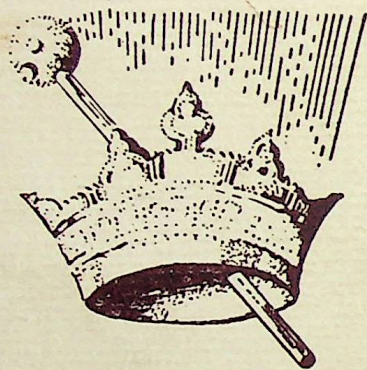


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Worthy Grand Matron  
MRS. MARIE L. ROBERTS



Worthy Grand Patron  
MR. HARLAN L. CLOUD

## SATURDAY EVENING

MAY 14, 1949

A Banquet was held in the Lewes Fire Hall, Lewes, Delaware, Saturday evening, May 14, 1949, given in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their staff of Grand Officers by the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware.

Luncheon on Tuesday, May 17, 1949, in the Grange Hall at Lewes, Delaware.

Dinner was served to the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons in the "Star of the Sea" Hotel, Monday evening, May 16.

## SUNDAY EVENING

MAY 15, 1949

A reception was given in honor of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, Sunday afternoon at 5 P. M. at the "Star of the Sea" Hotel.

Divine Service was held in Epworth Methodist Church, Baltimore Avenue, in Rehoboth, at 8 P. M. on Sunday, May 15, 1949.

Following the Memorial Services, the home chapter of the Worthy Grand Matron, Kent No. 11, of Harrington, entertained members and guests of the Grand Chapter at a delightful buffet supper at the "Star of the Sea" Hotel.

## INFORMAL OPENING

MAY 16, 1949

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, was held in the Lewes Fire Hall, Lewes, Delaware, and called to order by the Session's Chairman, Sister Sarah E. Riggan, at one o'clock, who presented the Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Sister Marie L. Roberts.

The American Flag carried by the Grand Marshal, Sister Louise Emory; the Christian Flag carried by the Grand Chaplain, Sister Mabel L. Stirlith; the State Flag carried by Past Patron, Brother Robert Slaughter, of Victory Chapter No. 15, and the Eastern Star Flag carried by Past Patron, Brother Levin Lowe, Adah Chapter No. 5, were brought into the Grand Chapter Room.

After placing of flags in their respective standards, the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1948 and 1949 entered the room, forming a crown and sceptre.

Address of welcome was given by Mr. H. Edward Maull, Mayor of Lewes, who is also a Past Patron of Unity Chapter No. 16, Order of the Eastern Star.

Invocation by Dr. Wm. Leishman, of the Rehoboth Presbyterian Church.

A selection was rendered by an Instrumental Trio from the Lewes High School.

Address by Dr. Wm. Leishman.

Selection by the Star Treble Chorus.

The Worthy Grand Patron escorted Dr. Wm. Leishman from the Grand Chapter Room due to the fact he was not a member of the Order, and the room was prepared for the formal opening at 2.00 o'clock.

## FORMAL OPENING

MONDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 16, 1949, 2.00 P. M.

Grand Chapter was called to order by P. G. M. Sister Sarah E. Riffin, presenting Past Grand Matron Sister Amy E. Meyer and Past Grand Patron Brother Thomas E. Pepper, who welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marie L. Roberts and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harlan L. Cloud.

A basket of red carnations was presented the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marie L. Roberts, by Past Matron Sister Edna Williams, Kent No. 11, for Worthy Matron Sister Bella Sylvester, Kent No. 11, who had been called away due to illness in her family.

Greetings were extended to all by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

The Worthy Grand Matron announced that Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Lillian Larrimore, a Past Matron of Caesar Rodney No. 8, would fill the station of the Grand Lecturer, Sister Edna H. Watson, who was absent due to illness.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain and all united in singing "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Roll call of Grand Officers and Constituent Chapters.

Partial report of Credential Committee showed sixteen Chapters and sixteen Worthy Matrons represented with one hundred and twenty-five voting delegates. Motion was made by Sister Riffin, seconded by Sister Alice M. Abbott, that report be accepted. Motion adopted.

Past Matron, Sister Madeline Litchfield, President of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association, presented the American Flag to the Grand Chapter as a gift from the Association.

The Past Matron's and Patron's Association is pleased to present this American Flag to the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. These stars send forth their rays of hope over the oceans and over the mountains into the valleys of suffering men.

The first star in this flag was placed there by the citizens of the State of Delaware, for we were the first state to ratify the Constitution on December 7, 1789. It was here in Delaware that our flag was first unfurled in battle; and under this banner, thousands of men have died that your home and my home might be safe and free.

This flag proclaims faith in the individual, faith in our country, and faith in our God. We pray that it will always stand as a symbol

for freedom and liberty and that under its standard, "government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

On behalf of our association, I present you with this flag with the knowledge that the traditions and principles which it represents will always be upheld by our great organization.

Tribute was paid the American Flag, Christian Flag, and the Eastern Star Flag by the Grand Marshal, Sister Louise Emory, followed by pledge of allegiance to the Flag and singing of "America, the Beautiful."

Address of welcome by Sister Ruth Roberts, Worthy Matron Unity Chapter No. 16.

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

Our Worthy Grand Matron has given me the honor and the pleasure of bidding each of you a most cordial welcome to the Twenty-eighth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware. This is the second time within the history of our Grand Chapter that sessions have been held outside the city of Wilmington. Those of us who live at the lower end of the jurisdiction appreciate this consideration shown us by our Worthy Grand Matron, and are well aware of some of the difficulties involved, and the extra work required of the Sessions Committee in bringing a gathering of this size to a small town. We are happy to be your hosts, and sincerely hope that whatever we lack in the way of facilities will be more than compensated for by our friendliness and hospitality.

Visitors from Sister Jurisdictions, you are very welcome, and we would have you take back to your own Chapters fraternal greetings.

It is our earnest desire that every member of our own Grand Chapter have only pleasant memories of this session.

Grand Chapter holds for each of us its own special meaning. For some it is a time for reunion with old friends and a chance to make new ones; for others, its prime purpose is legislation; for all of us it can, and should be, a time of instruction and a source of renewed inspiration.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marie, I thank you for the privilege of extending this welcome. May your every wish and your fondest dreams for your Esther Session be realized. May the good cheer and happiness you have radiated throughout your time in office be as the bread cast upon the waters, and return to you a hundredfold.

Response to welcome given by Sister Dora E. Fitzgerald, Associate Grand Matron.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, was presented with flowers in the West, at which time the Star Treble Chorus, with Sister Ruth Laws as soloist, sang "Moonlight and Roses," Sister Eva's theme song. She was given a very cordial welcome at the altar, escorted East and accorded Grand Honors.

The Right Worthy Grand Sentinel of the General Grand Chapter, Sister Florence E. Plummer, was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, a member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the General Grand Chapter, was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mildred E. Johnson, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Price E. Wilson, of Maryland, were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Past Grand Matrons of Maryland, Sisters Anna Janney, Elizabeth Jackson, and Hazel D. Wright, were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

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

Sisters Sarah Riggin, Helen West, Alice Abbott, Clara Reutter, Sara MacNamee, Bertha Smith, Bessie Warrington, Irma Baker Barr, Mattie Pyle Horn, Amy E. Meyer; Brothers Victor J. Carmine, Charles Cleaver, Robt. W. Larrimore, Walter E. Sawdon, R. M. Rogers, Horace K. Fulmer, Thomas B. Pepper, John LeCompte, Cheston McCormick, Percy C. Cotty.

Responses to the welcome were given by P.G.M. Sister Irma Baker Barr and P.G.P. Brother Walter E. Sawdon.

Sister Sarah E. Riggin, P.G.M. and Chairman of Sessions made an announcement regarding the luncheon to be held on Tuesday at 12 o'clock sharp.

Grand Officers of other jurisdictions, Sister Thelma Owen, Grand Esther of Maryland and Sister Ethel Moore, Grand Marshal of Maryland, were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Grand Trustees, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce and Brothers J. Nelson Abbott and Robert W. Larrimore, were presented in the West, given a welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to which Sister Pierce responded. They were escorted East and given a hearty welcome.

Deputy Grand Lecturers were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to which response was made by Sister Arzie Lewis, Newark Chapter No. 10. They were escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Deputy Grand Lecturers of Maryland, Sisters Elsie Bunting and Joiner were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1948 were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy



Grand Patron. Response was given by Sister Eleanor Smith, Radiant Chapter No. 6 and Brother Richard Welsh, Five Points Chapter No. 13. They were escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

The Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1949 were presented in the West, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to which response was made by Sister Bella Sylvester, Kent Chapter No. 11, and Brother Norman West, Sussex Chapter No. 7. They were escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

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

Due to the unavoidable absence of Sister Lillian Miller, the response was read by Sister Edith McLean, Past Matron of Radiant Chapter No. 6. They were escorted East and given a hearty welcome.

Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters were welcomed by the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher.

Due to the illness of Sister Leonora Watson, Secretary of Victory Chapter No. 15, the response was read by Sister Emily Womack, Secretary of Sussex Chapter No. 7.

Grand Representatives from Delaware to other jurisdictions were presented in the West, given a welcome by the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Albert Kumpel. Response was given by Sister Florence Burbage, Frankford Chapter No. 12. They were escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Grand Representatives from other jurisdictions to Delaware were presented in the West, Sisters Marie Rosok from Arizona, Irma Darby from Rhode Island; welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Sister Joiner, Grand Representative from Maryland to Nova Scotia, was presented in the West and given a welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron.

Pages were presented in the West and welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron. In the absence of Sister Edith M. Galloway, Mizpah Chapter No. 2, the response was made by Lillian M. Wheeler, Worthy Grand Matron's Page. They were escorted East and given a hearty welcome.

Welcome was extended to Sister Margaret Stinchecum, Bethel Guardian of Job's Daughters, by the Worthy Grand Matron, to which Sister Stinchecum responded. She was escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Director of the Star Treble Chorus, Sister Emma Wheeler, was presented in the West and given a special welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron, after which the entire Chorus was welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron. Response was made by Sister Marion Craig, President of the Chorus.

Motion was made by Brother Walter E. Sawdon, seconded by Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that the reading of the minutes of the 1948 Grand Session be dispensed with and be approved as printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Matron announced she had made the following committee appointments:

General Grand Chapter Tri-ennial Session, Sister Dora E. Fitzgerald. Sister Jane M. Brinton to fill the unexpired term of Past Grand Matron Sister Julia M. Story, Gr. Chapter Rep. Delaware O.E.S. Bldg. Corp.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, in charge of the Cancer Research Project.

P.G.M. Sister Alice M. Abbott, was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Constitution and By-Laws Committee due to Sister Etta Key's illness.

Sister Dorothy Larramore to take Sister Watson's place on the registration committee and Sister Lillian Harmstead to fill the vacancy caused by the illness of Sister Correll.

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

## MONDAY EVENING

8.00 P. M.

Chairman of Sessions, presiding, presented Past Grand Matron Sister Bessie M. Warrington and P.G.P. Brother Victor J. Carmine who opened the evening session.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marie L. Roberts, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harlan L. Cloud, and other Grand Officers were invited to enter the Chapter Room.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

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

Past Grand Matron, Sister Corrine W. Timmons, was presented at the Altar, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

The Worthy Grand Matron requested Brother Cloud to use a brass gavel made especially for her in the Railroad Shop at Crewe, Virginia, a gift of her uncle, whenever he presided during the session.

### 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:

Not quite a year ago, many present tonight heard me say: "I bring no great talent to this high office, but a sincerity of purpose, and a desire to be of service" and a plea for "Loyalty" and the cooperation of every member of our Order.

Tonight, I can stand before you and say that I have had the utmost cooperation throughout the past year as your Worthy Grand Matron. The friendships formed, and the service rendered, will remain a part of "Marie" until the last curtain falls. Thanks to each and every officer and member, I feel that this year has been worthwhile. Great things have not been accomplished, we leave no glowing

memorial for our year, but we have practiced the principles of our obligation and have tried indeed to live our motto with sincerity. We feel that we have been in a small way through our Chapters' interest in the Masonic Home, a little more help to our source, the great Masonic Fraternity. We hope that we may always be allowed to do our small part in bringing cheer to the guests on the Lancaster Pike.

It is with great pleasure that I say to you, "Welcome down state." Many of you are perhaps at your first Grand Chapter Session, and I hope you will feel that it is indeed worth while to attend. My grateful thanks to Unity Chapter No. 16 for your generosity in having us in your midst. Without your full cooperation, this meeting could not have been attempted, and while I know full well it was chiefly due to your deep admiration and love for our Sister Bess Riffin that you have worked so tirelessly to help make this the best Grand Session ever, I humbly extend my thanks and gratitude to you, and again say "Welcome" to this, our "Esther Session."

Some of our distinguished guests from Sister Jurisdictions have traveled far to be with us. We hope that your visit will be pleasant, and you will long remember your stay "Down where the pine meets the brine." Thank you for coming.

#### IN MEMORIAM

With the word of greeting still upon our lips, we first pause to pay tribute to the loving memory of those who have followed the Star into the land of Everlasting Light. To the Mother and founder of the Eastern Star in Delaware, Sister Julia Marr Story, we dedicated this session in memory of her untiring service and devotion. She was the first to unclasp a link in our Past Grand Circle, but was followed by Brother John Frederick just a short time ago. Deeply do we mourn the loss of our beloved Past Grands.

Our General Grand Chapter circle was broken by the passing of Sister Effie Easton, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Harold Landeryou, Junior Past Most Worthy Grand Patron. We again extend our sympathy to the General Grand Chapter in this great loss.

We are grateful that we are permitted to assemble with our chain of Grand Officers unbroken, though into many homes sorrow has entered and we extend our love and sympathy to those who have lost loved ones.

Our sympathy goes to our Sister Grand Jurisdictions where sorrow has invaded their ranks, and to our own Subordinate Chapters who have lost valuable members. We shall miss these splendid leaders from the Chapters they served so well, and fitting tribute was paid to them in our Memorial Service.

#### OFFICIAL ACTS

Your Worthy Grand Patron and I did not have an easy assignment in selecting our Official Family. We had so few honors to bestow,

and so many deserving members from whom to choose, but I feel that we chose wisely when we appointed the following Grand Officers,

Deputy Grand Lecturers, and Committee Members:

Grand Chaplain—Mrs. Mabel Stirlith, 2615 Market St., Wilm., Del.

Grand Lecturer—Mrs. Edna Watson, 604 Geddes St., Wilm., Del.

Grand Marshal—Mrs. Louise Emory, Milford, Del.

Grand Organist—Mrs. Ida Lowe, Delmar, Del.

Grand Adah—Mrs. Ruth Laws, 17 Winston Ave., Elmhurst, Del.

Grand Ruth—Mrs. Mae T. Ford, Harrington, Del.

Grand Esther—Mrs. Eunice Tull, Seaford, Del.

Grand Martha—Mrs. Gladys Lynch, 446 Savannah Rd., Lewes, Del.

Grand Electa—Mrs. Ethel D. Derickson, Star Route 3, Frankford, Del.

Grand Warder—Mrs. Elizabeth Heinel, Holloway Terrace, New Castle, Del.

Grand Sentinel—Mr. Fred H. Warrington, Harrington, Del.

#### DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler (1) 1316 Washington St., Wilm., Del.

Mrs. Marian J. Simpson (2) 315 Beverly Place, Wilm., Del.

Miss Martha White (3) 210 W. 18th St., Wilm., Del.

Mrs. Alice Minner (4) 113 W. 36th St., Wilm., Del.

Mrs. Mary Nichols (5) Delmar, Del.

Mrs. Virginia Hambricht (6) 2405 Broom St., Wilm., Del.

Mrs. Louise Wright (7) Seaford, Del.

Mrs. Lillian Larrimore (8) Terminal Ave., New Castle, Del.

Mrs. Mildred Minner (9) Georgetown, Del.

Mrs. Arzie Lewis (10) 150 Academy St., Newark, Del.

Mrs. Emma P. Widdoes (11) Milford, RFD., Del.

Mrs. Mae T. Phillips (12) Millville, Del.

Mrs. Sadie C. Conly (13) 23 Reamer Ave., Richardson Park, Del.

Mrs. Sarah Hoffman (14) 900 Rosedale Ave., Bellefonte, Del.

Mrs. Florence Williams (15) 319 Wyoming Ave., Dover, Del.

Mrs. Mary Bevis (16) 15 Hickman St., Wilm., Del.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

##### CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Pauline Davis, 1 Year (15)

Mrs. Alice Frederick, 2 Years (14)

Mr. W. Clifford Raughley, 3 Years (11)

##### JURISPRUDENCE

Mrs. Sarah E. Riggins, 1 Year (11)

Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, 2 Years (3)

Mr. Walter E. Sawdon, 3 Years (6)

##### CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

Mr. Charles V. Cleaver, 1 Year (3)

Mrs. M. Etta Keys, 2 Years (1)

Mrs. Bessie M. Warrington, 3 Years (9)

## CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION AND CHARTERS

Mrs. Martha D. Mackey, 1 Year (13)  
 Mrs. Lillian Miller, 2 Years (3)  
 Mrs. Olivia Enright, 3 Years (4)

## EDUCATIONAL

Mrs. Mamie Wendling, 1 Year (1)  
 Mr. Cheston R. McCormick, 2 Years (14)  
 Mrs. Florence Ballard, 3 Years (8)  
 Mrs. Edith McLean, 4 Years (6)  
 Mrs. Mae Pople, 5 Years (3)

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mrs. Clemmie C. West (5)  
 Mrs. Helen P. Turner (7)  
 Mr. James A. McWilliams (15)

## NECROLOGY

Mrs. Edna Carter (2)  
 Mrs. Frances Warren (14)  
 Mrs. Lovey J. Stemples (9)  
 Mr. Albert J. Derickson (12)

## PRINTING

Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher (4)  
 Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon (3)  
 Mr. Thomas Rodway (11)

## GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS

Mrs. Helen Calhoun, 1 Year (9)  
 Mrs. Louise Mortlock, 2 Years (6)  
 Mr. Raymond Smith, 3 Years (13)

## JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Mrs. Mildred Kitchen (1)  
 Mrs. Ella Cleaver (3)  
 Mrs. Laura B. Fulmer (2)

## REGISTRATION

Mrs. Leonora Watson (15)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Correll (10)  
 Mr. G. Lloyd Frederick (14)

## EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Jane C. Zebley (6)  
 Mrs. Miriam Rittenhouse (10)  
 Mrs. Madeline Litchfield (1)

## SESSIONS COMMITTEE

- Mr. Percy C. Cotty (1)  
 Mrs. Myra D. Robinson (2)  
 Mrs. Mary Frame (3)  
 Mrs. Lois Ayres (4)  
 Mrs. Hettie P. Hall (5)  
 Mrs. Louise Pusey (6)  
 Mr. Norris Tull (7)  
 Mrs. Anna M. Harrington (8)  
 Mrs. Florence Pusey (9)  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Beswick (10)  
 Mrs. Blanche T. Keys (11)  
 Mrs. Maude L. Mitchell (12)  
 Mr. Paul Fleming (13)  
 Mrs. Grace Hild (14)  
 Mrs. Myrtle E. Anderson (15)  
 Mr. Elwood H. Lynch (16)  
 Mrs. Sarah E. Riggan, Chairman (11)

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

## REHABILITATION SERVICE

- Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, Chairman (10)  
 Mrs. Sadie C. Conly, Co-Chairman (13)  
 Mr. Archie C. Ford (11)  
 Mr. Ralph A. Baker (5)

## RED CROSS

- Mrs. Bertha Kelly (1)

## MUSIC

- Mrs. Emma Wheeler and Star Treble Chorus

At no time have I been disappointed in our selections, and I commend them, and thank them, for their untiring efforts during the past year.

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED

One of the pleasures of my office was the privilege of recommending each Worthy Matron of 1948 upon their close of office for appointment as Grand Representative of other Grand Jurisdictions in the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware. It was a joy to submit the following names for appointments during my term of office:

- Mrs. Edna Carter . . . . . Alabama  
 Mrs. Phoebe Sharpley . . . . . Arizona  
 Mrs. Helen Camperson . . . . . Alberta  
 Mrs. Rita C. Wilkerson . . . . . British Columbia  
 Mrs. Ida Lowe . . . . . Colorado  
 Mrs. Eleanor Smith . . . . . Florida  
 Mrs. Rachel Atwell . . . . . Illinois

Mr. Harlan L. Cloud	Kentucky
Mrs. Edna M. Williams	Maine
Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers	Maryland
Mrs. Marie Burris	Mississippi
Mrs. Mary N. Banks	Montana
Mrs. Catherine Gibbs	New Hampshire
Mrs. Mary Keller	New Jersey
Mrs. Mary Bevis	New Mexico
Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore	Ohio
Mrs. Elizabeth Aydelotte	Ontario
Mrs. Mabel Davis	Tennessee
Mrs. May Payne	Texas
Mrs. Ruth Stiggins	Utah
Mrs. Leonora Watson	Vermont
Mrs. Catherine E. Weaver	West Virginia
Mrs. Julia Slaughter	Wisconsin
Mrs. Helen Helbing	Wyoming

Letters of appreciation were received from many whose commissions it was my pleasure to sign appointing them Grand Representatives of Delaware in other Grand Jurisdictions when requested to do so by their Worthy Grand Matrons:

Alabama	Mrs. Kylie Berryman
Arizona	Mrs. Marie Rosok
Arkansas	Mrs. Grace Woasley
Alberta	Mrs. Winnifred H. Harvey
California	Mrs. Irby Stockton
Colorado	Mrs. Sula Hopkins
Iowa	Mrs. Luella Hanson
Kansas	Mrs. Agnes Cummins
Maine	Mrs. Thelma M. Barlow
Maryland	Mrs. Leona S. Twele
Massachusetts	Miss Patricia Allis
Mississippi	Mrs. Louise King
Montana	Mrs. Florence Hetrick
New Hampshire	Mrs. Bernice G. Chase
Ontario	Mrs. Vera Hall
Rhode Island	Mrs. Irma Darby
South Dakota	Mrs. Idah Lee
Tennessee	Mrs. Katie Denton
Washington	Mrs. Minnie E. Sauer
West Virginia	Mrs. Pauline Schwartz
Wisconsin	Mrs. Edna Fritz
Manitoba	Mrs. Flora Cobb
Wyoming	Mrs. Mary E. Pearson
Puerto Rico	Mrs. Amelia Reyna
Quebec	Mrs. Lottie Dean

#### VISITATIONS

There are some special days in everyone's life, days which touch the mind and heart, and are always precious memories. These times

of official visits in each subordinate chapter are such days. Words are entirely inadequate to express my appreciation for the many, many courtesies and gifts. I tried to say "Thank you" at the time, but the lovely and sincere words of welcome, the beautifully decorated Chapter Rooms, lovely gifts, and gorgeous flowers, will always be golden memories, and again I can only repeat "Thank you" for your hospitality to the Grand Family. It was indeed a pleasure to visit the following chapters:

June 22, 1948.....	Unity Chapter No. 16
September 8, 1948.....	Frankford Chapter No. 12
September 13, 1948.....	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
September 17, 1948.....	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
September 21, 1948.....	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
September 2, 1948.....	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
September 27, 1948.....	Victory Chapter No. 15
October 1, 1948.....	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
October 7, 1948.....	Sussex Chapter No. 7
October 12, 1948.....	Delaware Chapter No. 1
October 14, 1948.....	Five Points Chapter No. 13
October 18, 1948.....	Adah Chapter No. 5
October 21, 1948.....	Radiant Chapter No. 6
November 5, 1948.....	Newark Chapter No. 10
November 10, 1948.....	St. John's Chapter No. 4
November 17, 1948.....	Kent Chapter No. 11

Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Family, for the support you gave by your presence, some of you were 100%. "Loyalty" has indeed been the watchword during the year, not only with you, Grand Family, but with those who have journeyed with us, covering the miles with a smile, and then returning for more.

#### SPECIAL OCCASIONS

May 26, 1948—The first really special occasion was a visit to Octorora Chapter with the Worthy Grand Patron and members of Delaware Chapter, a new experience, but very pleasant evening.

May 29, 1948—Several members from Delaware enjoyed the reception at the Masonic Hall in Salisbury, Maryland, in honor of the Associate Grand Patron of Maryland, Brother Wilson.

October 9, 1948—It was my privilege to attend the banquet and reception given in honor of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Patron of New Jersey, and Deputy Grand Matron of District No. 1, Sister Errera, in Atlantic City, N. J., at the Masonic Temple.

November 27, 1948—Brother and Sister Cloud, my husband and I, visited Bethlehem Chapter in Crewe, Virginia, as the guests of my uncle. We thoroughly enjoyed the banquet with their novel favors typical of a railroad town. This was the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and her staff, and we also received honorary membership.



December 9, 1948—It was a pleasure to visit Lansdowne Chapter No. 441, in Lansdowne, Pa., on the occasion of their official visit from their Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Albright.

December 13, 1948—I enjoyed a banquet preceding the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron of Virginia, Sister Dodge, and her official family, to Northampton Chapter No. 2, in Cape Charles, Virginia.

December 16, 1948—Guest of Caroline Chapter No. 62, Denton, Maryland, at their Christmas Party, at which time an honorary membership was presented.

February 20, 1949—Attended the reception in honor of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Hamilton, and members of the General Grand Chapter given by the Rt. Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Lander, in the Temple in Washington, D. C.

March 16, 1949—The Grand Family was invited to witness initiation ceremony at Bethel No. 1, of Job's Daughters in Wilmington. It was indeed a privilege and inspiration to witness this beautiful work, and I feel these girls are to be commended for the excellent work they do. It was a pleasure to present them with \$20.00 to be used at their discretion. Thank you again, Bethel No. 1, for the certificate making me a "Member of Honor."

April 6, 1949—The Grand Family of Delaware were guests of Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Maryland, at the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, Sister Rodenhi, and her official staff.

May 7, 1949—Reception in honor of Sister Mildred Johnson, Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, given by her home chapter, Caroline No. 64, Denton, Maryland, was a most enjoyable affair.

#### GRAND JURISDICTIONS VISITED

June 13 to 17, 1948—Brother and Sister Cloud, our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth and I attended the Rainbow Session of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, in Pittsburgh, Pa., and appreciate all the courtesies shown to us.

October 23 to 30, 1948—Again, Brother and Sister Cloud, Sister Elizabeth and I paid a visit to a sister jurisdiction, and while enjoying a wonderful trip also, attended the Golden Key Session of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky in Louisville. Truly "southern hospitality" prevailed, and we deeply appreciate being made an honorary member of that Grand Body. At the close of the session, we made the pilgrimage to the home and last resting place of our founder, Robert Morris, in LeGrange, Ky.

April 26-27, 1949—Attended the Grand Chapter of Maryland held in the Lord Baltimore Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland, and deeply appreciate all the courtesies shown us, especially the Honorary Membership.

## MY GAVEL

My white gavel, tied with the colors of the Star, was the gift of my mother at my installation. This has traveled throughout our jurisdiction, and has been used by each presiding matron at the official visit, also in the installation of those chapters at which I was the installing officer. Thank you again, Mother, this will be a cherished symbol of my wonderful year in the Grand East. It is my pleasure to honor my mother in dedicating this Grand Chapter session to her, as well as to our Eastern Star Mother, Sister Story.

## INSTALLATIONS

It was an honor and a privilege to be invited to install the officers of the following chapters:

- January 4—Brandywine No. 14—All officers installed.
- January 5—Kent No. 11—All officers installed.
- January 6—Radiant No. 6—All officers installed.
- January 7—Georgetown No. 9—All officers installed.
- January 10—Julia M. Story No. 3—All except Star Point Martha.
- January 11—Delaware No. 1—All except Worthy Patron.
- January 12—Frankford No. 12—All except Star Point Ruth.
- January 13—Five Points No. 13—All officers installed.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Marshal, and Grand Chaplain, for your loyalty and assistance. Due to conflicting dates, I was unable to install at Sussex No. 7, Newark No. 10, Victory No. 15, and Unity No. 16. May I again say "Thank you" to the Chapters for their gifts and flowers at installation, and to the Worthy Matrons for their personal gifts to me. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

## SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

May 23, 1948—Sister Edna Watson, Grand Lecturer and I, formulated plans for the School for Deputies.

June 10, 1948—Held a School for the Deputy Grand Lecturers in the New Century Club, Harrington, Delaware, at 4.00 P. M., continuing after a buffet supper throughout the evening. The Grand Lecturer, Line Officers, and Worthy Grand Patron, were present. Mimeographed sheets with general information were distributed in an effort to make the work uniform this year.

January 14, 1949—Due to the serious illness of our Grand Lecturer, and realizing that "Grade A" certificates could only be issued by her under our constitution, I appointed Sister Edna Gifford, Grand Conductress, and Sister Irma LeCompte, Associate Grand Conductress, as "SPECIAL DEPUTIES" to issue "A" certificates when examinations are given by them. Also, to assist in Schools of Instruction and at other times when instruction is requested of them by the Deputies. All Chapters and Deputies were notified of this action.

