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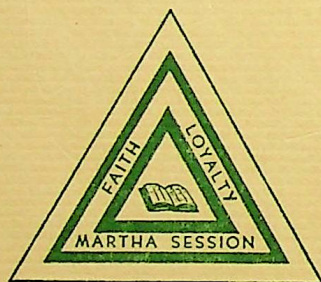
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Order of the Eastern Star



MARTHA SESSION

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

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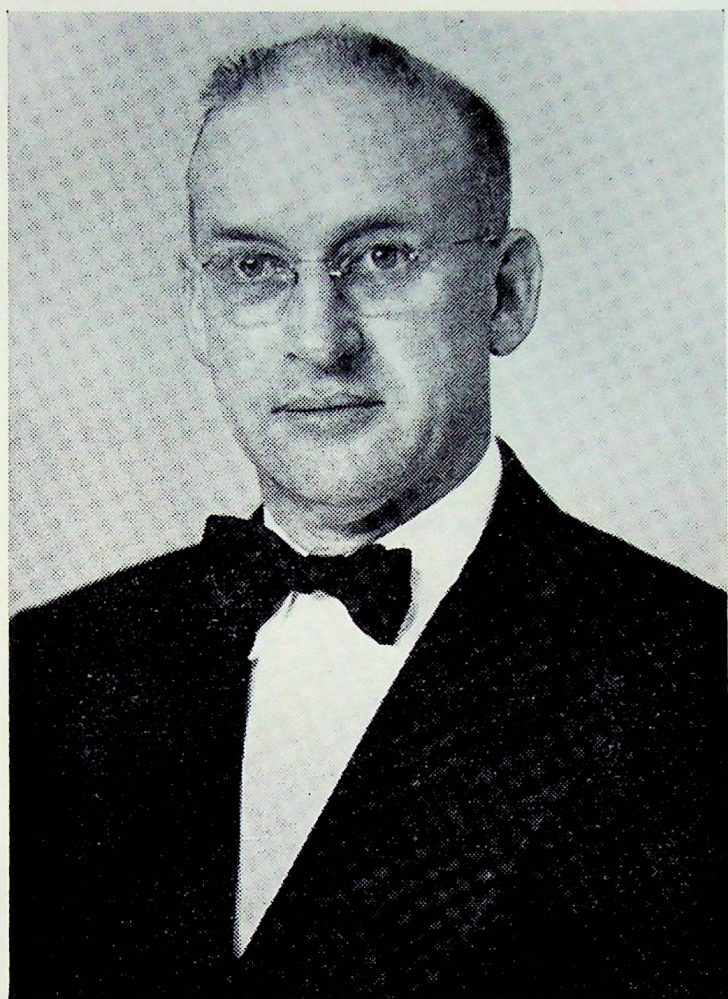
MOTTO—"FAITH AND LOYALTY"



RUTH ANGRAVE JONES
Most Worthy Grand Matron
General Grand Chapter



MARION J. SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron



HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

SATURDAY EVENING

May 9th

A banquet honoring Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers was held in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware at 6:30 P. M.

SUNDAY EVENING

May 10th

Divine Service was held in the Hillcrest Memorial Church, Hillcrest, Delaware at 7:45 P. M.

INFORMAL OPENING

Monday, May 11, 1953 1:00 P. M.

The informal opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star was held in the Gold Ball Room, Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware and was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Marian Kumpel who presented the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Simpson and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry T. Miller and also introduced the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth A. Jones, also Honorable J. Caleb Boggs, Governor of Delaware.

The flags were carried into the Chapter room and placed in their proper places. The American Flag was carried by Brother Samuel Richeson, Past Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13; the Christian Flag was carried by Brother Harold Shaub, Past Patron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2; the State Flag was carried by Brother Walter O. Bryan Past Patron of Unity Chapter No. 16 and the Eastern Star Flag was carried by Brother Ross Lanius, Past Patron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

The Pages, Associate Matrons, Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, 1951 and 1952 and Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1952-53 entered the Chapter Room in drill formation. The invocation was given by Reverend George W. Goodley of Hillcrest Memorial Church, Hillcrest, Delaware.

Solo: "The Lord's Prayer" by Mrs. Eleanor Evans, member of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

Welcome to Wilmington by Honorable J. Caleb Boggs, Governor of Delaware:

"Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Brother Masons and Sisters of the Order of the Eastern Star:—It is a very great privilege and honor to have been invited here today on the occasion of your Thirty-Second Annual Session, to be held in Delaware. We welcome to our State the distinguished guests and all from other states who are visiting here and having a part in this session. We are

proud to have you with us and our welcome sign will always be out—we hope you will come and visit us often. It makes me feel very humble and grateful to be here on this program with these distinguished ladies and my brother masons, as you meet in your thirty-second annual session. In these times, I think, above all else we need to have just what your motto so eloquently says—"Faith and Loyalty". Loyalty to high principles that have given us the great liberty and independence which we cherish in Delaware and throughout this nation and certainly faith in a Divine Being, faith in ourselves and faith in the principles for which we stand. It seems to me that your organization helps immensely to preserve the faith and loyalty which is so important in these days and ladies, that is a real contribution to our people in Delaware, to our nation and to our community in general.

I want to congratulate you on this meeting. It is not necessary to wish you success and an enjoyable time because I have already observed that your success and enjoyment is assured.

I want to express the appreciation of Delaware for such a splendid organization as yours. I know each one of you is proud to be a part of this great Order. Thank you very much.

Address by The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Delaware—Mr. Edward E. Clough.

"Worthy Grand Matron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, His Excellency the Governor and my friends, one and all:

It is a great honor to be afforded the opportunity of visiting with you today and moreover to have the privilege of extending fraternal greetings to the Matrons and Patrons and representatives of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

What I may say here today may well convey my sincere good wishes for a successful and beneficial communication.

For several years it has been my good fortune and my great honor to serve the Masonic Order with many of your husbands, fathers and brothers and sons, the medium through which you are eligible to acquire membership in the Eastern Star. It has been an association from which I have acquired many fine friendships which I cherish and hope to retain long after my work in the capacity of Grand Master has been accomplished. However, on the other side of this picture, as I think of the necessity for womankind, I always associate their activities with something more gracious, something related to the Deity. I have said to my wife and others associated with me "There is nothing finer and sweeter than a girl, unless it is her mother". Your gathering here today denotes a period of time has elapsed and that an accounting of your stewardship will be made. Another year has passed into history and as we look back upon the accomplishments and the failures may they be used as a guide for better things in the future. Our membership here permits us to gain

broader views and to have broader contacts one with another. It creates friendship and a spirit of goodwill and understanding; which can be compared to the construction of a great and useful building. Each of you as members of your local chapters are the architects and the builders of that great and useful building. Just as sincerely and efficiently as you prepare the plans and build this building, just that useful will your organization continue to be to its membership.

I believe it was Lincoln who said "You cannot escape the responsibilities of tomorrow by evading them today. It is up to each of us to accept our responsibilities in carrying on the duties that are assigned to us in the days that lie ahead. I am most happy to be here and I have enjoyed the splendid fellowship and understanding that is manifested among you. I deeply appreciate the honor you have given me and I will always return your friendship and assure you there will always be a deep and abiding interest and love for this great Order that is excelled by no other Organization in the world today.

May God be with you and may His greatest blessings be yours now and forever more. "So mote it be."

REMARKS BY Deputy Grand Master, MR. FRANCIS W. HUKILL:

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished Guests all, and members of this meeting of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. I am very happy to be invited to this meeting and it is a real privilege to be allowed to address you. In fact, this is the first meeting of any kind in the Order of the Eastern Star that I have had the opportunity of attending and I feel that I am in a position of learning rather than imparting.

You have probably been told that the Masons in their work give a very high regard to the ladies and likewise, I hope, the members of the Eastern Star have a regard for their relatives in the Masonic Order. I am reminded of a story about Mike. Mike was very sick; he was on his deathbed, he was going to die and his wife Bridget said to him—Is there anything I can do for you? Mike said—Bridget, if I could have just a bit of the ham I smell cooking in the kitchen. Never a bit of the ham shall you have, said Bridget, it is for the Wake.

I know that your efforts and your wishes will meet with success and you have the good wishes of all of us that your stay will be enjoyable.

Past Matron, Sister Marie V. Burriss, who is chairman of the Handicapped Children Benefit Committee, presented a check in amount of \$500.00 to Mr. Frederic G. Krapf, Potentate of Nur Temple, for the Shriners Hospital in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Betty O'Neal in charge of the Handicapped children of Delaware was present with two of the children (a little boy and a little girl) from the Delaware School for the handicapped. Sister

Burris presented another check in amount of \$500.00 to Sister Sarah E. Riggin, Past Grand Matron, and Trustee of the Society for Handicapped Children; Sister Riggin handed the check to the little boy, who in turn handed it to the little girl, both children said "Thank You". Everyone was pleased to feel they had shared in a small way to bring happiness and help to the little children.

Grand Marshal, Sister Burris presented Mr. Krapf and Mr. Clarence Miller, president of the Shrine Club saying, "We are very happy to welcome you and we hope your visit has been enjoyable. May we thank you for the many courtesies you have extended to us as members of the Eastern Star. You have done everything you could to make our efforts successful. We have divided the proceeds of our Fair in the Shrine Club with the Shriners Hospital in Philadelphia and the Handicapped Children in Delaware. It gives us a great deal of pleasure to present this check in amount of \$500. and we thank you for the privilege of sharing in your great work."

Mr. Fred G. Krapf—Most Worthy Grand Matron, His Excellency our Governor, ladies and gentlemen of this wonderful Order. It is with great pride that I receive this check and I promise you that it will be put to the use for which you have given it. I invite you to the hospital and then you will realize the work that is being done by the Shriners. I hope you will continue in this good work and if we can help you, please call on us. Thank you.

Address by REV. GEORGE W. GOODLEY:

It is a privilege to have been able to share in these sessions; for the honor of being here on Saturday night at the banquet, for the Memorial Service on Sunday and for this grand and Glorious occasion this afternoon. I know you have a full program and there are many things for you to accomplish in the hours ahead of you. We have a great heritage and we must have something to build upon for the future and the things you shall be doing in the next few hours are the things that are going to be important as you plan your work for the future. Our heritage as Americans, as Christians and as persons who are able to belong to such organizations, these are the things we take for granted too often but they are the things to build upon in our religious life, our political life and our social life in which we have a part. Your motto is Faith and Fidelity. It is upon the foundation of faith that we build for our country, our church and all the associations of life. Fidelity is that which enables us to carry through. You have made known to those about you that you have high things to follow and to work for and I hope that God will lead you on for we need men and women who have high ideals and principles; who acknowledge the power of God and ask the leading of His divine spirit. May God bless you all in your efforts.

FORMAL OPENING

May 11, 1953 2:00 P. M.

Grand Chapter was called to order by Past Matron, Marian Kumpel, presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott and

Past Grand Patron, Brother Percy C. Cotty, who welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

"Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, I sincerely thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cotty and upon me, for giving us the privilege of opening your Martha Session for which we are very appreciative. As I stand here in the Grand East I recall the many pleasant associations I had with you and your Uncle Leroy Beatty while visiting your home chapter Mizpah No. 2. Brother Cotty and I appreciate your serving as one of our Deputy Grand Lecturers during our term of office. May I extend my sincere congratulations to you upon your busy year of service, a service efficiently and conscientiously rendered. May your "Faith and Fidelity Session be filled with harmony and happiness. Again a very hearty welcome to the thirty-second Annual Grand Chapter Session."

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Miller: As I stand here in the Grand East to extend a hearty welcome to you at the Opening of your Grand Chapter session, I am reminded of the many times I saw you, several years ago, dashing to and fro on the University of Delaware campus. Later, after you joined the Eastern Star our paths crossed again and it has been a real pleasure this year, on several occasions, to hear your very inspiring messages given on your official visits to the subordinate chapters. You have filled your station very satisfactorily and have endeared yourself to our membership by your congenial manner and friendliness and while never violating the dignity of your office you have always been just a regular fellow. I know you and your faithful wife Ann have enjoyed this year to the fullest and it will be one you both will long remember. I bid you a hearty welcome to your Martha Session.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Percy Cotty—"Worthy Grand Matron Sister Marion and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry, I want to thank you for the honor you have given me to welcome you to our Thirty-second Grand Chapter Session. Your work this year has been outstanding and your messages have been inspiring. Your names will go down in Eastern Star history for a year of work well done. I sincerely hope that you both will enjoy your Grand Chapter Session as much as Alice and I enjoyed ours. My sincere wish is that our friendships in the future will continue as in the past. Again I thank you."

Greetings were extended to all by the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion J. Simpson:

With gratitude to Him and with confidence in you to help, I greet you with a song in my heart and extend a glad welcome to this Martha Session. We feel honored by the presence of our Most Worthy Grand Matron and other General Grand Officers, Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions, and are indeed very happy to have so many of our own Past Grand Officers and members of our subordinate chapters.

The annual session of a Grand Chapter is where friends meet, hands are warmly clasped and a joy comes to each of us when we greet each other. Here we meet as a unit to legislate for the good of our Order and to benefit mankind. May the memories of this session, the benefits derived from our legislation and the social contacts you make, ever be a bright spot in your Book of Memories and an inspiration to guide you as you return to your own chapter.

Greetings from Worthy Grand Patron—Brother Henry T. Miller: I wish to extend greetings to all present and a very cordial welcome to this Thirty-second session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S. May your visit with us be inspiring to you.

To Sister Marian Kumpel: It is a happy pleasure to have you open this session of our Grand Chapter. I have known you during all of my Eastern Star years and truly appreciate your words of welcome.

Opening Ceremony and Opening Ode.

