cannot help expressing my sincere gratitude for the honor you have conferred upon me tonight. I am not unmindful of the responsibilities that will be requested of me. These I am going to try to perform to the best of my ability with your help, which I know I will have.

Worthy Grand Matron: I will be extremely happy to serve with you in the East and hope this year will be a successful one and we will have many happy times together.

To the Past Grand Patron: I have enjoyed my associations with you. We have had a good time together. I hope we continue our friendship and that you will follow us around like we have followed you.

To the Past Grands: I am soliciting your help in every way and you will find me as willing to receive as you are to give.

To my Chapter, Mizpah No. 2: It is to you that I owe a debt of gratitude for if it had not been for you receiving me at the Altar perhaps I would not have received this high position. I appreciate everything you have done for me and I hope I will not betray your trust.

To the retiring Officers: I have enjoyed every minute of my associations with you. To you I extend a Goodbye—let's not say Goodbye; come around with us, we will need you.

To the Members: I also enjoyed very much the various remarks we have had. The one that impressed me most was the two little words "petty grievances." Let's not have petty grievances and if we do not, we will find this a better world and perhaps better this grand Order of ours.

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Penn Chapter was asked to stand. A representative of the group congratulated the Worthy Grand Matron-elect and presented her with an Honorary Membership and a gift.

The W. G. M. announced visitations for June: June 6—Mizpah; June 10—Unity; June 25—Frankford.

Mildred Bryan, Conductress of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, to Horace K. Fulmer, Worthy Grand Patron: On behalf of your wife and a few of your friends, I present these gifts to you and may God bless you and keep you always.

Edna Carter, Worthy Matron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2, presented gift to Grand Patron Fulmer: We pledge you our help in any way that we can during the year and as you travel along this year, we hope God will bless you with wisdom, good health and many friends.

Response of Worthy Grand Patron, Horace K. Fulmer: I want to thank you for those kind words. As I have said before, you will not find me anything but what you may expect and perhaps later on when I am in my own Chapter, I might have more to tell you.

Grand Husband Nelson Abbott to Alice Abbott, Jr. Past Grand Matron:

Junior Past Grand Matron, little did I realize thirteen years ago when you were initiated into the Order of Eastern Star what it would mean to me in the way of lonesome evenings, cooking meals, washing dishes, waiting for you to come home from down State. Tonight you have completed your office as Worthy Grand Matron and I am sure things are going to be different and I will find you at home now instead of bus riding down the State. I am proud of you and to this Grand Chapter, you may be a Past Grand but to me you are the best wife in the world. Now that you have plenty of time on your hands, I invite you to join me in my travels around the country and I am sure you will have a good time.

Walter Sawdon, P. W. G. P., to Sara MacNamee, Worthy Grand Matron:

Words fail me and if I had the tongue of an Orator, it would be hard for me to express the love and gratitude that comes with this basket of flowers. This comes from one who has traveled the paths which you have started. As we journey through the Eastern Star, we make many friends and there are some who become closer than others. As we become Grand Officers and a member of this Grand Body, we make additional friends who become closer than others and this basket comes from one who is very near and dear to you. They wish to express to you through these flowers the happiness and joy that will attend you through your year as Worthy Grand Matron and the rest of your life. On behalf of your Sister and Past Grand Matron Sister Sauter, I present this basket of flowers to you.

Mildred Kitchen, Worthy Matron of Delaware Chapter No. 1, in presenting gift to Worthy Grand Patron, Percy C. Cotty, also a member of Delaware Chapter No. 1:

"I am most happy tonight to be Worthy Matron of your own dear Chapter and to have to honor of presenting you with this little gift from Delaware Chapter No. 1. You and Sister Alice have had a wonderful year, full of harmony and happiness and for any little part



that we have had in making it so, we are truly grateful. You have had a very busy year but now that it is drawing to a close, we shall be glad to say 'Welcome Home, Percy.'

*"To find friends along Life's road  
Who'll help to bear another's load,  
To find friends who'll claim in part  
The burdens resting on one's heart—  
Is finding treasures yet untold,  
A wealth that far outvalues gold;  
In sun or storm—rich, full and free,  
Just such friends you've been to me."*

The 27th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware will be held in Wilmington, Delaware, on May 19th, recessing until May 24th and 25th, 1948.



ALICE C. ABBOTT,  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

PERCY C. COTTY,  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

Attest:

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Grand Secretary.*



GRAND OFFICERS 1946-1947

BACK ROW, standing: P.W.G. Matron ELIZABETH E. PIERCE; Grand Trustee, NELSON J. ABBOTT; SECOND ROW, standing, Grand Adah, Mrs. AGNES WOOTEN; Grand Electa, Mrs. BENETA I. MEENAN; Grand Lecturer, Mrs. EDNA GIFFORD; Grand Chaplain, Mrs. SODIE CONSLY; Asso. Grand Conductress, DORA FITZGERALD; Grand Marshal, Mrs. FLORENCE FADER; Grand Conductress, Mrs. MARIE ROBERTS; Grand Organist, Mrs. LETTIE MC GILLEN; Grand Singer, Mrs. ELBERTA CLENDANIEL; Grand Esther, Miss EDITH SHINN; Grand Ruth, Mrs. MADELINE LITCHFIELD; Grand Sentinel, Mr. J. ALBERT KIMPEL; FROXY ROW, seated: Grand Martha, Mrs. MILDRED J. WILGUS; Grand Treasurer, Mrs. VIRDA SIMPLY; Asso. Grand Matron, Mrs. SARA S. MACNAMEE; Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. PERCY C. CORTY; Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. ALICE C. ABBOTT; Right Worthy Asso. Grand Matron, Mrs. ABBIE HANSEN; Asso. Grand Patron, Mr. HORACE K. FULMER; Grand Secretary, Miss ELIZABETH M. FISHER.