I was most happy to have the SPECIAL DEPUTIES and the Worthy Grand Patron accompany me to nearly every school of instruction which were held as follows:

- Feb. 2—Kent No. 11.  
 “ 3—Radiant No. 6.  
 “ 4—Mizpah No. 2.  
 “ 7—Adah No. 5.  
 “ 8—Delaware No. 1.  
 “ 9—St. John’s No. 4.  
 “ 14—Julia M. Story No. 3.  
 “ 15—Brandywine No. 14.  
 “ 17—Sussex No. 7.  
 “ 22—Unity No. 16.  
 “ 23—Frankford No. 12.  
 “ 24—Five Points No. 13.  
 “ 28—Victory No. 15.  
 Mar. 4—Newark No. 10.  
 “ 10—Caesar Rodney No. 8.  
 “ 18—Georgetown No. 9.

The weather man was very good to us on most of these dates, the warmth of the chapter rooms, their work and willingness to be instructed, together with the courtesies shown to us, made the sixteen schools a pleasure rather than a duty. Many thanks to you, Deputies, for the service that you have given to our chapters this year. Your teaching of our ritualistic work, and devotion to your chapters in striving for uniform work throughout our jurisdiction, is to be commended and I sincerely thank you for all that you have done towards this goal during my term of office.

#### HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

Life brings many treasures, but none more friendly than to be made an honorary member of a chapter. To be thought worthy of such a special gift is a source of great pride, and I deeply appreciate those I have received. Quoting Edgar A. Guest, “I’d like to do the big things and the splendid things for you,” but all I can say is “Thank you.”

Julia M. Story No. 3  
 Adah No. 5  
 Sussex No. 7  
 Caesar Rodney No. 8  
 Georgetown No. 9  
 Frankford No. 12  
 Five Points No. 13

Unity No. 16  
 Caroline No. 62, Denton, Md.  
 Bethlehem No. 15, Crewe, Va.  
 Bethel No. 1, Job’s Daughters  
 Grand Chapter of Kentucky  
 Grand Chapter of Maryland

#### MASONIC HOME

At the beginning of our year, Brother Cloud and I asked the generosity of all chapters in making their Thanksgiving donation to the Masonic Home. The response was very, very generous, and I

want to commend and thank you for your support of this project. Sister Davis has given the following report which I think will be of interest to everyone:

Sunday Services by Chapters....	22
Grand Chapter.....	2
Parties by Chapters.....	16
Grand Officers at Christmas.....	1
Thanksgiving Donations.....	659 pcs. canned goods, 1 bushel potatoes, \$5.00 cash by P. M. & P. P. Association.
Chapters furnishing rooms during the year:	
Delaware No. 1	
Mizpah No. 2—also Philco Radio for their room.	
Julia M. Story No. 3	
Radiant No. 6	
Caesar Rodney No. 8	
Georgetown No. 9	
Kent No. 11	
Five Points N. 13	
Brandywine No. 14	
Victory No. 15	
Unity No. 16	

This makes eleven rooms furnished, and St. John's No. 4 and Sussex No. 7 have plans for their rooms.

On November 21, 1948, the Grand Chapter held devotional services at which time the Star Treble Chorus sang and Rev. Charles W. Branford, Past Patron of Frankford Chapter, brought the message. Again on April 17, 1949, the Grand Chapter held services, at which time Rev. John Oldman gave us the message of Easter. Thank you, Sister Laws, Grand Adah, for your lovely solos.

We deeply appreciate the words of recognition given to us by Mr. Edward Cooch, President of the Board. It is our earnest hope that the Eastern Star may always be permitted to assist in bringing comfort and pleasure to the guests because after all both orders are traveling the same road—

*"One by the Compasses led straight,  
The other following the Star."*

#### VETERANS HOSPITAL SERVICE

This is one of the projects for this year, continuation of the work of previous years for the Veterans Administration Hospital. With the first meeting of this term, June 20, 1948, on the third Sunday in each month, from 2 to 4 P. M., one of our Chapters has been host, under the direction of our Co-Chairmen, Sisters Martha Krapf and Sadie Conley, to a "Tea" for the veterans and their friends, serving gallons of fruit juices and oodles of cookies. Those of you who have helped in this know the joy of being a small part of bringing a little sunshine to those who answered the service call. Now at the close of

my term of office, it is with pride and pleasure that I say to you, our whole jurisdiction has had a part in this as each of the chapters in our order have taken their Sunday. Thank you, one and all, for this support and cooperation.

September 2, 1948—Attended a meeting of the Executive Committee at the Hospital with the members of the Rehabilitation Service Committee and the Worthy Grand Patron, at which time the Eastern Star Committee furnished the refreshments. Thank you, Brother Ford, the ice cream was delicious and we appreciate your generosity.

September 8, 1948—Started free-will collection at our September official visits to purchase a much needed Vital Statistics Machine for the Hospital. This was a most successful project, and when the box was opened on September 27, 1948, it contained \$51.05. As this was more than the needed amount, another radio was purchased.

As a complete report of this project will be given by our Rehabilitation Chairman, and to avoid duplication, I will only say "Thank you."

#### CHECKS SIGNED

During the year I have signed checks for the Grand Chapter drawn on the Treasury, No. 344 to 429, inclusive.

#### CONTINGENT FUND

A report of my Contingent Fund of \$125.00 has been filed with the Board of Grand Trustees.

#### WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION REQUESTED

May 31, 1948—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petition of Mrs. Elizabeth Pepper McCabe, Bishopville, Maryland, in favor of Frankford Chapter No. 12, Millville, Delaware. Granted on June 18, 1948.

March 25, 1949—Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania over petition of Mrs. Hazel E. Jeter, Concordville, Pa., in favor of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3. Wilmington. Not received.

On May 21, 1948, Sister MacNamee, Junior Past Grand Matron, requested a waiver over petition of Mrs. Dorothy V. Smith, Delmar, Maryland, in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware. When this was received by Adah Chapter No. 5, after having appointed an investigating committee on the petition, it was discovered that the correct address of the petitioner was Salisbury, Maryland. Therefore, on June 29, 1948, Adah Chapter requested advice as to the legality of accepting the waiver with incorrect address. Upon taking this question up with the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, I was advised, and I quote, "In accordance with a resolution adopted by our Grand Chapter, I must ask that it be returned to be acted upon by Wicomico Chapter No. 91 of Salisbury, Md." I, therefore, instructed Adah Chapter No. 5 to return this waiver, forwarded it to the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, and on October 12, 1948, was advised

that it had been refused by vote of Wicomico Chapter No. 91, of Salisbury, Md., on October 8, 1948. I directed that the committee of investigation be discharged and the petition returned marked, "Waiver not granted by the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland."

#### WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION GRANTED

June 22, 1948—Over petition of Mrs. Edna G. Hilliard, 27 Lawson Ave., Claymont, Delaware, in favor of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Pa.

June 22, 1948—Over petition of Mrs. Annie E. Smith, 27 Lawson Ave., Claymont, Delaware, in favor of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Pa.

November 5, 1948—Over petition of Mrs. Mabel L. Boulden, 2 Cathedral Ave., Claymont, Delaware, in favor of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Pa.

#### DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

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

June 7, 1948—To be used June 18, 1948, to Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to move charter and paraphernalia to Jones Memorial Hall for regular meeting.

September 6, 1948—To be used September 8, 1948, Five Points No. 13 to move charter and paraphernalia to new location in building owned by the Newport Methodist Church, and thereafter to hold Chapter meetings in new location.

December 27, 1948—To be used January 6, 1949, Radiant Chapter No. 6 to elect Worthy Patron.

January 14, 1949—To be used January 17, 1949, Adah Chapter No. 5 to install Treasurer.

January 21, 1949—To be used January 25, 1949, Unity Chapter No. 16 to install Marshal.

January 21, 1949—To be used January 26, 1949, Frankford Chapter No. 12, to install Star Point Ruth.

January 21, 1949—To be used January 24, 1949, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to install Star Point Martha.

January 21, 1949—To be used January 25, 1949, Delaware Chapter No. 1 to install Worthy Patron.

February 22, 1949—To be used March 1, 1949, Radiant Chapter No. 6 to move charter and all paraphernalia from Room 323 to Room 404 of Odd Fellows Building, 10th and King Streets, Wilmington.

February 3, 1949—To be used February 14, 1949, Victory Chapter No. 15 to install Chaplain and Warder.

February 3, 1949—To be used May 10, 1949, Unity Chapter No. 16 for the purpose of changing meeting to the Grange Hall for one night due to request of Episcopal Diocese for Fire Hall for banquet.

February 14, 1949—To be used February 26, 1949, St. John's Chapter No. 4 to move charter and paraphernalia from Eden Hall, 210 W. 10th St. to Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall St., Wilmington.

April 19, 1949—To be used May 9, 1949, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to hold special election and install Associate Patron.

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

I approved the following amendments to By-Laws of the Subordinate Chapters:

September 24, 1948—Victory Chapter No. 15, Art. IX, Sec. 2, amended to read “. . . for which service she shall receive the sum of Twenty (\$20.00) Dollars and her dues.”

Art. IX, Sec. 4—“The Treasurer shall receive for her or his services the sum of Five (\$5.00) and her dues.”

Art. IX, Sec. 7—“The Organist shall receive for her or his services the sum of Five (\$5.00) and her dues.”

Art. IX, Sec. 8—“The Sentinel shall receive for her or his services their dues.”

Art. IX, Sec. 5—“No Officer of this Chapter shall receive compensation for services except Secretary, Treasurer, Organist and Sentinel.”

September 24, 1948—Frankford Chapter No. 12—Art. V, Sec. 1, be changed to read \$10.00 for conferring degrees in lieu of \$5.00. Art. V, Sec. 2, be changed to read \$5.00 annual dues in lieu of \$3.00.

October 4, 1948—Sussex Chapter No. 7—Art. 7, Sec. 1—that the word Five (5) be changed to read Ten (10), thus reading, “The fee for conferring the degree in this Chapter shall be Ten Dollars, etc.”

December 2, 1948—Five Points Chapter No. 13, Article V, Sec. 2—“Each member must pay the sum of Five (5) Dollars as annual dues, payable in June and December. Members initiated or affiliated between regular dates of charging dues shall be charged on a monthly basis for each full month thereafter, until the next regular due period. The Chapter may, by a majority vote of those present, remit the dues of any member.”

December 15, 1948—Adah Chapter No. 5—Article I, Sec. 2—“The stated meeting of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Mondays in each month at 8.00 o'clock; provided, however, that no stated meetings shall be held in July and August; and, provided further, that when a stated meeting conflicts with the annual Session of the Grand Chapter, said meeting shall not be held. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Worthy Matron, due notice having been given the members and only such business transacted as may be specified in the notice.”

January 21, 1949—St. John's Chapter No. 4, Article IX, Sec. 1—reading in part “The Secretary shall, etc., etc., for which service she

shall receive the sum of Seventy-five (75) Dollars per year." Article IX, Sec. 3, reading in part "The Treasurer shall, etc., etc., for which she shall receive the sum of Fifteen (15) Dollars per year." These to be effective January 1, 1949.

February 3, 1949—Georgetown Chapter No. 9—Article V, Sec. 2—On the second line change the word three to five (3) to (5): "Each member must pay the sum of five (5) dollars as annual dues, payable in June and December."

February 19, 1949—St. John's Chapter No. 4—Article I, Sec. 2—"The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the First and Third Thursdays of each month except July and August at 8.00 P.M." Rest of paragraph was not changed.

February 22, 1949—Radiant Chapter No. 6—Article I, Sec. 3—"The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Tuesday evening of each month, excepting July and August."

April 20, 1949—Kent Chapter No. 11—Article I, Sec. 2—"The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Wednesday in each month, except January 1st, (no meetings in July and August) at 8.00 P. M. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Worthy Matron, due notice having been given the members and only such business transacted as may be specified in the notice."

#### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article VIII, Section 1, Page 10, relative to a Nominating Committee will be considered for the second reading at this Grand Session.

On April 12, 1949, with Sister Elizabeth Fisher as Chairman, a committee consisting of Associate Grand Matron, Sister Fitzgerald Grand Conductress, Sister Gifford, and Associate Grand Conductress, Sister LeCompte, met at my home to continue the revision of the Book of Instructions to include Active Legislation of the Grand Chapter, Approved Recommendations, and Approved Decisions. Sister Fisher will make this report, but I feel that much was accomplished toward the goal of revising and assembling like things together pertaining to the work of our Order.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

I have endeavored to answer all correspondence as promptly as possible, those of inquiry or decision with thoughtful consideration, and to the best of my knowledge, and those of invitation with much appreciation. Thanks, everyone, for the cards of congratulations, Christmas, holidays, and all expression of friendship to me. I have enjoyed them, and will enjoy them more when I have a little more leisure.

Christmas Greetings were mailed from the Grand Secretary's Office.



June 1, 1948—Sent first official letter to Subordinate Chapters as follows:

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Our first official communication brings to each of you, fraternal greetings and thanks for the honor you have given us, and our Chapters, in selecting us to lead our Grand Chapter for the coming year. We bring to the office a sincerity of purpose and a desire to be of service, and pledge our best in all that we may be called upon to do.

We earnestly ask that our motto for the year, "Living our Obligation with Courage and Faith," together with our Watchword, "Loyalty," be kept in mind so that through your loyalty and cooperation our year may be a successful one. We alone can not accomplish anything, but all of us together living our obligation with courage and faith can surmount any obstacle or difficulty that may arise.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, has three projects for this Triennium - CANCER RESEARCH - CHINA'S CHILDREN - SAVE THE CHILDREN FEDERATION. Last year Delaware sponsored the last one, sponsoring two rural schools, and made a contribution to the second. This year we are taking as our part of the General Grand Chapter program the first one, that of CANCER RESEARCH AND EDUCATION. The current campaign has just been completed, and you will be told more about the means of carrying out this project a little later on, but just now we want you to know that it is our project for the year, and we do want your cooperation and generous response to help combat this dread killer.

Our Grand Chapter Rehabilitation project, the V. A. Hospital at New Castle Air Base, needs your help, and when you are called upon, won't you remember what these boys have done for us? During the summer while canning and preserving, tuck a jar or two back for the annual Thanksgiving Donation to the Masonic Home. A visit to the Home makes you proud to be affiliated with the great source of our Star, the Masonic fraternity, and the guests do enjoy your goodies. We plan two Sunday services there during our year, as well as our annual Officers' Christmas party.

Sisters and Brothers, again we thank you for our term together in the Grand East, and wish for each of you a happy and enjoyable summer vacation.

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARIE L. ROBERTS,  
Worthy Grand Matron.  
HARLAN L. CLOUD,  
Worthy Grand Patron.

June 1, 1948—Sent letter to Deputy Grand Lecturers notifying them of School of Instruction on Thursday, June 10, 10.00 P. M. in New Century Club Room, Harrington, Delaware.

June 22, 1948—Notified Veterans Administration of the appointment of Mrs. Martha Krapf as Hospital Chairman, with Mrs. Sadie C. Conley as Alternate, on VA Voluntary Service Hospital Advisory Committee.

October 13, 1948—Sent second official letter to all Subordinate Chapters as follows:

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

Greetings:

From October's bright blue weather comes November and Thanksgiving Day.

Again the call comes to each of you to remember our friends, the guests at the Masonic Home. We asked that you tuck away an extra jar of jelly or jam while canning this summer, and the time has arrived to gather in the sheaves.

We hope that everyone will be as generous with their donations as they have been in the past. Please put the name of your Chapter on the package for identification.

The Grand Chapter will hold service at the Masonic Home on Sunday, November 21st, at 2.30 P. M. and we hope to greet many of you there. How nice it would be to have all sixteen Chapters represented at that time, both by their generous response to our appeal, and the presence of your members.

With sincere thanks for your generous response, we wish for each member of the Eastern Star a pleasant Thanksgiving.

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARIE L. ROBERTS,  
Worthy Grand Matron.

HARLAN L. CLOUD,  
Worthy Grand Patron.

January 14, 1949—Sent third official letter, with list of schools of instruction attached, reading as follows:

Harrington, Delaware  
January 14, 1949.

Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Installations are over, everything is ready for the new year, and I extend my best wishes for a most successful one to each Worthy Matron and her officers.

I am asking that each Chapter make an extra effort to contribute to the Most Worthy Grand Matron's project, "Cancer Research and Control", between now and April 1st. I would indeed appreciate it if every member of the Eastern Star in our Grand Jurisdiction is given an opportunity to make a generous contribution. Sisters and Brothers, this is most important, it may strike any one of us, and I urge you to be as generous as you can. Every "red cent" is returned to Delaware for use here, nothing is kept by the Order of the Eastern Star, only a record on our books, then forwarded to the General Grand Chapter for recording only. The entire amount of money contributed for this worthwhile work is returned to be used either for control or research right here in our own State of Delaware.

Please make all contributions, and please make them generous, from members or even friends not in our Order, to Sister Hamilton's Committee Member, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, not later than *April 1st*. Her report must be made through our Grand Secretary to Sister Hamilton for the Triennial Session of General Grand.

I regret to advise that our Grand Lecturer, Sister Edna H. Watson, is very ill, and until her recovery, by virtue of authority given me in the Constitution, I have appointed two "Special Deputies" to carry on her work. Grand Conductress, Sister Edna Gifford, is "Special Deputy" for New Castle County Chapters, and Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Irma LeCompte, is "Special Deputy" for the downstate Chapters. During this emergency, "A" certificate examinations will be given by the "Special Deputies."

A list of Schools of Instruction is attached. Please arrange for your own date, and do not postpone any chapter work scheduled for that night. We are coming to help, not to criticize, and will observe the work of your chapter, making corrections if necessary.

Sincerely and fraternally.

MARIE L. ROBERTS,  
Worthy Grand Matron.

Harrington, Delaware  
January 14, 1949

Schedule of 1949 Schools of Instruction conducted by Deputy Grand Lecturers assisted by Worthy Grand Matron, Marie L. Roberts, and her "Special Deputies", Grand Conductress, Edna Gifford, and Associate Grand Conductress, Irma LeCompte. (This is in accordance with our Constitution due to the critical illness of Grand Lecturer, Edna H. Watson.)

- February 2nd—Kent No. 11, Harrington, Delaware.
- February 3rd—Radiant No. 6, Odd Fellows Bldg., Wilmington.
- February 4th—Mizpah No. 2, J. O. U. A. M. Hall, Wilmington.
- February 7th—Adah No. 5, Delmar, Delaware.
- February 8th—Delaware No. 1, Odd Fellows Bldg., Wilmington.
- February 9th—St. John's No. 4, Eden Hall, Wilmington.
- February 14th—Julia M. Story No. 3, West Street, Wilmington.
- February 15th—Brandywine No. 14, Gordon Hgts., Wilmington.

February 17th—Sussex No. 7, Seaford, Delaware.

February 22nd—Unity No. 16, Lewes, Delaware.

February 23rd—Frankford No. 12, Millville, Delaware.

February 24th—Five Points No. 13, Newport, Delaware.

February 26th—Victory No. 15, Dover, Delaware.

March 4th—Newark No. 10, Newark, Delaware.

March 10th—Caesar Rodney No. 8, New Castle, Delaware.

March 18th—Georgetown No. 9, Georgetown, Delaware.

January 14th 1949—Notified Grand Conductress, Sister Gifford, and Associate Grand Conductress, Sister LeCompte, of appointment as SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

February 14th, 1949—Sent personal letter to all Matrons with reference to Save the Children Project, requesting that each Chapter give \$9.00 for the Rural Schools sponsored by our Grand Chapter last year, Canoe School in Breathitt County, Kentucky, and Cloud School in Clariborne County, Tennessee. I am very happy to report that \$144.00 has been sent through the General Grand Chapter for this project.

March 31, 1949—Sent fourth official letter to Subordinate Chapters, which reads as follows:

March 31, 1949

Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and Members of Subordinate Chapters of Delaware.

Greetings:

The Easter Season is approaching, and we would remind you of the glorious Resurrection Message as taught to us by Martha. Her faith was great, and through the ages since the first Easter dawn, that faith grows stronger within us. May this Easter remind us to live our Eastern Star obligation with courage and faith.

On Easter Sunday, April 17th, from 2.00 P. M. to 3.00 P. M. services will be conducted at the Masonic Home under direction of the Grand Chapter. We hope to greet as many of you there as can possibly attend.

Plans are shaping up nicely for our Grand Session which will be held in the Lewes Fire Hall at Lewes, Delaware, on the third Monday and Tuesday in May, the 16th and 17th. Memorial Services at the Epworth Methodist Church, Baltimore Avenue in Rehoboth Beach on Sunday evening, May 15th. We hope to have our Most Worthy Grand Matron, and other Distinguished Guests with us, and we know she will be very much pleased with the response which Delaware has made to her Triennial Projects—Cancer Research and Education, and "Save the Children."

Thank you, Officers and Members of each subordinate chapter, for your support of her projects, which are also ours for the year as well as our own Veterans Hospital. You have given generously of your time and money to support our projects for our year, and we feel that our motto has been before us to create this "Loyalty," our watchword.

We extend to each of you an invitation to attend your Grand Session in May in Lewes, Delaware. Details are covered in bulletin enclosed; please make your reservations direct as the Grand Chapter will *not* handle this.

Good Health, Good Luck, Much Happiness, is our Easter wish for you.

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARIE L. ROBERTS,  
Worthy Grand Matron.  
HARLAN L. CLOUD,  
Worthy Grand Patron.

#### APPOINTMENTS

June 22, 1948—Appointed Associate Grand Matron, Sister Fitzgerald, as General Chairman for the Triennial Assembly to be held in Toronto, Canada, in August, 1949.

July 7, 1948—Appointed Sister Jane Brinton, Past Matron of Delaware Chapter No. 1, on the Board of Directors of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation to fill the unexpired term of Sister Julia M. Story.

January 14, 1949—Appointed Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce as Chairman of the Cancer Research and Education Project.

April 22, 1949—Appointed Sister Dorothy Larrimore on Registration Committee in place of Sister Leonora Watson who resigned due to ill health.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Many of the questions asked can be readily answered by reference to our laws and regulations. However, there are a few which I feel should be noted.

*Question:* May I compile a history of my Chapter, printed with advertising matter, as a means of revenue?

*Answer:* According to ruling of the Grand Body last May, advertising may be solicited if value received is given. This does not give anyone the privilege of "soliciting prizes" from merchants, it only covers value received from legitimate advertising.

*Question:* Should one be appointed or elected as O. E. S. Building Corporation representative, although our Ritual says "8 elected and 3 Trustees, all others appointed."

*Answer:* I do not think we can include the representative under our Ritual as it is strictly a Delaware Corporation. I suggest that the Chapter follow the procedure of the Grand Chapter in selecting a representative on this Board.

*Question:* —— Chapter accepted and appointed a committee of investigation on petition from a member of a Pennsylvania Masonic Lodge. Will you kindly advise us what disposition to make of this application?

*Answer:* Return the petition, with fee, and advise the Pennsylvania Mason that due to a ruling of his Grand Lodge a number of years ago, no man who holds membership in a Masonic Lodge in the State of Pennsylvania can become a member of any Eastern Star Chapter. We regret this but we do not want to put him in the position of being embarrassed.

*Question:* Is a person eligible to petition a Chapter while maintaining residence in another jurisdiction, even though they may spend three months in winter within the jurisdiction of first chapter?

*Answer:* No, legal residence is voting residence. As long as the person merely shuts up the home for a few months in winter, they are not eligible to petition any chapter outside of their home jurisdiction.

*Question:* Can members rise and repeat obligation with candidates in initiatory ceremony?

*Answer:* No, that is ritualistic work for candidates only.

*Question:* Can members be invired into Chapter after the Associate Conductress has prepared the ballot?

*Answer:* No, balloting has started and no one, except the Sentinel, when invited to do so, may enter.

*Question:* Can a fifteen minute film of Esther be shown at installation?

*Answer:* No, we cannot add to the Ritualistic work at installation. It may, however, be used after the meeting as part of a program.

#### IRREGULARITIES

1. Petitions with initials instead of full given names.
2. Secretaries not reading all questions and answers on petitions.
3. Chapter programs having "Soloist" in line with regular officers, same size print, making nineteen rather than the required eighteen officers. "Soloist" should be apart from officers.
4. A Chapter presenting petition for membership from a widow of a non-member of the Masonic fraternity, using her first husband's Masonic membership as basis for eligibility. As I was present when this happened, I informed the Worthy Matron that it could not be accepted due to the fact that when the widow of a Mason remarries, she ceases to be his widow, and therefore not eligible.
5. Officers having dresses trimmed with gold and silver, also using belts of same. Our law requires white ONLY.
6. While this may not be exactly an "Irregularity", I feel that the reading of the minutes at each stated meeting is the Secretary's prescribed work, and should not be postponed.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

No. 1—That all chapters limit radio and newspaper publicity to social affairs, and matter dealing with local and national activities or drives. In many instances Chapters use bulletins, and all members

receive knowledge through this source of Chapter activities. Our Eastern Star business is our very own, and should not be publicized.

No. 2—That we recognize and welcome in subordinate chapters the Grand Guardian, Associate Grand Guardian, Bethel Guardian and Associate Bethel Guardian, of the Job's Daughters, when visiting, at the close of regular introductions merely by request to rise and a welcome at their seats. Our Grand Chapter sponsors the Job's Daughters and we recognize them in Grand Chapter Session.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

We are all striving to better our beloved Order, if possible, and secure uniformity of ritualistic work. I advocate studying the Ritual, especially the fine print, the Constitution and By-Laws, and Book of Instructions more thoroughly as this would eliminate the necessity for too many recommendations. These laws we have, and are pledged to obey, and officers especially should become familiar with them.

In 1938-39 Proceedings you will find an idea that I think well worth bringing to light again in 1949, although ten years have passed. This is the subject of changing the fiscal year of subordinate chapters to conform to the Grand Chapter. With this thought in mind, I mailed thirty-two letters to Worthy Matrons and Associate Matrons on November 22, 1948, requesting an answer to my suggestions, and I received nine written responses; two verbal, to my query. I hesitate, therefore, to propose a recommendation, but I do present the following for consideration at our next Grand Session:

That thought and study be given this year to the idea of changing the time of election of officers in subordinate chapters to the first meeting in May, and installation the first meeting in June, of each year. This will give each Worthy Grand Matron one set of subordinate chapter officers to instruct, whereas at present with election in December and installation in January, there are two groups. It is pleasant to work with the two groups, don't misunderstand me about that, but for the good of our Order, I firmly believe one group with one Worthy Grand Matron, will be a benefit to both. This will take thought, study, and careful consideration, but with weather conditions in January, installations in June would eliminate much dangerous driving over icy roads. Our finances would correspond in both subordinate and Grand Chapter, and I feel that it is feasible.

During the year I have found our watchword "Loyalty" was well chosen as our members exemplify that one word in our Eastern Star life, and I feel are sincerely striving to accept our motto, "Living our Obligation with Courage and Faith." Yet, Sisters and Brothers, may I ask you to STOP and think before discussing Chapter affairs? Sometimes outsiders are heard repeating things that should only be within Chapter walls, and I wonder—"How did they know that?" so I am asking every member to guard well our chapter business.

Too often questions that should be directed to our Deputy Grand Lecturers are asked of those on the sidelines. The Deputy interprets

the work of our Order to the officers and members as outlined to her by the Grand Lecturer and the Worthy Grand Matron. Please, may I stress upon you—ASK YOUR DEPUTY ONLY.

#### CANCER RESEARCH PROJECT

Thank you, members of this Grand Jurisdiction, for the wonderful support you have given to our main project for our year, Cancer Research and Education. Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Hamilton, selected this for a part of her Triennial Project, and I am very, very much pleased to be able to report that we have contributed \$567.00.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

June 12, 1948—Notified the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the jurisdiction from June 13 to 17 inclusive, and requested her to assume my duties.

October 4, 1948—Accompanied by Sister Riggins, Session Chairman, visited Rehoboth in effort to secure accommodations for Grand Chapter Session, and again on March 21, 1949, met with her to complete plans for the Grand Session. Mimeographed and mailed bulletins giving information as to rates, activities, etc., to each Chapter, each Worthy Matron and Patron, Deputy Grand Lecturer, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, and Grand Officers. This was done when final plans were completed.

October 22, 1948—Notified the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the jurisdiction from October 23 to 31, inclusive, and requested her to assume my duties.

November 24, 1948—Notified the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the jurisdiction from November 27 to 29, inclusive, and requested her to assume my duties.

April 22, 1949—Notified the Associate Grand Matron that I would attend the Grand Chapter of Maryland from April 26 to 28, inclusive, and requested her to assume my duties.

April 24, 1949—Attended a meeting of the Sessions Committee at Rehoboth.

#### SOCIAL AFFAIRS

How hard to try to crowd the many delightful evenings spent with the members of the chapters into just a few words! I could write on and on without pause when I try to express my appreciation for the many banquets, lovely introductions, welcomes, and so many other courtesies extended to me this year. I tried to tell you, my friends, how much I appreciate your gifts, flowers, and friendship, but again all I can repeat is "Thank you."