ROLL CALL OF CHAPTERS

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

ROLL CALL GRAND OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Marion J. Simpson
Worthy Grand Patron.....	Henry T. Miller
Associate Grand Matron.....	Elvira J. Ziegler
Associate Grand Patron.....	I. Kendall Gibbs
Grand Secretary.....	Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer.....	Virda Simpler
Grand Conductress.....	Lillian Larrimore
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Ruth Laws
Grand Lecturer.....	Sarah Hoffman
Grand Chaplain.....	Jane White
Grand Marshal.....	Marie Burris
Grand Organist.....	Marian Craig
Grand Adah.....	Dorothea S. Werner
Grand Ruth.....	Bessie Miles
Grand Esther.....	Edna M. Williams
Grand Martha.....	Edna Johnson
Grand Electa.....	Katherine Smith
Grand Warder.....	Mary Swan
Grand Sentinel.....	Jonathan J. Burris

TRIBUTE TO THE FLAGS BY GRAND MARSHAL
Sister MARIE V. BURRIS

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Members of this Grand Chapter and Visitors, "To be selected to pay tribute to this array of beautiful flags is a distinct honor, which I appreciate very much—however we never feel equal to such an occasion.

American Flag —The American Flag is a symbol of Freedom. You know everything that has been said about Old Glory that can be said, both in poetry and prose, and for me to try to enlarge upon it's beauty and significance would be a waste of time. To us it is Liberty, Justice and Equality. Of all signs and symbols since time immemorial, there is no other so full of meaning as the flag of our great nation. It's red white and blue represent centuries of an upward struggle.

Christian Flag —The Christian Flag is a symbol of devotion, hence the only flag that is permitted to fly above Old Glory in the United States. We recognize this flag as a symbol of Christ, the giver of every good and perfect gift, and unto him and none other do we confess and give thanks, for He is our saviour of the world.

Eastern Star Flag—The Eastern Star Flag is a symbol of charity, truth and loving kindness. Those of us who have seen His Star in The East, have come to worship him, are looked upon as torch bearers by those who have respect and admiration for our order. Now as we journey through the labyrinth of life, let us be mindful each day of Him, who holds us in the palm of His hand.

The State Flag —We pledge loyalty to the flag of Delaware, and to the great state for which it stands, the Commonwealth wherein we are permitted to earn our daily bread, live in harmony with our family, neighbors and friends, and walk humbly with our GOD.

Singing—America the Beautiful.

PARTIAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE:

Number of Chapters represented	18
Voting Delegates	110

SYLVIA M. KNOX
ARZIE LEWIS
WALTER BRYAN

ADDRESS OF WELCOME: SISTER ALICE M. PAULSON, Worthy Matron of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

ALICE PAULSON, Worthy Matron, MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2

Through the courtesy of the Worthy Grand Matron, I have been requested to extend a most cordial welcome to all who have assembled here at our 32nd Annual Session. To our guests from other jurisdictions, I extend loving and fraternal greetings and it is our sincere wish that your visit with us will be most enjoyable and one long to be remembered.

To those who are attending for the first time, we extend a very warm fraternal greeting and a friendly welcome. We are most honored to have with us, our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Jones. Sister Jones, we are most happy to welcome you and hope this will be a most pleasant visit for you.

To our Most Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer: Sister Plummer, we are very happy that you could be with us. We feel sure that every one here is honored by your presence.

To our own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, we are happy to add our personal love and greetings to you and your Grand Family and hope this will be a very pleasant, happy and successful session. Thank you for this honor.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME OF HOSTESS CHAPTER

By Associate Grand Matron—ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER

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

It is indeed an honor to speak in behalf of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware, and I thank you Worthy Grand Matron for this privilege and Sister Paulson for your kind and sincere welcome. We have come from all parts of the State, not as strangers, but as folk who are glad to return each year to enjoy the fellowship, hearty hand clasps, the various forms of entertainment and meeting old friends and making new friends. The making of friends is one of the most satisfying accomplishments of one's life, but as we enjoy the beauty and the many kindnesses which have been so lovingly planned for us, we should also carefully consider the business which will be transacted here. Our actions should be governed by our belief in the teachings of our Order, in which each of us has a supreme faith. May we return to our respective Chapters greatly encouraged by our accomplishments. A very happy and successful session is my wish for you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, and thank you again Sister Alice for your welcome.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth A. Jones was presented at the altar, welcomed, escorted to the Grand East and given Grand Honors.

The Star Treble Chorus sang to the Most Worthy Grand Matron.

Worthy Grand Matron's welcome: to Sister Jones:

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth: what a pleasure it is to welcome you to our Martha session. I have looked forward to this occasion and now it is a reality. It is our wish that your pleasure and happiness in being here may be as complete as the inspiration and joy your presence brings to us. We all appreciate your taking time out of your busy life to be our guest.

*"May the Star you follow throughout this glad year
Ever shine on your pathway, bringing Peace and Good Cheer—
May the links in the Circle of Friendship's bright chain
And the Lessons the Circle binds ever remain
May the truth of the Triangle, the Power of the Square
Reflect in our lives, bringing strength to your year
May the Heavenly Father whose Love we all know
Protect you and guide you wherever you go."*

Worthy Grand Patron's welcome to Sister Jones:

Although our jurisdiction is small, our hearts are glad today to welcome you here with us.

The Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer was presented at the altar, welcomed, escorted to the Grand East and given Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron: Your presence Sister Plummer, helps us sparkle all the more. I know you will be a wonderful inspiration to our Grand officers of Delaware. Welcome is such a lovely word, and it means so many things, but our sincere desire is that you will fully understand just what we mean by welcome, when your visit is o'er.

Worthy Grand Patron: To have distinguished guests gives us the opportunity of uniting our hearts with yours in the promotion of fraternal fellowship. Welcome to our session.

A member of the Welfare Committee of the General Grand Chapter, Brother Charles V. Cleaver was presented at the altar, welcomed, escorted to the Grand East and given Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron: Brother Charles, how very proud we are of you and of the honor you have brought to our Grand Jurisdiction. We want to thank Sister Ruth for your appointment on the Welfare Committee. The many years of service you have given to the Order have qualified you for this great honor. Again we welcome you to this Session.

Worthy Grand Patron: Brother Cleaver, to welcome you is a pleasure. We know your worth here in Delaware and are happier when others learn it. You are always welcome.

Selection by the Chorus—"Unfold Ye Portals".

The Worthy Grand Matron of New Jersey, Sister Eva M. Hartund was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron: How happy I am to have you with me today for you are sharing the same experience that I am just finishing, traveling the O. E. S. Highway. We assure you we deeply appreciate your coming and we hope that the friendships between our Jurisdictions may be strengthened during your visit with us.

Worthy Grand Patron: This is a genuine pleasure to greet you. Being here reminds us of your real love for the Eastern Star. May the memories of your visit with us be a pleasure to you.

Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other Jurisdictions:

Sister Mildred Johnson, Sister Anna Janney and Sister Hazel Wright of Maryland and Past Grand Matron, Sister Agnes Eldred of Oklahoma were presented at the altar, given a welcome, escorted to the East and given Grand Honors. Also Past Grand Patrons, Brother Price Wilson and Dr. Howard Webb of Maryland were presented at the altar, welcomed and escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron: We extend to you a fraternal greeting and welcome you to our Martha session. We know you are as helpful in your own Grand Jurisdiction as our Past Grands are in ours. We hope your stay will be a pleasant one.

Worthy Grand Patron: Your presence here is evidence of the friendly relations between our Grand Jurisdiction and yours. It is a great privilege for me to greet you and to hope you will enjoy yourselves.

Welcome to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Delaware:

Worthy Grand Matron: Your experience and knowledge is the foundation upon which we build. Through the years your love and loyalty have never wavered. We appreciate your unfailing interest in the Order. A finer privilege could not be mine than that of welcoming you to your own Martha Session.

Worthy Grand Patron: It is inspiring to see so many of you Past Grand Matrons and Patrons here. Knowing that you at one time served as Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons, we realize more than ever before that you still treasure the ideals and teachings of our beautiful Order enough to warrant your continued interest and support. I am honored to welcome you. Your wise counsel and encouraging words have eased the burden of active duty.

Sister Helen C. West, Dora E. Fitzgerald, M. Etta Keys, Bessie Warrington, Sara S. MacNamee, Irma O. LeCompte, Martha W. Krapf, Clara A. Reuter, Elizabeth E. Pierce, Alice C. Abbott, Marie L. Roberts and Sarah E. Riffin. Brother Herbert Neutze, Robert W. Larrimore, Percy C. Cotty, Cheston McCormick, Frederick Warrington, J. Albert Kumpel, Wm. B. Derrickson, Thomas C. Rodway.

Response by P. G. Matron Bessie Warrington:

We are quite happy to be present this afternoon and receive your gracious welcome to the 32nd annual session of Our Grand Chapter of Delaware. We are gathered together again to receive inspiration from this your session. You have inspired us with new vision of our service to this Grand Chapter. We congratulate you as successful leaders of today and pledge to you our loyal support and encourage your efforts to accomplish a greater service to our fellowman. We pray that this great organization will stand as a beacon light to a depressed world. Give us receptive hearts to hear the cry of the orphan, the call of want and a deeper sympathy for the sorrows of today. I thank you for the honor and privilege of making this response in behalf of the Past Grand Matrons of this Grand Jurisdiction and may I extend to each of you a sincere and cordial welcome to the ranks of the "Past Grands" when your task has been completed.

Response for Worthy Grand Patrons was given by Brother Wm. B. Derrickson.

Presentation of Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions:

Grand Conductress, Anna Belle Fenton of New Jersey

Grand Esther, Vesta Olson of New Jersey

Grand Martha, Thelma Allen of New Jersey

Fraternal Correspondent, Ernestine Truhbach

Grand Adah, Althea Fink of Rhode Island

Deputy, Lillian Houston of New Jersey

Grand Representative from New Jersey to Indiana, Sister Sadie L. Johnson

Worthy Grand Matron: Your coming gives us additional inspiration, it denotes your interest in our Order. May you enjoy every minute of your stay with us and take with you at our parting, many happy memories of our Martha session. We extend to you a sincere welcome and hope that you will desire to come and visit with us again.

Worthy Grand Patron: Thank you so very much for your attendance. We welcome you and hope you enjoy your visit with us.

Presentation of Grand Trustees of Delaware: Brother J. Nelson Abbott and Past Grand Patron, Robert W. Larrimore were presented in the West, welcomed, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Worthy Grand Matron: It is a joy, a genuine pleasure to welcome you to your own Grand Chapter session and I am grateful for the privilege. And now as friends, sisters and brothers too, we're doubly glad to welcome you.

Worthy Grand Patron: Thank you so very much for your attendance. We welcome you and hope you enjoy your visit with us.

Welcome to Deputy Grand Lecturers:—Sister Madeline Litchfield, Emma Wheeler, Sylvia Knox, Katherine Marshall, Marian Kumpel, Arzie Lewis, Lorraine Putzier, Ruth Roberts, Rita Wilkinson.

Worthy Grand Matron: It is a sincere pleasure to greet such a splendid group of sisters who are serving our subordinate chapters. We realize that your duties are numerous and exacting and take long hours of preparations so that you may be able to serve your chapters in an efficient manner. We know that the Golden Chain of our Order is longer and we hope its links are stronger because of your efforts.

Worthy Grand Patron: Deputy Grand Lecturers, sometimes referred to as our Sisters of Work, a hearty welcome to you. Your duties are very important and we congratulate you on your excellent and efficient guidance.

Response by Sister Rita Wilkinson, Deputy Grand Lecturer of Laurel Chapter No. 18.

It is an honor in behalf of the Deputy Grand Lecturers to respond to your kind words of welcome. We have been a small part of your Grand Chapter year and have tried to be faithful to these duties, ever mindful of our love and willingness to be of service to our beautiful Order. Sisters and Brothers, Grand Matron too, our pleasure has been in serving you.

Welcome to Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1952—Sister Eliza Crossland, Marian Hearn, Sarah Cordrey, Mary P. Garton, Sarah Howell, Lanah Milbourn, Dorothea Quillen, Margaret Wilkinson, Mabel Guthrie and Minnie Kyttle. Brothers Harold Shaub, Ross Lanius, Thomas Jester, Thomas Rodway, Samuel Richeon, and John Rodenheiser.

Worthy Grand Matron: I have for you a great admiration and wish to compliment you for the efficient manner in which you filled your office. I shall ever treasure the memory of our meetings together. You have helped to make my year a happy one, and for your wholehearted cooperation, I sincerely thank you.

Response—Sarah Cordrey, P. M. Radiant Chapter No. 6—It is with the utmost pleasure I accept the high privilege of acknowledging your most gracious and cordial welcome. It has been our pleasure to serve as Worthy Matrons during your term in the Grand East and your gracious sincerity and warm friendly smiles have not only charmed and inspired us but made you in fact, radiant, guiding "Stars" in word and deed.

Response for Patrons by John Rodenheiser, P. P. Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

Welcome to Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1953:

Sister Margaret L. Wickes, Alice Paulson, Edith Zeyher, Grace S. Allen, Sara E. Mitchell, Edith McLennan, Anna Fryling, Odell Guy, Frances Warren, M. Ella Steel, Blanche Williams, Adella Holt,

Jacqueline Kyle, Ruth C. Layton, Mary Miller, Ruth Bryan, Grace Cochran and Mary Woerner; Brother Samuel Weldie, John Paulson, William Nutter, Wilbur Fryling, J. Albert Kumpel, Herbert Van Goeress, Jr., Howard Williams, Wm. B. Derrickson, George Ostendarp, Joseph Miller, Walter Bryan, William E. Hall.

Worthy Grand Matron: It is with pleasure that I extend to you a cordial welcome. We are all aware of the many duties that are yours this year. Seek ye to know that which is true, hide it close to your heart and make it thine very own, and all these others, fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love shall be added to it. May your year be most successful.

Worthy Grand Patron to Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1952: On many occasions you have been hosts—kind, considerate and fraternal. We now extend to you our warmest welcome and hope your gleanings at this session will be enjoyable and beneficial.

Worthy Grand Patron to Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1953. A fraternal warm welcome to you my sisters and brothers and I hope you enjoy your time here with us and that you will carry home with you kind memories that Time can never erase.

Response for Matrons, Sister Ruth Bryan, Worthy Matron, Unity Chapter No. 16.