Chapters	No. of Members	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Died	Demitted	Suspended	Withdrawn	Charter Members
Delaware No. 1.....	326	8	2	1	7	1	6	0	0
Mizpah No. 2.....	178	9	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Julia M. Story No. 3.....	119	4	1	0	4	1	0	0	0
St. John's No. 4.....	169	14	0	0	4	2	6	0	0
Adah No. 5.....	124	11	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Radiant No. 6.....	87	4	4	0	1	2	0	0	0
Sussex No. 7.....	104	12	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
Caesar Rodney No. 8.....	121	4	0	0	1	4	2	0	0
Georgetown No. 9.....	93	14	0	2	1	1	1	26	0
Newark No. 10.....	94	13	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kent No. 11.....	109	6	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Frankford No. 12.....	152	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Five Points No. 13.....	200	40	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Brandywine No. 14.....	124	16	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Victory No. 15.....	110	23	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
Unity No. 16.....	68	17	0	2	0	0	0	0	49
	2178	202	12	11	27	16	16	27	

Lost by Death.....	27	Gained by Initiation.....	202
Lost by Demit.....	16	Gained by reinstatement.....	12
Lost by Suspension.....	16	Gained by Affiliation.....	11
	<u>59</u>		<u>225</u>
Total Loss.....	59	Total Gain.....	225
Membership December 31, 1946.....	2178		
Membership December 31, 1945.....	1990		
	<u>188</u>		
Net Gain.....	188		

TO THE MEMORY

of the

DISTINGUISHED DEAD

of

OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

*"We know that each link in our Star's golden chain  
Shall be welded anew by Thy grace;  
And with soul purified, rejoicing we'll see  
Our loved ones again 'face to face'."*



TO THE MEMORY

of the

BELOVED DEAD

of

OUR OWN JURISDICTION

*“Time brings us change, and leaves us fretting,  
We weep, when every comrade goes;  
Perhaps too much, perhaps forgetting,  
That over yonder there are those  
To whom He comes and whom He knows.”*

## TO THE MEMORY

of

OUR BELOVED WORTHY GRAND MATRON

MYRTLE C. NESBITT

WHO DIED MARCH 2, 1946

*"Somewhere back of the sunset  
Where loveliness never dies,  
They live in a land of glory  
'Mid the blue and gold of the skies;  
And we who have known and loved them,  
Whose passing has brought regret,  
Will cherish their memory always;  
They are with God! Earth's Star has set."*

*"She is home in the beautiful hills of God  
In the valley of rest so fair."*





MYRTLE C. NESBITT

## 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 Apr. 18, 1914  
 Meets in Odd Fellows Hall, 10th & King Sts.

## OFFICERS

Mrs. Mildred Kitchen, 612 W. 31st St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Robert John Oliver, 2600 Lancaster Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Helen Helbing, 2234 Lamotte St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
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 Mrs. Ida N. McGinnis, 2401 Main Road, Roselle, Del. . . . . Secretary

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 \*Mrs. Mary N. H. Unruh  
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 Mrs. Eva M. Moulton  
 Mrs. Mamie P. Wendling  
 Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler  
 Mrs. Madeline Litchfield  
 Mrs. Bertha Kelly  
 James K. Shinn, P.P., Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5.

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 \*\*William E. Simon  
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 G. Randall Carpenter  
 Frank P. Keys  
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 \*Clarence R. Holt  
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 Wm. D. Venn, Jr.  
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 Ferd L. Reuter  
 Harry A. Roberts  
 Percy C. Cotty  
 Robert J. Oliver  
 L. Clark Ziegler  
 Percy C. Cotty  
 Raymond Wilhelm

## 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  
 Meets in Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall St.

## OFFICERS

Mrs. Edna Carter, 1130 W. 7th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mrs. Marie Burris, 13 Holly Oak Rd., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Jonathan J. Burris, 13 Holly Oak Rd., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Florence M. Hanby, Holly Oak, Del. . . . . Secretary

## PAST MATRONS

\*Mrs. Nellie J. Drake\*  
 \*\*\*Mrs. Ethel M. Draine

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\*\*\*Burton M. Meyer  
 \*C. Barker McCullough

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Miss Florence P. McCullough  
\*\*Mrs. Carrie H. Wright  
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Mrs. Marian Simpson  
Mrs. Ethel Adams
- Harry F. Newlin, P.G.P.  
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\*Jacob R. Koffenberger  
Oscar D. Ridings  
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\*George H. Larrimore  
\*Leroy W. Beatty  
\*\*\*Sewell K. Lynch  
\*George M. Tattersall  
\*\*Harry L. Rash  
\*\*Thomas Heathcote, Jr.  
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\*Howard E. Sheppard  
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Orville M. Steele  
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\*George M. Tattersall  
Horace K. Fulmer  
\*Leroy Beatty  
Jonathan J. Burris

### JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 11, 1918. Date of Charter July 22, 1918  
Meets in Pythian Castle, 906 West St.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. May Pople, 12 Ogle Ave., Colonial Park, Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
Mr. Joseph Nesbitt, 1510 Delaware Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
Mrs. Phoebe E. Sharpless, Hagley, Wilmington 79, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
Mr. Joseph N. Borglin, 215 W. 37th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon, 120 Champlain Ave., Richardson Park, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### 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.  
Mrs. Alberta E. Elliott  
Mrs. Helen C. E. Brown  
\*Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt, P.G.M.  
Mrs. Catherine B. Jones  
Mrs. Beulah G. Backus  
\*Mrs. Elizabeth P. Frederick  
Mrs. Ellen H. Robinson  
Mrs. Beatrice C. Nah  
Mrs. Frances M. Shorter  
Mrs. E. Lillian Miller  
Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon  
Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver  
Mrs. Helen R. Anderson  
Mrs. Mary P. Frame