June 2, 1948—Home with Kent Chapter No. 11, my "home folks", who welcomed the Grand Family and friends royally after their regular meeting. Thank you for a wonderful evening, but then you are always grand to me.



June 6, 1948—Attended the dedication of the new Altar in Unity Chapter presented by Grand Martha, Sister Lynch, and Brother Lynch.

June 18, 1948—Enjoyed the reception given by Georgetown Chapter in honor of Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Sentinel at the close of their Birthday meeting.

June 20, 1948—Assisted at Veterans Hospital when Kent Chapter was host.

June 21, 1948—Attended the Past Matrons and Past Patrons party given by Adah Chapter after their regular meeting.

June 28, 1948—Attended the regular meeting of Julia M. Story Chapter after which they honored the Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Chaplain.

August 15, 1948—Again assisted at Veterans Hospital with Kent Chapter.

August 21, 1948—Thanks to Sister Wendling of Delaware Chapter, the Grand Family enjoyed a picnic at her cottage in Oak Orchard. The sweet corn, melted butter, ummmmm!

September 8, 1948—Preceding the official visit to Frankford Chapter, enjoyed a delicious banquet in the Church Hall at Ocean View.

October 2, 1948—Attended annual banquet at Hanna's in Wilmington of Five Points Chapter.

October 7, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Sussex Chapter prior to their official visit.

October 18, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Adah Chapter prior to their official visit.

October 28, 1948—Regretted deeply inability to be in Kentucky and attend annual banquet of Newark Chapter at the same time. Telegram was sent from Goshen, Ky., expressing our regret but we were with them in thought.

November 12, 1948—Attended annual banquet in Hotel Richardson in Dover given by Victory Chapter.

November 17, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Kent Chapter prior to official visit.

November 20, 1948—Attended annual banquet at Hanna's in Wilmington given by Brandywine Chapter.

December 2, 1948—Attended annual banquet held in William Penn School at New Castle given by Caesar Rodney Chapter.

December 4, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Delaware Chapter held at Hotel Rodney in Wilmington.

December 8, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Julia M. Story Chapter in St. Andrew's Parish House in Wilmington.

December 11, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Mizpah Chapter held in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont in Wilmington, at which time it was an honor to greet the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, Mr. James Carswell.

December 15, 1948—Attended annual banquet of Radiant Chapter held in the Hob Tea Room in Wilmington.

December 17, 1948—Arranged a Christmas Party for the guests at the Masonic Home given by the Grand Family.

December 20, 1948—Visited Nanticoke Chapter in Federalsburg, Maryland, to witness initiation of special friend of mine.

March 8, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

March 9, 1949—Guest of the Worthy Grand Patron at dinner meeting of the 4 Star 4 Club at the old Court House in New Castle, and enjoyed a movie afterwards.

March 14, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

March 22, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Unity Chapter No. 16.

April 1, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Frankford Chapter No. 12.

April 20, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Kent Chapter No. 11.

April 21, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Sussex Chapter No. 7.

April 30 - May 1, 1949—Delightfully entertained at a weekend house party for the Grand Officers at Sister Riggins' home in Rehoboth.

May 3, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

May 5, 1949—Accepted Grand Representatives night at St. John's Chapter No. 4; unable to attend account illness.

May 9, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Victory Chapter No. 15.

May 12, 1949—Attended birthday meeting of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

May 14, 1949—The climax for the Grand Family when we were guests of honor at the annual banquet given by the subordinate chapters prior to the opening of our Grand Session. Thank you, everyone, for a wonderful evening.

But, mingled with the social enjoyment during the year, there was also sadness. On June 11, 1948, I attended the funeral of Sister Julia M. Story, in Wilmington, and on March 23, 1949, attended similar service for Brother John Frederick. I regret that I was unable to pay a similar respect to our Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Lilly Ann H. Pyle, but it was impossible for me to go at that time. On March 23, 1949, I called to express sympathy for the passing of Brother Clark Ziegler.

#### APPRECIATION

Again, all I can say is "Thank you" over and over. Were I to try to express my gratitude to the members and friends, it would be im-

possible to find a beginning or ending. This has been a wonderful year, fellowship, mirth, and splendid cooperation have made it so, and I do indeed appreciate everything all of you have done.

I have just given you a record of my official transactions, and I hope you approve, as well as the social enjoyments incident to a busy year. This, however, could not have been possible except for encouragement and support of my home chapter, Kent No. 11. You and your faith in me has encouraged me in the Grand East, and I hope you will feel that it has not been misplaced. Again I say, "Thank you, one and all."

To our Worthy Grand Patron: Brother Harlan, our partnership in the Grand East is about over, but no words of mine could express my pleasure and happiness in serving with you better than these few lines from a very old Eastern Star publication:

*There have been great men,  
Near and far;  
But I never knew  
A better Eastern Star.*

*May you always be true  
As you are now.  
If you could do better,  
I don't see how.*

*When you're through serving,  
And we'll see you no more,  
We'll expect to meet you  
On the Golden Shore.*

To you, and Sister Anna, goes my deepest and sincere appreciation for the many, many courtesies you have shown me, and the pleasant associations we have had. If this Grand Body voices their approval of this year just reviewed, to you, Harlan, goes an equal share of the credit.

To our Past Grands: Your foundation has been built on strong Eastern Star rock, and I sincerely hope that I have simply put one small pebble in the structure. As a Past Grand, may I prove as worthy as I have found you to be.

To our Associate Grand Matron and Patron: Sister Dora, and Brother Albert, our year is at the close, yours at the beginning. May it be rich in worthwhile accomplishments and blessed with the same loyalty and cooperation ours has been. I could wish nothing better for you!

To our Grand Secretary: Sister Elizabeth, what can I say to one so rich in knowledge, helpful with advice, and willing at all times to set me straight! The association with you has made my work more enjoyable, and if there is one regret at laying down the gavel, it would be severing the fraternal ties of our year together. To you, and Brother and Sister Maxwell, my thanks are unlimited for your hospi-

tality. Truly it was a pleasure to have known you better, and I appreciate your many, many courtesies to me, sharing your room and food; I felt at home, and I know of no greater word of appreciation.

To our Grand Treasurer: Thank you, Sister Virda, for all your kindness to me, the little notes when I endorsed the checks the wrong way, cards, and always words of encouragement. It has been so nice working with you.

To our Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress: Sister Edna, and Sister Irma, what on earth would I have done without YOU? You were more than SPECIAL DEPUTIES, you are Special Friends, and I do thank you sincerely for your never failing encouragement, and always willing assistance. My one wish for both of you is that you may have your year in the Grand East as wonderful as mine has been. To you, Sister Edna, and your family, "Thanks" once more for your hospitality, sharing your home with me, days at the time, will always be a bright spot in my year.

To our Appointed Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers, and Committee Members: "Loyalty" means YOU. Your faithfulness in attendance, cheerfulness, and splendid cooperation, has helped to make this year for me, and I feel that together we have upheld the teachings of our Order. I hope your office has brought you some pleasure, and that our friendship will linger long after our term has ended.

To all who have helped to make this Session a success, the Pages, Assistant Sentinels, Star Treble Chorus, and friends: Our paths have crossed, friendships have been made, and my grateful thoughts can only permit me to say again, "Thank you" for all you have done. Music adds to everything, and for the special numbers, and your loyal service, Thank you once more, Star Treble Chorus. My special thanks to you, Sister Mildred Bryan, for the crown and sceptre formation. Esther is our point always.

May I just add one very special "Thank you" to our Sister Bess, Sessions Chairman, and her committee? Through their untiring efforts has come your pleasure in this Grand Session, and I only wish for words to express my appreciation for all you have done. It has been as near perfection as you could make it. To you, Brother John LeCompte, a heartfelt thanks for the stairway enclosure with which you assisted so materially. Again, to you, Sister Bess, and our Home Chapter, goes a little special "Thanks."

Those of you who have driven miles this year, and I hope enjoyed the effort made to be with us all, deserve much appreciation for your presence, and I do thank you for your cheery greetings and smiles. And, thanks so much for your words of praise for the "research" part of my year. It was worth it, if it pleased you.

There is one to whom I am deeply indebted for his trust in me, his miles and miles of driving, and his friendship. To you, Brother Archie Ford, and our Grand Ruth, Sister Mae, it is impossible to express my gratitude. You have really put miles on your car, and I appreciate every courtesy you have shown me, and they are not to be counted by numbers. Again, my sincere thanks to you both.

The folks at home, my Mother, my Aunt, and above all, my Husband: My last appreciation goes to you. My year is almost over, and I hope soon to be a normal human again, not an Eastern Star in human form. It hasn't been easy for you this year, keeping things going at home, alone so much of the time, but your understanding and cooperation made it possible for me to not only fulfill the duties of this office, but accept the pleasures as well. I simply cannot thank you.

Now, in conclusion, these pages will help form the twenty-eighth volume of our Grand Chapter Session, and the record is before you. It has been rich in experience, and I hope has been of some value to our Order. As for me, well—

*Many miles that I have traveled,  
Many paths that I have known,  
You have scattered full of blessings,  
That today I count my own.*

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARIE L. ROBERTS,  
*Worthy Grand Matron.*

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Walter E. Sawdon, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Bessie Warrington, that the report be referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

Selection by the Star Treble Chorus.

## REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers—Greetings All:

The word "welcome" is the keynote of all hospitality. It opens the doors of our hearts and draws forth friendly greetings and sincere handclasps. In this spirit you are greeted today, with the hope your stay in our midst will be very happy and always remain a treasured memory.

We are assembled here in the opening moments of our 28th Grand Session, to give an account of our stewardship during the past year, to hear the reports of our various committees, to elect new officers and to plan for the future welfare of our Grand and Subordinate Chapters, within the Jurisdiction of our beloved State of Delaware.

We have come to the end of another term of service to our beautiful Order and as I look back over the year the memory of friendships made with my Sisters and Brothers throughout the Grand Jurisdiction will remain with me as long as I live. Last May when I was installed and took over the duties of Worthy Grand Patron my first request was that you give me your whole hearted support, and now at the end of my term I can truly and thankfully say my year's work has been made much easier because of your kindness and assistance.

First of all let me thank Almighty God for health and strength to carry on during the year. On my various trips, whether the

weather was rough, or the journey was long, I always had faith that the Eternal Friend of all mankind would guide and support me through all my travels, and bring me home safely to my loved ones.

For the privilege and honour of serving the members of this Grand Jurisdiction as Worthy Grand Patron I do sincerely thank you and I can assure you I have done my best to fulfil the duties of this high office. Visiting the various Chapters has always been a pleasure. The work of the officers and members in the Chapter room, also the social hour after the meetings I have thoroughly enjoyed. Our beloved Order is growing numerically and of this we are quite proud. I sincerely hope that the new members will take an active part in the work of the Chapter to which they belong so that they may derive the full benefits of membership in our Order.

May we enjoy a happy Grand Chapter Session this year, and when our deliberations are over may we return to our homes satisfied that we have decided what was best for the Good of our Order and be ready to start on the work of another year with renewed energy.

#### WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS JEWELS

It will be recalled that at the closing moments of the 27th Grand Session held in Wilmington last year, announcement was made of the presentation to the Grand Chapter of these Jewels, the gifts of the newly installed Grand Matron and Patron. As the Jewels which had been ordered in ample time had not as yet been received, they were accepted in absentia by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, Grand Trustee.

These Jewels, which are to be worn only when visiting in sister jurisdictions were first used while attending the Grand Chapter of Penna. in June, and were much admired by all. They are to be passed on to each succeeding Grand Matron and Patron.

#### NEW CHAPTERS

No inquiries have been made during the past year regarding the instituting of new chapters. However, thought will have to be directed in the not too distant future to such additions in at least two localities.

##### CLAYMONT

This section in the northern end of our state is now served by Brandywine Chapter, located at Gordon Heights, just outside the city limits of Wilmington and some five miles removed, and which, in itself is in the center of a fast growing community.

Claymont is in the center of an industrial community and additional housing is contemplated there, and which will no doubt house future and qualified Star members. It is observed that residents of that area are petitioning for membership not only in Brandywine Chapter but many of the Wilmington Chapters, as well. It is for this reason that attention will have to be directed to this section of the state.

## MIDDLETOWN

At present there is no Chapter on the west side of New Castle County between Newark and Dover in Kent County, a distance of some fifty miles. At present, residents of Middletown and the immediate vicinity are within the Jurisdiction of Newark while those residing to the east of Middletown, and in Odessa, St. Georges and Port Penn and adjacent villages are within the jurisdiction of Caesar Rodney Chapter at New Castle, which now has a large community to draw from due to the many housing developments east of the Du Pont Highway. These conditions will likewise have early attention.

## PETITIONING CHAPTERS OUT OF JURISDICTION

I have observed, particularly in the northern end of our state, where in several instances, prospective members in Wilmington are placing their petitions in rural chapters, and those in the rural sections doing likewise in Wilmington. While it is only natural that friends want to be with friends, I feel that prospective members should unite with, and support the Chapter located in the jurisdiction of their residence. After becoming members they can visit the Chapter homes of their friends and still be able to enjoy the fellowship thus offered. The Grand Chapter has in former years, given an extensive survey and study to the Jurisdiction of the several chapters and I feel that our members when approached by anyone desiring an application for membership should bear this in mind and direct the applicant to the proper place for the presentation of their application.

## RECOMMENDATION No. 1:

That legislation be passed that will require all applicants for Eastern Star membership in Delaware to place their application in the Chapter jurisdiction of their residence.

## MASONIC RELATIONS

In visiting the various sections of the state, much comment is heard regarding the permissibility of Chapters in Maryland and New Jersey being allowed to meet in Masonic Lodge Rooms and why is such permission not granted in Delaware. While this is a fact and much to be regretted, I feel and have told members of the Chapters who have brought the matter to my attention to be patient as this is something that will take time to work out and will before long be settled to the satisfaction of all.

## WORTHY GRAND PATRON CONTINGENT FUND

Several years ago this fund was established in amount of \$25.00. Demands upon the time of the Worthy Grand Patron to attend various functions both in and without the state, and the cost of modern travel make this meagre amount insignificant.

## RECOMMENDATION No. 2:

That consideration be given to increasing this fund to \$50.00.

## HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

To the Chapters who presented me with the gift of Honorary Memberships I extend my sincere thanks. I shall strive at all times to make myself Worthy of the confidence you have placed in me. Although only a piece of parchment, I shall always regard them highly and as I look them over they shall be to me "Happy memories of a happy year."

Following are the Chapters which have so honored me:

Adah Chapter No. 5—Delmar, Del.  
 Sussex Chapter No. 7—Seaford, Del.  
 Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8—New Castle, Del.  
 Georgetown Chapter No. 9—Georgetown, Del.  
 Kent Chapter No. 11—Harrington, Del.  
 Frankford Chapter No. 12—Millville, Del.  
 Five Points Chapter No. 13—Newport, Del.  
 Unity Chapter No. 16—Lewes, Del.  
 Penn Chapter No. 16—Chester, Penna.  
 Bethlehem Chapter No. 15—Crewe, Va.  
 Caroline Chapter No. 62—Denton, Md.  
 Bethel No. 1, Job's Daughters—Wilmington, Del.  
 Grand Chapter of Kentucky—Louisville, Ky.  
 Grand Chapter of Maryland—Baltimore, Md.

## MEETING PLACES

At present this is a question mark, particularly in Wilmington and Newport. Two of the Wilmington Chapters are comfortably located but at a high rental and the other three are located in buildings which have been, or are in the process of being sold and which will require the Chapters to secure other quarters elsewhere. It is to be hoped that the efforts being made to secure an Eastern Star Temple in Wilmington will soon materialize and thus relieve this perplexing situation.

In Newport the Chapter which was meeting in the building occupied by Armstrong Lodge was forced to move to the auditorium of a Methodist Church, due to certain renovations which the Lodge desired to make to their property. To date these renovations have not been started and as the location in the church is perhaps only of a temporary nature, the future location of the Chapter may result in an early problem.

## MASONIC HOME

Mention this name and you command the attention and admiration of all Delaware Masons, as they all are proud of this home and what it has accomplished since its inception some 38 years ago. Likewise it is dear to the heart of all members of our Order and which is manifested many times over by the many pleasant and happy times and courtesies shared with the guests from time to time. May this mutual friendship continue through the years to come.



Divine services were held at the home by the Grand Chapter on November 21 and April 17, which was Easter Sunday. The attendance was large on each occasion, many coming from all sections of the state. At the Easter Sunday services many of the members of the Home Board were present, and through their President, Past Grand Master Edward W. Cooch, publicly thanked the Order of Eastern Star for their interest in the Home and for the many acts of kindness displayed to the guests from time to time. This expression from the Home Board is much appreciated by our Order.

#### JOB'S DAUGHTERS

On March 16, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron and several other members of the Grand Family, I attended a meeting of Bethel No. 1. The work of their ritual was most enjoyable, as was the conduct of their business of the evening. This organization has a great responsibility in the training of these young women who in time will become a part of the active citizenship of our great Republic, and every encouragement should be given those who give of their time and talents in assisting in this noble effort. The proper training of the youth of our land, both young men and women, is one of our great social problems, and one that requires the hearty support of all liberty loving, law abiding and peace loving citizens.

#### VISITS TO SISTER JURISDICTIONS

This is a fraternal privilege enjoyed by all those having the opportunity to do so. The courtesies extended were much appreciated and the events of the sessions thoroughly enjoyed.

On June 14, I attended the opening sessions of the Grand Chapter of Penna. its 54th, held in Pittsburgh.

On October 25, 26, 27, I attended the 46th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky held in Louisville, and on the return trip had the pleasure of visiting the home of Robert Morris, the founder of our Order, in La Grange, Ky., and which is under the care of the Grand Chapter of that state. The very atmosphere surrounding this hallowed place makes one feel a sense of reverence to his memory. I also visited his grave in the Valley of Peace Cemetery, nearby his home, and looked with much interest on the marble monument erected thereon to his memory, and which bears the Masonic and Eastern Star insignia.

On these two visits I was accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Secretary and the Grand Wife.

On October 9, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Wife, I attended the meeting and banquet of District No. 10, held in Atlantic City, N. J., honoring Sister Lillian M. Errera, Worthy Deputy of that district.

On November 18, I attended a banquet and reception given by Penns Grove Chapter No. 86, Penns Grove, N. J., in honor of Sister Anna Belle Fenton, Grand Electa and a member of that Chapter.

On December 3, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Secretary and Grand Wife, I attended the Visitation of the Worthy Grand Matron and other Grand Officers of Penna. to Lansdowne Chapter No. 441, Lansdowne, Pa.

On November 27, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Wife and Grand Husband, I attended the Visitation of the Grand Matron and Patron of Virginia to Bethlehem Chapter No. 15, Crewe, Virginia. This being the home chapter of our Grand Matron's uncle, Bro. Henry Eley.

On December 10, I visited Covenant Chapter No. 199, in Philadelphia, Pa., it being the Visitation of the Worthy Grand Matron and her officers.

On December 16, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Wife, I attended the Christmas Party of Caroline Chapter No. 62, in Denton, Md. This is the home chapter of Sister Mildred Johnson, Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland.

On January 19, accompanied by the Grand Wife and Sister Hoffman, Deputy Lecturer of Brandywine Chapter, I attended the Home Coming of Sister Lillian M. Errera, Worthy Deputy of District No. 10, to her own Chapter, Hammonton No. 34, Hammonton, N. J.

On February 8, I attended the meeting of Amboy Chapter No. 151 at South Amboy, N. J., it being their Annual Master Masons Night. At this time I was privileged to address the meeting on "The Origin of Eastern Star and its Relation to the Masonic Fraternity."

I was invited to attend a banquet and reception in honor of Sister Elizabeth De Kenkelaere, Grand Representative to Delaware, given by Germania Chapter No. 11, Paterson, N. J., on February 15, but declined the invitation as we were having school of instruction in Brandywine Chapter on that evening.

On April 6, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Wife and other Grand Officers, I attended the meeting of Elkton Chapter No. 84, it being the occasion of the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron and Patron of Maryland.

On April 26 and 27, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary, I attended the Session (51st) of the Grand Chapter of Maryland held in Baltimore.

On May 1, accompanied by the Grand Wife, I attended a Reception given by Past Grand Matron Sarah E. Riggins to the Grand Officers at her home in Rehoboth.

On May 7, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, the Grand Wife and other Grand Officers, I attended a Reception in Denton, Md., given by Caroline Chapter No. 62 in honor of Sister Mildred Johnson, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Pierce Wilson, Worthy Grand Patron of that State.

During the year I have attended many meetings of the Chapters of District 16A located in Delaware and Chester County, Penna., and have enjoyed all of them and at this time thank them all for their

many courtesies. Many invitations to attend meetings in sister jurisdictions have been received and which had to be declined with regrets.

#### OFFICIAL GRAND VISITATIONS

I was privileged to accompany the Worthy Grand Matron on all her official visits and have thoroughly enjoyed her various messages which were the result of much research on her part. The membership at large has been greatly benefited and inspired by what she has imparted to them through the medium of these messages. Following are the Visitations made:

- June 22—Unity Chapter No. 16
- September 13—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
- September 15—Frankford Chapter No. 12
- September 17—Georgetown Chapter No. 9
- September 21—Brandywine Chapter No. 14
- September 23—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
- September 27—Victory Chapter No. 15
- October 1—Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- October 7—Sussex Chapter No. 7
- October 12—Delaware Chapter No. 1
- October 14—Five Points Chapter No. 13
- October 18—Adah Chapter No. 5
- October 21—Radiant Chapter No. 6
- November 5—Newark Chapter No. 10
- November 10—St. John's Chapter No. 4
- November 17—Kent Chapter No. 11

#### CHAPTER BANQUETS AND BIRTHDAY PARTIES

These are always a source of much pleasure not only to the Grand Officers, but to the officers and individual members of the subordinate Chapters as well, as they take on the atmosphere of a home coming celebration. The Worthy Grand Matron and myself were happy to attend all but one of these enjoyable affairs, that of Newark No. 10, their banquet, as we were in attendance upon the Grand Chapter of Kentucky.

#### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

It was my privilege to accompany the Worthy Grand Matron upon all but four of these schools. Throughout the year I have been much impressed with the efforts of the deputies in each chapter to bring about uniform work among all officers coming under their charge, and the equal effort put forth by the officers in meeting the requirements desired of them. There is one item coming under the work of the deputies, however, that I think needs special mention and that is the qualifying of officers for the next office. I have observed in a number of cases where the officer put off until a few days before installation the taking of the necessary examination that will

allow them to advance to the next chair. This not only puts a hardship on the deputies at that time but on the Grand Lecturer as well when she has to issue certificates almost at the 11th hour. May I suggest that the deputies insist upon an early examination of all officers for which they are responsible.

#### INSTALLATIONS

The installation of officers is an important event and has much to do with the business, ritual and social life of the Chapter. Here, as the officers change places, some pass out, and new ones take up the work, is the opportunity of beginning a new year and the writing of a new record. It was my happy privilege to attend and to assist the Worthy Grand Matron in installing the officers in eight of the subordinate Chapters. I was particularly happy to install my daughter as Esther and her husband as sentinel in Five Points Chapter No. 13 and for this courtesy I wish to thank the Worthy Grand Matron many times over.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

In my many visits throughout the state, during the past year, I have tried to impress upon the members during the time allotted to me for "Remarks" the necessity of Friendship. No word in the Fraternal vocabulary has so forceful a meaning. It is of ancient and divine origin, and if practiced more earnestly and sincerely there would be less strife and discord in the world today.

The world challenges the Christian church and fraternal organizations as well, to put on the broad mantle of sincerity, in all their thoughts, words, deeds and actions so that this noble word may indeed become the virtue it rightly deserves.

May we as members of this noble Order accept the challenge and put on the armor of faith and fight the good fight that will help bring about this long cherished and seemingly lost virtue.

*Friendship is a chain of gold  
Shaped in God's all perfect mold.  
Each link a laugh, a smile, a tear,  
A clasp of the hand, a word of cheer.  
No matter how long or heavy the load  
Sweet is the journey on Friendship road.*

#### IN APPRECIATION

Worthy Grand Matron: Sister Marie, I have thoroughly enjoyed the privilege of serving this year with you. I was happy to visit the Chapters with you on numerous occasions, and listened intently, along with the members present to the inspiring messages which you gave. The happy relationship between your Home and my Home I deeply appreciate and I trust that this friendship will grow stronger as the years go by. In simple words, Sister Marie, I am quite proud of you, and feel satisfied that you have served our Grand Jurisdiction

faithfully and well, and that your watchword "Loyalty" and your motto "Living our Obligation with Courage and Faith" will live long with the members of our Order.

Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron: Sister Dora and Brother Albert: You have both been cheerful and helpful company during my year. This I did appreciate, and may I wish for you Health and Happiness in the coming year.

Grand Secretary: Sister Elizabeth: To me, as to all Worthy Grand Patrons who have served this Grand Jurisdiction in the last seven years, you have been a grand Grand Secretary. Your knowledge of the workings of our Order and your willingness to assist has been a great help to us.

To our Grand Family: Your loyalty to the duties of your Office was manifested by your willingness to serve our Order and your attendance on many occasions at the Chapter meetings throughout the Grand Jurisdiction. Just one big Happy Family, we had a wonderful year together and I do thank you for your support.

To our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons: You have been kind and understanding to me at all times and I do thank you for your advice and encouragement during the past year. May we have many pleasant associations as Past Grands.

To the Grand Wife: This would have been a very heavy task without your assistance. You have visited many times with me and if you stayed at home you were always there to welcome me home no matter how late the hour. During these last few years you have been very patient and allowed me to run all over creation, but now that my year's work is done I will be happy to stay home and rest and enjoy the comforts which have been ours for many, many years.

To My Own Chapter, Julia M. Story No. 3: 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.

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.

To My Worthy Grand Matron's Chapter, Kent No. 11: To the members of Kent Chapter I owe a debt of gratitude. Your many courtesies extended me during the past year are never to be forgotten. Your welcomes have always been warm and friendly, and for which you have my sincere appreciation.

#### 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.

*Another year has passed. What has it brought—  
A little deeper and a little wiser thought—  
A little more sympathy of friend to friend—  
More earnest striving to a common end?  
If this be so, blest was this year, indeed,  
And heartily we wish it now Godspeed.*

Sincerely and fraternally,

HARLAN L. CLOUD,  
Worthy Grand Patron.

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Horace Fulmer, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Helen West, that report be referred to the Jurisprudence Committee and Trustees. Motion adopted.

## ADDRESS OF THE MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

SISTER EVA HOLLAND HAMILTON

Time brings many changes. The most arduous tasks cannot last always and the most delightful associations as well, have an end.

Your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have just completed a strenuous year of faithful service to the Grand Chapter of Delaware and when this faithful year of service is completed, I know they will carry in their hearts always the memory of the delightful associations, not only with the official family of this Grand Chapter, but with all the members of Delaware who have cooperated so beautifully to bring about the accomplishments of this year of service.

It takes the loyalty of the whole Grand Chapter to bring about a successful year of service. These Grand Officers who compose this official family in this state must have worked in full accord in all that this Order stands for. The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons have given their efforts to bring about the accomplishment of this lovely year in this Grand Chapter; without their love and cooperation you could not have accomplished all that has been accomplished.

I always find a great joy in visiting Grand Chapters; there is the joy of greeting old friends and the joy of making new ones in addition to the refreshment of the spirit that comes from these contacts. The reports we hear bring inspiration to us and we are thrilled with the accomplishments that are being unfolded with unflinching constancy over all the Eastern Star world. Your Worthy Grand Matron has as her watchword, "Loyalty," which means unceasing allegiance. Loyalty to our ideals and purposes. Her motto was "Living our

obligation with courage and faith." It teaches us to be mindful of others and I know that your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have been mindful of others.

When we become members of the Star, we enter into a new field of labor. We should love one another and help one another and because we are trying to promote the Order by doing good and discarding the bad, we can be instrumental in bringing about World Peace. Much is happening in the world today and we need to give serious thought to our actions. We need to go out into the world and practice all the lessons we have been taught in the Order in which we hold membership. We should be constant in our efforts to help others and faithful to our ideals and principles. This beautiful Order of ours teaches us to have faith. Esther's faith in God saved her people from destruction; Martha's faith in Christ was triumphant in the hour of death; Electa's faith in the Christian religion gave her the courage to face torture and death. Let us have faith and *not fear*, for if we lose our faith all hope is dead. The resurrected world is ours, the future lies ahead and the civilization of tomorrow is dependent upon what we are able to do in the world today and just as our generation was the victim of our yesterdays, so the future generation is dependent upon what we can do to make this a better world in which to live. Are *you* doing your part to make it a better world? That is a question each one must answer for himself. We must believe with all our heart and soul that the teachings we have made possible for our children have taught them how to live. Everyone should have a purpose in life and it should be our purpose to band together to build a world so that those who come after us will have a happy world to live in. I wish we might all know and live this prayer:

"O, Unfailing Power that rules and controls the destinies of all men in this world, reveal to me the art of being kind. Teach me to know and play Life's game with courage, fortitude and confidence. Endue me with wisdom that I may guard my tongue and temper and learn with patience the art of controlling the affairs of my own life. Teach me to be a gentle companion, a good friend with a broad charity born of my own shortcomings."