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

Worthy Grand Matron, we are so glad to have had the privilege of serving under your guidance this year. Through our associations with you we have come to regard you as a true and very dear friend. As you go forward with your Grand Session, we wish for you and your Grand Staff all the joy and pleasure which comes as the reward of a task well done.

Response for Patrons, Brother William Nutter, Worthy Patron, St. John's Chapter No. 4.

Today I have a privilege that reaches far beyond any expectation or dream that I ever had, by having this honor bestowed upon me of giving the response for the Patrons of 1953.

But I must confess that I feel I am not worthy of such honor and may fall short in doing justice to both of you who have done so much for our great cause; but in my humble way, I will try to paint your portrait upon the minds of all who are gathered here today. As I stroke the brush and the words flow, grasp, piece together, and visualize the portrait, and when the last line is brushed, we Patrons feel that you too will have the privilege of sharing some of the beautiful memories of lives that will last for eternity.

As I pick up my brush, cast your eyes upon our Grand Matron and Grand Patron and I will paint their portrait with all the skill and power that God has seen fit to invest in me today.

And I paint like this:—

*We're always proud to serve, but especially this year
For we've a Grand Matron and Grand Patron that are so dear.
You've traveled extensively all over the State
With long tiring hours that kept you out late.
You brought each chapter, warmth, friendship and cheer
To the ones far away and the other so near.
To all, you spread so much Eastern Star Light
That we wish each meeting was Grand Chapter Night.
So many dear friends you did gain
As you treated each member exactly the same.
Both taught lessons that wove all together tight
And you helped make the Book on the Altar, a Bible each night
We'd hang this beautiful portrait upon the wall
With bright gold letters at the bottom that would say
Thank God, He saw fit to send Sister Marion and Brother
Henry our way.*

Welcome to Grand Chapter Committee Members:

Worthy Grand Matron: In every life there are few occasions which are truly unforgettable. This is such an occasion for me, to extend to you most sincere thanks and appreciation for without you, Grand Chapter could not function properly.

Worthy Grand Patron: Your duties are, conducting the Grand Chapter's business and your diligence and efficiency have proved your worth. Our kindest welcome to you all.

Response, Sister Mary Bevis, P. M., Unity Chapter No. 16:

It is a pleasure in behalf of the Grand Chapter Committee Members to respond to your gracious welcome. We wish for you a happy and constructive Grand Session, one which will be an inspiration to each of us. Thank you.

WELCOME TO SECRETARIES OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

By Grand Secretary—ELIZABETH M. FISHER

Again it is my privilege and pleasure on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware to welcome my co-workers—the secretaries of our subordinate chapters. You are the ones who serve year after year with unflinching courtesy and devotion.

*It is not just the things you do
Or just the things you say
It is not just the happy smiles
Or just your thoughtful way
They are none of them the reason
Why we love you like we do
I think its mostly just because
Well, just because you're you.*

We do hope you will enjoy your session and feel that you have benefited by being here.

Response by Sister Florence M. Hanby, Secretary, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

I consider it quite an honor to be asked to respond for the secretaries of the subordinate chapters to the Grand Secretary's cordial welcome. Sister Elizabeth, we appreciate your kindness to us and your willingness to assist whenever we ask it of you. It is indeed a pleasure to work with you and we try to get our reports as nearly correct as possible, so as to give you the least trouble and we thank you for your kind words.

Thank you again, Worthy Grand Matron.

Welcome to the Grand Representatives from Delaware to other Grand Jurisdictions who assembled in the West as their names were called.

ROLL CALL GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama	Marian Craig
Arizona	Edith Galloway
Arkansas	Minnie Kytte
Alberta	Isabelle Klabe
British Columbia	Miriam Ziegler
California	Virginia Newth
Colorado	Frances Warren
Connecticut	Eliza Crossland
District of Columbia	Katherine B. Schroeder
Florida	Claire Andress
Georgia	Sophonra Harmon
Idaho	Frances Truitt
Indiana	Anna White
Iowa	Eleanor Smith
Illinois	Laurel Erdman
Kansas	Emma Wheeler
Kentucky	Marian Hearn
Louisiana	Alice Miner
Maine	Dorothy Larrimore
Manitoba	Olivia Enright
Maryland	Marian Kumpel
Massachusetts	Sarah M. Cordrey
Michigan	Dorothy Diehl
Minnesota	Mildred Snowberger
Mississippi	Florence Gilbert
Missouri	Mabel Johnston
Montana	Bertha Smith
Nebraska	Kendall Gibbs
Nevada	Mary P. Garton
New Brunswick	Vera Snedeker

New Hampshire.....	Emma Thomas
New Jersey.....	C. Linda Sammons
New Mexico.....	Mary McWilliams
New York.....	Elizabeth Foster
North Carolina.....	Sarah Hoffman
North Dakota.....	Sarah B. Howell
Nova Scotia.....	Eva Hudson
Ohio.....	Lanah Milbourne
Oklahoma.....	Samuel Richeson
Ontario.....	Alma Long
Oregon.....	Cordella Rodenheiser
Pennsylvania.....	Harlan L. Cloud
Rhode Island.....	Dorothy Quillen
Saskatchewan.....	Sylvia Knox
Scotland.....	Beda Lentz
South Carolina.....	Eugenia G. Hall
South Dakota.....	Edna Johnston
Tennessee.....	Goldia Palmer
Texas.....	Dorothea Werner
Utah.....	Bessie Borghlin
Vermont.....	Lillian Wheeler
Washington.....	Adele Gibbs
West Virginia.....	Sue Cardwell
Wisconsin.....	Edith McLean
Wyoming.....	Mabel Guthrie
Puerto Rico.....	Florence Mannering
Quebec.....	Margaret Wilkinson

Greetings to Grand Representatives by Associate Grand Patron,
Brother I. Kendall Gibbs:

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

I consider it a distinct pleasure and a happy privilege to have the
honor of extending the official welcome of the Grand Chapter, Order
of the Eastern Star in Delaware to the Grand Jurisdictions represented
by you to this our Martha Session.

Yours is an important appointment. You are the links in the
golden chain of fraternal friendship which encircles the Universe.

I hope you will enjoy this session and will receive inspiration
from it that will make your lives fuller and happier.

May each of you convey to the Grand Jurisdiction represented
by you, our fraternal love and best wishes for it's success in the
coming year.

On behalf of our Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Juris-
diction of Delaware, I again extend to each of you a most cordial
welcome, with the wish and prayer that God's richest blessings will
be with you during this session and as you go on your way.

Response by Sister Mary P. Garton, P. M. of Sussex Chapter and Grand Representative of Nevada in Delaware:

In behalf of the Grand Representatives of Delaware, various states and territories, we sincerely appreciate your welcome. We are proud to serve in our capacity and trust that we may be the means of promulgating greater ties of friendship to all Eastern Stars in states and territories.

Welcome to Grand Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions:

Sister Violet Taylor.....	West Virginia
" Bertha Wier.....	Pennsylvania
" Clara Spargo.....	Connecticut
" Anna Bell Allen.....	Maryland
" Althea Fitch.....	Rhode Island
" Lillian McKinley.....	North Carolina

Pages were presented in the West and welcomed by Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

You are some of the flowers I have gathered along the way this past year and you are most welcome. Thank you for being so willing to serve at this Grand Session. It is needless for me to remind you that cheerful service will lend grace and beauty to our session. I trust this service you are rendering will be a cherished memory. We are very proud of you and grateful for the sacrifices you have made to be here.

Worthy Grand Patron: A cheerful welcome. We hope your duties will be a pleasure and we think you are the Best.

Response by Sister Edna Simmons, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

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

Worthy Grand Matron, those kind words of welcome are greatly appreciated. It is indeed an honor and pleasure to be selected to serve as Pages during this Martha Session. We trust that we may be of real help to you, Worthy Grand Matron, and of assistance to each and every one here, whom we hope will feel free to call upon us at all times.

The Pages extend sincere wishes for a pleasant, successful and memorable Grand Chapter Session.

WELCOME TO JOB'S DAUGHTERS GUARDIANS BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

We are familiar with the wonderful work you are doing with our young girls and want to pledge anew our support and cooperation in all that you do.

May we ever keep our faces set to the Morning Sun, and with the help of God and our able leaders, rededicate ourselves to the service and welfare of our youth.

Welcome by Worthy Grand Patron:

Welcome to you Sisters and Brothers at our happy Grand Session. Your devotion to the little girls is so very commendable and your indulgence wonderful.

Response by Mrs. Clare Hurst, Grand Guardian of Delaware.

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

It is a privilege to respond to your gracious words of welcome.

In the Obligation Ceremony, the girls are taught that fear of the Lord, is the beginning of Wisdom, which includes just thinking, and right conduct. To honor their Parents and Guardians in thought, word and deed. To uphold the laws of their country and be ever mindful of its flag.

We were honored to have had the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Master of Masons of Delaware to visit us, and to have them as "Members of Honor" of Job's Daughters. Thank you for this welcome.

Director of Chorus—Sister Emma Wheeler, P. M., Mizpah Chapter No. 2 was presented in the West and given a hearty welcome.

Selection by the Chorus:—

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Fred Warrington, that the reading of the minutes of the last session be dispensed with and they be approved as printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Minutes of Special Session in 1952 were read as follows:

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF GRAND CHAPTER HELD THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 11, 1952

The Grand Chapter of Delaware convened in Special Session, December 11, 1952 in Caesar Rodney Chapter Room, Masonic Temple, New Castle, Delaware.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Edna Gifford and Past Grand Patron, Brother J. Albert Kumpel presiding in the East.

Grand Marshal, Sister Marie Burris was instructed to invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Chapter Room.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Gifford and Past Grand Patron, Brother Kumpel welcomed them and expressed their appreciation of the privilege of being invited to open the Special Session.

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress escorted Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the East. They were accorded grand honors.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion J. Simpson instructed the Grand Officers to assume their stations.

Grand Warder was instructed to see that the doors were secure and instruct the Sentinel to allow no interruptions.

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress proved the Chapter.

Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. Grand Chaplain led the Grand Chapter in prayer.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of chapters and reported a constitutional number present.

Roll call of Grand Officers, all present with the exception of Grand Adah and Grand Martha. Sister Marian Kumpel of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, acting Grand Adah for Dorothea Werner and Sister Odell Guy acting Grand Martha for Sister Edna Johnson. Sister Johnson came in later, stating she had lost her way getting into New Castle.

Grand Secretary read the Call:

December 1, 1952

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

A Special Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star will be held on Thursday evening, December 11, 1952 at 7:00 P. M. in Caesar Rodney Chapter Room, Masonic Temple, New Castle, Delaware, for the purpose of granting a Charter to Laurel Chapter, U. D. of Laurel, Delaware.

Sincerely and fraternally

MARION J. SIMPSON, Worthy Grand Matron
HENRY T. MILLER, Worthy Grand Patron

Attest:

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,
Grand Secretary

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE
WAS RECEIVED

10 Chapters represented
30 Voting Delegates

ARZIE LEWIS, Chairman
SYLVIA KNOX

Motion by Grand Secretary that the report be accepted and spread upon the minutes, seconded by the Grand Organist, Marian Craig.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

December 11, 1952

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

We the undersigned committee for chapters under charters and dispensation, upon the request of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion J. Simpson, visited Laurel Chapter U. D. of Laurel, Delaware on October 23, 1952 and offer the following report—

The required paraphernalia was on hand in good condition and properly displayed. The conduct of the meeting was most satisfactory and the officer's floor work was accomplished in form, according to the Ritual. Sister Sarah Hoffman, our Grand Lecturer, at the request of the Committee's chairman, James H. Fulks, observed their initiatory work when she visited them on November 13th and has assured this committee of their proper performance of this phase of their work.

It is with pleasure that this committee now recommends to our Worthy Grand Matron and Staff, the granting to Laurel Chapter U.D. of Laurel, Delaware, a permanent charter.

Fraternally

JAMES H. FULKS, Chairman
MARTHA MACKEY
ELIZABETH CORRELL

Motion by Past Grand Patron, Brother Thomas C. Rodway, seconded by Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry T. Miller that the charter be granted.

Motion adopted.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Harlan L. Cloud commended the Committee on the completeness of the report.

Grand Secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 for the use of their room and paraphernalia. Also to write a letter to Laurel Chapter advising them to hold an election of officers on January 8, 1953 and that the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and their staff of Grand Officers would be present to constitute Laurel Chapter on Thursday evening January 22, 1953. Grand Secretary was also instructed to notify the subordinate chapters of the date of the Constituting Ceremony and that it would be held in the Methodist Church Building in Laurel, Delaware at 8:00 P. M.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked her substitutes and the members who had attended the Special Session.

Business as stated in the Call being completed, Grand Chapter closed with a prayer. Grand Conductress attended at the Altar. Worthy Grand Matron repeated the "Farewell" and declared the Special Session closed.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER
Grand Secretary

Motion by Sister Marian Craig, seconded by Brother Cheston McCormick the minutes be approved and printed in the proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, P. G. Matron made an announcement that the Past Grand's Dinner would be held in the Hunt Room of the Hotel DuPont at six o'clock.

The Worthy Grand Matron announced she had appointed Sister Mabel Johnston on the Registration Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the inability of Brother Harley Clymer to attend.

Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called to recess to resume labor at 8:00 P. M.

MONDAY EVENING 8:00 P. M.

Chairman of Sessions Committee presiding, presented Past Grand Matron Marie L. Roberts and Past Grand Patron Brother Cheston McCormick who opened the session and invited the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to enter the Chapter Room.

Welcome by Sister Marie Roberts:

It is with pleasure and deep appreciation of the honor, that I welcome you to this second meeting of the 32 annual session. Another year has passed, and another page has been recorded in the history of our Grand Chapter, appropriately named for Martha with her faith and loyalty to that faith. You, like Martha, Worthy Grand Matron have been faithful to your duties, conscientiously carrying forward always the work of our Eastern Star.