#### PAST PATRONS

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\*Elhanan B. Wilson, P.G.P.  
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\*Andrew Cathcart  
Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.  
John Frederick, P.G.P.  
\*\*\*James Duncan, P.G.P.  
\*\*\*James Duncan, P.G.P.  
Ellsworth L. Jones  
William L. Nixon  
John Frederick, P.G.P.  
Ellsworth L. Jones  
Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.  
\*\*\*J. Calvin Hastings  
E. Everett Ragan  
Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
E. Everett E. Ragan  
Ellsworth L. Jones  
William L. Meenan

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Harriet V. Scott  
 Mrs. Alice M. Jones  
 Miss Martha M. White  
 Mrs. Marian Frederick  
 Mrs. Beneta I. Meenan  
 Mrs. Jean B. Cottman  
 Miss Ruth V. Bruen  
 Mrs. Mabel Stirlith

William L. Nixon  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
 Harlan L. Cloud  
 William L. Meenan  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
 Harlan L. Cloud  
 Wm. L. Meenan  
 Harlan L. Cloud

\*\*\*Withdrew to organize Five Points Chapter No. 13.

### 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 Mar. 28, 1919  
 Meets in Eden Hall, 10th St. between Orange & Tatnall Sts.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Olivia Enright, 300 E. 25th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Eugene Hackendorn, Claymont, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Helen Camperson, 1305 W. 5th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Jacob S. Allen, Delaware St., Marshallton, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Grace Allen, Delaware St., Marshallton, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### 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. Sara S. 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 E. George  
 Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher  
 Mrs. Bella B. Gray  
 Mrs. Mary A. Fiorelli  
 \*Mrs. Florence G. Craig  
 Mrs. Ella V. Smack  
 Mrs. Emma G. Thomas  
 Mrs. Maude G. Ames  
 Mrs. Lois Ayres  
 Mrs. Alice Minner

#### 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 J. Livermore  
 \*\*\*Elmer D. Howell  
 Frederick Stout, P.G.P.  
 J. Harry Allbrittain  
 George E. Hirlinger  
 \*Grover C. MacNamee, P.G.P.  
 Joseph T. Maxwell  
 Alfred T. Crossland  
 Willard T. Loreman  
 Frederick Stout, P.G.P.  
 \*Harry B. Murdock  
 J. Harry Allbrittain  
 Willard T. Loreman  
 J. Harry Allbrittain  
 W. D. Ayres

### 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  
 Meets in Masonic Temple, Delmar, Md.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Ida C. Lowe, Delmar, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Ralph Baker, Delmar, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Rita C. Wilkinson, Delmar, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Ralph Nichols, Delmar, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Miss Margaret Y. Sherwood, Delmar, Del. . . . . Secretary

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted



## PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Susie Marsh  
 \*Mrs. Anna T. Ellis  
 \*Miss Rose L. Freeney  
 \*Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman  
 \*Mrs. Annie S. Parker  
 Mrs. Leah H. Freeney  
 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 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. Jones  
 Mrs. Annie O. Elliott  
 Mrs. Mabel R. Hearne  
 Mrs. Hettie P. Hall  
 Mrs. E. Paris Bounds  
 Mrs. Clemmie C. West

James K. Shinn demitted to join Delaware Chapter No. 1.

## PAST PATRONS

\*\*Joshua Ellegood  
 \*Harry T. Hickey, P.G.P.  
 \*\*J. Albert Hearn  
 \*James H. Conway  
 \*\*Ira F. Hearn  
 Thomas H. Esham  
 Wm. F. Hickey  
 Carroll S. Barr  
 \*Samuel M. Ellis  
 Victor J. Carmine, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*James K. Shinn  
 \*\*Paul K. Ellis  
 \*Walter H. Whyland  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 \*\*Paul K. Ellis  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Levin R. Lowe  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
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 \*David J. Snowden  
 Ralph A. Baker  
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## RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6

Meets First and Third Thursday (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Oct. 29, 1919. Date of Charter Jan. 17, 1920

Meets in Odd Fellows' Bldg., 10th & King Sts.

## OFFICERS

Mrs. M. Louise Mortlock, 2509 West St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Walter E. Sawdon, 503 W. 10th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Eleanor Smith, 632 Ferris St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mrs. Jane C. Zebley, 912 West St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Secretary

## PAST MATRONS

\*Mrs. Lillie S. Riley, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Anna L. Stausebach  
 \*\*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. Hambright  
 Mrs. Edith McLean

\*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  
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 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.  
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.