If all of us might know and live that prayer, life would be fuller, sweeter and more beautiful.

We should hold high the ideals and principles of our Order. Our quality of membership should never be lowered and we should carry on a program of constructive activity. You have carried on a very constructive program in your Grand Chapter.

I chose as my project—Cancer Research. We have more than two million members in the Order of the Eastern Star today, and as we look back we realize that many of those fine men and women answered the call of that dread disease and today when Medical Science is trying to find a way to combat it, I felt that the members of this organization would want to have a part in that splendid effort. All over the Eastern Star world, the members have responded beautifully and may I thank you for the help you have given to Medical Science in this fine way.

There was a project approved by General Grand Chapter before I was in this office—"Save the Children Project." The children of today will be the leaders of tomorrow and we want them to grow up to be fine cultured members of society. We have not forgotten that it was the youth of the world who sacrificed their lives that we might have peace; that we might have life and have it more abundantly. Anything that we can do for the youth of today, anything that we can do to better conditions in the world today, is not only our duty but a sacred privilege. Let us each one try to do our part to build a better world for those who are to come after us.

I came to the Grand Chapter of Delaware in 1942, it was then I made many fine friends in your Grand Chapter. I was here when you elected your present Grand Secretary. There isn't anything in the world that means more to a Grand Matron, than to have a fine, capable secretary. In all the years I have known Sister Elizabeth she has given faithful service and been kind and helpful in every way.

We pass through this world but once. Any good thing that we might do or kindness we may show, let us do it now. Let us not neglect it, for we do not pass this way again. Let us try to do good to all whom we meet, that we may be worthy to hold membership in an organization whose greatest teaching is that we *Love One Another*.

When we met in Tampa in 1946, little did I dream that I would be standing where I am today. When I left that Session I thought I had three years to prepare myself that I might be a good Most Worthy Grand Matron, but God did not will it that way. In just six months, the mantle of authority was placed upon my shoulders and I had to accept it. I accepted it with the words of Phillips Brooks in my heart and mind: "We should not pray for an easy life, but we should pray to be strong; not for tasks equal to our strength, but for strength equal to our tasks, then the doing of the work is no miracle, but we are the miracle, and each day we thank God for the strength that has come to us."

The title of Most Worthy Grand Matron gave me nothing of my own, I was simply the caretaker of all that was placed in my hands. With the help of the members of the Eastern Star it was my hope that I might be able to do some good; that I might be able to do something that would promote the Order of the Eastern Star. I cannot say today that I was not disappointed, because any Matron would say: "Yes, the installation was the highlight of my life," and I did not have that installation, but I am happy that missing the glamour and the tinsel of the passing show did not rob me of any of the real pleasure. If I am able to carry out my schedule, when I return to my own home on June 20th, then I will have been in every Grand Chapter except China and the Philippines, and we have 66 Grand Chapters. I have instructed all the chapters in Hawaii, Alaska, Yukon, Bermuda, Mexico, Canal Zone and Cuba. I have just signed a charter for a second chapter in the Philippines. We have one new chapter in Guam and just here in Rehoboth, I signed two charters which I sent to Japan. Brother Cleaver took them to



the Post Office and put them in the Air Mail for me that they would reach their destination this week so that the two chapters in Japan might be constituted.

Let us have faith that perhaps the members of this fine Order by working together and living the principles of this Order, may be able to make a very beautiful and happy world in which to live. I am happy to come to this Grand Chapter and I am so happy to be here with the members of General Grand Chapter: Sister Elizabeth Pierce, a member of Foreign Relations Committee and Sister Florence Plummer, my Right Worthy Grand Sentinel. It must fill your heart with joy as it does mine. Sister Plummer is no stranger to you and I know you are happy to receive her in your Grand Chapter. Many golden links have been added to the ever-lengthening chain which will be a part of this Grand Chapter's history.

We realize that much time and effort was given to have this Grand Chapter Session held in this part of your state. We realize that many hours of time have been consumed in preparation for it and we who came are happy to remain with you and enjoy it to the fullest extent. Perhaps it has given an opportunity to members to attend who have never been able to attend in another city and we feel that it has been for good.

*“The earth and all its beauty,  
The sky and its wondrous sun;  
The hearts that love each other  
For a work so nobly done.”*

How happy we should be that we are privileged to meet and work together. Mirth is good medicine, let us bathe in it each day of our lives. Calamities, cares and anxieties can be scoured away very easily by the oil of mirth.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

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

Another year has rolled around so swiftly, we wonder where it has gone and I am called upon to give an accounting of the work I have performed as your Grand Secretary.

As you know from the reports each year, much of the work is routine and can be told very briefly, but it fills twelve busy months.

Under routine work comes all printed matter, including official notification of all legislation enacted by Grand Chapter. Lists of new officers and committee members, the big job of compiling the Annual Proceedings and seeing that they are properly distributed. The mailing of Christmas Greetings, Invitations, Memorial Cards, Sympathy Cards and Programs.

The correspondence takes much time and attention, also the ordering and mailing of supplies for the sixteen subordinate chapters and as the Order grows, it increases from year to year.

Immediately after the close of Grand Session all bills were paid and all letters of thanks were written. Flowers were sent to absent members who were ill and also "Get Well" cards.

Certificates of Proficiency have been prepared and attested for those recommended by the Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers.

Certificates of Commission for Grand Representatives to represent Delaware in other Grand Jurisdictions were issued when requested and forwarded with fraternal greetings.

Certificates for Commissions received from other Grand Jurisdictions to those members suggested by our Worthy Grand Matron to receive this honor were mailed to the Worthy Grand Matron that she might present them personally. All have been recorded in the Grand Chapter Records.

Proceedings received from Sister Jurisdictions were mailed promptly to the Grand Representatives entitled to receive them and to the Fraternal Correspondent.

Many instruction books have been corrected and brought up-to-date. Also some Constitutions and By-Laws.

Pink Slips and Diagram of Labyrinth have been renewed upon instructions from our Worthy Grand Matron.

#### SAVE THE CHILDREN PROJECT

Last year in my report, I included information in connection with the two schools sponsored by our Grand Jurisdiction; one, "Canoe School" in the State of Kentucky, and the other "Cloud School" in the State of Tennessee. Our Certificates of Sponsorship can be seen on the Bulletin Board. Letters of appreciation were received from the Officials of the Schools and I am happy to report, we have this year sent a check in amount of \$144.00, the amount needed for sponsorship of the same two schools for another year.

#### CANCER RESEARCH FUND

The response to the appeal for funds to the Cancer Research Fund is very pleasing and we know that with the many local appeals for assistance in many projects, that must be taken care of, that each chapter has given according to its financial ability.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Each year brings its sorrows as well as its pleasures.

It was with a feeling of real sorrow that we prepared a Memorial Card for the "Mother of Eastern Star in Delaware"—Sister Julia Marr Story, our first Worthy Grand Matron. Many letters of sincere sympathy were received from all Grand Jurisdictions. We shall miss her in many ways and will always be grateful to her for bringing the Order of Eastern Star to Delaware, and also the Order of Job's Daughters to our State.

Also called home to the Grand Chapter above was our Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Lily Ann Pyle. Sister Pyle served this Grand Chapter as Grand Secretary for many years.

On March 20th of this year, 1949, our hearts were again saddened when our Past Grand Patron, Brother John Frederick, was called to his eternal home. Our deep and sincere sympathy has been expressed to the families of these beloved members of our Grand Chapter.

#### APPRECIATION

The joy that comes to me in serving as your Grand Secretary cannot be expressed in words but I do try to show you by my actions (which speak louder than words, anyway) that your many kindnesses and courtesies are more than appreciated. I receive so many unexpected cards at Christmas, Easter and other holidays and also on my birthday, that I wonder how I can let each one of you know just what they mean, so I mention them in this report, hoping that you will understand and accept my heartfelt thanks.

I feel that I have received two signal honors this year, the first was in Louisville, Kentucky, when I was elected to honorary membership in the Grand Chapter of Kentucky. It was also a real pleasure to be the guest of Sister Ella Morris Mount, Grand Secretary of Kentucky, who is also the granddaughter of Robert Morris, the founder of our Order, at the luncheon of the secretaries and treasurers during the Grand Session.

The second was when I was invited to install the officers of Centreville Chapter No. 69, of Centreville, Maryland. Our Past Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Charles Cleaver, acted as chauffeur for us that night and Sister Ella Cleaver was invited to act as Grand Organist and Sister Emma Maxwell as Grand Warder. We all enjoyed the honor and the friendship extended to us at that time by the members of Centreville Chapter No. 69.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marie, this has been a very happy year in my associations with you. I have enjoyed very much working with you and for you. We have had many happy times together on our trips with our Worthy Grand Patron and his good wife Anna and I will always have pleasant memories of this year. I am sure that our friendship will continue in the days and years ahead.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harlan Cloud, I have many thanks to express to you for the way you have transported me in your car this year. I would have missed out on several occasions had it not been for your kindness and I hope you realize how much I appreciate it. Among the outstanding trips we had was the one to Pittsburgh to attend the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania and the one to Louisville, Kentucky, to attend the Grand Chapter Session there. And, of course, I must not forget to mention the day we spent at the Harrington Fair, when we feasted on Hot Dogs, lemonade, ice cream and Coca-Cola, while we waited for our Worthy Grand Matron to join us in the evening.

All of these happy times will remain pleasant memories in the days and years ahead and I thank you most sincerely.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## RECEIPTS

## Refunds:

Contingent Fund—Sara S. MacNamee, W.G.M.....	\$ 13.77
Contingent Fund—Edna Watson, Grand Lecturer.....	35.00
Per Capita Tax.....	2,563.00
Initiation Fees.....	105.00
Summer Benefit (1948 received after books were closed)...	39.00
Surety Bonds.....	80.00
Rural Schools.....	144.00
Cancer Research Fund.....	567.00
Veterans Hospital—Statistical Machine.....	51.05
Veterans Hospital (from Member for Radio).....	16.00
Parcel Post and Insurance.....	3.20
Sale of: Bibles.....	255.03
Rituals.....	132.94
Instruction Books.....	10.00
Supplies and Paraphernalia.....	759.72
Proceedings.....	10.95
Constitutions.....	3.00
Uniform Rec. Books.....	32.45
Jewelry and Novelties.....	63.19
Dispensations.....	14.00
Triennial.....	40.00
Total Receipts.....	<u>\$4,938.30</u>

## PAID TO GRAND TREASURER—VIRDA L. SIMPLER

June 4, 1948.....	\$ 94.89
July 6, 1948.....	162.28
October 4, 1948.....	122.52
December 2, 1948.....	277.77
December 27, 1948.....	269.07
January 14, 1949.....	445.39
February 14, 1949.....	2,658.70
March 25, 1949.....	411.79
April 22, 1949.....	495.89
Total.....	<u>\$4,938.30</u>

## DISBURSEMENTS

Amy E. Meyer—Grand Session Entertainment of Guests..	\$ 11.00
Wilmington Post Office—Env. for Gr. Chapter.....	19.90
Ella F. Cleaver, Stenographic Work \$10.00.....	10.00
Ella F. Cleaver, Sessions Exp.....	4.50
Margaret Bunting, Memorial Star (Necrology).....	8.50
W. A. Larmore, Hauling.....	15.46
Ella F. Cleaver, Meals Credential Committee.....	5.25
Marie L. Roberts, Christmas Cards.....	20.30
Bi-State Printing Co.....	3.50
Kendall North & Co, Novelties.....	2.50
Odyssey Press, Parliamentary Law Books.....	9.24
Cedar Tree Press, Printing.....	38.50
Stuart's Book Bindery, 2 Volumes Proceedings.....	9.50
Daisy M. Crist, Triennial Exp.....	15.00
Contingent Funds: E. M. Fisher.....	125.00
Marie L. Roberts.....	125.00
Harlan L. Cloud.....	25.00
Virda L. Simpler.....	5.00
Edna Watson.....	50.00
Hotel DuPont: Ball Room, P. A. System Room for W.G.M. and W.G.P.....	452.50
L. Clark Ziegler, Printing.....	37.50
Star Treble Chorus, Gift.....	10.00
R. M. Rogers, Decorations Gr. Session-Cheer Flowers and Sympathy Sprays.....	56.35
General Grand Chapter, Supplies and Triennial.....	565.53
General Grand Chapter, Cancer Research Fund.....	567.00
General Grand Chapter, Rural Schools Project.....	144.00
C. L. Story Co., Proceedings.....	744.26
C. L. Story Co., Misc. Printing.....	449.50
Wick Narrow Fabric Co., Ribbon.....	30.25
Wick & Wick, Ribbon.....	129.60
Masonic Jewelry Company.....	42.99
Gilbert Publishing Co., Paraphernalia and Stationery.....	34.95
F. Rommell, Inc., Repairs Seal and Supplies.....	24.14
Veterans Hospital Project:	
E. P. Dressner, Programs Hospital Day.....	17.22
Martha Krapf, Hospital Exp.....	21.55
Martha Krapf, Slush Fund.....	29.50
Martha Krapf, Radio.....	16.00
Martha Krapf, Supplies.....	17.55
Frank Flanagan, Printing.....	46.50
Frank P. Keys, Surety Bond.....	87.50

Refunds: Adah Chapter, for Pink Slips and Diagram.....	12.00
D. I. Saks, for Bible.....	1.38
Macoy Publishing Co., Paraphernalia.....	20.06
Creative Studio, Novelties.....	5.55
Delaware Tuberculosis Soc., for Seals.....	2.00
Wm. Lehmborg & Sons, Paraphernalia.....	235.41
Compensation: E. M. Fisher, Gr. Sec.....	175.00
E. M. Fisher, Exp. Gr. Chapter.....	25.00
V. L. Simpler, Gr. Treas.....	10.00
Ida Lowe, Gr. Organist.....	5.00
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Total Disbursements.....	\$4,518.94
Balance on Hand, April 30, 1948.....	2,135.64
Receipts.....	4,938.30
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Total.....	\$7,073.94
Disbursements.....	4,518.94
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Balance April 30, 1949.....	\$2,555.00
Bank Balance April 30, 1949.....	\$2,661.95
Outstanding Check No. 425 Wm. Lehmborg & Sons.....	106.95
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Actual Balance.....	\$2,555.00

May 11, 1949 ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE  
J. N. ABBOTT

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

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Grand Secretary.*

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Alice M. Abbott, that report be received, subject to audit, and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

VIRDA L. SIMPLER

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S., I respectfully submit the following report of my official transactions for the Grand Chapter, year ending April 30, 1949:

Balance April 30, 1948.....	\$2,135.64
Receipts April 30, '48 to April 30, '49.....	4,938.30
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Total.....	\$7,073.94

Disbursements 4-30-48 to 4-30-49.....	4,518.94
Balance April 30, 1949.....	\$2,555.00
Bank Balance.....	\$2,661.95
Less outstanding check No. 425 Wm. Leh- berg & Son.....	106.95
Actual Balance 4-30-49.....	\$2,555.00

Respectfully submitted,

VIRDA SIMPLER,  
*Grand Treasurer.*

May 11, 1949 ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE  
J. N. ABBOTT

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Mattie Pyle Horn and seconded by P.G.M. Sister Corrine Timmons that the report be accepted, subject to audit and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Past Grand Patron, Charles V. Cleaver, presented the State Flag to the Grand Chapter of Delaware as a gift from Sister Ella F. Cleaver in memory of Sister Elizabeth P. Frederick and John Frederick, her parents.

Some thirty odd years ago it was my privilege to meet three Eastern Star members of one of the chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction. Due to the young nature of the Order in this state, their enthusiasm and interest in the Order occupied much of their time. I was much interested in the younger member of this group but I could not get much of her time. It will be twenty-eight years since I was privileged to join this happy fellowship of these three persons; one of these became my wife, the other two my In-Laws. Many of you can look back to that time when we four enjoyed to the fullest extent the privileges of the Order and the friendship given us by membership in the Order. As our Most Worthy Grand Matron has said: "We travel this way but once." Little do we know when our traveling time will terminate. Some of us are privileged to serve in spectacular ways, others in less prominent ways. We have served from the lowest to the highest. Tonight, my good wife, since her parents Elizabeth and John Frederick have finished their earthly pilgrimage, wishes me to present this State Flag to the Grand Chapter of Delaware, which she gives in loving memory of her parents.

Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah E. Riggin presented the Eastern Star Flag to the Grand Chapter as a gift from Sister Sadie Conly, Elizabeth E. Pierce, Helen Hayes and Sue Gray, in memory of their Mother, Sister Elizabeth Cathcart.

Presentation of Eastern Star Flag by Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin:

This State Flag which was just presented was in memory of my Worthy Grand Patron, this Eastern Star Flag is given in memory of someone we always called "Mother." If I had been called upon to

pick a flag or arrange a flag in her memory, I think I would have chosen a bit of blue to represent her fidelity to every one at all times, a bit of yellow for the many helpful things she did for others; and I should have added some white for the purity of purpose with which she served and then a bit of green which represents her faith and then because she was such a wonderful mother, I should have to use a bit of red, and around it all I would have to put some gold. This flag is given to the Grand Chapter of Delaware in memory of Mother Cathcart, a member of Five Points Chapter No. 13, by her four daughters: Elizabeth Pierce, Sadie Conly, Helen Hayes and Sue Gray. During our Grand Chapter Session in 1945 when Sister Pierce was presiding as Worthy Grand Matron, the Session was dedicated to her mother and it was my privilege to take her by the arm and conduct her to the altar to be welcomed by her daughter, of whom she was very proud. I am happy to present this flag to the Grand Chapter because it represents so well all of the characteristics we found in her, our sister and Sister Elizabeth's mother. I glory that my sister is in Paradise, she has graduated into a better life. Who knows, Death may be the better part of life and it is with this thought that this flag is presented.

On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware the Worthy Grand Matron accepted American Flag, State Flag and Eastern Star Flag with appropriate words of appreciation.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

MONDAY, MAY 16, 1949

Worthy Grand Matron, Marie L. Roberts: Another year has passed and has brought us to this hour of tender recollections, in which we pause to pay tribute to the memory of those who have gone to that land from which we cannot recall them, save by kind words and gentle memories.

Conductress, Associate Conductress, and Chaplain draped the Altar. Chaplain remained at the Altar, Star Treble Chorus rendered a selection.

Grand Secretary: Before reading the names of members of Delaware Grand Chapter who have been called Home, I will read the names of members of General Grand Chapter who have answered the call since our last Grand Session:

Sister Effie Easton, Most Worthy Grand Matron, July, 1948.

Brother Harold Landeryou, Jr., Past Most Worthy Grand Patron,  
August, 1948.

### DELAWARE CHAPTER No. 1:

Florence A. Cantwell  
Rose O. Cotty  
Letitia Harris  
Doris R. Jester  
Elizabeth R. Neutze  
Ellen Samworth



Julia Marr Story, P. W. G. M.  
Martha S. Williams

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4:

Alfred T. Crossland, Past Patron  
Willard T. Loreman, Past Patron and Grand Trustee  
Mary D. Weldin

RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6:

Charles C. Hastings, Past Patron  
Anna I. Hollingsworth  
Eva M. Pemberton  
Henry C. Stausbach  
Agnes M. Strickland, Past Matron

SUSSEX CHAPTER No. 7:

Blanche Wheatley

NEWARK CHAPTER No. 10:

Elizabeth K. Garrett  
Grace T. Gregg  
Raymond I. McMullen, Past Patron

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13:

Frances Huber, Past Matron  
Laura A. Robinson

VICTORY CHAPTER No. 15:

Wilmer K. Benson

UNITY CHAPTER No. 16:

Eugene T. Hayden

Worthy Grand Matron: Memories of our loved ones can be like flowers, delicate things of beauty, given us for a little space. We will gather a bouquet of memories and lay them upon the Altar, as a tribute to those whose task is done.

Worthy Grand Matron gathers the flowers from Star Points and returns to Altar where the Grand Secretary meets her and while Worthy Grand Matron places the flowers at the base of the Altar, the Grand Secretary places the Memorial Scroll, tied with white ribbon, upon the Altar. Prayer by the Chaplain and Grand Officers return to their stations while the Chorus sings.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter called to recess to resume labor at 10.00 A. M. Tuesday.

## TUESDAY MORNING

10.00 A. M.

Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah E. Riggin presiding, presented P.G.M. Sister Clara E. Reuter and P.G.P. Brother Robert Larrimore who opened the morning session, and invited the Worthy Grand

Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Chapter room.

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

Sister Riggin announced a first aid room in the rear of the room in charge of Sister Marguerite Yarnall, Unity Chapter No. 16.

Past Grand Matrons, Sister Mary E. Clower and Sister Louise W. Green, and Past Grand Patron, Brother Wm. B. Derrickson, were presented at the Altar, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Marian Simpson, was presented in the West, escorted East, and given a hand of welcome.

A motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Helen West, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Robert Larrimore, that the reading of the minutes of Monday afternoon's session be dispensed with as they are a repetition of what is in the program and will be printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Minutes of the evening session were read and approved.

Report of the Special Deputies acting for the Grand Lecturer, Sister Edna H. Watson, who has been ill.

## REPORT OF SPECIAL DEPUTY

EDNA L. GIFFORD, Grand Conductress

Due to the illness of our Grand Lecturer, Sister Edna Watson, it has been my privilege to assume her duties from January 4th through May 14th, in subordinate chapters of New Castle County.

Attended Schools of Instruction on Feb. 2 at Kent Chapter No. 11, Feb. 5th, Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Feb. 17th, at Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford.

Conducted Schools of Instruction as follows:

- February 3rd—Radiant Chapter No. 6
- February 4th—Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- February 8th—Delaware Chapter No. 1
- February 9th—St. John's Chapter No. 4
- February 14th—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
- February 15th—Brandywine Chapter No. 14
- February 24th—Five Points Chapter N. 13
- March 4th—Newark Chapter No. 10
- March 10th—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

January 25, finished Grade A examination with Sister Alice Minner, Deputy Grand Lecturer of St. John's Chapter No. 4.

Issued the following Grade A Certificates:

- May 10 to Sister Marie Burris, P. M. of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.
- May 11 to Sister Isabelle Klabe, P. M. of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

May 11 to Sister Mae Larmore, P. M. of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

March 7, Sister Helen Helbing and Sister Mildred Kitchen, Past Matrons of Delaware Chapter No. 1, took Opening and Closing, Test Oath and Landmarks for start of Grade A. Certificates.

I am sorry Sister Edna Watson was unable to take over these pleasant duties. Worthy Grand Matron, I want to thank you for your confidence in me and to say it has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve you and once again to work with the officers of the various subordinate Chapters and as a little P. S., Thanks everyone for your many courtesies and splendid cooperation.

Fraternally submitted,

EDNA L. GIFFORD,  
*Special Deputy.*

The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

I am very, very sorry that I am giving this report today instead of Sister Edna Watson, due to her illness, but Worthy Grand Matron, I am glad to know you placed confidence enough in me to appoint me as a Special Deputy with Sister Edna Gifford to perform the duties of this office.

It has been a great pleasure, as well as gaining much knowledge of the work, to work with you, Worthy Grand Matron, and the various Chapters down the State, and I want to thank each and every one for all the courtesies and cooperation extended to me during the Schools of Instruction and at all other times when I was in their Chapter rooms. I have not only gained knowledge but many friends too.

I examined several for Grade "B" Certificates, the names and dates filed at that time with the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth Fisher.

Also examined Sister Mae T. Ford, of Kent Chapter No. 11, on April 21, 1949, for Grade "A" Certificate, and Sister Gladys Lynch, of Unity Chapter No. 16 on May 4, 1949, for Grade "A" Certificate.

Attended Schools of Instruction in the following Chapters:

- February 2nd, 1949—Kent No. 11.
- February 7th, 1949—Adah No. 5.
- February 17th, 1949—Sussex No. 7.
- February 22nd, 1949—Unity No. 16.
- February 23rd, 1949—Frankford No. 12.
- February 28th, 1949—Victory No. 15.
- March 18th, 1949—Georgetown No. 9.

Fraternally submitted,

IRMA O. LECOMPTE.

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes but instead of referring to them as Special Deputies they be called Acting Grand Lecturers. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE, O. E. S.

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

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

Following is a statement covering the period from April 30, 1948, to April 30, 1949:

Cash Balance on hand April 30, 1948.....	\$2,135.64
Receipts for the year.....	4,938.30
	\$7,073.94
Total.....	\$7,073.94
Less Disbursements, Checks No. 344 to 427 inclusive.....	4,518.94
	\$2,555.00
Cash Balance on hand.....	\$2,555.00
Bank Balance April 30, 1949.....	2,661.95
Less Outstanding Check No. 425.....	106.95
	\$2,555.00

Assets of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

Jewels	1 Altar Bible
1 Steel Safe	2 Small Bibles
3 Utility Cabinets	Records
1 Brief Case	W. G. Matrons Pedestal (kept
1 O.E.S. Seal for Delaware	by Julia M. Story Chapter)
1 Typewriter	Subordinate Chapter Supplies
1 Gavel	2 Shares of O.E.S. Building
1 Letter File	Stock
1 Charter	
1 Christian Flag	

### RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

No. 1: Due to the increase of postage and telephone rates we recommend an increase of \$15.00 to the Grand Secretary's Contingent Fund.

No. 2: We recommend that the Stenographer's fee be raised from \$10.00 to \$20.00 for the entire session.

No. 3: We suggest that the Grand Secretary be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$125.00 to defray the expenses of the Worthy Grand Matron at the Triennial Session of the General Grand Chapter in Toronto, Canada.

No. 4: We suggest that one member of the Board of Grand Trustees be responsible for the flags, staffs, and standards belonging to the Grand Chapter.

J. N. ABBOTT,  
*Member.*  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE,  
*Member.*  
ELIZABETH E. PIERCE,  
*Chairman.*

It was moved by Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Cheston R. McCormick, that report be accepted and recommendations be complied with. Motion adopted.

There was a discussion regarding the expenses of our representative to each Tri-Ennial Assembly. After discussion, the following motion was made by Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by Sister Alice M. Abbott, that the representative of this Grand Chapter to the Tri-Ennial Session be given \$7.00 per day for each day while the Tri-Ennial is in session and 4 cents per mile each way mileage.

After further discussion, the above motion was withdrawn and the following substituted: according to Constitution and By-Laws, a motion was made that the Secretary be given authority to issue a check for \$150 to our representative for the Tri-Ennial Session and any further expenses be authorized on her return.

## FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

DORA E. FITZGERALD, *Asso. Grand Matron*

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

The appointment as Fraternal Correspondent gives an opportunity of service, which has made each of us grateful.

We are presenting this report of the 1947 and 1948 Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions in the hope that it will promote a better understanding of the magnitude and scope of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Its aims and accomplishments and, perhaps the most important of all, the trend in thought, which will influence the future of this great Fraternal Organization.

To me the survey represents not only an opportunity of service to the Grand Chapter of Delaware, but a personal gain in knowledge and understanding of the vast work of our Order of the Eastern Star.

It has been a most pleasant and instructive privilege to visit the other Grand Jurisdictions through the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of our State and Foreign Countries and for this great privilege and opportunity we are most grateful.

For our new members and those attending our Grand Chapter for the first time, a certain amount of review is necessary in forming a background for this report.

As time and space are limited, I will only relate the things that seem of vital importance. Our Order was founded in 1850 by Robert Morris, at La Grange, Kentucky, and he said, I quote: "If it meets a world need and renders a service to humanity it will survive and grow."

His prophecy has been fulfilled, for the Order of the Eastern Star has become one of the largest organizations in the world. There are over two million members, who are governed by four sovereign bodies.

They are: The General Grand Chapter, The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland, The Independent Grand Chapters of New York and New Jersey. Michigan is the oldest Grand Chapter, having been organized since October 31, 1867.

Illinois is the largest with over 800 Chapters and more than 144,000 members. Nova Scotia is the youngest, being Instituted and Constituted by our Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Donald R. Steward, on September 24, 1947, in New Glasgow. This Grand Chapter has Jurisdiction over Prince Edward Island.

Missouri: President Truman is a member of the Eastern Star, having been the first Worthy Patron of his Chapter in Missouri. His sister, Mary Jane Truman, is a Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of Missouri.

Mississippi owns the little red school house in which Robert Morris taught.

Kentucky: Ella Morris Mount, present Grand Secretary of Kentucky, is the granddaughter of Robert Morris. The Kentucky Stars, "maintain the home and burial place of Robert Morris at La Grange, Kentucky." Wyoming: The Governor and his wife are members of O. E. S.

Indiana: The Grand Sentinel advances to Grand Marshal, then Grand Chaplain after which he is elected as Grand Patron.

Florida: During a service in the first Christian Church in Miami, the minister had 18 countries represented; one member, a Japanese importer, had become naturalized and converted to the Christian Church and joined the Masonic Order, he became a Shriner and then an O. E. S.; this is the first Japanese in the world to have this distinction.