Worthy Grand Patron, you have given our Order your best, and I sincerely hope the future will show fruits of your excellent advice that we keep within our chapter walls all chapter matters.

My congratulations to you both on a successful administration. May your session be peaceful, without discord, rich in results of any legislation for the benefit of our Order in our state and with a fraternal spirit I pledge my support to you both toward this end.

Welcome by P. G. Patron Cheston McCormick:

Worthy Grand Matron, Marion Simpson, sister, friend and neighbor of many years, it is an honor and a real pleasure indeed for me to welcome you at this evening's session.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry Miller it is also a pleasure for me to bid you welcome at this evening's session. Brother Henry

I have always greatly admired your ability to respond so easily and graciously when called upon for a few remarks. You always have a message appropriate and pertinent. This is a gift I have always desired but never acquired.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted East and Worthy Grand Matron took the gavel.

Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter from recess to labor.
Opening Ode—"The Lord is my Shepherd."

Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, Sister Katherine L. Wiley was presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Amy E. Meyer and Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane C. Zebly, Past Grand Patron, Brother Walter Sawdon and Past Grand Patron Brother James Duncan were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Past Grand Matron of Maryland, Sister Lillian Rodenhi was presented at the altar, welcomed, escorted East and given grand honors.

Grand Officers of Maryland:

Associate Grand Matron.....	Margaret E. Bond
Grand Conductress.....	Leona Twele
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Jennie Lea Bird
Grand Marshal.....	Virginia D. Henneman
Grand Chaplain.....	Christine Armiger
Grand Electa	Nettie B. Keating
and	

Grand Representative from New York, Sister Alberta R. Clauss were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given grand honors.

Deputy Grand Lecturers, Sisters Edith Shinn and Julia Slaughter were presented in the West, welcomed, escorted and given a hand of welcome.

Worthy Patron, Brother Gordon Kyle was presented in the West, welcomed, escorted East and given a hearty hand of welcome.

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

Welcome by Worthy Grand Patron:

Sister Pauline and Brother Bob, our paths have crossed often in the past and I hope more frequently in the future. Your responsi-

bilities are many and sometimes arduous—May the Giver of all good gifts and graces, bless you.

Brother Joseph E. Ellis, Associate Bethel Guardian of Bethel No. 2, Job's Daughters was presented in the West, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth A. Jones, gave a very inspiring message at this time, outlining some of her plans for the next three years.

ADDRESS OF MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

SISTER RUTH A. JONES

The month of May brings us always to a realization that life can be merry and we are happy in this beautiful season of the year. Just sheer enjoyment of the beauties we find in the glorious outdoors. This is a lovely time of the year always for your guests to enjoy your Grand Session. I am certainly happy to come to Delaware and meet again friends I have enjoyed over many years. I am happy to greet you all.

We appreciate Brother Cleaver's readiness and willingness to accept the duty of serving on the Welfare Committee of the General Grand Chapter. It is very difficult when there are so many, to select just one. I should like to select a dozen or more but I have tried to place the honor upon someone who has given unselfish service. Sister and Brother Cleaver have been staunch workers in the Order. I am happy to greet them.

I should like to speak very briefly about our Projects:

INTERNATIONAL TEMPLE: I can tell you that you have been 100% for many years and you now stand 95%. We are going to try to finish the Temple Fund this Triennial.

BUNDLES FOR GERMANY: A few weeks ago I was in Arizona and there was a very interesting editorial in a magazine about the Mayor of West Berlin who has made an appeal to Americans to help his city and Western Germany bear the load which goes with accepting the refugees from Communist dominated countries. He appeals to us to send food and clothing. In the pitiful stream from East Germany there are thousands of ill-clad people and undernourished children. They cannot be turned back for it would mean death or the slave camp for the unfortunate people who have risked their lives to gain freedom. I had the pleasure of meeting the Grand Master of Germany and he assured me it meant a great deal to the people in Germany.

CANCER FUND: I hope you will continue to support the work in the prevention, cure and alleviation of cancer. Our Order has a fine record in this field which we surely will want to continue and enlarge our efforts.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE of our General Grand Chapter. I was glad to have one of our committees changed from "Foreign Relations" to Public Relations. So many times we hear people say "Who are the Eastern Stars"? We need not be reticent about telling what our projects are. Right now we are very much concerned about putting before our members everywhere in the Grand Jurisdictions, the principles of our Order. Reminding them of various things that should be corrected; so we are going to put out six or more letters to try to improve our membership in the Order. We are now about three million strong. We do not strive alone for quantity but quality. Your Grand Secretary has a copy of the first letter and I am hoping that these letters will be copied and sent to each chapter. The first one is on the use and misuse of the black cube. This will be followed by one on vouchments. We also have a letter about gift-giving; also one on Gossip, Rumors and Evil-Speaking and keeping chapter business within our chapter walls.

ESTABL. Our big project is training awards for religious duties. The General Grand Chapter has now established its own project—Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leaderships. Pamphlets with the detail of administration will be available. We hope through this program that Delaware and all other Jurisdictions will provide financial help for many worthy young people who may be persuaded to give their lives in full time religious service. Someone has said, "If ever there was a cause worthy to be upheld by all of toil or sacrifice that the human hand or heart can endure, it is the cause of education. It has the indestructible merits and holds the welfare of mankind in its embrace as the protecting arms of a mother fold her infant to her bosom." Horace Mann who laid the foundation of the world's noblest school system in the ambition of the common people to improve themselves said, "Release the power that is in people and out of a great people will come an abundance of great and inspired leaders". How much we need to give thought to our leadership of tomorrow. I hope Delaware will give us good support in this project. Many church doors are closed because there are no ministers or rectors, no music or choir leaders. We also need to improve the quality of music in our churches. We are hoping you will assist us in giving money to give awards to young men and women who have the desire to give their services in the work of Christ. The young people will have to maintain certain standards if the awards are to be continued. I am counting on Delaware to help.

Mother's Day. The beautiful custom of Mother's Day comes in May and brings to us thoughts and memories that are a benediction. We thank our Heavenly Father for our mothers who gave us life; who cared for us in tender years; who dreamed great dreams for us. Our mothers whose eyes though heavy still watched over our cots of pain, whose hands though tired still worked for our needs and comfort, whose weary feet still took many a step to watch over us in childhood days. It was the Mother of Jesus—at the end—who was still standing by the cross. In the high conceptions we hold of motherhood—in its influence upon us, this quality is always present. We

see that the high goals of life, our good moral standards and the lofty moral statures of life are set by parental influence. Let us strive to build a better and saner world for tomorrow's mothers and the children of the generations to come.

The new Ritual and Secret Work will be ready and we hope that many of you will have time to study it.

I think there is a misunderstanding in some jurisdictions that does not exist here and I have been told that the changes in the Ritual would not be adopted until the Grand Chapter had accepted it. I am sure that they do not understand that when the General Grand Chapter makes changes they are obligatory.

We have asked that you immediately put into effect these changes when you have the printed copy in your hands. I have every confidence that Delaware will want to change and conform just as soon as you have the information. There are not many changes and you need not be alarmed that you will have to unlearn many things.

We have adopted a new funeral ceremony, not entirely new, but I have felt on many occasions that it is extremely difficult to call upon eighteen members to conduct a funeral ceremony; so we have adopted this new arrangement which will require only eight. When a ceremony is given from memory it is so much more impressive than reading from a book.

I want to thank you for all your courtesies, the corsages, the flowers in my room, Past Grand's Dinner, the trip to Longwood, the church service and the graciousness of your Hospitality Committee. I know you have well laid plans and that you will carry on successfully in the future as you have in the past. I have enjoyed being with you and hope to come back again and again.

Selection by the Chorus:—

Sister Marian Kumpel, Chairman of Sessions Committee presented Most Worthy Grand Matron with a gift in an attractive arrangement with the following remarks:

*"God bless you each hour of every day
God bless you each mile upon your way
God bless your work and all you do
God bless your heart, your life and YOU."*

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S REPORT

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

Sisters and brothers, though you have already been cordially welcomed, I wish to add my word of welcome too. We are honored by the presence of our Most Worthy Grand Matron and other distinguished guests of our General Grand Chapter. We extend to them

a most sincere welcome and best wishes for a pleasant visit among us. I shall be thankful for the privilege of being your Worthy Grand Matron. My first thought is to give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His gift of health and strength to complete the duties of my office. One year has elapsed since the sacred trust of guiding this Grand Chapter was placed in my hands. For me it has been a year of service, so now I respectfully bring for your inspection and consideration, the record of my activities during the year 1952-53, in the hope my efforts will meet with your approval.

IN MEMORIAM

With loving hearts and tender thoughts, we pause to think and pay tribute to those who are now in that City not built with hands. In the darkest hours of bereavement it is hard to bear one's burden of sorrow, but there is peace and hope in the lesson of Martha, "That beyond the grave the loved ones gone before are waiting to welcome us to our eternal home."

*"It is a wonderful journey
From an old world to a new
Where golden gates have opened
To let our loved ones through".*

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father that the circle of our Grand Family has remained unbroken.

OFFICIAL ACTS

My first official act, though pleasant, but a difficult one, was to appoint the Grand Officers to serve for the ensuing year. There are so many capable members, yet so few honors to bestow. With the approval of the Worthy Grand Patron, the following were appointed:

Grand Lecturer	Mrs. Sarah Hoffman
900 Rosedale Ave., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Chaplain	Mrs. Jane White
107 Lorewood Ave., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Marshal	Mrs. Marie Burris
104 East 37th St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Organist	Mrs. Marian Craig
1014 West 8th St., Wilmington, Delaware	
Grand Adah	Miss Dorothea S. Werner
Laurel, Delaware	
Grand Ruth	Mrs. Bessie Miles
Midvale, New Castle, Delaware	
Grand Esther	Mrs. Edna M. Williams
Milford, Delaware	
Grand Martha	Mrs. Edna Johnson
Dagsboro, Delaware	
Grand Electa	Mrs. Katherine Smith
North Bradford St., Dover, Delaware	

- Grand Warder Mrs. Mary Swan
20 Tyre Ave., Newark, Delaware
- Grand Sentinel Mr. Jonathan J. Burris
104 East 37th St., Wilmington, Delaware

DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

- Mrs. Madeline Litchfield Delaware Chapter No. 1
415 Du Pont Road, Richardson Park, Wilmington, Del.
- Mrs. Emma S. Wheeler Mizpah Chapter No. 2
32 W. 36th Street, Wilmington, Delaware
- Mrs. Sylvia Knox Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
3110 Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware
- Mrs. Alice Minner St. John's Chapter No. 4
East Dale Road, Northfield, Wilmington, Delaware
- Mrs. Ida C. Lowe Adah Chapter No. 5
Delmar, Delaware
- Mrs. Katherine P. Marshall Radiant Chapter No. 6
104 W. 38th Street, Wilmington, Delaware
- Mrs. Eunice Tull Sussex Chapter No. 7
Seaford, Delaware
- Mrs. Marian Kumpel Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
Port Penn, Delaware
- Mrs. Olivia Wilkins Georgetown Chapter No. 9
Georgetown, Delaware
- Mrs. Arzie Lewis Newark Chapter No. 10
150 Academy Avenue, Newark, Delaware
- Mrs. Mildred H. Snowberger Kent Chapter No. 11
S. Walnut Street, Milford, Delaware
- Mrs. Ethel Derickson Frankford Chapter No. 12
Star Route, Frankford, Delaware
- Mrs. Lorraine Putzier Five Points Chapter No. 13
202 Boxwood Road, Woodcrest, Wilmington, Delaware
- Miss Edith Shinn Brandywine Chapter No. 14
1 West Court Street, Claymont, Delaware
- Mrs. Julia Slaughter Victory Chapter No. 15
R. D. Smyrna, Delaware
- Mrs. Ruth Roberts Unity Chapter No. 16
Kings Highway, Lewes, Delaware
- Mrs. Esther Clymer Esther Chapter No. 17
610 Baldt Ave., Balnton, New Castle, Delaware
- Mrs. Rita C. Wilkinson Laurel Chapter No. 18 U. D.
Delmar, Delaware

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

I appointed the following Representatives in Delaware to represent our Sister Jurisdictions:

California.....	Mrs. Virginia Newth
Colorado.....	Mrs. Frances Warren
Connecticut.....	Miss Eliza Crossland
Dist. of Columbia.....	Mrs. Katherine Schroeder
Georgia.....	Mrs. Sophronia Harmon
Illinois.....	Miss Laurel Erdman
Kentucky.....	Mrs. Marian Hearn
Missouri.....	Mrs. Mabel Johnston
Massachusetts.....	Mrs. Sarah Cordrey
Manitoba.....	Mrs. Olivia Enright
Nevada.....	Mrs. Mary P. Garton
New Hampshire.....	Mrs. Emma Thomas
New York.....	Miss Elizabeth Foster
North Dakota.....	Mrs. Sarah B. Howell
Ohio.....	Mrs. Lanah Milbourne
Oklahoma.....	Mr. Samuel Richeson
Oregon.....	Mrs. Cordella Rodenheiser
Rhode Island.....	Mrs. Dorothy Quillen
Washington.....	Mrs. Adelle Gibbs
Wyoming.....	Mrs. Mabel E. Guthrie
Puerto Rico.....	Mrs. Florence Mannering
Quebec.....	Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson

I approved the following to represent Delaware in other Jurisdictions.