\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Helen C. Taft  
 Mrs. Hannah C. Corkadel  
 Mrs. Mary Vannort  
 Mrs. Eva Casper  
 Mrs. Ann Leonard  
 Mrs. Mary A. King  
 Mrs. Anna Lloyd  
 Mrs. Louise Pusey

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  
 Chas. Hastings  
 Carroll Lloyd

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  
 Meets over American Store Bldg., Seaford, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Eunice Tull, Seaford, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Norris Tull, Seaford, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Rachel Atwell, Seaford, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Norman West, Seaford, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Ada Wilkes, Seaford, Del. . . . . Secretary

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  
 Mrs. Grace M. Coulbourne  
 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  
 Mrs. Agnes W. Wooten  
 Mrs. Helen P. Turner

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  
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 Charles F. Welch  
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 \*\*\*Charles H. Wheatley  
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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  
 Meets in Masonic Temple, New Castle, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Heinel, Holloway Terrace, New Castle, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Martin E. Arters, Holloway Terrace, New Castle, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Mary N. Banks, New Castle, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. J. Albert Kumpel, Port Penn, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Anna M. Harrington, 18 W. 6th St., New Castle, Del. . . . . Secretary

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted



## 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
- Mrs. Marian Kumpel
- Mrs. Florence Ballard

## 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, P.G.P.
- J. Albert Kumpel
- J. Ralph Duling

## GEORGETOWN CHAPTER No. 9

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jun. 19, '23. Date of Charter Apr. 26, '44

## OFFICERS

- Mrs. Lovey J. Stemples, Georgetown, Del. .... Worthy Matron
- Mr. Frederick Warrington, Harrington, Del. .... Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Mary K. Keeler, Georgetown, Del. .... Associate Matron
- Mr. John L. LeCompte, Lincoln, Del. .... Associate Patron
- Mrs. Edith L. Swain, 9 N. King St., Georgetown, Del. .... Secretary

## 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
- Mrs. Elberta S. Clendaniel
- Mrs. Florence Pusey

\*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.
- Geo. S. Buhl
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- \*\*\*Demitted

## NEWARK CHAPTER No. 10—NEWARK

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 23, '25. Date of Charter Dec. 5, '25  
 Meets in Odd Fellows' Bldg., Main St., Newark, Del.

## OFFICERS

Mrs. Miriam Rittenhouse, 154 Academy St., Newark, Del.....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Jacob Correll, Newark, Del.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Catherine Gibbs, 102 E. Main St., Newark, Del.....	Associate Matron
Mr. Conrad Lewis, 150 Academy St., Newark, Del.....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, 207 E. Justis St., Newport, Del.....	Secretary

## PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, P.G.M.  
 \*Mrs. Alice D. Truitt  
 Mrs. Arzie P. Lewis  
 \*Mrs. Edna R. Wood  
 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  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Beswick  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Correll

## PAST PATRONS

Robert S. Gallaher, P.G.P.  
 Robert S. Gallaher, P.G.P.  
 Charles J. Krapf  
 Conrad K. D. Lewis  
 \*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  
 J. Raymond McMullen  
 Jacob Correll

## KENT CHAPTER No. 11—HARRINGTON

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 17, '26. Date of Charter Apr. 16, '27  
 Meets in Century Club Bldg., Harrington, Del.

## OFFICERS

Mrs. Mae T. Ford, Harrington, Del.....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Archie C. Ford, Harrington, Del.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Edna M. Williams, Harrington, Del.....	Associate Matron
Mr. Earl K. Williams, Harrington, Del.....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Lillian Hatfield, Harrington, Del.....	Secretary

## 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

\*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  
 \*\*\*Demitted



Mrs. Louise S. Emory  
 Mrs. Pearl B. Morris  
 Mrs. Henrietta Williams  
 Mrs. Emma P. Widdoes  
 Mrs. Beulah Rodway

Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 W. Clifford Raughley  
 Archie Feagan  
 Archie Feagan  
 Thomas Rodway

### 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 Apr. 21, '28  
 Meets in Fire Hall, Millville, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Ethel P. Derrickson, Frankford, Star Route, Del..... Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Albert J. Derrickson, Frankford, Star Route, Del..... Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Aydelott, Clarksville, Del..... Associate Matron  
 Mr. Geo. W. Mitchell, Ocean View, Del..... Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Florence Burbage, Ocean View, Del..... Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

\*\*\*Mrs. Levessa E. Cannon  
 \*\*Mrs. Margaret T. Heath  
 Mrs. Helen C. West W.G.M.  
 \*\*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  
 Mrs. Myrtle Hickman  
 Mrs. Mae T. Phillips

#### PAST PATRONS

\*\*Topp M. Heath  
 \*E. Washington Bryan  
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 Gardner L. Thomas  
 Rev. Chas. W. Branford  
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 \*\*Topp M. Heath  
 \*E. Washington Bryan  
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 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 Harley R. Burbage  
 John B. Williams  
 Harley Burbage

### FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13—NEWARK

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Feb. 6, '30. Date of Charter May 21, '30  
 Meets in Masonic Hall, Newport, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Ruth Laws, 17 Winston Ave., Richardson Park, Del..... Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Raymond Smith, Folcroft, Pa..... Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. May T. Payne, 204 Boxwood Rd., Wilmington 177, Del.... Associate Matron  
 Mr. Howard Payne, 204 Boxwood Rd., Wilmington 177, Del.... Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Helen Welch, 400 Junction Ave., Elsmere, 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, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Martha D. Mackey  
 Mrs. Mildred K. Grubb  
 Mrs. Maybelle K. Vansant

#### 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

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\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Emma W. Thompson  
 Mrs. Sue R. Baldwin  
 Mrs. Frances A. Huber  
 Mrs. Bessie S. Norris  
 Mrs. Bessie S. Norris  
 Mrs. Sadie C. Conly  
 Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb  
 Mrs. Lorraine Putzier

Stevenson A. Hellen  
 George D. Baldwin  
 Harold L. Emory  
 Theodore W. Work  
 Lee E. Nichols  
 Raymond T. Grubb  
 W. Pierce Laws  
 Paul Fleming