Ohio and Texas have a registration fee of 25c and 50c per person to help defray the expenses of the Session.

All Grand Chapters report a vast amount of work done for the Red Cross and thousands of Eastern Star dollars are expended in equipping Veterans Hospitals for comfort and cheer of veterans.

Every Jurisdiction reports a gain in membership and many new Chapters are being formed. Youth education is being stressed, more than 45 Jurisdictions have Educational Loan Funds.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva H. Hamilton, has honored many Grand Jurisdictions by her presence. There are many more items of interest which time does not permit me to mention.

I want to extend my thanks to our own Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth Fisher, for her promptness in forwarding the many Proceedings to me. To the Fraternal Correspondents of other Grand Jurisdictions, we extend Fraternal Greetings in the name of our Grand Chapter; and express a deep appreciation of the splendid reports they have given of our work in Delaware.

Present was our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Eva H. Hamilton and our Right W. G. Secretary, Sister Mamie Lauder. The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Nova Scotia, Herman McMillan, with several of his Grand Officers, honored the assembly with his presence.

The General Grand Chapter was organized in Indianapolis, Ind., on November 16, 1876; it meets triennially and has jurisdiction over 47 Grand Chapters in U. S., 8 in Canada, 1 in Puerto Rico.

The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland meets semi-annually and has supervision over all Chapters in Scotland, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, India, South Africa, and England. It was organized in 1904.

The Independent Grand Chapters of New York and New Jersey meet annually and were organized in 1869 and 1870. The McCoy Ritual is used in these Jurisdictions; Masons who are in good standing, but who are not members of the O. E. S., are permitted to visit Chapters if they take the oath of secrecy.

Great pride is taken in our International Temple in Washington, D. C. Each Grand Jurisdiction and subordinate Chapter contributes to its maintenance Fund. No flag flies over it, but an electric Star over the entrance sends out a guiding light.

Of great interest is the International Peace Garden, situated on the "International Boundary" between Manitoba and North Dakota. At the time of the dedication in 1932 a bronze plaque was placed in the Formal Park bearing the inscription "To God in His Glory, we two Nations do pledge ourselves that so long as Men shall Live we will not take up arms against one another."

Each Grand Chapter pauses from its deliberations to pay loving tributes to the memory of Sisters and Brothers who have been called to the Grand Chapter above, the Hold Bible rests upon every Altar.

The Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack are honored guests in their respective countries. In the Grand Chapters along the border they stand side by side.

The Order of Rainbow for Girls is sponsored by 42 Grand Jurisdictions; Job's Daughters is sponsored by 18 States. There are more than 50 Masonic and O. E. S. Homes for the aged.

In South Dakota many members have to travel 25 or 40 miles to attend their Chapter meetings and one Secretary goes 190 miles and rarely misses a meeting.

From the various Proceedings I find these items of interest. From Scotland, Queen Elizabeth is the daughter of an Eastern Star, and King George is Past Grand Master of Masons.

To all members: Fraternal greetings in the name of our Delaware Grand Chapter and our sincere hope that we may continue united to build our Order upon those enduring principles of Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness.

Now that our imaginary tour is finished, we trust that our report will give you some idea of the work being accomplished throughout our Eastern Star world.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for this assignment which has been most instructive and a great pleasure to serve you and this Grand Chapter.

#### ALABAMA 1947

Forty-seventh Session, "Faith and Light Session." Symbols—Bible and Lighted Candles. Flower—Dogwood. Colors—Green and Gold. Objective—to start a Savings Fund to be known as "The O. E. S. Home," also to assist in Cancer Control, \$15,000.00 for a Mobile Unit for Cancer Research was given. Rainbow Girls sponsored. Sixteen Chapters instituted, four constituted, and four re-organized. Red Cross hours and donations generously contributed.

#### ALABAMA 1948

Rose Session held on October 18, 19, 20, 1948. A pantomime "The Door of Opportunity" was portrayed in the informal opening. Rainbow Girls sponsored. Worthy Grand Matron's objective, Education. Motto—Happy is the man that getteth understanding. Youth program and Masonic Home helped. Two hundred sixteen Chapters with a membership of 20,736.

#### ALBERTA 1948

The Thirty-seventh Annual Session was held June 1st, to 3rd, 1948. The Acting Worthy Grand Matron called it the "Sunshine Session." The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary E. Koehane, passed on to the Grand Chapter above on December 10th, 1947. She took her motto from the 3rd verse of the 1st chapter of Genesis when she was installed, which was—"Let There Be Light"; this was carried throughout the Session by the Acting Worthy Grand Matron. Three new Chapters were instituted. One Chapter, Champion Chapter No. 36, initiated five daughters (two of them twins) of a Past Matron. The mother took part in the ceremony.

#### ARKANSAS 1947

The 72nd Annual Session, known as "Fellowship Session," was held in Albert Pike Memorial Temple, Little Rock, Arkansas, Dec. 1st-3rd, 1947.

Invocation by Rev. R. D. Adams. Addresses and greetings from Hon. Governor Ben T. Laney; Sovereign Grand Inspector of the Scottish Rite of the Masons, Joshua K. Sheppard, and Woodley A. Thomas of A.F. & A.M.

Flags were presented with fitting tributes. Honored guests were: The W. G. Matron, Eva Holland Hamilton, who gave a very inspiring address.



Mary Jane Truman as Grand Conductress of Missouri (a sister to Harry S. Truman, President of the U.S.A.) was presented.

Child welfare, Educational, O.E.S. Relief and Girls Endowment Funds are sponsored. The Order of Rainbow for Girls is also sponsored.

Membership—18,649; Chapters—195.

#### ARIZONA 1948

Forty-eighth Session met in the Scottish Rite Cathedral in Tucson, April 7, 8, 9, 1948. Most Worshipful Grand Master A.F. & A.M. was presented and welcomed. Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, was a guest. They have a Grand Lecturer. Twenty-five cents out of each dollar per capita tax received is placed in the Eastern Star Home Fund. Job's Daughters and Rainbow Girls are sponsored. 100% International Temple Fund. Splendid reports on "To Save the Children Project," Red Cross, Cancer Fund, Salvation Army and to a Youth Center. Countless parties and gifts taken to Veterans Hospitals.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA 1948

The 37th Annual Session, known as "Silver Session" was held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Empress Hotel, of Victoria, B. C., on June 14th, 1948.

This Session was dedicated to the memory of Margaret Risser, Past Grand Treasurer.

The color scheme was blue-white carried out in the floral decorations in the Grand East.

The Union Jack and U. S. A. Flags were presented and given fitting tributes. Civic welcome by Alderman Mulliner of Victoria.

Distinguished Guests were the Committee Members of the General Grand Chapter, who extended greetings.

Job's Daughters is sponsored. Chapters—60; Membership—6,300.

#### CALIFORNIA 1948

The 75th Annual Session, known as the "Diamond Jubilee Session," convened in Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento, California, Oct. 19-22, 1948.

Tributes were given to the Flags with fitting ceremonies. Distinguished Guests were the Most W. G. M., Sister Eva H. Hamilton, W. G. Marshal Amy Berry, and General Grand Chapter Committee Members.

Greetings by Hon. Mayor of Sacramento, Bill Collidge. Address by the Most W. G. Matron. Ten students received \$125.00 each for scholarship.

Projects were improvements to the O.E.S. Home and Crippled Children.

A Badge of Honor is presented to members of 50 years of membership or more.

Three new Chapters Constituted.

### COLORADO 1947

The 55th, "Love and Service," Annual Session was held at Consistory Cathedral, Denver, Colorado, Sept. 19th, 1947.

Civic Address was given by Hon. W. Lee Knous, Gov. of Colorado. The Hon. James Quigg Newton, Mayor of Denver.

Masonic Welcome by the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Grand Lodge, A.F. & A. M., John R. Swinston. M. W. G. Matron, Eva H. Hamilton, was an honored guest.

Abbie Hanson, Most Rightful Worthy Associate Grand Matron, was also an honored guest. Fifty year membership pins are presented in Colorado. A class of six Brothers belonging to the same Blue Lodge, was initiated.

Educational, O. E. S. Relief and Home Endowment Funds are sponsored.

O. E. S. Home is maintained, Job's Daughters and Order of Rainbow for Girls is sponsored.

Membership—28,277; Chapters—125.

### CONNECTICUT 1948

The 74th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut convened in Hartford on April 23rd and 24th, 1948. This was the Esther Session, with Love and Courage as their motto. Three special sessions were held for the purpose of instituting new Chapters.

Among the many distinguished guests were The Most Worthy Grand Matron, The Most Worthy Grand Patron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron and Right Worthy Grand Conductress.

\$5,194.44 was added to the Endowment Fund. \$1,263.62 was also donated to Save the Children, which was equally divided between Europe and America. The gavel used for this session came from the Holy Land. Order of Rainbow for Girls is sponsored.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1947

The District of Columbia held two sessions in 1947, a mid-year session in May and an annual session in December, which was their 52nd Annual Session, known as the "Friendship and Courage" Session. The Grand Chapter contributed to several projects which included Police Boy's Club, Infirmary of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Cancer Research, Welfare Work of Rural Schools, and Red Cross.

There are 40 Subordinate Chapters in the District of Columbia.

### FLORIDA 1948

Forty-third Annual Session, the Sunshine and Happiness Session was held in Tampa, April 6, 7, 8, 9, 1948. Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Florida, A. F. & A. M., were guests of honor. Rainbow Girls sponsored. Many pieces of athletic equipment were given to Veterans Hospital at Lake City. A piano and exercycle were given to Pratt General at Coral Gables and the furnishing of a room at the Bay Pines Hospital at St. Petersburg. This was the Worthy Grand Matron's project, Rehabilitation of

Veterans. Seven Chapters instituted, two Chapters constituted. Red Cross hours 15,167. Generous contributions were given to the Cancer Fund. Five hundred forty-six proficiency certificates issued this year.

#### GEORGIA 1948

Forty-seventh Annual Adah Session held June 7, 8, 9, 1948, in City Auditorium at Macon, Georgia; Worthy Grand Matron's Project, O. E. S. Cancer Aid Fund. This Grand Chapter also maintains the dining room at the Masonic Home for Children. This home has a small tot band. Rainbow Girls sponsored. Twenty-five Chapters instituted, eighteen chapters constituted. \$25,784.72 was realized from Cancer Aid Fund. This will be carried on permanently and all members needing aid from this disease will be taken care of from this O. E. S. Cancer Aid Fund.

Membership—16,435; Chapters—143, U. D. 26.

#### IDAHO 1948

The 46th Annual Session, known as "Sunshine and Happiness," was held in Elks Temple, Moscow, Idaho, June 8-10, 1948.

Preceding the opening of meeting the chimes of the Presbyterian Church were played by Mr. Hall Macklin, Director of Music at the University of Idaho.

Members of Job's Daughters placed the Bible upon the Altar with a very impressive ceremony.

Flowers in the Grand East were donated from the Grand Lodge of the A. F. & A. M. by the Worthy Grand Master, Howard Monks, and others.

Flags were presented with fitting ceremony. Officers and Committee Members of the General Grand Chapter were honored guests.

The Most Worshipful Master of A. F. & A. M. addressed the Grand Session.

The special project for the year was an "Appreciation Fund" for a fireplace and furniture for the Veterans Hospital at Boise.

Job's Daughters and Order of Rainbow for Girls are sponsored. One Chapter instituted. Chapters—78.

#### ILLINOIS 1947

The 73rd Annual Session convened in Medinah Temple, Chicago, Illinois, Oct. 7-8, 1947.

The Holy Bible and Flags were presented with fitting Tributes.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva H. Hamilton, and Most W. G. Patron, Brother Donald Stewart, were Guests of Honor.

The Most Worthy W. G. M. gave the address. Several other General Grand Officers were present. Illinois maintains a O. E. S. Home and Sanatorium.

Five new Chapters were instituted; Membership—150,354.

## INDIANA 1948

The 74th Annual Session, known as "Red Rose Session," was held in Murat Temple, Indianapolis, Ind., April 28th, 1948.

This Session was dedicated to the memory of Sister Martha Zoecher, Past W. G. M., and husband, Bro. Philip Zoecher, in appreciation of their service to the O. E. S. for many years, and their untiring efforts in the promotion of the O. E. S. and Masonic Homes.

Tributes were given to the American and Christian and O. E. S. Flags.

Distinguished guests were the Right W. Ass't W. G. M., Sister Abbie Hanson; the Hon. Judge James A. Emmert, the Most Worshipful Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and addressed the Grand Session.

The special project of the W. G. M. was furnishing 40 new rooms in the Masonic Home, a check for \$15,221.42 was presented to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, W. Henry Roberts, for this project.

The Order of the Rainbow and Job's Daughters for Girls is sponsored; an Educational Fund is also sponsored. The O. E. S. Home Fund is maintained. The O. E. S. contributed 15% per capita to Masonic and other donations.

All members holding 50 year membership bars were presented with award of gold.

Four Chapters constituted; 407 Chapters; Membership—115,708.

## IOWA 1947

Starlight Session held in Sioux City, October 28, 29, 30, 1947. Motto—Let Your Light Shine. Rainbow Girls sponsored. Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was an honored guest. One Chapter has a Chinese man and wife active in office. One Chapter's Secretary and Treasurer are twins. Have an Eastern Star Home at Boone, Iowa.

Two hundred seventy-five Chapters, one Chapter U. D. Two Past Matrons Clubs and four individual members gave a contribution of \$3,814.04 for aid in flood area. Initiation fee raised to ten dollars. Five hundred forty-four Chapters, membership of 76,546.

## KANSAS 1948

The 72nd Annual Session, known as "World Friendship Session," was held in the Municipal Auditorium, Topeka, Kansas, April 20-22, 1948. The Grand East was beautifully decorated with flowers predominated by orchids.

Greetings were extended by the Hon. Frank Carlson, Governor of Kansas, also from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of A. F. & A. M. of Kansas, Mr. Glenn Robinson.

Civic welcome by Mr. Frank Warren, Mayor of Topeka. Past Most Worthy Matron gave a very inspiring address, this was given by Mrs. Mamie Lander.

A Grand Chapter Building Project was sponsored to raise funds for the Grand Chapter Headquarters, to be dedicated as a memorial to Sister Olga Philips, late Most Worthy Grand Matron.

The Order of Rainbow for Girls is sponsored. 50-year membership pins are given to those members of 50 years.

Chapters—389; Membership—73,533.

#### KENTUCKY 1947

The 45th Annual Session "Golden Rule" was held in Lexington, Kentucky, on Oct. 27-28, 1947.

The Holy Bible and the U. S. Flag were presented at the Altar with fitting tributes. The M. W. G. M., Eva H. Hamilton, was an honored guest.

W. G. M. special project Eastern Star Home, over \$6,000 was given to this project.

129th Bob Morris Anniversary is celebrated.

The Grand Chapter of Kentucky presented an award to the outstanding boy and girl in scholarship in the Masonic Home School.

Three new Chapters were constituted, 50-year membership pins are given to the members.

#### MANITOBA 1948

The 26th Annual "All Star" Session was held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel in Winnipeg, Manitoba, on June 2nd and 3rd, 1948.

Worthy Grand Matron's motto was "Let Your Light Shine." The Worthy Matron of one Chapter, Flin Flon Chapter, was 80 years of age. One new Chapter was instituted during the year. There were 41 Chapters at the end of the year 1947 and a membership of 3,213.

#### MAINE 1948

The Grand Chapter of Maine held its 56th Annual Session May 24th, 25th and 26th, 1948, in City Hall at Portland. It was dedicated to "Our Daughters and All Rainbow Girls," with "Fidelity" as the watchword. The color was blue, emblematic of the blue Ray of Adah. Programs were adorned with the Sword and Veil in silver.

Session opened with a Pageant "The Daughter." The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, was an honored guest.

Some 40 Eastern Star families lost their homes, and many lost all their possessions by forest fires; also the Town Hall in Hampden was damaged by fire, the meeting place of one Chapter. After a lapse of 17 years, one new subordinate Chapter was instituted.

#### MASSACHUSETTS 1948

Sincerity and Truth Session held in Boston, May 11, 12, 1948. Worthy Grand Matron's projects asked each member of all subordinate chapters for a penny or more a day for the month of November. \$6,500.00 was donated, which was divided as follows; \$500.00 to the infirmary at the Eastern Star Home in Orange, 2,500.00 to the Isadore Forbes

Benevolent Fund and 3,500.00 to the Eastern Star Massachusetts Foundation, Inc. Two Chapters instituted; one Chapter constituted. Thirty-eight fifty year emblems given. Many hours of service made for Red Cross. Two hundred ten chapters with a membership of 49,631.

#### LOUISIANA 1948

The 49th Annual Session was held in the Gold Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans in March 1948, with the motto, "Others," and called the "Naomi Session." The little nephew of the Worthy Grand Matron and grandson of the Worthy Grand Patron served as Mascots. They preceded the Grand Officers march, and formed an "Honor Guard" through which the Grand Matron and Grand Patron were escorted to the Grand East at the Informal opening.

The Grand Chapter contributed to these projects of the General Grand Chapter: China's Children, Welfare, International Temple, and Cancer Research.

#### MARYLAND 1948

The 50th Annual Session was held on April 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th, 1948, in the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore. Color scheme was white and gold to represent the Golden Anniversary.

There was an electric organ in the Grand East which added much to the Grand Session. Among the honored guests were the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother R. Donald Stewart.

Job's Daughters are sponsored and they were observing their 25th anniversary at the same time. One new Chapter was instituted. \$531.00 was contributed to Save the Children Project.

#### MICHIGAN 1947

The 81st Annual Session, "Anniversary Session", convened in Grand Rapids, Oct. 14-16, 1947.

This was the 80th birthday since Michigan held its first Grand Chapter Session in the City of Adrian, 1867.

Distinguished Guests were M. W. G. Matron, Eva H. Hamilton, M. W. G. Patron, Donald Stewart, Hon. Kim Sigler, Gov. of Michigan, Homer Newton, A. F. & A. M., P. M., W. G. M., and Dr. George A. Shaw, Grand Commander of Knights Templar, who extended to the G. S.

Special project was O. E. S. Villa, over \$30,000.00 was given to this project for children, O. E. S. Relief Fund, Educational, Masonic Christmas and International Temple Funds are sponsored.

469 Chapters; Membership 92,284; 2 Chapters constituted.

The Order of Rainbow and Job's Daughters for Girls are sponsored.

#### MINNESOTA 1948

The 70th Annual Session known as "Stars Session", convened in Masonic Temple, St. Paul, May 10, 1948.

This Grand Session was dedicated to the children of the world, \$1,274.48 was given to this project. The Grand East was beautifully decorated with Stars in the O. E. S. colors.

Tributes were given to U. S., Christian and O. E. S. Flags. The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Eva H. Hamilton, was the guest of honor, and addressed the Grand Session.

Other distinguished guests were introduced. The Most Worshipful Grand Master of A. F. & A. M., John B. Tomhave, addressed the Grand Session.

Masonic Home and Job's Daughters were sponsored.

Chapters—276; Membership—47,226.

#### MISSISSIPPI 1948

Forty-second "Gleaners Session" held in Jackson, April 13 and 14. Colors—Blue and Gold. Flowers—Blue Iris and Yellow Daffodil. Motto—Loving Service to Others. Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, was a guest. Objective—Perfection in Our Work, and at Least One Proficiency Certificate in Each Chapter, a record of 108 certificates issued.

Project—a contribution of \$1.00 per member in each chapter for Eastern Star Home Fund, \$3,743.64 was contributed. Five chapters were instituted.

Masonic Home for boys and one for girls were sponsored by O. E. S.; gifts and money given.

#### MISSOURI 1948

The 74th Annual Session "Blue Bird Session" convened in Convention Hall of the Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis, Monday, Oct. 11th, 1948. This auditorium had a seating capacity of more than 8,000 and was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers. Flags were presented with a very impressive ceremony.

Special projects were the Masonic Home and Shriners Hospital for crippled children. An endowment educational fund is provided for any boy or girl from the Masonic Home to attend college.

An O. E. S. Revolving Fund is sponsored for Veterans of World War II to enroll in colleges and universities who need temporary financial assistance.

Members for 50 years or over were presented with 50-year pins (membership). 7 new Chapters were instituted. Job's Daughters and the Order of Rainbow for Girls are sponsored.

Chapters—524; Membership—74,670.

#### MONTANA 1947

The 58th Annual Session, known as "Falls Session" convened in the Auditorium of Civic Center at Great Falls, Montana, on Thursday, Aug. 21, 1947.

The Grand Session was opened by P. M. W. G. M. Sister Anna W. Smalley and Brother T. E. Smalley, P. W. G. P.

Tributes were given to our Flag, Union Jack, Christian and O. E. S. Flags. Welcomes were given by the Hon. Mayor of Great Falls, Bro. J. C. Johnson, Masonic Bro. Charles Davidson, P. G. Master.

The Most W. M. was guest of honor and addressed the Grand Session and also installed the W. G. M., Betty Coleman, as W. G. Esther of the General Grand Chapter, and Sister Mary McLean, P. G. M. of Manitoba, as W. G. Martha.

Special projects were Masonic, and Young Americans Project. A \$25.00 bond was given to each Chapter in the State to be presented to the outstanding girl or boy in their community.

Membership—20,939; Chapters—124.

#### MONTANA 1948

Fifty-ninth Annual Session, "Pioneer Session," was held in Billings, Montana, August 19, 20, 21, 1948. Motto—Be Ye Kind One To Another. Governor of State and Mayor of Billings, also Grand Master of Masonic Lodge of Montana welcomed. Job's Daughters and Rainbow Girls sponsored and quite active. One chapter instituted. One hundred twenty-four chapters with a membership of 21,863. Main theme of year, Freedom Train, asking each member of Eastern Star to take a carload of boys and girls to see their Freedom Train.

Masonic Home refurnishing project met a hearty approval and many improvements carried out.

#### NEBRASKA 1948

The 73rd Annual Session was held in the City Auditorium in Omaha on May 11th, 12th and 13th, 1948. Worthy Grand Matron's motto—"Love and Courage."

The four presiding Queens of Omaha Bethels of Job's Daughters presented the Worthy Grand Matron with a crystal gavel with a Star on one end and a silver band engraved "73rd Session" from Combs Jewelry Company. The Worthy Grand Patron received an Eastern Star lapel pin.

Projects for the year were—China's Children, a "Happiness Fund" for the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, and funds to furnish the solariums for the Masonic Home for the Aged at Plattsmouth. One Chapter, Mistletoe Chapter No. 187 of Cambridge, suffered loss in a disastrous flood. Two Past Grand Matrons have attended 52 consecutive Grand Chapter Sessions. There are 258 chartered Chapters with a membership of 37,368.

#### NEVADA 1948

The 43rd Annual Session, known as "Youth Session," was held in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple, Reno, Nevada, October 1, 1948. This Session was dedicated to youth. The "Watch Word of Loving Kindness" in large silver letters was suspended in the East.

Honored Guest was the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Eva H. Hamilton, who addressed the Grand Session.



Greetings from the Honorable Mayor, Francis Smith, of Reno, and the Deputy Grand Master of the A. F. & A. M., Walter T. Baker.

The Order of the Rainbow for Girls is sponsored. A very inspiring message was given on this Order by Joaquinne Ballard. Education, Red Cross, Cancer and Benevolent Funds are sponsored.

Membership—3,893; 1 Chapter Constituted.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK 1948

The 18th Annual "Electa" Session was held in St. David's United Church Hall in Saint John, N. B., on June 10th and 11th, 1948. Worthy Grand Matron's motto—"Let Us Love One Another." Flower—The Red Rose. Color—Red and Silver.

Honored Guests, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton; Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother R. Donald Stewart; a General Grand Chapter Committee Member, Sister Laura D. Shaw. Two chapters were constituted and four were instituted.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE 1948

The 58th Annual Session, known as the "Rose Session," was held in the Masonic Temple, at Manchester, N. H., Sept. 16 and 17, 1948. The Session was dedicated to the W. G. Matron's mother, Mrs. Zenna May Fler, and in memory of E. Maude Ferguson, P. W. G. Matron.

The East was beautifully decorated with potted palms and American Beauty roses. Greetings from the Hon. Charles H. Barnard, President of the State Senate, who also was Grand Master of the Royal and Select Masons; Mayor Joseph T. Benoit and Most Worshipful Grand Master of A. F. & A. M., Bro. Harold O. Cady.

The W. G. Matron's project (special) was a benevolent fund, \$1,574.16 was given to this Fund. The Order of the Rainbow for Girls is sponsored.

One new chapter instituted, gifts and money are contributed to the Masonic Home. Cancer Research and Save the Children funds are sponsored. 50-year certificates were given to 43 members during the year.

Chapters—64; Membership—12,282.

#### NEW JERSEY 1947

The 77th Annual Session, officially known as the Roe-Savidge Grand Session, was held May 20th, 21st, and 22nd in Asbury Park. The motto was "Fidelity, Loyalty and Love."

Most Worthy Grand Matron received \$4,521.89 from Charity Balls, and \$8,004.74 from Triangle Pennies of Cheer Committee. She asked that \$6,000.00 of this money be set up into an Educational Loan Fund, her project for the year. Various Chapters also gathered 75,029 redeemable coupons and 7,109 pounds of tinfoil which was sold.

Most Worthy Grand Matron attended meetings in all 22 districts. No new chapters were instituted during the year.

## NEW MEXICO 1948

Forty-sixth Annual Session held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 21, 22, 23, 1948. Motto—"I Will Lift Mine Eyes Unto the Hills." Watchword—"Ever Alert for Real Service."

Rainbow Girls and Job's Daughters sponsored. Welcome given by Masonic Bodies. Eight candidates, the numerical limit to be initiated at one meeting. One chapter instituted, three chapters constituted. Have visions of Eastern Star Home and generous funds contributed to this worthy project. Have a seeing eye dog fund, Widows and Orphans Fund, O. E. S. Home Fund, Cancer Fund, Save a Child Fund, and China's Children Fund.

Membership—8,895; Chapters—92.

## NEW YORK 1947

Seventy-eighth Annual Session held in New York City, October 14, 15, 16, 1947. Motto—Progress Towards a Brighter Day. Banquet held on October 13th. Sixty-eight war casualty cases from Navy and Army Hospitals were guests. Eastern Star Home and Infirmary in Oriskany, N. Y., with seventy-six guests. Give each guest \$4.00 per month allowance and \$2.00 for birthday. Worthy Grand Matron had a five-point program:

1. O. E. S. Home and Infirmary.
2. War casualty cases in Army and Navy Hospitals.
3. Disabled heroes in Veterans and other Hospitals.
4. Loved ones serving in Armed Forces at home and abroad.
5. Youth program—Educational, Vocational and Recreational.

Splendid work carried out in all. Seven hundred sixty-eight chapters in good standing. Membership—125,041.

## NORTH CAROLINA 1948

Land of Sky Session held in Asheville, North Carolina, June 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 1948. Theme—Fraternal Love in Action. Watchword—Remember Our Obligation. Motto—"Let Us Put Our Love Into Deed and Make It Real." Goal—Every Eastern Star Enlisted in Service.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, a guest of session. Introduction of Grand Officers given as poem. Seventeen chapters instituted, fourteen constituted. Rainbow Girls sponsored.

A picnic in honor of Rob Morris Day. Have a Masonic and Eastern Star Home combined with sixty-three guests. Red Cross and community service given many hours and donations. Hospital fund donations \$2,302.25.

## NORTH DAKOTA 1948

The 54th Annual Session was held in the Masonic Temple at Grand Forks on June 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 1948. Their motto—Truth, Love, Unity and Peace. Watchword—More Loyalty. Theme Song—Brighten the Corner Where You Are. Colors—Coral, Silver and Blue.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, was among many other distinguished guests of the General Grand Chapter, and earlier in the day she was presented to the Grand Lodge of North Dakota by a member of the Board of Right Worthy Grand Trustees. Eastern Star Home at Fessenden was their special project.

In North Dakota when a person has been a member for 30 consecutive years and has reached the age of 70 years, they are presented with life memberships. There are 27 chapters with a membership of less than 50; 57 chapters with a membership of less than 100; 16 chapters with a membership of less than 200; 8 chapters with a membership of over 200. Two new chapters were instituted during the year.

#### NOVA SCOTIA 1948

First Annual Pioneer Session held in Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, June 24, 25, 1948. Divine worship was held at St. Luke's Church of England at 7.30 P. M. on Wednesday, June 23rd. Eight chapters instituted, four chapters constituted. Thirty-one chapters with a membership of 2,088. Cancer control generously contributed to.

#### OHIO 1948

Fifty-ninth Annual Session held October 19, 20, 21, 1948, in Cleveland, Ohio. Divine Services held on Sunday, October 17th, in Euclid Avenue Baptist Church. The Pastor was Dr. Bernard Clausen and his text was The Ministry of Martha.

The Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother R. Donald Stewart, honored this session by his presence. Project—Building up of funds for building of an Eastern Star Home in Ohio. Twelve Chapters in Ohio celebrated Golden Anniversaries. Three chapters instituted. Membership of 157,680.