Dist. of Columbia.....	Mrs. Virginia Morton
Georgia.....	Mrs. Eula Wright
Illinois.....	Mrs. Elaine Franknecht
Kentucky.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Brand
Nevada.....	Mrs. Edith Logue
New York.....	Mrs. Alberta Claus
No. Carolina.....	Mrs. Grace Crabtree
Oregon.....	Mrs. Mildred Whipple
South Carolina.....	Mrs. Mildred Matthews
Texas.....	Mrs. Molly Rosenberg
Vermont.....	Mrs. Ellen Keyser
Saskatchewan.....	Mrs. Bernice Buchan

GRAND OFFICERS

Mrs. Marion J. Simpson.....	Worthy Grand Matron
Mr. Henry T. Miller.....	Worthy Grand Patron
Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler.....	Associate Grand Matron
Mr. I. Kendall Gibbs.....	Associate Grand Patron
Mrs. Lillian Larrimore.....	Grand Conductress
Mrs. Ruth Laws.....	Associate Grand Conductress
Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher.....	Grand Secretary
Mrs. Virda Simpler.....	Grand Treasurer

BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Mr. Robert W. Larrimore.....	(1 Year)
Mrs. Pauline Davis.....	(2 Years)
Mr. J. Nelson Abbott.....	(3 Years)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Credentials

Arzie Lewis, Chairman.....	(10)	1 Year
Walter O. Bryan.....	(16)	2 Years
Sylvia Knox.....	(3)	3 Years

Jurisprudence

Marie L. Roberts, Chairman.....	(11)	1 Year
Charles V. Cleaver.....	(3)	2 Years
Irma O. LeCompte.....	(9)	3 Years

Constitution and Laws

Jane C. Zebley, Chairman.....	(6)	1 Year
Edna L. Gifford.....	(14)	2 Years
Walter Sawdon.....	(6)	3 Years

Chapters Under Charters and Dispensation

James Fulks, Chairman.....	(14)	1 Year
Martha Mackey.....	(13)	2 Years
Elizabeth Correll.....	(10)	3 Years

Education Loan

May Pople, Chairman.....	(3)	1 Year
Mamie Wendling.....	(1)	2 Years
Mabel Johnston.....	(2)	3 Years
Dr. Jay W. Miller.....	(3)	4 Years
John LeCompte.....	(9)	5 Years

Grievance and Appeals

Cheston R. McCormick, Chairman.....	(14)	1 Year
Mildred Kitchen.....	(11)	2 Years
Goldia Palmer.....	(16)	3 Years

Unfinished Business

Mary Bevis, Chairman.....	(16)
Frances Truitt.....	(7)
Thomas C. Rodway.....	(11)

Necrology

Edna Carter, Chairman.....	(2)
Esther Clymer.....	(8)
Sylvia Knox.....	(3)
Earl Smith.....	(15)

Printing

Elizabeth M. Fisher, Chairman.....	(4)
Ella Cleaver.....	(3)

Job's Daughters

Gertrude Grubb, Chairman.....	(13)
Ruth Stiggins.....	(14)
James Kitchen.....	(1)

Registration

Edith Galloway, Chairman.....	(2)
May Payne.....	(13)
Harley E. Clymer.....	(8)

Examining

Sara MacNamee, Chairman.....	(4)
Martha Krapf.....	(10)
Percy C. Cotty.....	(1)

Sessions

Marian Kumpel, Chairman.....	(8)
Elsie Conly.....	(1)
Edith Galloway.....	(2)
Bessie Borglin.....	(3)
Sue Cardwell.....	(4)
Margie Stokes.....	(5)
Mary H. Waller.....	(6)
Anna White.....	(7)
Mary N. Banks.....	(8)
Alma Mustard.....	(9)
Alma F. Long.....	(10)
Lillian H. Wheeler.....	(11)
Blanche Williams.....	(12)
Bertha Smith.....	(13)
Florence Gilbert.....	(14)
Mary McWilliams.....	(15)
Claire Andress.....	(16)
Florence Mannering.....	(17)
Minnie Kytte.....	Laurel U.D.

Hospitality

Myra D. Robinson, Chairman.....	(2)
Madeline Litchfield.....	(1)
Emma Gehret.....	(14)
Walter Gehret.....	(14)
Charles V. Cleaver.....	(3)

V. A. Hospital Rehabilitation

Sadie Conly, Chairman.....	(13)
Bertha Kelly.....	(1)
Myra D. Robinson.....	(2)
Bessie Borglin.....	(3)
Laurel Erdman.....	(4)
Rita Wilkinson.....	(5)
Louise Mortlock.....	(6)
Clara Smith.....	(7)

Esther Clymer	(8)
Mary Keeler	(9)
Ellsworth Carr	(10)
Lillian H. Wheeler	(11)
Frank Johnson	(12)
Edward Livermore	(13)
Lloyd Frederick	(14)
Kendall Gibbs	(15)
Walter Bryan	(16)
Florence Mannering	(17)

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Music

Emma Wheeler	(2)
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Red Cross

Mabel Stirlith	(3)
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Masonic Home Church Service

Harlan L. Cloud, Assisted by Grand Officers

Masonic Home—Christmas Party

Marie Burris, All Grand Officers

Handicapped Children of Delaware

Marie Burris, Chairman	(2)
Marian Kumpel, Co-Chairman	(8)
Beneta I. Meenan	(3)
Elizabeth M. Fisher	(4)
Jonathan Burris	(2)
William Meenan	(3)
Albert Kumpel	(8)

Assisted by Worthy Matrons of Subordinate Chapters for 1953.

Eastern Star Home Fund

Albert Kumpel, Chairman	(8)
Jonathan Burris	(2)
Ruth Stiggins	(14)
Adele Gibbs	(15)
Dorothy Quillen	(12)

OFFICIAL VISITS

June 11th	Frankford No. 12
June 16th	Adah No. 5
June 19th	Sussex No. 7
June 24th	Unity No. 16
September 4th	Newark No. 10
September 8th	Julia M. Story No. 3
September 17th	Esther No. 17
September 22nd	Victory No. 15

September 25th.....	Caesar Rodney No. 8
October 2nd.....	St. John's No. 4
October 7th.....	Brandywine No. 14
October 15th.....	Kent No. 11
October 21st.....	Radiant No. 6
October 23rd.....	Five Points No. 13
November 7th.....	Georgetown No. 9
November 11th.....	Delaware No. 1
November 21st.....	Mizpah No. 2

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

On May 29th, 1952, I held a school of instruction for the Deputy Grand Lecturers in Caesar Rodney Chapter room in New Castle, Delaware. The Grand Lecturer, Worthy Grand Patron, Line Officers, and all but one Deputy Grand Lecturer were present. I have visited all Chapters, watched the work, and if corrections were needed, reported the matter to the Grand Lecturer or Deputy Grand Lecturer.

APPOINTMENTS

On October 1, 1952, I appointed Sister Emma Vinyard as Deputy Grand Lecturer for Kent Chapter No. 11, as Sister Mildred Snowberger resigned because of her studies at the University of Delaware.

SPECIAL MEETING WITH GRAND TRUSTEES

I attended a meeting of the Grand Trustees in the latter part of September together with the Associate Grand Matron, Elvira J. Ziegler, and the Grand Secretary Elizabeth M. Fisher, when arrangements were made regarding souvenirs for the Triennial and check issued covering the expenses of the Associate Grand Matron, who attended the Triennial in Milwaukee and carried the proxy of the Worthy Grand Matron.

SPECIAL SESSION OF GRAND CHAPTER

A special session of this Grand Chapter was held on Thursday evening, December 11, 1952 at 7:00 P. M. in Caesar Rodney Chapter Room, Masonic Temple, New Castle, Delaware for the purpose of granting a Charter to Laurel Chapter U. D. Letters were sent by our Grand Secretary notifying the members of the date this special session was to held.

CONSTITUTING OF LAUREL CHAPTER

It was a pleasure and a privilege for me to constitute Laurel Chapter No. 18 on January 22nd, 1953. The chapter room was filled with members from all over the state. I was assisted in the Constituting by Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry T. Miller; Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth Fisher; Grand Chaplain, Sister Jane White; Grand Marshal, Sister Marie V. Burris; Grand Organist,

Sister Marian Craig, the other stations being occupied by the Grand Officers with Sister Irma O. LeCompte, P. G. M. Acting Associate Grand Matron and Sister Sarah Hoffman, Acting Grand Treasurer.

Following the constituting ceremonies I had the pleasure of installing the newly elected officers, and was assisted in this by the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, Grand Organist, Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel.

Laurel Chapter No. 18 is making great progress; the officers and members are to be congratulated upon their work.

CHECKS SIGNED

During the year, 1952-1953, I have signed checks for the Grand Chapter No. 670 to No. 755 inclusive.

CONTINGENT FUND

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

INSTALLATIONS

What finer memories can a Worthy Grand Matron have of her year of service than the installation of new officers in the subordinate chapters. I shall have a special interest in the chapters that I had the privilege of installing the officers. I want to thank the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, Grand Organist, Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel who assisted me at these installations.

Many thanks to the chapters for the lovely gifts, also the Worthy Matrons for corsages and personal gifts.

January 2nd	Mizpah No. 2
January 6th	Brandywine No. 14 all officers except Associate Conductress
January 7th	Kent No. 11
January 8th	Five Points No. 13
January 12th	Julia M. Story No. 3 all officers except Sentinel
January 13th	Unity No. 16
January 15th	St. John's No. 4
January 22nd	Laurel No. 18 all officers except Associate Patron

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

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

1. June 9, 1952 to be used June 20, to Georgetown Chapter No. 9' to move Charter and Paraphernalia to V. F. W. Hall for regular meeting.
2. September 20, 1952 to be used September 25, to Laurel Chapter U. D. to move Paraphernalia to Municipal Building for regular meeting.
3. October 31, 1952 to be used November 13, to Laurel Chapter U. D. to change meeting place from the Odd Fellows Building on W. 6th St. to Fellowship Hall of Centenary M. E. Church, Market St., Laurel, Del.
4. November 14, 1952 to be used November 24, to Five Points Chapter No. 13 for initiation.
5. December 9, 1952, to be used December 22, to Victory Chapter No. 15 to elect an Associate Conductress.
6. December 16, 1952 to be used January 6, 1953 to Brandywine Chapter No. 14 to elect Associate Conductress.
7. December 18, 1952, to be used January 15, 1953 to Newark Chapter No. 10, to install all Officers.
8. December 24, 1952 to be used December 30, to Frankford Chapter No. 12 to initiate five candidates.
9. December 27, 1952 to be used January 27, 1953 to Unity Chapter No. 16 to move their Charter and Paraphernalia to Grange Hall for regular meeting.
10. January 19, 1953 to be used February 2, to Adah Chapter No. 5 to install Worthy Patron.
11. January 20, 1953 to be used February 3, to Brandywine Chapter No. 14 to install Associate Conductress.
12. January 30, 1953 to be used February 18, to Esther Chapter No. 17, to install Chaplain and Warder.
13. January 31, 1953 to be used February 23, to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to elect a Trustee.
14. January 27, 1953 to be used February 16, to Adah Chapter No. 5 to install Worthy Patron.
15. May 1, 1953 to be used May 26th to Laurel Chapter No. 18 to install Associate Patron.

COURTESY INITIATION

At the request of the Worthy Grand Matron of Illinois and Elm Chapter No. 271 of Illinois, a courtesy initiation was conferred on Mrs. Mary Meroney by Julia M. Story Chapter on September 22, 1952.

WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION REQUESTED

September 20, 1952. Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Penna. over petition of Miss Delores Spence, Eddystone, Penna. in favor of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington, Del. Granted November 5th, 1952.

October 6, 1952. Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, over petition of Mildred Shipley of Delmar, Md. in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted Oct. 27, 1952.

January 5, 1953. Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, over petition of Mildred Shipley of Delmar, Md. in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted January 20, 1953.

March 4, 1953. Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Penna. over petition of Madeline D. Lauer, Brinton Lake Colony, Concordville, Penna. in favor of Radiant Chapter No. 6, Wilm. Del. Granted April 16, 1953.

April 20, 1953. Requested of Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, over petition of Martha Ellen Calloway, of Delmar, Md. in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Del. Granted May 4, 1953.

CHANGES IN BY-LAWS—DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

P. 5, Art. V., Sec. 1. On line 2, strike out Five (\$5.00) Dollars and insert Ten (\$10.00) Dollars. On line 3, strike out One (\$1.00) Dollar and insert Two (\$2.00) Dollars. Section 1 would then read:

The fees for conferring the degrees in this Chapter shall be Ten (\$10.00) and for affiliation, Two (\$2.00) Dollars, which must accompany the petition.

P. 5, Art. V., Sec. 2. On lines one and two, strike our Four (\$4.00) Dollars and insert Five (\$5.00) Dollars. Section 2 would then read:

Each member must pay the sum of Five (\$5.00) Dollars as annual dues, payable in June and December.

P. 7, Art. VI., Sec. 4. On lines 3 and 4, add "neither of whom have signed the petitions". Section 4 would then read:

Of Whom To Consist. A Committee on Investigation on petitions must consist of three members, two sisters and one brother, neither of whom have signed the petitions.

P. 8, Art. VI., Sec. 9. On lines 4 and 5, strike out words "sister or brother presenting the application" and insert "Secretary". Section 9 would then read:

A petitioner for degrees or affiliation, is elected, shall be notified by the Secretary, if rejected, the petition fee shall be refunded to the applicant by the Secretary.

P. 12, Art. IX, Sec. 4. This Section shall be Sec. 7.

P. 12, Art. IX, Sec. 5. This Section shall be Sec. 8.

P. 12, Art. IX, Sec. 4 shall be worded as follows: It shall be the duty of the Organist to pay strict attention and whenever an officer is requested or directed by the presiding officer to perform any duty, she should always accompany the officer with music; at other times

render appropriate music upon request of presiding officer; for which service she shall receive the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per year.

P. 13, Art. IX, Sec. 5. shall be worded as follows: It shall be the duty of the Sentinel to have charge of all paraphernalia and prepare the Chapter Room and to protect the outer door of the Chapter Room at all times, for which service he or she shall receive the sum of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars per year.

P. 13, Art. IX, Sec. 6 shall be worded as follows: When the service of a Chorister is required, she or he will receive the sum of Two (\$2.00) Dollars for each service rendered.

Committee

P. M. MILDRED S. MARTIN

P. P. WALTER A. SCHUELER

Approved Oct. 26th, 1952, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN'S
CHAPTER NO. 4, O. E. S.