### 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, '37. Date of Charter Dec. 7, '37  
 Meets in Blue Rock Club House, Brandywine Blvd., Gordon Heights

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Frances Warren, 100 Rowland Park Blvd., Carrcroft, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. George Ostendarp, 406 Lore Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Ruth M. Stiggins, 1209 Brandywine Blvd., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. James H. Fulks, 1105 Haines Ave., Gordon Heights, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Lilla V. Rogers, 405 Grandview Ave., Gordon Heights, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### 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. Virda Simpler  
 Miss Edith Shinn  
 Mrs. Sarah S. Hoffman

#### 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  
 Paul W. Hughes  
 G. Lloyd Frederick

### VICTORY CHAPTER No. 15—DOVER

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. 10, '42  
 Meets in Century Club On the Green, Dover, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Leonora Watson, Bradford St., Dover, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. James A. McWilliams, Dover, Del., R. D. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Julia Slaughter, Smyrna, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Robert Slaughter, Smyrna, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner, 321 Wyoming Ave., Dover, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Myrtle E. Anderson  
 Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner  
 Mrs. Pauline Davis  
 Mrs. Mildred J. Wilgus  
 Mrs. Florence Williams

#### PAST PATRONS

M. Eugene Gardner  
 M. Eugene Gardner  
 John A. Kennedy, Jr.  
 M. Eugene Gardner  
 Walter J. Williams

### UNITY CHAPTER No. 16—LEWES

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Mar. 20, '46. Date of Charter Oct. 29, '46  
 Meets in Fire Hall, Lewes, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Gladys H. Lynch, 446 Savannah Rd., Lewes, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Elwood H. Lynch, 446 Savannah Rd., Lewes, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore, Rehoboth Beach, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. H. Edward Maull, Lewes, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Marguerite L. Yarnall, 208 Hickman St., Rehoboth, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Mary Bevis

#### PAST PATRONS

H. Edward Maull

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## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN DELAWARE

	Term Expires
ALABAMA: Mrs. Minnie Hitchens	5 1 48
ALBERTA: Mrs. Madeline Litchfield	12 31 48
ARIZONA: Mrs. Paris Bounds	12 31 48
ARKANSAS: Mrs. Edith L. Swain	4 1 47
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Gertrude Grubb	12 31 48
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Grace Hild	7-31-49
COLORADO: Mrs. Anna Lloyd	2- 8-48
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Lillian Arters	12-31-49
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mr. Ferd L. Reuter	12-31-49
FLORIDA: Mrs. Anna M. Harrington	12-31 48
GEORGIA: Mrs. Helen Calhoun	8- 1-49
IDAHO: Mr. L. Clark Ziegler	12-31-47
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Eva Casper	5- 1-47
INDIANA: Mrs. Marian Kumpel	12-31-48
IOWA: Mrs. Ella Cleaver	G. G. C. 1949
KANSAS: Mrs. Gladys E. Guerke	12-31-47
KENTUCKY: Mr. Harlan L. Cloud	12-31-48
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Jean B. Cottman	5- 1-48
MAINE: Mrs. Mildred Wilgus	3- 1-49
MANITOBA: Mrs. Kate Smith	6-30-49
MARYLAND: Mr. J. Nelson Abbott	5- 1-48
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Naomi Knauss	12-31-49
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Pauline Davis	12-31-47
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Martha M. Davis	12-31-47
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Myrtle Hickman	12-31-48
MISSOURI: Mrs. Lydia McClosky	7- 1-49
MONTANA: Mrs. Jane Brinton	12-31-48
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Eva Moulton	10- 1-47
NEVADA: Mrs. Edna S. Vandaalen	12-31-46
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Maude G. Ames	12-31-47
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Ida Coy Kapp	12 31-48
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Lillian Larrimore	12-31-48
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Mary Bevis	12-31-47
NEW YORK: Mrs. Edna L. Gifford	12-31-49
NORTH CAROLINA: Mr. George H. Ostendarp	12-31-47
NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Bertha G. Marvel	12-31-49
OHIO: Mrs. Edith McLean	12-31-47
OKLAHOMA: Mr. Thos. C. Rodway	12 31-49
ONTARIO: Mrs. Elvira Ziegler	12-31-48
OREGON: Mrs. Mae T. Phillips	12-31-49
PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Sadie C. Conly	12-31-48
PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Beneta I. Meenan	G. G. C. 1949
QUEBEC: Mrs. Lorraine Putzier	12-31 49
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Florence Williams	12-31 49
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Mary King	12-31-47
SCOTLAND: Mrs. Helen M. Covey	12-31-49
SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Bella Tattersall	6-19-47
SOUTH DAKOTA: Miss Martha White	12-31-48
TENNESSEE: Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher	3- 1-48
TEXAS: Mrs. Henrietta Williams	12-31-48
UTAH: Mrs. Emma Widdoes	12-31-48
VERMONT: Mrs. Alice Frederick	6-15-48
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Virda Simpler	12-31-48
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Elizabeth N. Lank	12-31-47
WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Julia Marr Story	12-31 48
WISCONSIN: Mrs. Lois Ayres	12-31-48
WYOMING: Miss Edith Shinn	12-31-48