Ohio is the largest Grand Chapter in the world. Five hundred forty-seven chartered chapters. All General Grand Chapter projects generously contributed to. The O. E. S. Home Fund now totals \$99,226.43. Proposed Eastern Star Home site is Sidney, Ohio.

#### OKLAHOMA 1947

The 39th Annual Session, known as "The Friendship Session," was held in Municipal Auditorium in Oklahoma City on Sept. 16th, 17th, and 18th, 1947, with the motto—Friendship, Truth and Loving Kindness. About \$9,000.00 was contributed to Masonic Hospital Service. Canned fruit and vegetables were donated to Masonic Home. Fire and tornadoes caused disaster in 3 chapters. Four chapters were instituted.

#### OREGON 1948

The 59th, Temple Rose Session was held in the Masonic Temple in Portland on June 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th. Motto—Comfort, Encourage and Befriend.

The special project was the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. A check of \$6,800.00 was presented to the Most Worshipful Grand Master by the various chapters; canned fruit and vegetables were

also donated. They also did Sunshine Work at the Veterans Hospital, contributed to Red Cross and International Temple. Two chapters were constituted and six were instituted. Life memberships are purchased by the members.

#### ONTARIO 1948

The 53rd Annual Session, known as the "Golden Rule Session," convened in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Canada, Sept. 22-24, 1948. The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were presented with fitting tributes.

The Distinguished Guest was the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Eva H. Hamilton; Mamie Lander and other officers and members of the General Grand Chapter.

A toast was given to the Grand Chapter by Margaret Gretton. Contributions were given to the Florence Nightingale Fund and the Benevolent Fund. Generous contributions were given to the Children of China Fund; more than \$25,544.00 was given to this Fund.

Two chapters were constituted; Membership—25,045; Chapters—225.

#### PENNSYLVANIA 1948

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, June 14, 15, 16, 17, 1948. Rainbow Session. Divine Service held on Sunday preceding session at Smithfield Evangelical Protestant Congregational Church.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, welcomed. Motto—Golden Rule. Special project the establishment of a fund to be used for building and repairs for each Eastern Star Home, one in the Eastern part of the state and one in the Western part of the state. \$15,695.27 realized from a drive asking each member for \$1.00 donation. Most Worthy Grand Matron's projects: Cancer Research, Save the Children, and China's Children given generous aid. Gifts and donations too numerous to mention were given to all Veterans Hospitals, located in the state. Members gave untiringly of their time and money to these worthwhile causes.

Four chapters constituted; 481 chapters; membership 100,192.

#### QUEBEC 1947

The 25th Annual Session, known as "Jubilee Session", was held in Memorial Hall of the Canadian Legion, Montreal, Canada, on Oct. 2, 1947. Inspiring tributes were given to the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes.

Distinguished Guest was Most Worthy Grand Patron Donald Stewart. Educational Loan Fund and Scholarship project is sponsored, over \$4,086 was given to this project, along with welfare funds.

One Chapter instituted; Membership—2,293.

#### RHODE ISLAND 1947

Fifty-second Annual Session, "Queen Esther Session," met October 8th in the Masonic Temple. This session meets for one day only. They have twenty-four chapters and 7,019 members. Pins were given for fifty-year membership.

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Rhode Island was escorted and welcomed into the Grand Chapter Room. The goal this year is for an O. E. S. Home for their old folks. The Grand Chapter gives one day a year to assist at the Annual Sale of the Rhode Island Association for the Blind. 100% to all General Grand Chapter projects from the twenty-four Chapters.

#### SASKATCHEWAN 1948

The 32nd Annual Session, known as the "Blue Bird Session," convened in the Zion United Church, Moose Jaw, on Monday, May 24, 1948. The Holy Bible was presented. The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were presented with a most impressive ceremony by the Rev. James C. Jolly. Civic welcome by the Deputy Mayor, J. Hampson. Masonic greetings by John McIntosh, P.G.P.

Distinguished guests were the General Grand Chapter Committee members. Special projects were the Home Fund and the Cancer Fund. Each member was asked to contribute 50 cents towards each project.

A Flower Fund was sponsored, the amount given to this fund was used to help the Children of China.

#### SCOTLAND 1948

The 44th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland was held in Woodside Hall, Glasgow, on March 13th, 1948. This is the home town of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Jean E. MacLachlan.

Some 9500 were added to the membership during the year and two District Grand Chapters were formed. At the request of the Most Worthy Grand Patron four new Chapters were instituted overseas, one in New Zealand, two in Victoria, and one in South Australia. The Benevolent Fund and Annuity Fund were increased by over £2,600.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA 1948

Blue Bird Session held in Columbia, South Carolina, June 15, 16, 17, 1948. Motto—Melody, Happiness and Cheer.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, was an honored guest. The dream of all Eastern Stars in this State is to have an Eastern Star Home for their old folks. Progress being made rapidly. Greetings brought to the Session from the Grand Master of the Masonic Order.

Twelve chapters instituted, nine chapters constituted.

#### TEXAS 1947

The 65th "Triangle" Session was held in the Municipal Auditorium, San Antonio, on Oct. 27-30, 1947. Distinguished Guests were the Committee Members of the General Grand Chapter. Welcome was given by the Mayor of San Antonio, Mr. Callahan.

Tributes were given to the Flags by Malvern Marks. \$101,469.00 was given to Home, General and Benevolent Funds during the year.

O. E. S. Home is maintained. 50-year Membership Certificates are presented. Over \$11,000.00 was given to Rehabilitation and Educational Funds.

Membership—90,735; Chapters—638.

#### TENNESSEE 1948

The 47th Annual Session, "Friendship Session," convened in Memphis on March 15th, 16th, and 17th, 1948. At the informal opening the Bible was presented by the daughter of the Worthy Grand Matron while her husband rendered "The Lord's Prayer." \$255.00 per month or a total of \$3,060.00 for the year 1947 was used for welfare work for 18 needy sisters. Eight new chapters were instituted.

#### UTAH 1947

The 42nd Session, known as "Mother Session," was held in Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, Oct. 9, 10, 1947. Tributes were given to the Union Jack and the American Flags.

Distinguished Guests were Sister Abbie Hanson, R. W. Asso. G. M. of the G. G. Chapter, and Committee Members. Greetings were extended by the M. W. G. M. of G. Lodge A. F. & A. M.

O. E. S. Home and Rehabilitation, Red Cross, Shriners Hospital Funds are sponsored. Membership—3,070.

#### VERMONT 1948

Seventy-sixth Annual Session, "Ruth Session," held in Barre, Vermont, June 2, 3, 1948. Motto—Be Not Weary In Well Doing. Watchwords—Courage, Faith and Prayer.

Rainbow Girls sponsored. One chapter constituted. Ninety-two chapters in State. Have a Grand Lecturer. In Randolph, Vermont, have an Eastern Star Home which has 21 guests.

Educational Loan Fund active, one loan made this year. Most chapters 100% in the International Temple Fund. Sponsoring all of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's projects.

#### VIRGINIA 1948

The 44th Annual Session convened on May 11th, 12th, and 13th, 1948, in Richmond. It was known as "Faith Session" with the motto "A Prayer, a Smile, a Deed."

The fraternal project was the Eastern Star Home. Other projects were Endowment Fund, Job's Daughters, March of Dimes, American Red Cross, and Cancer Control. \$100.00 was contributed to each project, Red Cross and Cancer Control.

Six new Chapters were instituted. The membership May 1st, 1948, was 16,626, or a gain of 1,463.

#### WASHINGTON 1948

The 60th Annual Session was held in Bellingham, Washington, on June 17th, 18th, and 19th, 1948. It was called the "Friendship Session," with "Forgetfulness of Self and Thoughtfulness of Others" as their motto.

Worthy Grand Matron's gavel traveled some 26,000 miles and was used by the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of various Chapters on their official visits. One new Chapter was instituted. Twenty-two members received 50-year Certificates and Pins.

#### WEST VIRGINIA 1948

The 45th Annual Session was held on October 5th, 6th, and 7th, 1948, in Wheeling. Since this was a "Friendship Session," the Worthy Grand Matron planned a setting of an "Old Fashioned Garden of Friendship" with the officers of 11 hostess chapters forming a living picket fence around the four sides of the Grand Chapter Room. Projects were Cancer Control, Aid to Disabled Veterans, Educational assistance to children of deceased or disabled Eastern Star Veterans, and memorizing the obligation.

Order of Rainbow Girls is sponsored. Two new chapters were constituted and one instituted. Right Worthy Grand Conductress was an honored guest.

#### WISCONSIN 1948

The 50th Annual Session, "Faith Session," convened in the Civic Auditorium, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Sept. 28-30, 1948. The motto of the year was "The Church, the Home," and this theme was carried out in the decorations of the East. The Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack with the other flags were presented.

Greetings from Officers and Committees and Members of the General Grand Chapter. Special Project Fund was to increase Hospital Facilities for the Masonic Home; \$26,885.00 was given for this project. China Relief is sponsored. Life Membership Certificates are given to members of 50 or more years' service.

Chapter—270; Membership—54,174.

#### WYOMING 1947

The 50th, or "Golden Jubilee All Star Session," convened in Masonic Temple at Casper on Aug. 26th, 27th, and 28th, 1948. Motto, "Love One Another," and Slogan, "Every Star a Star."

The session was dedicated to the 50-year members and 50-year certificates were presented to them. The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, addressed the Grand Chapter. Job's Daughters are sponsored. Four new chapters were instituted.

#### WYOMING 1948

Garden of Friendship Session dedicated to Youth held on August 24, 25, 26, 1948, in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Motto—Golden Rule. Watchword—Take Time to be Kind. Eleven members given certificates for membership of fifty years. Job's Daughters active and sponsored. Project Cancer Research. Objective—International Temple Fund striving to be 100%. Four chapters constituted, 48 chapters chartered. Membership of 9,297.

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Bessie Warrington, seconded by P.G.P. Percy C. Cotty, that report be accepted with the slight correction that Ohio is larger than Illinois and we accept in this meeting

her report regarding the Masonic relationship of Pennsylvania but not print same in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

A motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Alice M. Abbott, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Sarah Riffin, that the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mildred Johnson and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Price E. Wilson, of Maryland, be made Honorary Members of the Grand Chapter. Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Mildred E. Johnson, of Maryland, gave a short message:

I am so happy about the Honorary Membership. I may misquote a few things. It is a great privilege to bring greetings from Maryland to this Grand Chapter. You know I am glad to be here, it pleases me very much for I have always thought I belonged here and when you are voting I may have put my hand up without thinking. There is no boundary line between Maryland and Delaware. We feel we belong to you and you belong to us. I feel as much at home with the Grand Chapter of Delaware as I do with my own. You can just feel the friendly atmosphere in this Grand Chapter session and the hospitality expressed by Unity Chapter. Sister Marie, your graciousness and your sweetness in presiding is just as I knew it would be. I would not have missed being here for anything in the world. Your reports last night were very fine. I don't know why I seem to enjoy reports so, but I really like to hear reports. These splendid reports and discussions are interesting. I have enjoyed the music and the message of our Most Worthy Grand Matron. One of the biggest thrills I had was when Sister Hamilton visited our Grand Chapter. I had great pride in presenting her at the Altar. I don't know of anything that will give me the pride I had that evening. I thank you for all your kindness and courtesies. My wish is that your Grand Session will be such as will bring you lasting pleasure and joy. To the Grand West, my wish is that your year will be one of great happiness and success and that our paths will cross very often. Come and see us, everybody, in Maryland.

Remarks by Sister Florence Plummer, Right Worthy Grand Sentinel:

It was worth the flight home from Minneapolis. Things are still waiting to be unpacked from that trip, but I promised I would come here and I am glad I was able to keep my promise and have the enjoyment of being with the Grand Chapter of Delaware and to hear our Most Worthy Grand Matron's message. She is a source of inspiration to all who come in contact with her and a living example of all the good things in our Order. At no time has her interest in the General Grand Chapter lagged and the Grand Chapters everywhere have benefited by her presence. I have been interested in your reports and as Sister Clara Reuter said in greeting the Grand Officers this morning, she spoke of the seeds they have sown and the good fruit that will result from those seeds. If each of us would be careful of the sowing of good seed and the cultivating of the virtues of our Order



we would bring forth good fruit and we would thus be shining examples to those who are not members of this Order. May we take this to heart—sow good seeds and cultivate virtues of our Order throughout our lives.

Sister Marie and Brother Harlan, I thank you for the courtesies extended to me through you. I am happy to have met you in many places and some day I shall take Brother Cloud to task for referring to those days of long ago and my girlish figure. To the officers in the West, may you know the joys of service and as in a mirror may you see only the good presented before you and may your year be a splendid stone in the structure of this Grand Chapter. Also may you join hands in doing good in the name of our beloved Order—The Order of the Eastern Star. I am regretful that my Worthy Grand Matron is not here for she was planning to meet me here at 1.00 o'clock and I hope when I see her I shall have an explanation that will not mean disaster.

DELAWARE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
BUILDING CORPORATION

814 Adams Street  
Wilmington, Del.  
December 10, 1948.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation was held at 912 West Street on November 30, 1948, and the following Directors were unanimously elected to serve until November 30, 1949:

Grand Chapter of Delaware—Jane M. Brinton  
Delaware Chapter No. 1—M. Etta Keys  
Mizpah Chapter No. 2—Marian Bristow  
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3—Jean Cottman  
St. John's Chapter No. 4—Elva W. Lang  
Radiant Chapter No. 6—Jane C. Zebley

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Jane C. Zebley, Radiant Chapter No. 6—President  
M. Etta Keys, Delaware Chapter No. 1—1st Vice-President  
Jean Cottman, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3—2nd Vice-President  
Marian Bristow, Mizpah Chapter No. 2—3rd Vice-President  
Elva W. Lang, St. John's Chapter No. 4—Secretary  
Jane M. Brinton, Grand Chapter of Delaware—Treasurer.

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

Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund.....	\$3,018.52
Balance in Security Trust.....	66.05
Two \$1000.00 U. S. War Loan Bonds.....	2,000.00
	\$5,084.57

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

Sincerely and fraternally,

ELVA W. LANG,

*Secretary.*

JANE C. ZEBLEY, *President*

It was moved by P.G.P. Charles Cleaver, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Thomas Pepper, that report be accepted and spread upon minutes. Motion adopted.

It was moved by Brother Ferd Reuter, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, that P.M. Sister Jane Brinton be reappointed to represent the Grand Chapter on the Delaware Building Corporation and be instructed to vote our shares of stock in accordance with the vote of the majority of subordinate chapters. Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION

We, your Committee on Chapters under Charters and Dispensations submit the following report as a result of our examination of the Abstracts of each subordinate chapter as of December 31, 1948:

Lost:		Gained:	
By Death.....	24	By Initiation.....	210
By Demit.....	26	By Reinstatement.....	9
By Suspension.....	13	By Affiliation.....	16
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Total Loss.....	63	Total Gain.....	235
	Membership Dec. 31, 1948... 2565		
	Membership Dec. 31, 1949... 2393		
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	Net Gain.....		172

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN MILLER

OLIVIA ENRIGHT

MARTHA D. MACKEY, *Chairman*

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Mattie Pyle Horn, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Sara MacNamee, that this report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

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

We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals are pleased to report that nothing has been submitted to us during this year for our consideration. As far as we know, Peace and Harmony prevail in this Jurisdiction and we hope it may continue throughout the coming years.

Fraternally submitted,

HELEN E. CALHOON, *Chairman*

LOUISE MORTLOCK

RAYMOND SMITH

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Helen West and seconded by P.G.P. Brother Cheston McCormick, that report be accepted and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from labor to recess to reconvene at 1.30 sharp.

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON

1.30 P. M.

P.G.M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin presiding, presented P.G.M. Sister Sara MacNamee and P.G.P. Brother Horace K. Fulmer, who opened the afternoon session and invited the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Chapter Room.

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

Past Grand Matron, Sister Martha Krapf, was presented at the Altar, welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Deputy Grand Lecturers, Sisters Alice Minner, Florence Williams and Sara Hoffman, were presented in the West, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

### REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

Our Report this year is a very short but a very happy one. Due to the fine cooperation given us by the Charles L. Story Company, our Proceedings were printed and distributed in record time, which pleased us very much. The cost of printing these Proceedings is still a large item of expense but they are much appreciated by those who receive them and we feel sure we will receive the benefit of any decrease in price, if and when one can be offered.

MABEL L. NIXON

THOMAS RODWAY

ELIZABETH M. FISHER, *Chairman.*

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by P.G.P. Thomas Pepper, that report be accepted and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Report of Credentials Committee showed 188 voting delegates and proxies with sixteen chapters represented. Pauline Davis, Chairman.

After the count of the first Ballot a correction was made showing that the voting delegates numbered 193.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harlan Cloud, appointed as Judges, Brother Norris Tull and Brother Ferd Reuter. As tellers,

Sisters Mary King, Edna Williams, Lillian Arters and Mary Bevis. Pages were appointed collectors of ballots.

### RESULT OF ELECTION

Worthy Grand Matron.....	MRS. DORA FITZGERALD
Worthy Grand Patron.....	MR. ALBERT KUMPEL
Associate Grand Matron.....	MRS. EDNA GIFFORD
Associate Grand Patron.....	MR. FRED WARRINGTON
Grand Secretary.....	MISS ELIZABETH M. FISHER
Grand Treasurer.....	MRS. VIRDA L. SIMPLER
Grand Conductress.....	MRS. IRMA O. LECOMPTE
Associate Grand Conductress.....	MRS. MARIAN SIMPSON
Grand Trustee.....	MRS. PAULINE L. DAVIS

The Worthy Grand Patron discharged the Judges, Tellers and Pages with thanks.

During the election, motion was made by Brother Walter E. Sawdon, seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, that the Grand Warder and mother, Sister Lillian Arters be allowed to leave room to answer a long distance telephone call. This was found to be a mistake and the Grand Marshal was allowed to leave the room.

### REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

May, 1949

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

The Chairman of the Educational Committee submits the following report:

January 1, 1949—Balance on hand.....	\$2,043.43
March 16, 1949—Interest.....	51.08

Total balance to date in the Wilmington Savings Fund Society, Wilmington, Delaware.....	\$2,094.51
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All loans paid to date and no new loans.

Respectfully submitted,

MAMIE P. WENDLING, *Chairman*

CHESTON R. McCORMICK

EDITH M. McLEAN

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE

J. N. ABBOTT

ROBERT W. LARRIMORE

*Grand Trustees*

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Mary E. Clower, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Louise Green, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF RED CROSS COMMITTEE

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, 1948 to April 30, 1949:

Delaware No. 1—125 Unit hours  
 Mizpah No. 2—2707 Unit hours  
 Julia M. Story No. 3—No report  
 St. John's No. 4—37 Unit hours  
 Adah No. 5—No report  
 Radiant No. 6—1000 sewing hours, 40 Unit hours, 1040 total hrs.  
 Sussex No. 7—No report  
 Caesar Rodney No. 8—No report  
 Georgetown No. 9—25 Unit hours  
 Newark No. 10—No report  
 Kent No. 11—No report  
 Frankford No. 12—No report  
 Five Points No.13—Canteen 160 hours, Motor Corps—845 hours,  
 Staff Asst. 80 hours, total hours 1085  
 Brandywine No. 14—53 Garments 172 hours  
 Victory No. 15—No report  
 Unity No. 16—Buttonholes 4 hours, Knitting 16 hours, 28 Unit  
 hours, total hours 48  
 Total for all Chapters—5202 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA KELLEY,  
*Chairman of Red Cross.*

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Robert Rogers, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Alice M. Abbott, that report be accepted and spread upon minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron:

The Registration Committee wishes to make the following report: We have registered 341 members from Delaware and 42 visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY LARRIMORE  
 LILLIAN HARMSTEAD  
 G. LLOYD FREDERICK

It was moved by Sister Ruth M. Laws, seconded by Sister Mildred Bryan, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS

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

We, your Committee on Job's Daughters, are grateful to you for the privilege of serving with Bethel No. 1 this year.

The conscientious manner in which the Officers do their work is very gratifying to Sister and Mr. Stinchecum, Guardian and Associate Guardian. Every chapter should stand in back of Job's Daughters. They need your support and cooperation.

The report from June 30, to December 31, 1948:

71 Girls

10 Initiated

3 Reached 20 years

78 December 31, 49 Total Membership

Bethel attended Church Service at Old Swedes' Episcopal Church on October 24.

Contribution to the Red Cross.

New Capes purchased.

### WAYS AND MEANS

Rummage Sale on November 15.

Card Party on November 30.

Turkey drawing on December 15; 5 turkeys given away.

### ACTIVITIES

Trip to Baltimore, Md., on December 4 to visit Bethel No. 1.

Dance November 6.

### VISITORS

Five Points Chapter O.E.S., Guests on October 28.

Mrs. Lulu T. Leyda, Supreme Guardian visited Bethel on November 3.

St. John's Chapter O.E.S., Guests on November 17.

Job's Daughters are having By-Laws printed. Each member will receive a copy.

The report from January 1, to June 31, 1949:

78 Girls

1 Withdrawal

1 Reached 20

5 Initiated since January 1

4 Scheduled for Initiation on April 20

3 Petitions on the desk

Covered Dish Supper on February 16, proceeds to Supreme Promotion Fund.

## ACTIVITIES

- Skating Party on February 9  
 Birthday Banquet March 10  
 Planning to visit Bethel No. 24 at Towson, Md., on April 22.  
 20 members, 6 adults.

## WAYS AND MEANS

- Calendar Party on February 25.  
 Drawing for 6 hams on April 6.  
 Card Party scheduled for April 29.  
 Rummage Sale May 7 and 9.

## VISITORS

March 16, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S.

Members of Honor given to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

March 23, party given to the guests of the Masonic Home at the Home, entertainment arranged by the girls. Refreshments served. Invitations to the Grand Master and Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Delaware A. F. & A. M. May 4.

April 20, Invitation to Brandywine Chapter No. 14, O.E.S.

May 4th, Grand Master visited Job's Daughters.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

March of Dimes.

Red Cross.

Cancer Fund.

May 15, Church Service at Second Baptist Church, 9th and Franklin Streets.

Submitted by

MILDRED R. KITCHEN  
 LAURA B. FULMER  
 ELLA F. CLEAVER

It was moved by Sister Mildred Bryan, seconded by Sister Ethel Derrickson, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

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

Having been appointed Jan. 1, 1949, by our Worthy Grand Matron to act as Chairman for our Most Worthy Grand Matron's Project—Cancer Research and Control—I am happy to give the

following report and feel that Delaware is to be commended on the splendid way in which the members responded to a call which in my opinion is the most urgent in our Organization and the world in general. These figures represent contributions from the Chapters and individual members.

Delaware Chapter No. 1.....	\$ 10.00
Mizpah Chapter No. 2.....	150.00
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 (Worthy Grand Patron's) ..	20.00
St. John's Chapter No. 4.....	25.00
Adah Chapter No. 5.....	15.00
Radiant Chapter No. 6.....	5.00
Sussex Chapter No. 7.....	10.00
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.....	25.00
Georgetown Chapter No. 9.....	25.00
Newark Chapter No. 10.....	10.00
Kent Chapter No. 11 (Worthy Grand Matron's).....	50.00
Frankford Chapter No. 12.....	15.00
Five Points Chapter No. 13 (My home Chapter).....	82.19
Brandywine Chapter No. 14.....	25.00
Victory Chapter No. 15.....	40.00
Unity Chapter No. 16.....	54.81
4Star4 Club Matrons & Patrons of 1944 (My children) ..	5.00
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	\$567.00

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE,  
*Chairman.*

It was moved by Sister Pierce, seconded by Sister Myra D. Robinson, that report be accepted and spread upon minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF REHABILITATION SERVICE

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

Your Committee on Rehabilitation conducted their visits to the VA Hospital in the same way that we did the last Grand Chapter year: inviting a different Chapter each month to act as hostess to the Veterans and their guests on the third Sunday of each month.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marie Roberts, requested each hostess Chapter to furnish the necessary refreshments for their visit. These refreshments consisted of:

- 500 home made cookies
  - 8—46 oz. cans of orange juice
  - 4—46 oz. cans of pineapple juice
  - 4—5½ oz. cans lemon juice
  - 4 large bottles ginger ale.
- Cigarettes, if the Chapter wished to bring them.



Needless to say we always had cigarettes to give to the veterans particularly those who were denied refreshments. An invitation stating the Worthy Grand Matron's request was sent to each hostess Chapter and their response was all that we could wish for.

It was our thought to have the Chapters in Kent and Sussex Counties make their visit before the roads would become hazardous for travel; but we are very sorry to say that to Georgetown Chapter No. 9 fell the worst day of the winter, December 19, but with their chairman, Sister Mildred Minner, a number of their members braved the elements bringing refreshments, a Christmas tree, Christmas greens, tree trimmings, fifty wrapped gifts for the veterans, red candles with glass holders for the table. We thought our table looked so pretty that day, covered with a Christmas cloth with a very beautiful poinsettia in the center, a gift of P.G.P. Brother Rogers, in the center, surrounded by the red candles, a punch bowl at each end filled with golden punch, a Santa Claus here and there with his bag filled with nuts and candy, and plates of delicious home made cookies. It was always our thought to please the eye as well as the palate.

On September 2, 1948, we were very happy to have the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Roberts, the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cloud, Brother Archie Ford, Past Patron of Kent Chapter, and a member of this committee, Brother Richard Welsh, Past Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Sister Helen Welsh, Secretary of Five Points Chapter No. 13, with us. Your committee had charge of the refreshments for the executive committee that evening and our guests came to assist with the refreshments and to discuss the buying of a McKesson-Scott Vital Capacity Apparatus which was needed in the hospital.

We decided, on the Worthy Grand Matron's advice, to purchase the equipment, and \$10.00 was at once contributed by one of the committee members. The Worthy Grand Matron advised that she would ask for contributions as she made her official visits in September. This she did and received sufficient to purchase the equipment and a table model radio for one of the wards.

A check for \$29.50 was given to Mr. J. J. Crowe, chief of Special Service, but this was later returned as the Government decided to buy the apparatus. We then, by the Grand Matron's consent, gave the check to the treasurer of the revolving fund, a fund started by the several organizations of volunteer service for the benefit of the veterans only. This fund will furnish stamps to a veteran, send a veteran home for a week-end and only recently it had a veteran's brace repaired, which if it had gone through the Government channels would have required weeks possibly, whereas it was repaired and returned in three days at a cost of eighty cents.

The Chapters and their month of service were:

June and August, 1948—Kent Chapter No. 11  
 July—Adah Chapter No. 5  
 September—Sussex Chapter No. 7  
 October—Frankford Chapter No. 12

- November—Unity Chapter No. 16  
 December—Georgetown Chapter No. 12  
 January, 1949—Victory Chapter No. 15  
 February—Delaware Chapter No. 1  
 March—Mizpah Chapter No. 2  
 April—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3  
 May—St. John's Chapter No. 4

This committee is greatly indebted to Brother Richard Welsh and his Mother, Sister Helen Welsh, not committee members but faithful Eastern Star workers. "Dick" has been our mainstay, mixing our juices, brings us ice, arranging flowers for the table, many times giving them himself, and helping in so many ways. He and Sister Helen have not missed one "Open House Sunday" this Grand Chapter year. Many thanks to Sister Sadie Conly for her constant help and ready advice. Just to know that Sister Sadie was present made all things right. Our Eastern Star workers at the Hospital made 400 hours this year.

These gifts were made to the Hospital this year from the Chapters and members:

Kent Chapter—2 serving trays, a box of bound books and a number of pocket editions. Furnished refreshments June and August.

Georgetown Chapter—2 afgans, Christmas tree, holly and green boughs, 50 candy bars, tree ornaments, fifty wrapped gifts for the patients, candles and candle holders.

Frankford Chapter—100 cards with stamps for same, floor model radio from Sister Myrtle Mitchell, books.

Five Points No. 13—Shoes from Sister Helen Welsh.

Victory No. 15—A table model radio from Sister Ruth Rambo. Not satisfied to give the radio Sister Rambo worked for the money to pay for it.

Radiant No. 6—forty boxes of Christmas cards with a stamp for each card, three 46 oz. cans of pineapple juice and \$1.00 from Sister Edith McLean.

Mizpah No. 2—one afgan from Mrs. Howard J. Wood, a friend of Sister Florence Hanby, Secretary. One poinsettia for Christmas and a vase of cut flowers for Mothers Day from P.G.P. Robert Rogers.

Newark No. 10—\$1.00 from Sister Ethel Crowe, several boxes of bound books from Sister Sommermeyer, 2 boxes Christmas cards with stamps.

Grand Matron's Collections—1 table model radio.

Hospital Day will again be observed and the many organizations will be asked to share the expense of the Hospital booklet. It is expected the cost will be less than last year as several new organizations have joined the VAVS. We ask that this bill be paid when presented.

It is planned to give Mr. J. J. Crowe, Chief of Volunteer Service, a gift, in which all organizations of the VABS will share the cost. We ask that this also be allowed.