You are hereby notified that at the stated meeting of this chapter, November 6, 1952, the following amendments to the By-Laws will be brought up for vote:

ARTICLE 5, Section 1; Change, Initiation Fee from \$5.00 to \$10.00, and fee for Affiliation from \$1.00 to \$2.00 which must accompany the petition. New members will be assessed \$1.00 for International Temple Fund, payable at time of initiation.

ARTICLE 9, Section 4; Add, the salary for the Organist shall be \$25.00 per year, and the Sentinel \$25.00 per year. Salaries of all officers shall be pro rated at the end of each year.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER

ALICE D. ALLBRITAIN

GRACE S. ALLEN

Attest:

SUSIE D. CARDWELL, Secy. pro tem.

Approved November 26th, 1952, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8, O. E. S.

Amendment to By-Laws, November 13, 1952

ARTICLE VIII, Section 4, page 11. The amendment to Article VIII would be to strike out \$5.00, insert \$15. Section 4 would then read, "The Treasurer, for which service she shall receive the sum of \$15.00 per year."

ARTICLE IX, Section 3, page 12. In Article IX, delete

\$8.00, insert \$15.00. Section 3 would then read, "The Organist shall receive for service rendered, the sum of \$15.00 per year.

Committee on By-Laws

ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, Chr.

ANN HARRINGTON

GRACE MOORE

Attest:

Ann Harrington, Sec.

Approved December 8th, 1952, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9, O. E. S.

Our Chapter adopted the following change in our By-Laws at our stated meeting on June 6, 1952 subject to your approval.

ARTICLE XI—Section 1—Beginning with line 17 which now reads, "she shall receive the sum of Five (5) dollars per year" changed to read "she shall receive the sum of Fifty (50) dollars per year.

Signed

MILDRED MINNER

Committee

Approved May 1st, 1953, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

KENT CHAPTER NO. 11, O. E. S.

ARTICLE 5, Section 1. Change to read:

Fees for conferring degrees in this Chapter shall be as follows:

Degrees.....	\$ 9.00
International O. E. S. Temple Fund Contribution.....	1.00
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	\$10.00
Affiliation.....	\$ 2.00

Section 2. Change to read:

Each member must pay the sum of Five (5) Dollars as annual dues payable in June and December.

BLANCHE B. WILLIAMS

EDNA M. WILLIAMS

THOMAS C. RODWAY

Committee

Approved December 19th, 1952, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

April 11, 1953

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The following recommendation was made by the Trustees at our meeting of April 9, 1953. It will be read at our meeting of April 23, 1953 and acted upon.

"To the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Officers and members of Five Points Chapter No. 13, Order of Eastern Star.

We, The Trustees, recommend the initiation fee in this Chapter be increased from Five (5) dollars to Ten (10) dollars of which a portion will be sent to the Grand Secretary for the International Temple Fund, and hereby submit the following as an amendment to our by-laws effective as of September 1, 1953:

ARTICLE V, Section 1. The fee for conferring the degrees in this Chapter shall be Ten (10) dollars, (of which a portion shall be designated for The International Temple Fund,) and for affiliation One (1) dollar which must accompany the petition.

Signed: The Trustees.

RUTH M. LAWS

RAYMOND K. GRUBB

MARGARET C. WILKINSON

Attest:

Helen M. Welsh, Secy.

Approved April 27th, 1953, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17, O. E. S.

ARTICLE IX, Section 2.

The Trustees, shall each year before the annual meeting, purchase a Past Worthy Matron's and Past Worthy Patron's Jewel to be presented to said officers upon retirement. These jewels each year shall be the same as the ones presented to the first Past Matron and Past Patron of Esther Chapter making the change in the second sentence to read "These jewels each year shall be the same as the redesigned ones presented to the first Past Matron and Past Patron of Esther Chapter.

EUGENIA HALL, Secy.

Approved January 1st, 1953, Marion J. Simpson, W. G. M.

MINUTES OF LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18

I approved all of the By-Laws of the new Chapter—Laurel No. 18

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

To me, one of the greatest honors which can be conferred upon a member is the gift of Honorary Membership. As you have welcomed me into your chapters from time to time, not only in 1952-53 but in years previous, I have tried to express my gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity that is mine in being welcomed into your

midst as an Honorary member. I trust that I may always merit your confidence and I hope to visit again in each of these chapters:—

Adah Chapter No. 5
 Sussex Chapter No. 7
 Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
 Georgetown Chapter No. 9
 Kent Chapter No. 11
 Frankford Chapter No. 12
 Five Points Chapter No. 13
 Brandywine Chapter No. 14
 Victory Chapter No. 15
 Esther Chapter No. 17

INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS

I am grateful for the Member of Honor Certificate of the International Order of Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 1, Gordon Heights, and Bethel No. 2, Newport. With several of our Grand Officers, the Worthy Grand Patron and I visited both Bethels and witnessed their initiatory work which was given well and in an impressive manner. Gifts of money were given to both Bethels from the Grand Officers.

The Order of Job's Daughters stands for the most noble principles for guiding the footsteps of our youth, and we, of the Grand Chapter, are proud of the progress of this Order in our State. A young girl is so lovely in many ways, I breathe a prayer that she may always know the finer things in life through all her days. In grace and wisdom, may she ever grow.

SOCIAL EVENTS

May 27, 1952. Attended a meeting of both Bethels of Job's Daughters as it was their official visit of the Supreme Guardian, Mrs. Jane Enockson of Duluth, Minnesota.

June 6th, 1952. A lovely reception was given by my Home Chapter, Mizpah No. 2, honoring me and the following grand officers who are members of Mizpah No. 2—Grand Marshal, Grand Sentinel, Deputy Grand Lecturer.

June 12th, Together with all Grand Officers, Five Points Chapter No. 13 gave a reception honoring the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry T. Miller, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Chaplain and Deputy Grand Lecturer.

September 26, 1952. Grand visitation at Wicomico Chapter No. 91. Attended by several Grand Officers and members.

October 1st. With the Grand Lecturer, Grand Marshal, Grand Sentinel, we visited Hammonton Chapter No. 34 of Hammonton, New Jersey.

December 18, 1952. Attended the Christmas Party of Caroline Chapter No. 63, Denton Md., with ten of the Grand Officers.

January 28, 1953. Attended Corinthian Chapter No. 13 of Philadelphia, together with the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Lecturer, Grand Marshal, Grand Sentinel and members of Five Points Chapter. It was Grand visitation of the Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

I attended the following Birthday Parties:

Five Points No. 13, Mizpah No. 2, Delaware No. 1, Julia M. Story No. 3, Unity No. 16, Laurel No. 18, Kent No. 11, Newark No. 10, Frankford No. 12, Brandywine No. 14.

I attended the following banquets:

Five Points No. 13, Kent No. 11, Newark No. 10, Victory No. 15, Julia M. Story No. 3, St. John's No. 4, Radiant No. 6, Unity No. 16, Brandywine No. 14, Caesar Rodney No. 8, Mizpah No. 2, Delaware No. 1.

These social events were outstanding affairs and it gave us much pleasure to be so honored.

MY GAVEL

At the time of my installation one year ago, this lovely gavel, a gift from my husband, was presented to me by the Grand Marshal, Sister Marie V. Burris. It has traveled with me over the entire State and was used by the presiding Worthy Matrons at the time of my official visits, at the special meeting of Grand Chapter and at the Constituting of Laurel Chapter No. 18 and the various Chapters when I was the installing Officer.

MASONIC HOME

One of the many pleasures was our visits to the Masonic Home. The Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers held a Christmas party for the guests on December 16th, 1952. Entertainment was given, and refreshments were served to all. Each guest was presented with a pound box of candy. I am grateful to the members of the chapters for their response to my Thanksgiving Letter for jams, jellies, and canned goods, for the home.

Two Divine Services were held, one in October, and one in April, with Brother Harlan Cloud in charge.

VETERANS HOSPITAL REHABILITATION

The work of previous years under the leadership of Sister Sadie Conly and Brother Robert Larrimore, was continued. The third Sunday of each month is "Eastern Star Day" at the hospital.

On December 21st, 1952, the Grand Officers had the privilege of serving homemade cookies, fruit juice, nuts, candy and cigarettes to the patients and their visitors.

I want to thank each chapter and everyone who helped in any way to make this project a success.

CORRESPONDENCE

It is always a thrill to receive a letter and I have endeavored to answer all mail that pertained to business of this Grand Chapter as promptly as possible. It was a pleasure to send greetings during the year. I deeply appreciate the friendly letters and cards received on different occasions.

Copies of correspondence will be printed in Proceedings.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

As I have journeyed over our state I have found a keen interest by all members of the Order. All meetings were well attended and the officers endeavored to give their work in the best possible manner. May we make an honest effort to live and to put into everyday practice, the teachings of our Order.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- No. 1. That the Salute to the Flag be given after the Worthy Matron declares the Chapter duly opened for business, before seating the Chapter.
- No. 2. When the Grand Officers visit the Job's Daughters, no donation be given by the Grand Officers, as these girls are doing very well and do not need financial support, but appreciate our moral support.
- No. 3. That the Christmas Party taken to the Masonic Home each year be a Grand Chapter Party, not a Grand Officers Party, and the same be paid for by the Grand Chapter.
- No. 4. That we recognize and welcome our Grand Representatives at all our Meetings.
- No. 5. A closer study of the Ritual and the Constitution and Laws. Knowledge of our laws promotes peace and harmony in the Chapter. It likewise saves unnecessary correspondence. Strive for perfection, keeping in mind that the Ritual is not only something to say but something to live.

Of the countless questions referred to me, I have compiled a list of those of general interest, eliminating those which I felt should be common knowledge to our average membership, and by referring to the Ritual, Book of Instructions and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

Question: May a Past Patron preside during the conferring of the degrees?

Answer: Yes, if the Worthy Patron invites him to.

- Question:* I am under the impression that if a husband and wife want to demit, that each must write a request to that effect. Am I right?
- Answer:* Your impression is correct—husband and wife must apply separately.
- Question:* Is it permissible for a Brother on an investigating committee of a petition to be chairman of the committee?
- Answer:* Our By-Laws state, three members, one of whom shall be a brother, there seems to be no ruling saying that he cannot be chairman, but it is customary to put a Sister as chairman. (I prefer that a Sister be chairman)
- Question:* After initiation, may the officers put on a special ceremony, part of which is between the Altar and the East?
- Answer:* It is not permissible to pass between the Altar and the East for any ceremony.
- Question:* At the Annual election of officers is the Sentinel in a Sub-ordinate Chapter allowed to vote?
- Answer:* The Sentinel is invited into the Chapter room, seated at the door, and is permitted to vote at the annual election of officers.
- Question:* Can anyone leave the Chapter Room, during election of officers, to call the person elected, to see if they accept the office, if they are not present?
- Answer:* No one shall enter or leave the Chapter Room during election. The Secretary shall notify the person elected.

IRREGULARITIES

Secretaries sending requests without the Seal of Chapter, also sending Notices on postal cards.

Members discussing chapter business in the presence of those who are not members of the Order.

Secret work not signed for.

Walking through the Labyrinth during recess.

Throughout the year it has been my desire to impress upon the members the Beauty and Sacredness of the teachings of our Order, and the importance of living these teachings in our daily lives.

Remember, it is very important that quality and not quantity should govern our selection of eligible members. Let us strengthen, rather than lengthen our Golden Chain.

I wish it were not necessary for me to mention the Misuse of the black cube, but its continued use is becoming a matter that threatens the future happiness and progress, as well as the welfare of our Order. The purpose of the black cube is to protect the Chapter, and should never be used in the spirit of revenge.

Our Deputy Grand Lecturers interpret the work to the officers and members, as instructed by the Grand Lecturer, and Worthy Grand Matron. In asking questions, please ask your Deputy.

APPRECIATION

First, I would express my gratitude to Him, whose Star we follow, for guidance, strength, and courage for all my needs. As my year of service draws to a close, I find it hard to put into words the appreciation that is in my heart. My daily prayer shall be for God to make me worthy of my friends.

To my Worthy Grand Patron: To you, Brother Henry, the duties and responsibilities of my office have been the lighter because of your keen interest and devotion to our Order. Never were you too busy to assist me, or to give counsel or advice. You and Sister Ann have been most loyal to me this year. Our home will always be open to you and yours.

To our Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, Sister Elvira, and Brother Kendall, the sun will soon be rising on a new day for you. As you stand before the Dawn of this new day, I wish for you all that is joyous and good, and the happy satisfaction of the fulfillment of all your plans.

To our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth, you have given many years of valuable service to our Order. No one, but the ones who have served with you can know your worth. Thank you for every consideration and help you have given me.

To our Grand Treasurer, Sister Virda, it has been my privilege to enjoy your friendship. I am most grateful to you for your devotion to the duties of your office, which you so efficiently perform.

To our Grand Conductress, and Associate Grand Conductress, Sisters Lillian and Ruth, much of the success of this Grand Chapter depends upon the performance of your duties which have been so beautifully and graciously done. I will be watching with interest as you journey to the Grand East. May your years of service bring you joy and happiness.

To my Grand Chaplain, Sister Jane, I would especially thank you for your loyalty, your cheerfulness and the dignity with which you have upheld the teaching of our Order. I hope your office has brought real pleasure to you and that you will remember this past year as one of happiness.

To my Grand Marshal, Sister Marie, I can never repay you for the faithfulness and all the attention you bestowed upon me this year. You have performed your duties with dignity and honor. All through the year you have given me your support and words of encouragement; you have brought sunshine and happiness into the lives of many. May this return to you a hundred fold. Thank you, Marie for everything.

To my Grand Lecturer, Sister Sarah, thanks for your willingness to accept the many duties which belong to your office. I am very grateful for your labors and efforts to which you have given much of your time and service. I trust you will remember it with pleasure and hope your duties were not too heavy, and that you will find the experience one of rich memories.

To my Grand Organist, Sister Marian, I wish to express my appreciation of your loyalty and assistance at all installations, your work has been grand, at all times.

To my Grand Star Points, Sisters Dorthea, Bessie, Edna Williams, Edna Johnson and Katherine, the loving kindness you have brought me has helped to make this year one of happiness. Soon our year will have ended but the happy memories can be cherished forever. You are indeed the fairest in the land.