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ALABAMA: Mrs. Clara Love	12-31-48
ALBERTA: Mrs. Amelia Booth	12-31-48
ARIZONA: Mrs. Nellie C. Pierce	12-31-48
ARKANSAS: Mrs. Julia Mae McDaniels	12-31-48
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Ida Coop	12-31-47
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Ethel Barnett	12-31-48
COLORADO: Mrs. Fern Holt	12 31-48
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Minnie R. Schaeffer	12-31-47
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Anna S. Printz	12-31-49
FLORIDA: Mrs. Mary Lewis	12-31-47
GEORGIA: Mrs. Daisy Marshall	12-31-49
IDAHO: Mrs. Edna Childs	12-31-47
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Lois Faulstick	12-31-49
INDIANA: Mrs. Grace Sanders	12-31-47
IOWA: Mrs. Marguerite Wolf	12-31-48
KANSAS: Mrs. Pauline Krumme	12-31-48
KENTUCKY: Mrs. Beatrice Davis	12-31-49
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Allie Belle Waugh	12-31-48
MAINE: Mrs. Golden H. Munroe	5- 1-48
MANITOBA: Mrs. Gladys Gronbach	12-31-48
MARYLAND: Mrs. Clara Harman	12-31-48
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Helen H. Hann	12-31-48
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Adele Wesson	12-31-48
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Lulu Stearns	12-31-47
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Jennie Golding	12-31-48
MISSOURI: Mrs. Nellie Hartman	10-19-47
MONTANA: Mrs. Mabel Hansen	12-31-48
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Gladys Merriman	12-31-47
NEVADA: Mrs. Kate LeMaire	12-31-49
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Beatrice Allen	12-31-48
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Bernice E. Hollett	12-31-48
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Elizabeth Lupold	12-31-47
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Annie J. Pate	12-31-47
NEW YORK: Mrs. Daisy Bull	9-30-49
NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Mary Hammond Green	12-31-49
NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Hazen McCoy	12-31-48
OHIO: Mrs. Alice M. Winn	12-31-48
OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Hazel Claude	12-31-47
ONTARIO: Mrs. Amy James	12-31-48
OREGON: Mrs. Mabel Pelton Jacobs	12-31-49
PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Irene J. Hazen	12-31-47
PUERTO RICO: Eduardo Torres	12-31-48
QUEBEC: Mrs. Hilda Bryant	12-31-48
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Helene Simmons	12-31-48
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Mary McMurdo	12-31-49
SCOTLAND: Mr. Adam G. Horne	12-31-48
SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Samille R. Weeks	12-31-49
SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Helma Quist	5- 1-48
TENNESSEE: Mrs. Ruth Vanlandingham	10-24-48
TEXAS: Mrs. Dora Brawner	12-31-49
UTAH: Mrs. Jane B. Strickley	12-31-48
VERMONT: Mrs. Eva Capron	12-31-49
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Joie Hughes	12-31-47
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Ruth Bolen	12-31-48
WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Alice Kress	9- 1-48
WISCONSIN: Mrs. Bernice Wirth	12-31-48
WYOMING: Mrs. Helen Oliver	12-31-48



## GRAND SECRETARIES

- ALABAMA—Mrs. Florence G. Newsom, Masonic Temple, Montgomery—Oct.  
ALBERTA—Samual J. Blair, 715 14th Ave., West Calgary, Alberta, Canada—June  
ARIZONA—Mrs. Danitza Angius, Box 1175 Bisbee—February  
ARKANSAS—Mrs. Etta C. Lynn, Box 1127, Hazen—November  
BRITISH COLUMBIA—Mrs. Hazel Freeze, 4767 Collingwood St. Vancouver,—June  
CALIFORINA—Mrs. Maude MacW. Smith, 760 Market St. San Francisco—Oct.  
COLORADO—Mrs. Nellie W. Wegener, 308 Masonic Temple. Denver—Sept.  
CONNECTICUT—Mrs. Ida B. Nixon, 3 Brainerd Ave., Middletown—April  
DELAWARE—Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher, 1614 No. Union St. Wilmington—May  
DIST. OF COLUMBIA—Mrs. Hazel R. Englebrecht, Masonic Temple, Wash—Jan.  
FLORIDA—Mrs. Mae T. Donovan, 120 Broadway, Daytona Beach—April  
GEORGIA—Mrs. Claudia B. Singleary, 508 Gordon Ave., Thomasville—June  
IDAHO—Mrs. Loula T. Carpenter, Salmon—June  
ILLINOIS—Mrs. Grace Neuhaus, 32 West Randolph St., Chicago—Oct.  
INDIANA—Mrs. Daisy M. Crist, 216 Massachusetts Ave., Indianapolis—April  
IOWA—Mrs. Adah G. Thompson, 511 American Trust Bldg. Cedar Rapids—Oct.  
KANSAS—Miss Gertrude V. Gough, 408 National Reserve Bldg. Topeka—April  
LOUISIANA—Mrs. Camilla L. Barrows, Box 26, St. Francisville— March  
MAINE—Miss Mabel J. DeShon, 26 Orland Ave. Portland— May  
MANITOBA—Mrs. Edith Keel, 118 Carmen Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba—June  
MARYLAND—Mrs. Cora E. Weider, 1225 East North Ave., Baltimore—April  
MASSACHUSETTS—Mrs. Alice E. Wallace, 120 Boyleston Ave., Boston—May  
MICHIGAN—Miss Genevieve M. Nauman, West Branch—October  
MINNESOTA—Miss Jane Todd, 419 E. Mill St. Austin—May  
MISSISSIPPI—Mrs. Florence F. Williams, Houston—April  
MISSOURI—Mrs. Pearl E. Peabody, Masonic Temple, 3861 Lindell Bl'vd. St. Louis—October  
MONTANA—Mrs. Esther C. Shaw, Masonic Temple, Missoula—August  
NEBRASKA—Miss Rose M. Owens, Masonic Temple, Omaha—May  
NEVADA—Mrs. Josephine Gosse, 465 Court St. Reno—October  
NEW BRUNSWICK, Mrs. Della Currie, Woodstock, Canada— June  
NEW HAMPSHIRE—Mrs. Alice K. Simons, 328 Main St. Laconia—September  
NEW JERSEY—Mrs. Emma E. Farrier, 880 Bergen Ave., Jersey City—May  
NEW MEXICO—Mrs. Ida C. Evans, 607 Isletta Rd. Albuquerque— March  
NEW YORK—Mrs. Annie M. Pond, 71 West 23rd St. New York, N. Y. —Oct.  
NORTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Bessie R. Mangum, Rocky Mount—June  
NORTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Minnie E. Rusk, Box 209, Fargo—June.  
OHIO—Mrs. Mary Wollerman 138 Cornell Drive, Toledo—October.  
OKLAHOMA—Mrs. Ethel Johnston, Box 391, Perry, Okla.—April  
OREGON—Mrs. Laura Bretscher, 7311 Masonic Temple, Portland—June  
PENNSYLVANIA—Mrs. Margaret B. Alexander, 12 So. 12th St. Phila.—June  
PUERTO RICO—Mrs. Emma O. Phillipi, Apartado 3924, Santurce—December  
QUEBEC—Mrs. Sylvia Halsall, 5243 Globert St. Montreal, Canada —October  
RHODE ISLAND—Mrs. Bertha G. Haines, 56 Zone St. Providence— October  
SASKATCHEWAN—Mrs. Edith Marland, 325 22nd St. Prince Albert, Saskatche-  
wan— May  
SCOTLAND—Mr. Wm. Bryce, 128 Hope St., Glasgow—March and October  
SOUTH CAROLINA—Mrs. Ruth B. Danielson, 1413 Pendleton St. Columbia—June  
SOUTH DAKOTA—Mrs. Kate F. Williams, Aberdeen— October  
TENNESSEE—Mrs. Leta W. LeSueur, Grand Lodge Bldg. Nashville—March  
TEXAS—Miss Cora Posey, Grand Chapter Office Bldg. Arlington—October  
UTAH—Mrs. Naomi P. Hoskins, 1954 So. Third East St. Salt Lake City—October  
VERMONT—Mrs. Mary S. Mackay, 2 Park St., Barre, Vermont—June.  
VIRGINIA—Miss Louise Beale, 2025 Hanover Ave., Richmond—May.  
WASHINGTON—Mrs. Mabel C. Clark, 4702 47th St., N. E., Seattle—June.  
WEST VIRGINIA—Mrs. Etta M. Barnes, 123 East Second St., Weston—October.  
WISCONSIN—Mrs. Otille S. Brunke, 225 East Michigan St., Milwaukee—October.  
WYOMING—Mrs. Mollie M. Ellis, Buffalo—August.



## PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS

- 1910-13—MRS. M. ALICE MILLER, El Reno, Oklahoma.  
 1916-19—MR. HEO M. HYLANS, 2455 Overton, N. W., Portland, Oregon.  
 1919-22—MRS. ELLA LINES CHAPIN, Pine Meadow, Conn.  
           MRS. ALFRED C. MCDANIEL\*  
 1922 25—MR. WILL W. GROW\*  
 1928 31—MRS. EMMA P. CHADWICK, Sorrenton Hotel, Seattle, Washington.  
           MR. PHILLIP A. JERGENSON, 93 Wolcott St., West Medford, Mass.  
 1931 34—MRS. MILDRED K. SCHANBACHER, 310 Fort St., Port Arthur, Ontario, Can.  
 1934 37—MRS. FRANCES HAUN, Milan, Tennessee.  
           MR. WM. A. DUVALL, Branchville, Md.  
 1937 40—MRS. ANNA SMALLEY, Roundup, Montana.  
           MR. FRANK W. LYNN, 1129 No. Beckley Ave., Dallas, Texas.  
 1940 43—MRS. EFFIE EASTON, Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco, California.  
           MR. CHARLES TOWNSEND, Casper, Wyoming.  
 1943 46—MRS. MAMIE LANDER, 1618 New Hampshire Ave., Washington, D. C.  
           MR. HAROLD T. LANDERYOU, 210 Farnam Bldg., Omaha, Nebraska.  
 Nov. 1946 to April 1947—MRS. OLGA PHILLIP\*

## GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

1943 - 1947

- Most Worthy Grand Matron, MRS. EVA HOLLAND HAMILTON, 6629 Ingleside Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
 Most Worthy Grand Patron, MR. R. DONALD STEWART, Hartland, New Brunswick.  
 Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, MRS. ABBIE HANSON, 6423 Forest Ave., Hammond, Indiana.  
 Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, MR. FRANKLIH W. L. MILES, 121 Dorset Rd., Waban, Massachusetts.  
 Right Worthy Grand Secretary, MRS. MAMIE LANDER, 1618 New Hampshire Ave., Washington, D. C.  
 Right Worthy Grand Treasurer, MISS KATHRYN L. GRAVINS, 10 Westmoreland Ave., Richmond, Virginia.  
 Right Worthy Grand Conductress, MRS. RUTH JONES, 92 Windsor St., Waterbury, Conn.  
 Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress  
 Right Worthy Grand Trustee, MR. WALTER L. STOCKWELL, Masonic Temple, Fargo, North Dakota.  
 Right Worthy Grand Trustee, MRS. JUANITA D. KILLON, Braman, Oklahoma.  
 Right Worthy Grand Trustee, MISS JANE C. TODD, 419 East Mill St., Austin, Minn.  
 Worthy Grand Chaplain, MRS. JANETTE KERLIN, 628 S. 45th St., Birmingham, Ala.  
 Worthy Grand Marshal, MRS. ROSE SWALLOW, 348 N. Vassar St., Wichita, Kan.  
 Worthy Grand Organist, MISS MARY F. MCGOLDRICK, 58 Ravine Rd., West Medford, Mass.  
 Worthy Grand Adah, MRS. RUTH M. KITCHEN, 419 N. Maple Ave., Green Bay, Wisconsin.  
 Worthy Grand Ruth, MRS. ANNA BOYD, 92 Cumberland St., Allandale, Ontario.  
 Worthy Grand Esther, MRS. MILDRED T. STOCKMAN, 789 8th Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 Worthy Grand Martha, MRS. LILY COOPER, 618 N. Main St., Findlay, Ohio.  
 Worthy Grand Electa, MRS. HORTENSE B. STEVENS, Lewiston, Maine.  
 Worthy Grand Warder, MRS. ELLA S. RILEY, Yerington, Nevada.  
 Worthy Grand Sentinel, MR. WILBUR H. CRAMBLET, The Heights, Bethany, W. Va.  
 Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus, MRS. MINNIE E. KEYES, Florida.



## PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF DELAWARE

- 1921-22—MRS. JULIA M. STORY, 1005 West 9th St., Wilmington, Del.  
HARRY F. NEWLIN, 708 West 20th St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1922-23—MRS. AMY E. MEYER, 616 N. Broom St., Wilmington, Del.  
HARRY T. HICKEY\*
- 1923-24—MRS. LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY\*  
ALFRED M. CLOWER\*
- 1924-25—MRS. CORRINE W. TIMMONS, Whaleyville, Del.  
WILLIAM H. REDMILE\*
- 1925-26—MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN, 1612 Woodlawn Ave., Wilmington, Del.  
ELHANAN BURTON WILSON\*
- 1926-27—ELIZABETH LEECH\*  
WALTER WOODS\*\*
- 1927-28—MRS. ROSE E. NEWLIN, 708 W. 20th St., Wilmington, Del.  
THOMAS B. PEPPER, Georgetown, Del.
- 1928-29—MRS. JEAN H. CAUFMAN\*  
RAYMOND H. FOSTER, New Castle, Del.
- 1929-30—MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN, 1019 Rodney St., Wilmington, Del.  
ROBERT S. GALLAHER, Newark, Del.
- 1930-31—MRS. IRMA BAKER BARR, Delmar, Del.  
WALTER E. SAWDON, 503 W. 10th St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1931-32—MRS. MARY M. CLOWER, 1117 Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington, Del.  
FRANK L. HOWARD\*
- 1932-33—MRS. ANNA BELLE SAUTER, 1214 Market St., Wilmington, Del.  
GROVER C. MacNAMEE\*
- 1933-34—MRS. IRENE BAUER, 914 W. 24th St., Wilmington, Del.  
C. HERBERT NEUTZE, 1102 Jefferson St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1934-35—MRS. M. ETTA KEYS, 824 Van Buren St., Wilmington, Del.  
DR. JAY W. MILLER, Glen Mills, Pa.
- 1935-36—MRS. BESSIE M. WARRINGTON, Harrington, Del.  
VICTOR J. CARMINE, Delmar, Del.
- 1936-37—MRS. BERTHA M. SMITH, 608 McLane St., Wilmington Del.  
JAMES DUNCAN\*\*
- 1937-38—MRS. SARAH E. RIGGIN, 37 Brooklyn Ave., Rehoboth, Del.  
JOHN FREDERICK, Centreville, R. D., Delaware
- 1938-39—MRS. MARTHA W. KRAPF, 207 E. Justis St., Newport, Del.  
JOHN L. LeCOMPTE, Lincoln, Del.
- 1939-40—MISS CARRIE L. GEMMILL\*  
FRANK L. HARRAR\*
- 1940-41—MRS. JANE C. ZEBLEY, 912 West St., Wilmington, Del.  
WILLIAM B. DERRICKSON, Selbyville, Del.
- 1941-42—MRS. BERTHA S. WELCH, Cannon, Del.  
ROBERT M. ROGERS, Richardson Park, Wilmington, Del.
- 1942-43—MRS. MYRTLE C. NESBITT\*  
FREDERICK STOUT, 614 W. 32d St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1943-44—MRS. CLARA A. REUTER, 5213 Forrest Hill Ave., Richmond, Va.  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, Eden Park, New Castle, Del.
- 1944-45—MRS. ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, Pierson Apts., Richardson Park, Del.  
CHESTON R. McCORMICK, 208 Lore Ave., Hillcrest, Del.
- 1945-46—MRS. HELEN C. WEST, Selbyville, Del.  
CHARLES V. CLEAVER, 708 W. 27th Street, Wilmington, Del.
- 1946-47—MRS. ALICE C. ABBOTT, 189 Browning Ave., Elizabeth, New Jersey.  
PERCY C. COTTY, 1022 Clayton St., Wilmington, Del.

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

## 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 closed 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 Delaware. 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.

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 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 Grand 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.

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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 ballotted 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. X

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.

36. 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?

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. 1945.

37. 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?

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. 1945.

38. 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?

No. I refer you to Article 1, Section 30, Rules and Regulations, for the government of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware. 1945.

39. 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?



No. Your Worthy Patron is in charge of the initiatory work and if 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. 1945.

40. 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?

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?

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. 1945.

41. 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?

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. 1945.

42. Can these members, after resigning, attend the stated meetings the rest of this year, or must they wait for a new year?

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. 1945.

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