I am turning over to Sister Conly:

- 16—46 oz. cans pineapple juice
- 8—46 oz. cans orange juice
- 8—5½ oz. cans lemon juice
- 1 bottle ginger ale
- 300—6 oz. cups
- 200 plates
- 200 napkins
- 17 pkgs. cigarettes
- 1 pkg. matches
- 4 candles and holders
- 2 trays
- 1 O. E. S. tablecloth
- 2 tea towels

We received a letter of thanks and appreciation from Dr. L. G. Campbell upon his leaving the Hospital and taking charge of a much larger Hospital. A copy was sent to each Chapter.

We greatly appreciate the very generous response from each Chapter to our many requests. Your willingness to cooperate with this committee has made our year of service a year of pleasure.

We have received many expressions of appreciation and thanks from the veterans, their friends, and the personnel of the Hospital. This made us happy to know, that as messengers of the Eastern Star we were bringing to them from you, a happiness they so justly deserve.

Fraternally submitted,

MARTHA W. KRAPP, *Chairman*  
 SADIE C. CONLY, *Alternate*  
 ARCHIE FORD  
 RALPH A. BAKER

It was moved by Sister Jane White, seconded by Brother Henry Miller, that the report be accepted, request complied with and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

#### REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Educational Rehabilitation Fund: In the Wilmington Savings Bank,  
 9th and Market Sts., Wilmington, Delaware:

Amount in the Fund April 30, 1948.....	\$687.38
Interest, Dec. 31, 1948.....	17.18
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Total.....	\$704.56

Plus one \$25.00 Bond dated Oct. 7, 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Grand Secretary.*

May 11, 1949—ELIZABETH E. PIERCE  
 ROBERT W. LARRIMORE  
 J. N. ABBOTT

It was moved by Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, seconded by Sister Isabel Minto, that this report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

Report on Report of Worthy Grand Matron:

Your Jurisprudence Committee has carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron and commend her for the earnestness and zeal with which she has conducted the affairs of this Grand Chapter.

We approve waivers of territorial jurisdiction granted.

We approve Dispensations granted.

We approve all amendments to subordinate chapter by-laws and refer same to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

We approve answers to questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

We approve position taken by Worthy Grand Matron in calling attention to irregularities.

We approve Recommendation No. 1.

We approve Recommendation No. 2.

Fiscal Year: We feel the Worthy Grand Matron has made a good point for changing the fiscal year of the subordinate chapters with that of the Grand Chapter, when she speaks of the bad weather in January when installations of the new officers take place. Also, it would be less confusing for subordinate officers to have instructions from one set of Grand Officers.

We offer no decision in this matter, but suggest the incoming Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee to investigate the subject and work in conjunction with the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws to consider the feasibility of this change-over and submit plans in a report to the Grand Chapter Session in 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. SAWDON, P.G.P.

AMY E. MEYER, P.G.M.

SARAH E. RIGGIN, P.G.M.

*Chairman Jurisprudence Committee.*

It was moved by P.G.M. Sister Amy Meyer and seconded by P.G.P. Brother Robert W. Larrimore that the report be accepted and recommendation stated therein in reference to the change of the Eastern Star year be placed in the hands of the incoming Grand Matron. Motion adopted.

Report of Jurisprudence Committee on the Worthy Grand Patron's report:

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

Your Committee on Jurisprudence have carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron and commend him for the attention and enthusiasm he brought to his office in the performance of his duties.

Under "New Chapters," we feel that good thought has been given to the districts of Claymont and Middletown, and suggest the incoming Worthy Grand Patron investigate the possibility of establishing new chapters in these districts.

Recommendation No. 1. We feel that too much restrictive legislation is not good for any organization, that we must watch all infringement on our privileges of free choice. There is already provision made in earlier years, found on page 52, section 43 of By-Laws governing Subordinate Chapters, which can handle fairly any situation arising and we therefore disapprove Recommendation No. 1.

We heartily approve his suggestions that deputies insist upon an early examination of all officers for which they are responsible.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. SAWDON, P.G.P.

AMY E. MEYER, P.G.M.

SARAH E. RIGGIN, P.G.M.

*Chairman Jurisprudence Committee.*

It was moved by Sister Myra D. Robinson, seconded by Sister Ruth Stiggins, that the report be accepted and printed in Proceedings.

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Walter E. Sawdon, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Amy E. Meyer, that the report of the Worthy Grand Patron be accepted with the exception of Recommendations 1 and 2. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A letter was to be written to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, regarding the position of the secretary and treasurer being reversed, in one of our subordinate chapter rooms.

A report on the work of compiling Instruction Books is another item of unfinished business.

Our Grand Secretary will give a more detailed report on each of the above items of business.

HELEN P. TURNER

JAMES A. McWILLIAMS

CLEMMIE C. WEST, *Chairman.*

Report of Grand Secretary on above items:

I am happy to report that the subordinate chapter mentioned in the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, has been fortunate enough to secure another meeting place and the officers are now in their prescribed positions and the letter to the Most Worthy Grand Matron did not have to be written.

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Report on Instruction Books: Much additional work has been done by the committee on these Instruction Books. It is our hope that by the first of the year, the new books will be ready for distribution and sale to the members. The Committee wishes to ask that in view of the fact that the final arrangement of this book has been the combined effort and thought of the present Line officers and they are in accord as to the arrangement, the newly elected Associate Grand Conductress be included in the committee to pass final judgment on same. We would then recommend that no changes be permitted in our instructions for at least four years. Our reason for this is, that it will be of great help to the Deputy Grand Lecturers and all officers and should result in complete uniformity of work throughout our Grand Jurisdiction.

This recommendation is submitted by the present committee:

MARIE L. ROBERTS  
 DORA E. FITZGERALD  
 EDNA L. GIFFORD  
 IRMA O. LECOMPTE  
 ELIZABETH M. FISHER, *Chairman.*

It was moved by the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher and seconded by P.G.P. Brother Charles Cleaver, that the report be accepted and printed in Proceedings with the explanation given by our Grand Secretary. Motion adopted.

There was a lengthy discussion on the gestures in Adah's lecture and the final decision was that the presiding Worthy Grand Matron should use her own interpretation.

After a lengthy discussion regarding changes in the method of doing our work in subordinate chapters, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, stated that the presiding Worthy Grand Matron has the power to have the work done as she interprets the Ritual and Constitution. It does not become a law but is to be done as she wishes during her year. A motion to adopt the gestures used in any lecture in any year, is illegal. The work is to be done as each Worthy Grand Matron desires it during her year.

A motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by Sister Mildred Bryan, that this Grand Body purchase a Delaware State Flag to be presented at the Tri-Ennial Session in Toronto. Motion adopted.

Sister Clara Reuter made a motion, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Warrington, that Brother Albert Kumpel be delegated from our Grand Chapter to present the State Flag at Toronto. Motion adopted.

Chairman of Sessions, Sister Sarah Riggin, made an announcement concerning the dinner at the "Star of the Sea" tonight.

P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth Pierce reported on the Worthy Grand Patron's report for the Trustees, stating they did not approve of Recommendation No. 2. It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Robert Larrimore, seconded by Sister Blanche Keyes that this report be accepted and printed in Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed this Grand Session from labor to recess to reconvene at 8:00.

## TUESDAY EVENING

8:00 o'clock

Grand Session called to order by Session Chairman, P.G.M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin, presenting P.G.M. Sister Alice M. Abbott and P.G.P. Brother Percy C. Cotty, who opened the session and invited the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Chapter room.

Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter from recess to labor.

Opening Ode—"In the Garden."

The Worthy Grand Matron extended a welcome to the Past Grand Matron and Grand Trustee, Sister Bessie Miles, of Maryland.

Deputy Grand Lecturers, Sister Mae Phillips, Frankford Chapter No. 12, Sister Emma P. Widdoes, Kent Chapter No. 11, and Sister Mabel Sterling, of Chesapeake Chapter, Crisfield, Maryland, were welcomed by the Worthy Grand Matron.

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

### REPORT OF NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

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

We, your Committee on Necrology, wish to submit the following report: It is with regret that we report the death of two distinguished members of the General Grand Chapter in 1948—The Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Effie Easton, in July, 1948, and Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, Harold Landeryou, in August, 1948.

The Memorial Service for the deceased members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware in 1948 was held in Rehoboth Epworth Methodist Church May 15, 1949, at 8 P. M. with the Rev. Waldo L. Dise officiating. His address on the lessons taught by the emblematic star of our Order, was most inspiring. The Star Treble Chorus sang "Lord Most Merciful" after which Sister Frances Warren paid tribute to our honored dead. Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harlan L. Cloud, offered a prayer of thankfulness. Your chairman read the poem "Beyond the Garden Wall" which provided the theme for the Memorial service. The Star Treble Chorus sang "I Know a Lovely Garden." A special tribute was then paid to the memory of Julia Marr Story, Past Worthy Grand Matron. W. G. Matron, Sister Marie L. Roberts, gathered flowers from a garden wall as Sister Mildred Kitchen, substituting for Sister Lovey Stemple, paid a loving tribute to our beloved "Mother" of Eastern Star in Delaware.

The Worthy Matrons of Subordinate Chapters, carrying white baskets, gathered flowers in memory of their dead, forming a star on the steps of the worship center. The Star Treble Chorus sang

"The Lord's Prayer." Grand Chaplain, Mabel Stirlith, pronounced the benediction.

The nearest relatives of each deceased member were invited to attend the memorial service.

The committee wishes to thank the Star Treble Chorus for their fitting and beautiful music. Also our thanks to Rev. Waldo L. Dise and the Officials of Epworth Methodist Church for their cooperation in making this a memorable Memorial Service.

Fraternally submitted,  
EDNA CARTER, *Chairman*  
FRANCES WARREN  
LOVEY STEMPLES  
ALBERT DERICKSON

It was moved by Sister Ruth Laws, seconded by Sister Ethel Derickson, that report be accepted and spread on the minutes. Motion adopted.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to write a note of thanks to the Minister, Rev. Waldo Dise, at Rehoboth, and Officials of the Church. Motion was made by P. M. Sister Edna Carter and seconded by Sister Bessie Warrington, P.G.M. Motion carried.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

The amendments submitted by the subordinate chapters to the Worthy Grand Matron were approved by the committee.

The amendment regarding the Nominating Committee was given its second reading.

The committee submitted the following change under Rules and Regulations for the government of subordinate chapters:

Article I, Sec. 65, Par. 6 of Rules and Regulations for the Government of Subordinate Chapters, Instruction is given Subordinate Chapters for the reception of the Board of Grand Trustees and Board of Grand Lecturers. Since this Grand Chapter has changed to one Grand Lecturer, we wish to make the following motion: that Paragraph 6 of Sec. 65 be eliminated and that the Grand Lecturer and Board of Grand Trustees be introduced with the other Grand Officers as designated in Paragraph 2.

BESSIE M. WARRINGTON  
ALICE C. ABBOTT, *Acting*  
CHARLES V. CLEAVER

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Walter Sawdon, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Thomas Pepper, that this report be taken up seriatum. P.G.P. Brother Robert W. Larrimore moved that the article concerning the Nominating Committee be accepted as read, seconded by P.P. Brother Thomas Rodway. Motion was lost.

Second Article—Article 1, Sec. 65—It was moved by P.G.P. Brother John LeCompte, seconded by P.M. Sister Ruth M. Laws, that this report be accepted and spread upon the minutes. Motion adopted.



### REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE

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

Your Sessions Committee have been very happy in planning and serving you at this Twenty-eighth Annual Session. We hope you have been comfortable and that our decorations have pleased you, for our one desire has been to give you lasting memories of a colorful setting. The highlight of this Session is the visit of our Most Worthy Grand Matron. None of us will ever forget her wonderful messages, nor will we ever cease to be grateful to her for coming to this Session. We are pleased to have the Right Worthy Grand Sentinel, Sister Plummer, and our own member, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, who is a General Grand Chapter Committee Member as well as the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Our sincere thanks to the subordinate chapters and their Worthy Matrons for the splendid banquet given in honor of the Grand Officers, Saturday evening, May 14, in the Firemen's Hall, Lewes, Delaware. We feel sure all present spent a most enjoyable evening. The informal reception to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, followed by Sunday supper on May 15, was indeed pleasant.

We mention with deep appreciation, the memorial service on Sunday night and are grateful to the Rev. Waldo L. Dise for his inspiring message. We were pleased to have Dr. William Leishman, of the Presbyterian Church, address us at the informal opening on May 16th. We also thank the String Trio for their splendid music.

The Committee recommends that letters of appreciation be sent to the following:

Star of the Sea Hotel for opening ahead of their season to accommodate our members and guests; the Lewes Fire Company for all their courtesies; Unity Chapter No. 16 for use of their paraphernalia; Sister Marguerite Yarnall, Rehoboth, and Sister Frances Maul, Lewes, for First Aid Station; Dr. William Leishman. Mr. Brittingham, of the Gulf Gas Station, for his constant help. Henlopen Grange for serving the luncheon, and Kent Chapter No. 11, for the fine refreshments served Sunday night. We wish to thank all who helped in any way to make this session just the way our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron desired. If we have pleased them, we are indeed happy and well repaid for our efforts. We congratulate you, Worthy Grand Matron, on having had a splendid session.

Fraternally submitted,

MYRA D. ROBINSON

PAUL FLEMING

PERCY COTTY

FLORENCE PUSEY

BLANCHE KEYS

NORRIS TULL

MAUD MITCHELL

MARY BEVIS

ELWOOD LYNCH

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother W. B. Derrickson and seconded by P.G.M. Sister Bessie M. Warrington, that report be accepted and spread upon the minutes and all requests be complied with. Motion adopted.

P.G.M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin, made a motion, seconded by P.G.P. Thomas Pepper, that a page be set aside in our minutes in memory of P.G.M. Sister Julia M. Story, P.G.P. John Frederick, and Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Lilly Ann Pyle. Also that flowers be sent to P.G.M. Sister M. Etta Keys.

P.G.P. Brother Walter E. Sawdon made a motion, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that the Worthy Grand Patron's report be accepted in full.

### REMARKS BY SISTER BESSIE J. MILES

Past Grand Matron of Maryland

It is indeed a real pleasure for me to be in the Grand Chapter of Delaware once more.

I have found in my years in the work in the Eastern Star such true and loyal friends and I appreciate the visits from the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware to our Grand Chapter in Maryland. You need no words of welcome from Maryland and I am happy that I can be here—"Better late than never"—and I am glad to be here to see the installation of the new officers. Thank you for your gracious welcome. You have had greetings from our jurisdiction. Chesapeake Chapter No. 28, of Crisfield, Md. (Sea-food capital of the world), is having an official visit on June 20th and we would be happy to see everyone of you in Crisfield on that night.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister Lillian Larrimore for acting in place of Sister Edna Watson, as Grand Lecturer, during the Session.

Worthy Grand Matron read a letter from the Most Worshipful Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, James Carswell, regretting that he could not be present and sending best wishes.

Welcomed the Grand Guardian of Bethel No. 1, Gertrude Grubb.

Also mentioned Brother Charles Krapf, a Past Patron of Newark Chapter No. 10, who has not missed a meeting of his chapter since 1925.

Grand Secretary reported Greetings and Good Wishes received from all jurisdictions.

Telegram of congratulations from our Grand Representative in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Also from our Grand Representative in British Columbia.

Also a letter of congratulations from Sister Ruth Jones, Right Worthy Grand Conductress, regretting she could not be with us.

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Thomas Pepper, that all bills concurred for this

Grand Session be allowed when Okeyed by the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Secretary, and Grand Trustees. Motion adopted.

It was moved by P.G.P. Brother Charles Cleaver and seconded by P.G.M. Sister Helen West, that a donation of \$10.00 be given to the Star Treble Chorus. Motion adopted.

Grand Trustee, Bro. J. Nelson Abbott, presented the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Eva Holland Hamilton, with a beautiful old fashioned bouquet lined with twenty-five new one dollar bills.

Sister Hamilton replied: Thank you for the lovely message. I appreciate all you have said to me and I trust that I merit all the love that has been conferred upon me during my visit with this Grand Chapter.

To the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron: You have come to the end of the road that has been such a pleasure to you. May I congratulate you upon your year of successful service.

To the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron: May I leave with you the wish that springs in my heart—that your plans and hopes will meet with the success that will shape them into action.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to be with the members of this Grand Jurisdiction. I deeply appreciate the service Sister Riffin has given to you in the performance of her duties. Soon I shall leave you to go on to some other Grand Chapter and soon my term of service will be a matter of history. I thank you for all you have contributed with your love and cooperation. May the Lord watch between you and me while we are absent one from the other.

Undraping of Altar.

A motion was made by P.G.P. Brother John LeCompte, that partition around stairway in Unity Chapter's room be given to Unity Chapter. This motion was seconded by P.G.M. Sister Bessie M. Warrington. Motion adopted. Worthy Matron, Sister Ruth M. Roberts accepted same for Unity Chapter with thanks.

Farewell—Marie L. Roberts, W.G.M.:

Our business is over, no more "Welcomes" can be said. It is the hour when the record of a wonderful year as your Worthy Grand Matron is closed, and I can express my gratitude to every one of you better in these few words from a very old publication:

*I have come to the end of a wonderful year,  
And I sit alone with my thoughts,  
While my memory wings with fond echoes dear,  
Of the joys that this year has brought;  
And I think, as I dream of this wonderful year,  
Of naught but the joys I have known,  
For the woes that once seemed to be so near  
Like the shadows of night have flown.*

Sister Ruth Laws, Grand Adah, rendered a solo, "Red Roses," and presented an arm bouquet of lovely red roses to the Worthy Grand Matron from the Star Points.

Farewell Duet, W.G.M. and W.G.P.:

*Now is the time for us to say "Adieu,"  
Soon we shall both be Past Grands to you;  
This year will be a pleasant memory,  
To have and hold throughout Eternity.*

## INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

SARAH E. RIGGIN, Installing

Worthy Grand Matron presented the gavel to Sister Sarah E. Rigglin, Past Grand Matron, and invited her to preside in the ceremony of installation.

The following officers were installed:

Worthy Grand Matron.....	MRS. DORA E. FITZGERALD
Worthy Grand Patron.....	MR. J. ALBERT KUMPEL
Associate Grand Matron.....	MRS. EDNA L. GIFFORD
Associate Grand Patron.....	MR. FREDERICK H. WARRINGTON
Grand Secretary.....	MISS ELIZABETH M. FISHER
Grand Treasurer.....	MRS. VIRDA L. SIMPLER
Grand Conductress.....	MRS. IRMA O. Lecompte
Associate Grand Conductress.....	MRS. MARIAN SIMPSON
Grand Chaplain.....	MRS. ARZIE LEWIS
Grand Lecturer.....	MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE
Grand Marshal.....	MRS. RITA WILKINSON
Grand Organist.....	MRS. MARIAN KUMPEL
Grand Adah.....	MRS. MILDRED KITCHEN
Grand Ruth.....	MRS. JULIA SLAUGHTER
Grand Esther.....	MRS. FRANCES WARREN
Grand Martha.....	
Grand Electa.....	MRS. MARIE BURRIS
Grand Warder.....	MRS. MARY KING
Grand Sentinel.....	MR. NORRIS TULL
Grand Trustee.....	MRS. PAULINE DAVIS

## ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

DORA E. FITZGERALD, *Worthy Grand Matron*

Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

Tonight I stand before you on the threshold of a new year, a year such has never before been mine.

You have conferred upon me the highest office within the gift of this Grand Chapter. I shall endeavor to keep faith with your trust.

I accept the office with humility and gratitude, for the honor conferred upon me and my Chapter. I promise faithful and unselfish service, rendered to the best of my ability.

I shall enter upon my duties with a prayer for Divine guidance, wisdom, and strength, that I may be fair in all of the decisions; and that my achievement may be measured by loyal service rendered.

I shall be considerate and cautious in the execution of every duty, and consider at all times the welfare and prosperity of this Grand Chapter.

I realize the great responsibility that lies ahead, but it is my belief in God's Plan and my faith in you, that gives me the courage to accept this office. I come to you and ask for your cooperation and support, realizing that alone I can do nothing.

The title of Worthy Grand Matron has been given to me, to cherish, to guard the honor and welfare of our Order in this State. Recognizing these obligations, my every thought shall be to protect these and have them govern my every act of service, during this year.

There is not any desire on my part to excel those who have preceded me, it is, however, my hope to meet the problems of today, as well as they met the problems of yesterday.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Hamilton, I extend to you a fraternal welcome; we are happy to have you with us during our Grand Session for our Installation.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggan, I am very grateful to have you as our Installing Grand Officer. My first opportunity of service to this Grand Chapter was when you appointed me as your Grand Chaplain. May I always prove worthy of your confidence and trust.

Thank you for your many kindnesses to me and your loyal services to this Grand Chapter. I also want to thank the other Grand Officers for their part in the Installation.

To the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Past Worthy Grand Patrons, you have journeyed over the same path I am about to travel. You know the responsibilities, as well as the pleasures. I humbly ask for your continued interest, wise counsel and advice in the coming Year. I thank the members of this Grand Chapter.

Sisters and Brothers, I thank you for electing Brother Albert Kumpel, Worthy Grand Patron, to share the responsibilities of the Grand Chapter with me.

Brother Kumpel, it is a happy privilege to serve with you. Your cheerful cooperation assures me of your willingness to assist in the affairs of this Grand Chapter. I am looking forward to a happy year of associations with you and Sister Marion.

To our Grand Family elected and those whom I have appointed, this is our year. May we share the responsibilities as well as the pleasures. Let us be faithful to every trust remembering that we are judged, not by the position we hold, but by the way we fill it. The year ahead holds responsibilities for each of us, with a wonderful opportunity of service in our Order and I hope this will be one of the happiest years of our O. E. S. life.

To the Deputy Grand Lecturers and Committee Members, thank you for accepting your appointments. You have been chosen to assist me in your respective Chapters. Your capable assistance and help will be needed many times during the year for the advancement of our Order.

To the members of my Home Chapter, Adah No. 5, will you please stand? I am most happy to welcome each of you. There is nothing that touches the heart as the faith and loyalty of the members of one's own Chapter.

*"There are friends we meet on the road of life  
Such as we all have known,  
Who turn aside when the road is rough  
And leave you to travel alone.*

*But the friends who are true  
And will see us through,  
Who stand by to the end  
With a cheery smile  
And friendly hand, they are the friends worthwhile."*

You have been just that kind of friends. Thank you for the many kind things you have done. Your loyalty, encouragement and support has meant much to me. But best of all your friendship. I hope to always prove worthy of your trust and confidence.

To all of my friends and members a fraternal welcome. I hope to have an opportunity of speaking to you after the close of the Grand Chapter.

Our motto for the year is "Unselfish Service to Others." Watchword—"Follow the Teachings of Our Order and Practice The Golden Rule."

## PROJECTS

### The Red Cross.

Rehabilitation Service will be continued. May we never forget the boys of yesterday who are the veterans of today; especially those in our Veterans Hospitals.

Although we do not forget the sacrifices they made to defend all that we cherish, also let us not forget, we are grateful. You will be hearing from our Service Committee later.

The future growth of our Order can be great or small, depending upon how much each of us shares with others, the principles and ideals of our Eastern Star way of life, which begins when we give to the world more than we take from it.

The question of whether we should have a special project this year is one of which our Worthy Grand Patron and I have given a great deal of thought.

However, since we are organized for benevolent purposes, to protect the widows and orphans, to comfort the afflicted and to relieve the destitute and the distressed.

Therefore we are having for our special project, The Eastern Star Home Fund. I believe that in establishing this fund, it will become a perpetual fund of service.

I ask your support and I feel certain each contributing member will receive a satisfactory reward for their efforts. I am appointing a

Project Committee; you will receive a letter soon giving you further information. I hope you will be generous in your contributions to these worthy projects.

We are dedicating this year of service in honor and memory of those who have given their unselfish service and untiring zeal in laying the foundation of our Order in this State; the Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons.

Sisters and Brothers, as we go forth from here in our year of service, let us keep ever before us our theme for the year, by giving unselfish service unto others. Follow the teachings of our Order and practice the Golden Rule in our daily lives.

That whatsoever ye would have men do unto you, do you even so to them, this is the law and prophet. May I leave with you my thought in this prayer:

Give me strength to keep my acts and thoughts free from malice or bitterness, help me to stand hard right against the easy wrong, save me from habits that harm, teach me to work as hard and play as fair in Thy presence as if the world saw it, forgive me when I am unkind and help me to forgive unkindness to me. Help me, keep right to help others at some cost to myself, and send me opportunities to do some good each day; give me the insight and understanding to grasp these opportunities with a thoughtful and humble heart.

I now present to you our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Albert Kumpel.

### ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

J. ALBERT KUMPEL, *Worthy Grand Patron*

Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished Guests, Officers and Members: It is with mingled emotions of deep humility and great pride that I address you from the Grand East this evening.

My feeling of humility comes from a realization of my unworthiness of the great honor this Grand Chapter has bestowed upon me.

My feeling of pride comes from my consciousness of the trust and faith you have in me. A trust which I shall never betray and a faith for which I shall always strive to be worthy.

I am not unmindful of the fact that the honor is not mine alone, but that it also belongs to my own Chapter, Caesar Rodney No. 8, and the support they have given me, I sincerely appreciate.

I would like to pledge my wholehearted support to our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Fitzgerald, whose worth I have come to know and whose friendship I have learned to value.

To our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, I humbly beg of you your continued loyal support and solicit your many words of wise counsel and I assure you I will always be as ready to receive as you are to give advice.

And so, with the help of God and the members of this gréat fraternity, I promise a year of service.

Presentation of the Roberts and Cloud Jewels to newly installed Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron by Junior Past Grand Matron, Marie L. Roberts:

"At the beginning of our year last May, Brother Cloud presented to the Grand Chapter through Grand Trustee, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, a jewel to be worn by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron whenever they represented our Grand Jurisdiction. This jewel had not arrived, it was designed for us, and so it was not in evidence at that time. Shortly after our Grand Session, it was received and has been a source of much pleasure to me whenever I wore it, as it designated our Jurisdiction's Worthy Grand Matron.

It is my pleasure now to present this jewel to you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to wear during your year as our leaders, and I hope you will have much pleasure in wearing it. We clearly saw the need of an emblem for Delaware at the Triennial in Tampa, and it is a joy to present this to our Grand Chapter for all future use. Wear it with honor to our beloved Star, and pass it on at the end of your year of service.

The Baton which has been used during this year by Sister Emory, Grand Marshal, I also present to our Grand Chapter for future use whenever needed."

Brother Oscar T. Roberts presented Past Grand Matron's Jewel to his wife, Marie L. Roberts, and said: "I'll be glad to get you back home, Sweetheart."

Sister Mildred Snowberger, Asso. Matron, Kent Chapter No. 11, presented a watch to W. G. Matron, Sister Marie:

"Four years ago Kent Chapter loaned you to the Grand Chapter of Delaware. We are very proud of you and we will be very glad to welcome you back to Kent Chapter."

Sister Jane Livermore, daughter of Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Harlan L. Cloud, presented Past Grand Patron's Jewel to her Dad:

"During the past twelve months you have traveled up and down the State of Delaware and to other Jurisdictions. On all of these occasions you have been the recipient of praises and good wishes. I am proud to join in these congratulations and proud to be your daughter and it gives me a great deal of pleasure to present a visible token of your honor—your Past Worthy Grand Patron's Jewel."

Brother Cloud: Daughter Jane and members of Grand Chapter, it is with a great deal of pleasure that I accept this token of your esteem in reward of services rendered. I have received several jewels from fraternal organizations which I have served, but this is the first from a Grand Body; to say that I appreciate it, is putting it mildly and I trust that as I wear this Jewel in any Chapter in Delaware and in any other jurisdiction I will always think of the esteem in which



this Grand Chapter holds me, which is shown in this beautiful jewel. I am very happy to have my daughter Jane present it. It is a hope that she may some day be in the East and I hope I may see her achieve that purpose which is her ambition and is shared by my good wife and myself.

Brother Victor J. Carmine, Past Patron of Adah Chapter No. 5, also a Past Grand Patron, presented a gift to Worthy Grand Matron Dora E. Fitzgerald as follows:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Dora:

Some years ago, I had the privilege of presenting to you a beautiful ring given by one who loves you very much. Tonight I am called upon to perform a similar task. I am wondering whether this is a routine, a sequence, or a scale. Let us run it as a scale and say "Do-ra-me." You will note it is the ascending scale, as on the former occasion you were a Worthy Matron while now you are a Worthy Grand Matron.

I think it was the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Hamilton, who said that the highlight of the year in the East is the installation. I can easily subscribe to that statement when I recall the night Sister Warrington and I were installed by Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Frances Haun. At that time, Edmund Spenser's exquisite poem, "The Faerie Queene," came flitting into my mind. He there depicts a wonderful picture of the "Bower of Bliss," and then says, "In the midst of all, a fountain stood of richest substance that on Earth might be."

So I think the installation ceremonies and the program this evening constitute a rich experience exceeded in quality by nothing, unless it be a man's love for a woman. That is the marvel of the ages. Humanity has pondered it since Adam yielded the rib near his heart.