To my Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel, Sister Mary, and brother Jack, you have traveled far and wide and have stood by, ready and willing at all times to answer every call to serve. I sincerely thank each of you for the helpful cooperation and assistance. My deepest praise and gratitude will be yours always.

To the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons. It is through your leadership that our Grand Chapter is a strong and happy institution and I hope you'll hear my plea, that you will find within your ranks a little place for me.

To the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1952-53. I could not complete my report without saying a word of appreciation to you very loyal sisters and brothers. I did appreciate having you "trail" me up and down the state. Its pleasant to recall the occasions which have brought us together, for the betterment of our Order.

To my Deputy Grand Lecturers, my sincere thanks for the interest you have shown in your Chapter. You are the ones who labor and sacrifice yet receive so little recognition, but you are indispensable. Upon you rests the success of our Order. I shall ever cherish the many friendships that I have made among you.

To my Session's Chairman, Sister Marion. It is dependable Sisters like you who make our Eastern Star work most cheerful, and enjoyable. I am not unmindful of the many hours devoted to the task of arrangements, contacting members, and all the decorations.

When I think of Members who work hard

When I think of those who are true

When I think of friends who are worthwhile

Somehow, I think of you.

To the Grand Choir, I wish to express my appreciation to you Sister Wheeler, and the faithful members of your choir, your singing has been wonderful. I thank you for the hours spent in preparation that we might enjoy your singing.

*There are Millions of folks
In the world it is true
There have been many other Grand Choirs
But none like you.*

To all Committee Members, I can never find words expressive enough to thank you for the time and effort you have put forth to make this Session a success. May God's richest blessing abide with you.

To All Members. To all the Members of the Order throughout this Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware, my sincere thanks for the interest you have shown in the Grand Chapter program this year. For all the many kindnesses you have shown me, I am most grateful. You are the ones who labor and sacrifice, yet receive so little recognition, but you are indispensable. Upon you rests the success of our Order. I shall cherish the many friendships that I have made among you.

To my Home Chapter, Mizpah No. 2. You have been most loyal to me all the way through the Grand East. Your many acts of kindness, your courtesies, and for the reception given in honor of our Grand Marshal, Grand Sentinel, Deputy Grand Lecturer and myself, I am truly grateful.

CONCLUSION

We come now to the gateway of another year. I thank this Grand Chapter for the opportunity that has been mine. Let us not be satisfied with the accomplishments of the past, but plan for a bigger and better future.

*I do not know
Where falls the seed, that I have
tried to sow with greatest care;
but yet I hope each seed will grow
And bring forth fruit.
Sometime, Somewhere.*

Sincerely and fraternally
MARION J. SIMPSON,
Worthy Grand Matron

TO THE WORTHY MATRONS, WORTHY PATRONS,
OFFICERS, AND MEMBERS OF THE SUBORDINATE
CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Dear Sisters and Brothers: May 29, 1952

With joy and gratitude we send our first official greetings to you, in appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon us and our respective chapters; Mizpah No. 2 and Five Points No. 13. We pledge to you our wholehearted support in the interest of our Order, and we ask the cooperation of each member.

It is our recommendation to all the chapters that they make a closer study of our Ritual, the Constitution and By-Laws and Book of Instructions and secure a full understanding of our Obligation.

To increase the attendance at our meetings, plan interesting programs, start your meetings on time and do not make them too long.

Your Deputy Lecturer is ready to assist you; accept her as your friend and adviser.

We shall share in whatever project our next Most Worthy Grand Matron will have, also an affair to be held in the Shrine Club for the Handicapped Children of Delaware.

Our project for the year will be "The Eastern Star Home Fund". We hope that each chapter throughout the state will continue this good work, remembering our members who are alone, needing a home, companionship and care. When one has faith, no service seems too hard, nor is the burden heavy. Our reward is the happiness of others.

Our motto for the year is "Faith and Loyalty".

We and our staff of Grand Officers are looking forward with pleasant anticipation to our visits in your chapter rooms. Wishing each chapter all prosperity and success, we are,

Sincerely and fraternally

MARION J. SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron
HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

November 1, 1952

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons,
Officers and Members of the Subordinate
Chapters of Delaware.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The Thanksgiving Season is approaching when we should be mindful of the many blessings we are privileged to enjoy. Let us be thankful to our Heavenly Father, the Giver of all good and perfect gifts.

From year to year we have forwarded to the Masonic Home, our contributions of canned goods, jams and jellies. We hope that everyone will be as generous with their donations as they have been in the past.

A card bearing the name of your chapter should be placed on the package for identification. Our wish for each member of the Order of the Eastern Star is, a pleasant and happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely and fraternally

MARION J. SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron
HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

December 1, 1952

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

Greetings:

As the Christmas Season approaches, we extend our best wishes to you. Let us pause to reflect the blessings which have been ours during the past and be thankful for the happiness that we have shared. In the sharing of our blessings let us not forget the worthy projects of our Order, so that we may help in our way, to extend Christianity, exemplified by practicing "Peace on Earth, Good-will toward Men".

May the radiance of the Star we follow, abide in our hearts and homes, bringing peace, happiness and contentment.

On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, we extend to every member of the Order, our cordial greetings and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely and fraternally

MARION J. SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron
HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

March 1953

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Again we approach the anniversary which commemorates the resurrection of our Lord. May we, as true followers of Him whose Star is our inspiration, rejoice that for us there comes with the dawn of the Easter Day, an awakening to a new and everlasting life. Let us ride triumphant with a new love in our hearts for our fellowmen, and an inspiration to be "Fairest among thousands altogether lovely".

Wishing you a joyous Easter, a wonderful Spring and a lifetime of happiness, we are

Sincerely and fraternally

MARION J. SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron
HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

April 2, 1953

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Time moves on, and this wonderful year has all too soon passed by and we must give an accounting of the days that you have placed in our care; those never-to-be-forgotten days that we have spent with our sisters and brothers, accepting your love and hospitality. If, in return, we have given you a bit of advice and encouragement we are indeed grateful.

We thank you sincerely for the generous way in which you have supported our projects, especially the Benefit for the Crippled Children. You have truly shown your "Faith and Loyalty" by your works.

Your Worthy Grand Patron and I with our Grand Officers have been given a wonderful year. Thank you again for the high honor conferred upon us.

Sincerely and fraternally

MARION J. SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron
HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

Motion by Brother Frederick Warrington, seconded by Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce that the report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

HENRY T. MILLER

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

Another gracious, happy and useful page in the Book of Life has been written and is about to be turned—to be constantly referred to in my memory with a great deal of pleasure.

The friendships that have been formed and the contacts made between the officers of this Grand Chapter and the officers and members of the subordinate chapters throughout the State, have been so very pleasant and inspiring. I shall always be grateful to the members of this Grand Chapter for the confidence they evidenced when they elected me to serve as their Worthy Grand Patron. I have tried, at all times, to perform well the required duties and to execute them to the best of my ability. This is the last time officially, for the Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star

to speak. The title, the office, the honor and respect of this station will exist as such and continue as long as the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star is in existence and is perpetuated. So may it ever be!

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

On Thursday night, May 29, 1952, attended School of Instruction held by Sister Marion Simpson, Worthy Grand Matron for Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers in the regular meeting room of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 6, New Castle, Delaware.

RECEPTIONS

I was fortunate to be able to attend the receptions given in honor of the Grand Officers in their respective chapters.

On Friday night, June 6, 1952 visited Mizpah Chapter No. 2, the Home Chapter of our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Simpson, where a wonderful reception for her and others who were to be honored was attended by a large gathering of members and friends from all over the State.

On Thursday night, June 12, 1952 a loyal host of members and friends was on hand to pay acknowledgment to Five Points Chapter No. 13, my Home Chapter, when it honored me with a never-to-be-forgotten reception. It was an added pleasure to share this evening with all the others whom our Worthy Grand Matron had appointed in Grand Chapter as well as the many of my attending friends and members. This event will always be an exciting and pleasurable memory. My most sincere thanks to my own chapter, Five Points No. 13 for planning this splendid night for me.

OFFICIAL VISITS

The Grand Visitations of the Worthy Grand Matron and Official Family are anticipated each year by the individual chapters and by the Worthy Grand Matron's careful scheduling of these events. I was able to attend all but one of these planned nights—Sussex Chapter No. 7, Seaford, Delaware, which I made up by paying this chapter a visit on April 2, 1953 to make my attendance record 100%.

- 1—June 11, 1952—Frankford Chapter No. 12
- 2—June 16, 1952—Adah Chapter No. 5
- 3—June 24, 1952—Unity Chapter No. 16
- 4—April 2, 1953 —Sussex Chapter No. 7
Previously scheduled for June 19, 1952
- 6—Sept. 4, 1952—Newark Chapter No. 10
- 6—Sept. 8, 1952—Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
- 7—Sept. 17, 1952—Esther Chapter No. 17. Also Birthday Party.
- 8—Sept. 22, 1952—Victory Chapter No. 15

- 9—Sept. 25, 1952—Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
 10—Oct. 2, 1952—St. John's Chapter No. 4
 11—Oct. 7, 1952—Brandywine Chapter No. 14
 12—Oct. 15, 1952—Kent Chapter No. 11
 13—Oct. 21, 1952—Radiant Chapter No. 6, Also Birthday Party
 14—Oct. 23, 1952—Five Points Chapter No. 13
 15—Nov. 7, 1952—Georgetown Chapter No. 9
 16—Nov. 11, 1952—Delaware Chapter No. 1
 17—Nov. 11, 1952—Mizpah Chapter No. 2

and on Nov. 17, 1952 visited Laurel Chapter U. D. with Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Lecturer and Sister Anne Miller on a more or less unscheduled, unofficial visit. Initiation was exemplified in a very commendable manner.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

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| Frankford Chapter No. 12 | Victory Chapter No. 15 |
| Adah Chapter No. 5 | Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 |
| Georgetown Chapter No. 9 | Kent Chapter No. 11 |
| Sussex Chapter No. 7 | Mizpah Chapter No. 2 |
| Esther Chapter No. 17 | Brandywine Chapter No. 14 |
| Membership of Honor in Job's Daughters Bethel No. 2
and Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 1 | |

BANQUETS

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| Oct. 3, 1952 | Five Points Chapter No. 13 |
| Oct. 15, 1952 | Kent Chapter No. 11 |
| Nov. 1, 1952 | Newark Chapter No. 10 |
| Nov. 8, 1952 | Victory Chapter No. 15 |
| Nov. 12, 1952 | Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 |
| Nov. 14, 1952 | Unity Chapter No. 16 |
| Nov. 15, 1952 | St. John's Chapter No. 4 |
| Nov. 19, 1952 | Radiant Chapter No. 6 |
| Nov. 20, 1952 | Brandywine Chapter No. 14 |
| Dec. 1, 1952 | Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 |
| Dec. 5, 1952 | Laurel Chapter U. D. |
| Dec. 13, 1952 | Mizpah Chapter No. 2 |
| Jan. 3, 1953 | Delaware Chapter No. 1 |

INSTALLATIONS

Our Worthy Grand Matron served as Installing Officer at some of the subordinate chapters. It was my pleasure to serve as her escort at some of these. It was my happy pleasure to assist in the installations of officers at my own chapter, Five Points No. 13.

- January 2, 1953, Mizpah Chapter No. 2
 January 6, 1953, Brandywine Chapter No. 14
 January 8, 1953, Five Points Chapter No. 13
 January 13, 1953, Unity Chapter No. 16

NEW CHAPTER

On Thursday December 11, 1952, Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of Eastern Star, held a special meeting 7:00 P. M. to 7:30 P. M. in the regular meeting room of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle, Delaware to vote on granting a Charter to Laurel Chapter U.D.

On Thursday, January 22, 1953, Laurel Chapter was constituted and consecrated as Laurel Chapter No. 18 and 1953 officers installed in their respective stations by members of Grand Chapter.

VISITS TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS

- Worthy Grand Patron's visiting jewel was worn on these occasions.
- June 25, 1952—Attended Grand Visitation at Havre-de-Grace Chapter No. 27, Havre-de-Grace, Md., with Sister Anne Miller, Sister Flora Morris, a neighbor, and past matron of that chapter.
- April 13, 1952—Attended Grand Visitation of Northern Chapter No. 38, Sussex, N. J., with Grand Chaplain Jane White, Brother Alonzo White and Sister Anne Miller and at same meeting Brother Adrian Russell, Grand Master of Masons in New Jersey and also Past Patron of this chapter was tendered a reception.
- Nov. 10, 1952—Attended regular meeting of Chester Chapter No. 335, Chester, Pa. with invited Five Points members.
- Nov. 27, 1952—Attended regular meeting of Worcester Chapter No. 102, Snow Hill, Md. Although this was Thanksgiving Night, the chapter did hold a meeting.
- Dec. 6, 1952—Attended a reception for Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Jones at Eastern Star Temple, Washington, D. C. Fifteen members from Delaware chapters were present.
- January 24, 1953—Attended Constitution and Consecration by Grand Chapter of Maryland, of Manokin Chapter No. 100 of Princess Anne, Md. with Sister Anne Miller, Sister Beulah Rodway and Past Grand Patron, Brother Thomas Rodway.
- January 28, 1953—Attended Grand Visitation, Corinthian Chapter No. 13, Philadelphia, Pa. with Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion Simpson, Sister Anne Miller, Sister Mabel Wyatt, Brother Robert Wyatt. Grand Lecturer, Sister Sarah Hoffman, Grand Marshal, Sister Marie Burris.