When I was young and giddy, I sought enlightenment in novels of the Wilkie Collins type, but I found them only froth. Later, I read Humboldt's "Cosmos," Henry Drummond's "Natural Laws in the Spiritual World" and a volume entitled "Biological Aspects of Human Problems." Still no solution.

Now, Worthy Grand Matron, without further comment let me say that the love and devotion which found expression in a previous gift still exists, and as evidence of the same I present you this gift which comes to you with the sincere love a husband holds towards his wife and the true affection a son has for his mother.

Adah Chapter No. 5 put on a very lovely ceremony for the incoming Worthy Grand Matron, Dora E. Fitzgerald. The Worthy Matron and several of the officers carried yellow and white flowers and a large basket with a beautiful yellow bow of ribbon, presented the flowers and basket with gifts, good wishes and pledges for whole-hearted support during the year and one of the members of Adah Chapter sang a selection of appropriate solos.

Worthy Grand Patron, J. Albert Kumpel, received a gift from his Home Chapter, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, which was presented by Past Matron Lillian I. Arters.

There being no further business the Grand Marshal declared the Twenty-eighth Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware closed.



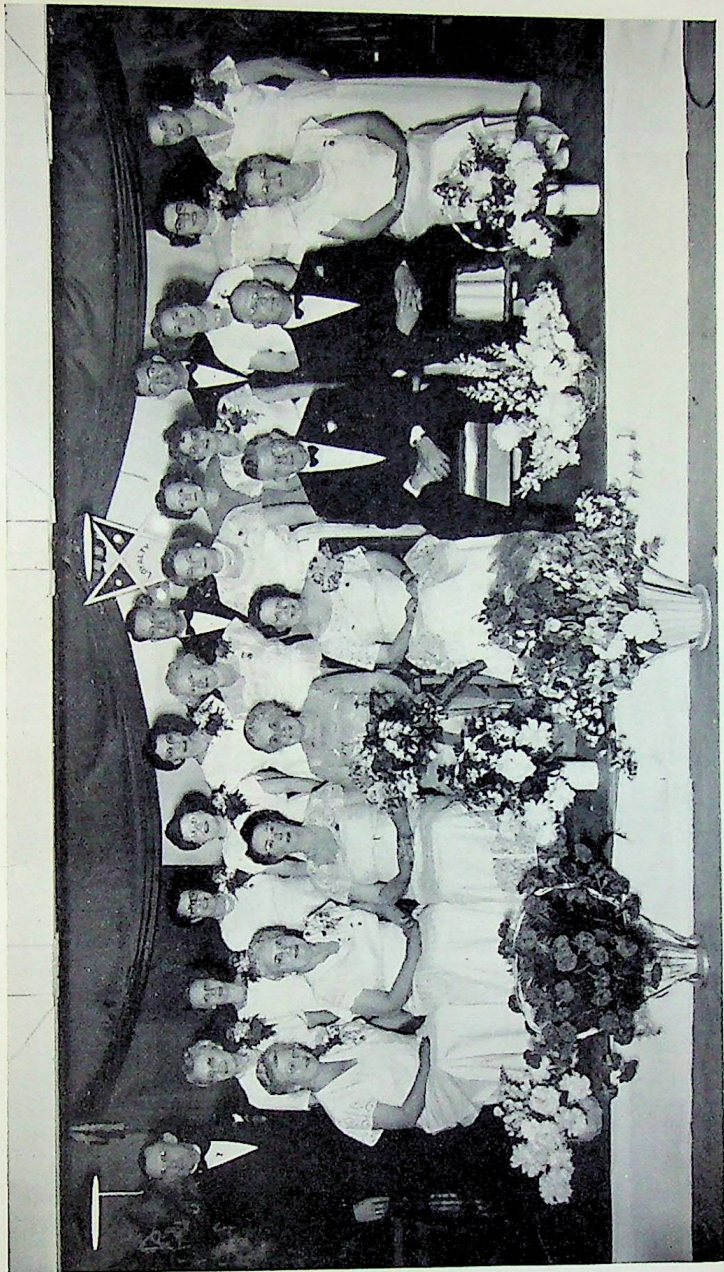
MARIE L. ROBERTS,  
*Worthy Grand Matron.*

HARLAN L. CLOUD,  
*Worthy Grand Patron.*

Attest:

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Grand Secretary.*

The Twenty-ninth Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware will be held in Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware, May 22nd and 23rd, 1950.



GRAND OFFICERS—GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE 1949

BACK ROW—Left to Right: Grand Sentinel, FREDERICK H. WARRINGTON; Grand Electa, ETHEL DERICKSON; Grand Martha, GLADYS LYNCH; Grand Esther, EUNICE TULL; Grand Ruth, MAE T. FORD; Grand Adah, RUTH LAWS; Associate Grand Conductress, IRMA O. LECOMPTÉ; Grand Trustee, J. NELSON ABBOTT; Grand Conductress, EDNA L. GIFFORD; Grand Trustee, ELIZABETH E. FISHER; Grand Organist, IDA LEWIS; Grand Trustee, ROBERT W. LARRIMORE; Acting Grand Lecturer, LILLIAN LARRIMORE; Grand Warden, ELIZABETH HEINEL, Grand Marshal, LOUISE EMORY. FRONT ROW—Left to Right: Grand Chaplain, MABEL STIRLITH; Grand Secretary, ELIZABETH M. FISHER; Associate Grand Matron, DORA E. FITZGERALD; Most Worthy Grand Matron, EVA HOLLAND HAMILTON; Worthy Grand Matron, MARIE L. ROBERTS; Worthy Grand Patron, HARLAN L. CLOUD; Associate Grand Patron, J. ALBERT KUMPEL; Grand Treasurer, VIRDA L. SIMPLER.

This Page is lovingly dedicated to

**THE MEMORY OF**

**JULIA MARR STORY**

Past Grand Matron

Who served 1922-1923

Died May 1948

*She has whispered her last farewell,  
Passed on to the Master above;  
And there 'neath the smile of the Saviour  
She will finish her labor of love.*



Past Grand Matron  
JULIA MARR STORY  
"Mother" of Eastern Star in Delaware



Past Grand Patron  
JOHN FREDERICK

This Page is lovingly dedicated to

**THE MEMORY OF**

JOHN FREDERICK

Past Grand Patron

Who served 1937-1938

Died March 1949

*God hath His mysteries of grace,  
Ways that we cannot tell;  
He hides them deep, like a secret sleep  
Of him we loved so well.*

This Page is lovingly dedicated to

**THE MEMORY OF**

LILY ANN HAMILTON PYLE

Grand Secretary 1932 to 1942

Grand Secretary Emeritus, 1942-1949

*Christ leads through no darker door  
Than He went through before;  
He that unto God's Kingdom goes  
Must enter through this door.*



IN MEMORY OF  
OUR BELOVED DEAD  
of the  
SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

IN MEMORY OF  
THE BELOVED DEAD  
of  
SISTER JURISDICTIONS

## 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. Sophronia Harmon, 2404 Washington St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Wm. Mutcheller, 11 Hillside Road, Richardson Park, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Elsie I. Conly, Penna. Ave. & Rising Sun Lane . . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Percy C. Cotty, 1022 Clayton St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Ida N. McGinnis, 2401 Main Road, Roselle, Del. . . . . Secretary

## PAST MATRONS

\*Mrs. Julia M. Story, P.G.M.  
 \*Mrs. Julia M. Story, P.G.M.  
 \*Mrs. Margaret J. Redmile  
 Mrs. Louise W. Green, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Celia K. Pierson  
 \*Mrs. Mary N. H. Unruh  
 \*Mrs. Laura V. McKay  
 Mrs. M. Etta Keys, P.G.M.  
 \*Mrs. Jean H. Cauffman, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Ruth A. Neutze  
 \*\*\*Mrs. Jeanette L. White  
 \*Mrs. Estelle Holt  
 \*Mrs. Ella M. Fisher  
 \*\*Mrs. Mary E. H. Carpenter  
 Mrs. Marguerite D. Pyle  
 Mrs. Bertha B. Jones  
 Mrs. Bertha B. Williams  
 Mrs. Florence C. Lang  
 Mrs. Edna H. Watson  
 Mrs. Jane M. F. Brinton  
 Mrs. Ida N. McGinnis  
 \*Mrs. Hallie Coleman  
 Mrs. Blanche N. Milbourn  
 Mrs. Clara A. Reuter, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Innes I. Escott  
 Mrs. Catharine E. Weaver  
 Mrs. Mildred S. Martin  
 Mrs. Charlotte A. Venn  
 Mrs. Eva M. Moulton  
 Mrs. Mamie P. Wendling  
 Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler  
 Mrs. Madeline Litchfield  
 Mrs. Bertha Kelly  
 Mrs. Mildred Kitchen  
 Mrs. Helen Helbing  
 James K. Shinn, P.P., Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5.

## PAST PATRONS

\*Col. Enoch Moore  
 \*Frank L. Howard, P.G.P.  
 \*\*J. Edward Truitt  
 \*\*J. Edward Truitt  
 \*\*William E. Simon  
 \*\*\*Oscar W. Steigler  
 C. Herbert Neutze, P.G.P.  
 \*\*Rev. Edmund Stevens  
 \*William H. Redmile, P.G.P.  
 \*David J. Jones  
 \*Frederick Lang, Jr.  
 \*Charles H. Blaine  
 \*Cornelius E. Beatty  
 Robert W. Johnson  
 Samuel H. Cauffman  
 Harry H. Stiles  
 Harvey Sanderson  
 \*\*G. Randall Carpenter  
 Frank P. Keys  
 Ferd L. Reuter  
 Calvin M. Whitesall  
 Walter A. Schueler  
 \*Clarence R. Holt  
 Percy C. Cotty, P.G.P.  
 Wm. D. Venn, Jr.  
 Raymond H. Wilhelm  
 Ferd L. Reuter  
 Harry A. Roberts  
 Percy C. Cotty, P.G.P.,  
 Robert J. Oliver  
 \*L. Clark Ziegler  
 Percy C. Cotty, P.G.P.  
 Raymond Wilhelm  
 John Oliver  
 Otto Helbing

## 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

Miss Mildred Bryan, 104 East 7th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Charles E. Bryan, Jr., 716 No. Bancroft Parkway,  
 Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Emma S. Wheeler, 32 W. 36th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. John Paulson, 1629 Laurel St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Florence M. Hanby, Holly Oak, Del. RFD. . . . . Secretary

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

## PAST MATRONS

\*Mrs. Nellie J. Drake  
 \*\*\*Mrs. Ethel M. Draine  
 \*Miss Mary A. Green  
 Mrs. Florence P. McCullough  
 \*\*Mrs. Carrie H. Wright  
 Mrs. Rose E. Newlin, P.G.M.  
 \*\*Mrs. Helen Barrett  
 Mrs. Irene Bauer, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Dora B. England  
 Mrs. Sadie C. Ridings  
 Mrs. Mary E. Porter  
 \*\*Mrs. Edna I. Maloney  
 \*Mrs. Marie L. Beatty  
 Mrs. Isabelle F. Collins  
 Mrs. May A. Heathcote  
 Mrs. Mabel M. Gibney  
 Mrs. Sarah MacLachlan  
 \*Mrs. Mary R. Blair  
 Mrs. Laura B. Fulmer  
 Mrs. Ethel M. Bard  
 Mrs. E. Mae Larmore  
 Mrs. Virginia Morris  
 Mrs. Bella S. Tattersall  
 Mrs. Edith M. Dunlop  
 Mrs. Myra D. Robinson  
 Mrs. Mabel C. Johnston  
 Mrs. Gladys E. Guerke  
 Mrs. Marian Simpson  
 Mrs. Ethel Adams  
 Mrs. Edna Carter  
 Mrs. Marie Burris

## PAST PATRONS

\*\*\*Burton M. Meyer  
 \*C. Barker McCullough  
 Harry F. Newlin, P.G.P.  
 \*George A. Hodgson  
 \*Jacob R. Koffenberger  
 Oscar D. Ridings  
 \*Howard E. Sheppard  
 \*George H. Larrimore  
 \*Leroy W. Beatty  
 \*\*\*Sewell K. Lynch  
 \*George M. Tattersall  
 \*\*Harry L. Rash  
 \*\*Thomas Heathcote, Jr.  
 \*George A. Hodgson  
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 \*Howard E. Sheppard  
 \*George M. Tattersall  
 \*George A. Hodgson  
 Harry F. Newlin, P.G.P.  
 Robert M. Rogers, P.G.P.  
 Horace K. Fulmer  
 \*\*\*Orville M. Steele  
 \*Leroy W. Beatty  
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 Horace K. Fulmer  
 \*George M. Tattersall  
 Horace K. Fulmer  
 \*Leroy Beatty  
 -Jonathan J. Burris  
 \*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

## OFFICERS

Mrs. Sarah Schaffer, 1514 W. 14th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. William Meenan, 11 Stuyvesant Drive, Edge Moor, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Sylvia M. Knox, 3110 Penna. Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Charles E. Sharpley, Hagley Road, 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. Stewart  
 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

## PAST PATRONS

\*\*\*Rev. Thos. V. Wingate  
 \*Robert S. Wood  
 \*Elhanan B. Wilson, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*Fred Macklin  
 \*Andrew Cathcart  
 Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.  
 \*John Frederick, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*James Duncan, P.G.P.  
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 Ellsworth L. Jones  
 William L. Nixon  
 \*John Frederick, P.G.P.  
 Ellsworth L. Jones  
 Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*J. Calvin Hastings

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Frances M. Shorter  
 Mrs. E. Lillian Miller  
 Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon  
 Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver  
 Mrs. Helen R. Anderson  
 Mrs. Mary P. Frame  
 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. Jenkins  
 Mrs. Mabel Stirlith  
 Mrs. May Pople  
 Mrs. Phoebe E. Sharpley

\*\*\*Withdrew to organize Five Points Chapter No. 13.

E. Everett Ragan  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
 E. Everett Ragan  
 Ellsworth L. Jones  
 William L. Meenan  
 William L. Nixon  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
 Harlan L. Cloud, P.G.P.  
 William L. Meenan  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
 Harlan L. Cloud, P.G.P.  
 Wm. L. Meenan  
 Harlan L. Cloud, P.G.P.  
 Joseph E. Nesbitt  
 Joseph N. Borglin

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

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Nov. 18, 1918. Date of Charter Mar. 28, 1919  
 Meets in Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall Street

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Isabella Minto, 1301 Lancaster Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Harry Allbrittain, 410 McCabe Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Marian Craig, 1014 W. 8th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Jacob S. Allen, Box 83, Marshallton, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mrs. Grace S. Allen, Marshallton, Del., Box 83. . . . . 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  
 Mrs. Olivia Enright  
 Mrs. Helen Camperson

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

#### PAST PATRONS

Stuart J. Horn  
 \*Harvey F. Smith  
 \*Alfred M. Clower, P.G.P.  
 \*Willard T. Loreman  
 \*Frank G. Bartram  
 \*Frank L. Harrar, P.G.P.  
 \*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  
 Eugene Hackendorn  
 Jacob S. Allen, Jr.

\*\*\*Demitted

## 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. Mabel Venables, Delmar, Del.....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Robert Vincent, 303 Pine St., Delmar, Del.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Margie L. Stokes, Delmar, Del.....	Associate Matron
Mr. Ralph A. Baker, Delmar, Del.....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Mabel Hearne, Delmar, Del.....	Secretary

### PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Susie Marsh  
 \*Mrs. Anna T. Ellis  
 \*Miss Rose L. Freaney  
 \*Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman  
 \*Mrs. Annie S. Parker  
 Mrs. Lelah H. Freaney  
 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  
 Mrs. Ida C. Lowe  
 Mrs. Rita C. Wilkinson

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. Whayland  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 \*\*Paul K. Ellis  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Levin R. Lowe  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 \*David J. Snowden  
 Ralph A. Baker  
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 Ralph Nichols

## 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. Mary H. Waller, 106 W. 31st St., Wilmington, Del.....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Walter Sawdon, 905 West St., Wilmington, Del.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Katherine P. Marshall, 104 W. 38th St., Wilmington, Del.....	Associate Matron
Mr. Boyd N. Hambright, 2405 Broom St., Wilmington, Del.....	Associate Patron
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

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

### PAST PATRONS

\*A. Victor Hughes  
 \*\*Harry J. Beckerle  
 \*\*Walter R. Wood, P.G.P.

\*\*\*Demitted

**Mrs. Mabel P. Wood	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Myrtle L. Sawdon	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
**Mrs. Gladys E. Sidel	**Joseph A. Jackson
Mrs. Edith B. Harmstead	**Joseph A. Jackson
*Mrs. Gertrude E. Vincent	*John P. Zebley
Mrs. Jane C. Zebley, P.G.M.	*John P. Zebley
*Miss Essie J. Dempsey	*John P. Zebley
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Burkins	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Elva R. Curry	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
*Mrs. M. Agnes Strickland	Carroll J. Lloyd
*Mrs. Bertha B. Lees	Carroll J. Lloyd
Mrs. Anna M. Cavender	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Miss Helen R. Wilson	*William J. Beatty
*Mrs. Sadie C. Beatty	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Virginia E. Hambright	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Edith McLean	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Helen C. Taft	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Hannah C. Corkadel	Carroll J. Lloyd
Mrs. Mary Vannort	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Eva Casper	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
Mrs. Ann Leonard	George W. Richards
Mrs. Mary A. King	*Chas. Hastings
Mrs. Anna Lloyd	*Chas. Hastings
Mrs. Louise Pusey	Carroll Lloyd
Mrs. Louise Mortlock	Walter E. Sawdon P.G.P.
Mrs. Eleanor Smith	Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.

## 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

Miss Clara G. Smith, Seaford, Del.....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Norman West, Seaford, Del.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Frances Truitt, Delmar, Del.....	Associate Matron
Mr. Wilbur Fryling, Jr., Seaford, Del.....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Emily Womack, Laurel, Del., Box 86.....	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, P.G.M.
Mrs. Louise W. Wright
Mrs. Mary L. Hudson
Miss Anna E. Wheatley
Mrs. Addie H. White

### 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
*Ezekial G. Coulbourne
Charles F. Welch
Charles F. Welch
***Charles H. Wheatley
Charles F. Welch
Charles F. Welch
Charles F. Welch
T. Scott Purse
Charles F. Welch
Charles F. Welch
Charles F. Welch

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Helen M. Covey  
 Mrs. Kathleen A. Pollitt  
 Mrs. Bertha J. West  
 Mrs. Elizabeth A. Lank  
 Mrs. Agnes W. Wooten  
 Mrs. Helen P. Turner  
 Mrs. Eunice Tull  
 Mrs. Rachel Atwell

Charles F. Welch  
 Charles F. Welch  
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 Charles F. Welch  
 Norris Tull  
 Norris Tull

### 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. Esther Clymer, Baldton, New Castle, Del. .... Worthy Matron  
 Mr. William Tubbs, Baldton, New Castle, Del. .... Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Vera Snedeker, St. George's, Del. .... Associate Matron  
 Mr. Gerald Marshall, Wilmington Manor, New Castle, Del. .... Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Anna M. Harrington, New Castle, Del., Box 174. .... Secretary

#### 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. Porter  
 Mrs. Isabelle V. Klabe  
 Mrs. Anna Hirzel  
 Mrs. Anna M. Harrington  
 Mrs. Marian Kumpel  
 Mrs. Florence Ballard  
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Heinel  
 Mrs. Mary N. Banks

#### PAST PATRONS

H. Raymond Foster, P.G.P.  
 \*Edward H. Naylor  
 H. Raymond Foster, P.G.P.  
 \*Edward H. Naylor  
 \*John Ries  
 \*\*William G. Gebhart  
 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  
 Martin E. Arters  
 J. Albert Kumpel

### 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, '24

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Swain, Georgetown, Del. .... Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Fred H. Warrington, Harrington, Del. .... Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Alma B. Mustard, Georgetown, Del. .... Associate Matron  
 Mr. John L. LeCompte, Lincoln, Del. .... Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Edith L. Swain, 9 No. King St., Georgetown, Del. .... Secretary

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\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted



## 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  
 Mrs. Lovey J. Stemples  
 Mrs. Mary Keller

## 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  
 Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.  
 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.  
 Frederick Warrington  
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.

## 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. Mary Swan, 20 Tyre Ave., Newark, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Conrad Lewis, 150 Academy St., Newark, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Dorothy P. Diehl, 214 Kells Ave., Newark, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Samuel L. Diehl, 214 Kells Ave., Newark, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, 207 East 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, P.G.M.  
 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  
 Mrs. Miriam Rittenhouse  
 Mrs. Catherine Gibbs

\*Deceased

## 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  
 \*T. Raymond McMullen  
 Jacob Correll  
 Jacob Correll  
 Conrad K. D. Lewis

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## 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. Isabelle Sylvester, Harrington, Del. ....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Thomas C. Rodway, Governors Ave., Dover, Del. ....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Mildred H. Snowberger, Milford, Del. ....	Associate Matron
Mr. Clifford W. Raughley, Harrington, Del. ....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Ruth Martin, Harrington, Del. ....	Secretary

## PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Marguerite G. Cooper  
 Mrs. Sarah E. Riggan, 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, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers  
 Mrs. Sallie E. Satterfield  
 Mrs. Elsie R. Simpson  
 Mrs. Ruth H. Sapp  
 \*Mrs. Helen B. Legar  
 Mrs. Alice N. Martin  
 Mrs. Kate W. Boyer  
 Mrs. Louise S. Emory  
 Mrs. Pearl B. Morris  
 Mrs. Henrietta Williams  
 Mrs. Emma P. Widdoes  
 Mrs. Beulah Rodway  
 Mrs. Mae T. Ford  
 Mrs. Edna M. Williams

## PAST PATRONS

\*Randolph Graham  
 \*Randolph Graham  
 \*\*Jacob C. Messner  
 \*\*Jacob C. Messner  
 \*Sidney B. Dolby  
 \*Sidney B. Dolby  
 \*Sidney B. Dolby  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 Archie A. Feagan  
 Archie A. Feagan  
 Dr. Russell J. Emory  
 W. Clifford Raughley  
 Archie Feagan  
 Archie Feagan  
 Thomas Rodway  
 Archie Ford  
 Earl K. Williams

## 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. Irene Watson, Frankford, Del. ....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Robert Derickson, Dagsboro, Del. ....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Edna Johnson, Dagsboro, Del. ....	Associate Matron
Mr. Frank Johnson, Dagsboro, Del. ....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Florence Burbage, Ocean View, Del. ....	Secretary

## PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Leveesa E. Cannon  
 \*\*Mrs. Margaret T. Heath  
 Mrs. Helen C. West P.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

## 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  
 Gardner L. Thomas  
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 Gardner L. Thomas

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Hattie I. Thomas  
 Mrs. Stella E. Chandler  
 Mrs. Edith P. Penniwell  
 Mrs. Florence Burbage  
 Mrs. Ruth Derrickson  
 Mrs. Elsie E. Daye  
 Mrs. Myrtle Mitchell  
 Mrs. Mae T. Phillips  
 Mrs. Ethel D. Derickson  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Aydelott

Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.  
 Gardner L. Thomas  
 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  
 Albert Derickson  
 Geo. W. Mitchell

### FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13—NEWPORT, DEL.

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. Jane White, 116 Lorewood Ave., Elsmere, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Henry T. Miller, 600 Birmingham Ave., Woodcrest, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Vera F. Hughes, 509 Essex Ave., Richardson Park, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Alvin Rementer, 113 Beech Lane, Forest Brook Glen, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Helen Welch, 400 Junction St., 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  
 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  
 Mrs. Ruth Laws  
 Mrs. May M. Payne

#### PAST PATRONS

\*\*\*Paul W. Lowden  
 Theodore W. Work, Jr.  
 \*\*James Duncan, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*Amos H. Cattell  
 Lester B. Haislett  
 \*\*George Walker  
 \*\*Frederick G. Smith  
 \*\*\*Harry E. Maxwell  
 Stevenson A. Hellen  
 Stevenson A. Hellen  
 George D. Baldwin  
 Harold L. Emory  
 Theodore W. Work  
 Lee E. Nichols  
 Raymond T. Grubb  
 W. Pierce Laws  
 Paul Fleming  
 Raymond Smith  
 Richard Welch

### 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. Ivah Ostendarp, 406 Lore Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. James W. Keenan, 3351 N. 19t St., Philadelphia, Pa. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Emma M. Gehret, 204 Kirk Ave., Liftwood, Wilm., Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Walter A. Gehret, 204 Kirk Ave., Liftwood, Wilm., 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

#### PAST PATRONS

Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.  
 Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.  
 William A. Cottman  
 Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

Mrs. Edna Gifford  
 Mrs. Alice Frederick  
 Mrs. Grace Hild  
 Mrs. Virda Simpler  
 Miss Edith Shinn  
 Mrs. Sarah S. Hoffman  
 Mrs. Frances Warren  
 Mrs. Ruth M. Stiggins

Paul W. Hughes  
 Andrew Nowell  
 Geo. H. Ostendarp  
 Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.  
 Paul W. Hughes  
 G. Lloyd Frederick  
 George Ostendarp  
 James H. Fulks

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. Ann B. Cleaves, Box 242, Dover, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. John Saxton, Dover, Del., R. D. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Mary McWilliams, Dover, Del., R. D. 2 . . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Kendall I. Gibbs, 5 Hilldale, Del., R. D. 4 . . . . . Associate Patron  
 Miss Annette Gooding, Box 122, Clayton, Del. . . . . Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Myrtle E. Anderson  
 Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner  
 Mrs. Pauline Davis  
 Mrs. Mildred J. Wilgus  
 Mrs. Florence Williams  
 Mrs. Leonora Watson  
 Mrs. Julia Slaughter

PAST PATRONS

M. Eugene Gardner  
 M. Eugene Gardner  
 John A. Kennedy, Jr.  
 M. Eugene Gardner  
 Walter J. Williams  
 James A. McWilliams  
 Robert Slaughter

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. Ruth Roberts, Lewes, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Walter O. Bryan, Lewes, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Goldia M. Palmer . . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Clarence E. Rickards . . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Marguerite L. Yarnall, 208 Hickman St., Rehoboth, Del. . . . . Secretary

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 GEORGIA: Mrs. Claudia B. Singletary, 508 Gordon Ave., Thomasville—June.  
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ARKANSAS: Mrs. Florence Pusey.....	4- 2-50
ALBERTA: Mrs. Helen Camperson.....	12-31-51
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Rita Wilkinson.....	12-31-51
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Mabel R. Hearne.....	7-31-52
COLORADO: Mrs. Ida Lowe.....	6-22-50
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Lillian Arters.....	12-31-49
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mr. Ferd Reuter.....	12-31-49
FLORIDA: Mrs. Eleanor Smith.....	12-31-51
GEORGIA: Mrs. Eunice Tull.....	8- 1-49
IDAHO: Mrs. Bertha Kelly.....	12-31-50
INDIANA: Mrs. Gladys Lynch.....	12-31-51
IOWA: Miss Helen Wilson.....	G.C.C. 1952
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Rachel Atwell.....	12-31-49
KANSAS: Mrs. Myra D. Robinson.....	12-31-51
KENTUCKY: Mr. Harlan Cloud.....	12-31-50
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Agnes Wooten.....	5- 1-51
MAINE: Mrs. Edna Williams.....	3- 1-52
MARYLAND: Mrs. Elizabeth Rogers.....	5- 1-51
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Naomi Knauss.....	12-31-49
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Florence Burbage.....	12-31-50
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Florence Ballard.....	12-31-50
MISSOURI: Mrs. Lillian Miller.....	7- 1-52
MONTANA: Mrs. Mary N. Banks.....	12-31-50
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Mabel Stirlith.....	10- 1-50
NEVADA: Mrs. Alice Minner.....	12-31-49
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Catherine Gibbs.....	12-31-51
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Mary Keeler.....	1- 1-51
NEW YORK: Mrs. Edna L. Gifford.....	12-31-49
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Mary Bevis.....	1- 1-50
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NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Bertha G. Marvel.....	12-31-49
OHIO: Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore.....	12-31-49
OKLAHOMA: Mr. Thomas C. Rodway.....	12-31-49
ONTARIO: Mrs. Elizabeth Aydelotte.....	12-31-51
OREGON: Mrs. Mae T. Phillips.....	12-31-49
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VERMONT: Mrs. Leonora Watson.....	6-15-51
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WISCONSIN: Mrs. Julia Slaughter.....	12-31-51
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SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Clemmie West.....	12-31-50
WYOMING: Mrs. Helen Helbing.....	12-31-50
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Emma Thomas.....	12-31-49
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INDIANA: Mrs. Ruth Michael, Butler, Indiana.....	12-31-50
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ILLINOIS: Mrs. Rose Anderson.....	12-31-49
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NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Olive Jordan, St. Stephan.....	12-31-50
PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Amelia Reyna, San Juan, Puerto Rico.....	12-31-51
QUEBEC: Mrs. Lottie Dean, Asbestos, Quebec.....	12-31-51
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Louise King, Lexington, Mississippi.....	12-31-51
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