- Feb. 18, 1953—Attended meeting of Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Md. with 27 invited members of Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- April 4, 1953—Attended meeting of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Pa. with 18 invited members of Five Points Chapter No. 13.
- April 8, 1953—Attended Grand Visitation of Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Md. with 10 invited Delaware Grand Officers and many other invited Delaware members.
- April 10, 1953—Attended Grand Visitation at Prospect Park Chapter, No. 301, Prospect Park, Penna.
- April 17, 1953—Attended meeting at which an exemplification of O. E. S. Degree initiation as of year 1867 was viewed by 600 visiting Eastern Star members. Put on by Elizabethtown Chapter No. 407 in Mount Joy, Pa. High School Auditorium.
- April 26, 1953—Attended Opening of Maryland Grand Chapter Session in Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland.
- May 7, 1953—Attended meeting of Pennsgrove Chapter No. 86, Pennsgrove, New Jersey with three members of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Since reading this report I have been notified by the Grand Secretary of Maryland, Sister Cora E. Weider that I was made an honorary member of the Grand Chapter of Maryland.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- May 27, 1952—Attended combined meeting of Bethels No. 1 and No. 2, Job's Daughters in Masonic Temple, Newport, Delaware, on the occasion of the visit of the Supreme Guardian of International Order of Job's Daughters, Mrs. Jane Brockson. Ten Delaware Grand Officers present.
- June 4, 1952—Visited Esther Chapter No. 17.
- July 4, 1952—Sister Erma Nichols, viewing. (A member of Five Points Chapter No. 13).
- July 30, 1953—Brother James Kitchen, viewing. (Past Patron of Delaware Chapter No. 1).
- August 31, 1952—Brother Harry Maxwell, viewing. (Past Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13).
- Sept. 1, 1952—Brother Harry Maxwell's funeral. (Past Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13).
- Sept. 23, 1952—Installation of Adult Council member, Bethel No. 2, Job's Daughters.
- Nov. 10, 1952—Sunday. Masonic Home Divine Service by Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S.

- Dec. 3, 1952—Visited Esther Chapter No. 17.
- Dec. 14, 1952—"Fifty-Fifty" Covered Dish Supper at home of Sister and Brother Sendaker, near St. George's, Delaware.
- Dec. 16, 1952—Christmas Party at Masonic Home by Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S.
- Dec. 20, 1952—"Forty-Niners" Banquet at Dover, Delaware.
- Dec. 2, 1953—Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S. turn to serve Refreshments at V. A. Hospital.
- Dec. 22, 1952—Installation of new officers in Bethel No. 2 of Job's Daughters, Masonic Temple, Newport, Delaware.
- Dec. 26, 1952—Masonic Brother George Minner, viewing, Georgetown, Del. Brother Minner was husband of Sister Mildred Minner, Past Matron of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Georgetown, Del.
- Feb. 5, 1953—St. John's Chapter No. 4. I made up absence of Installation meeting January 15, 1953.
- Feb. 24, 1953—Grand Officers invited to meeting of Bethel No. 2, Job's Daughters, Masonic Temple, Newport, Del.
- March 4, 1953—Grand Officers invited to meeting of Bethel No. 1, Job's Daughters, Blue Rock Hall, Bellefonte, Del.
- March 5, 1953—St. John's Chapter No. 4. Grand Officers night.
- March 17, 1953—Visited Radiant Chapter No. 6.
- March 18, 1953—Visited Esther Chapter No. 17.
- March 20, 1953—Visited Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- March 21, 1953—Grand Chapter O. E. S. Country Fair at Delaware Shrine Club.
- March 19, 1953—Sunday, Masonic Home Divine Service by Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S.
- April 5, 1953—Easter Sunrise Service at Masonic Home.
- Also 14 visits to my own chapter, Five Points No. 13.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

June 20, 1952	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
Feb. 12, 1953	Five Points Chapter No. 13
Feb. 20, 1953	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
March 10, 1953	Delaware Chapter No. 1
March 24, 1953	Unity Chapter No. 16
April 9, 1953	Laurel Chapter No. 18
April 15, 1953	Kent Chapter No. 11
April 22, 1953	Frankford Chapter No. 12
May 5, 1953	Brandywine Chapter No. 14

APPRECIATION

Today my thankful prayer to God for endowing me with good health and strength, which have been my priceless possessions so that I could perform my duties faithfully.

To Sister Marion Simpson, Worthy Grand Matron, it has been a distinct honor and a fraternal privilege to serve with you this year and I thank you whole-heartedly for your many kindnesses to me and mine. As we join the ranks of the Past Grands may all of the year's experiences reflect nothing but happy and pleasant memories, for you.

To Sister Elvira Ziegler, Associate Grand Matron and Brother Kendall Gibbs, Associate Grand Patron, I wish you the best in health, strength, enjoyment and experience as you journey forth in your year of service. Also my sincere and fraternal good wishes to Sister Lillian Larrimore, Grand Conductress and Sister Ruth Laws, Associate Grand Conductress as they make one more advance in the Grand Line.

My respectful appreciation and gratitude to Sister Elizabeth Fisher, Grand Secretary, for her assistance this year and for the many kindnesses she has extended.

To the appointed Grand Officers, it has been a joy to know you better and to travel with you this year. Thank you so much for your loyalty and faithfulness to our Order. Also my deep appreciation for the many acts of kindness and numerous courtesies you have expressed to Sister Marion and to me all through the year.

In no way, would I ever think of closing this report without thanking the Past Grands and expressing to them my deep appreciation. You have built well the foundation of our Grand Chapter and have been a source of knowledge to which we could turn when advice was needed. Thank you sincerely for your assistance.

To my own (Five Points Chapter, No. 13) as you so kindly considered my petition, accepted me and made me a brother among you, I am deeply grateful. You gathered me into your arms within your Star like generous and gracious friends from without, who later proved to be the same sisters and brothers within. Then you raised me higher and higher until of late you have carried me through the Grand East—supported me gloriously, willingly and nobly. You have carried me high on your shoulders, so to speak. Now, I would cherish this with genuine fraternal love in my heart for all of you, take me from the honored heights down into your arms again. My experiences and your love have enriched me beyond measure.

To our many Eastern Star friends, Sister Anne and I, offer you our whole-hearted gratefulness for your visits, attendance, kindness and thoughtfulness, get well cards, gifts, prayers and 'phone calls, which are all deeply rooted in our hearts and remembered with affection as those acts of kindness and forbearance so essential to

our welfare and prosperity. Sisters and Brothers, we are wealthy because of your golden gifts of love.

To the members of the whole Grand Chapter, I will again repeat my thanks for your expression of confidence, as I assumed this office with "will judge with candor and admonish with justice"—I have endeavored in every way to fulfill this Pledge.

To my wife, Sister Anne Miller, I acknowledge with loving appreciation your loyal devotion. Your constant encouragement and support have done very much to lighten the duties of the year and to make it a pleasant and everlasting memory for me.

Finally my Sisters and Brothers, keep in mind "What is rightly called wasted time which is spent neither in the service of God nor for the good of our neighbors".

I beg of you, Go forth into this world, even though you know not these trials that lie before you, and practice in your daily lives the teachings of our beautiful Order. And when your house becomes soiled because you left your "Door" ajar, clean it up yourself—quietly and right pretty-like, still remembering—

*What you DO here, What you SEE here, What you HEAR here,
When you LEAVE here, Let it STAY here.*

Respectfully and fraternally

HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

ELIZABETH M. FISHER

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 very quickly and again I submit a report of my official transactions. If I were to itemize these transactions, it would be rather dull listening for you, yet it makes up a year of happy, busy days for me. The duties are many, the correspondence is heavy, but it is all a vital part of our Eastern Star life and I do make a sincere effort to perform these duties in a manner acceptable to this Grand Jurisdiction. I sincerely try to meet all requests for information which I may have in the Grand Chapter Office Records and to fill all orders for supplies and paraphernalia as promptly as possible.

Our membership has increased considerably in the last few years. We now have 3025 members as of Dec. 31, 1952. We have 18 chapters and our Baby Chapter, Laurel No. 18 now has 53 members and is really an asset to the Jurisdiction. This chapter was constituted in January 1953. We wish them continued success.

Christmas Cards were mailed to all Jurisdictions, Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, all Subordinate Chapters and officers entitled to them. Twelve Certificates of Commission as Grand Representative of Delaware in other Grand Jurisdictions have been prepared and mailed to those appointed by their Worthy Grand Matron.

Twenty-One Certificates of Commissions as Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions in Delaware have been received, recorded and mailed to the respective chapters for presentation to the appointees.

Proficiency Certificates in Class A and Class B, also Star Cards have been signed, sealed and recorded, then forwarded to the Grand Lecturer for delivery to those members who have passed satisfactory examinations.

The Triennial Report for Delaware was prepared and mailed to the Right Worthy Grand Secretary before the General Grand Session in Milwaukee.

Programs of the Triennial with credentials were mailed to all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, also a copy of the proposed amendments to the Ritual.

Ribbon Badges were sent to all members who notified me that they would be attending the Triennial in Wisconsin.

I attended the Triennial in Wisconsin and enjoyed renewing friendships and making new friends at the Secretaries breakfast. Also enjoyed exchanging souvenirs with the Grand Secretaries who were present.

Notice was sent to all Grand Chapter members of Special meeting of Grand Chapter held in Caesar Rodney Chapter Room, New Castle, Delaware to grant a Charter to Laurel Chapter.

Also notice was sent to all members of Grand Chapter of the date of Constituting Laurel Chapter.

IN MEMORIAM

Twenty-Five Sympathy cards were sent to Sister Jurisdictions on passing of Past Grand Matrons and Twenty-eight cards on passing of Past Grand Patrons.

Cards of Sympathy were sent to the following in other Grand Jurisdictions:

Sister Matilda A. World, Chairman International Temple Fund on death of her husband.

Sister Mildred Harris, Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress on death of her husband.

Sister Myrtle Elder, Grand Sec. of Minnesota on death of her husband.

Also Sympathy Card to Sister Helen West, Past Grand Matron of Delaware on death of her husband.

Cards were also sent for the following:

Sister Elsie S. Magoon, Chairman of Unfinished Business Committee of General Grand Chapter who passed away July 3, 1952.

Brother Bruce Moore, Past Grand Patron of Iowa who died May 15, 1952 at the age of 93.

Grand Chaplain of Connecticut, Mary T. Roath, passed away June 23, 1952.

Brother Neil R. Brown, Chairman of Distribution Committee of General Grand Chapter, Died Dec. 2, 1962.

RESIGNATION

Sister Pearl Peabody, Grand Secretary of Missouri resigned on account of ill health and was made Grand Secretary, Emeritus.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance April 30, 1952.....	\$ 4,192.77
Receipts May 1, 1952 to April 25, 1953.....	\$ 6,302.96
Total.....	\$10,495.73

RECEIPTS:

Per Capita Tax.....	\$3,025.00	
Initiation.....	82.50	
Supplies & Paraphernalia.....	800.06	
Diagram.....	2.00	
Secret Work.....	5.00	
Bibles.....	199.10	
Uniform Rec. Books.....	48.75	
Rituals.....	66.00	
Dispensations.....	14.00	
Proceedings.....	18.38	
Surety Bonds.....	87.00	
Instruction Books.....	7.70	
Constitution & By-Laws.....	3.40	
O. E. S. Temple Fund.....	56.00	
Educational Rehabilitation.....	766.60	
Benefit Handicapped.....	1,114.17	
Miscellaneous.....	6.80	
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	\$6,302.96	\$ 6,302.96

DISBURSEMENTS:

Wm. Lehmborg & Sons, Inc.....	181.40
C. L. Story Co. Proceedings, Programs, Printing.....	1,340.65
Gen'l Grand Supplies & O.E.S. Temple....	775.53

Macoy Pub. Co. Books & Paraphernalia . . .	56.52		
Wick Co., Ribbons	17.22		
Stuart Bookbinder (Proceedings 2 Vol.) . . .	12.50		
L. C. Ziegler Studio Press	49.50		
Highfield & Watkins Surety Bond	95.00		
McNichols Plant Nursery (Gr. Sess.)	32.25		
Grier Lumber Co. (Gr. Sess.)	9.07		
Marie Roberts (Gr. Sess.)	114.17		
Milford Chronicle (Gr. Sess.)	12.50		
Vane Greenhouse (Gr. Sess.)	8.50		
Sadie Conley (Vet. Hosp. Exp.)	20.00		
Fulton Paper Co. (Vet. Hosp.)	15.63		
Howard Collins (Diamond)	75.00		
Emma Maxwell (Storage)	50.00		
Chorus returned check to Home Fund	10.00		
Cedar Tree Press	49.00		
Sommer Badge Co.	24.12		
Cora Weider (Ceremony Inf.)50		
Rommells (Seal)	18.50		
Refund to St. John's No. 4	6.50		
Letter Shop Mimeographing	40.50		
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Contingent Funds:			
Worthy Grand Matron	\$ 125.00		
Worthy Grand Patron	25.00		
Grand Lecturer	50.00		
Grand Lecturer	50.00		
Grand Secretary	150.00		
Grand Treasurer	5.00		
Sadie Conly	10.00		
		<u>\$ 365.00</u>	— 365.00
Handicapped Benefit from Rehabilitation Fund	600.00		
Gilbert Publishing Co.	52.04		
I. C. Greth Co.	13.80		
T. B. Seals	2.00		
Refund to Irma LeCompte	3.00		
COMPENSATION FOR SERVICE RENDERED:			
Ella F. Cleaver	20.00		
E. M. Fisher, Gr. Sec.	200.00		
E. M. Fisher, Exp. Gr. Sess.	25.00		

Virda Simpler, Gr. Treas.....	10.00		
Marian Craig, Gr. Org.....	5.00		
Elvira Ziegler Souvenirs and Triennial Expenses.....	175.00		
		<u>\$1,470.84</u>	— 1,470.84
Delaware Soc. for Handicapped Children...	\$ 500.00		
Shriners Hospital of Philadelphia.....	500.00		
General Gr. Chapter Cancer Fund.....	114.17		
Marian Kumpel (Gift for Gr. Sess. Guest)...	10.00		
Wm. Lehmberg Inc.....	15.55		
		<u>\$1,139.72</u>	— 1,139.72

Total Disbursements..... \$5,625.12

Balance April 30, 1952..... \$4,192.77

Receipts..... 6,302.96

Total..... \$10,495.73

Disbursements..... 5,625.12

Balance..... \$4,870.61

Bank Balance..... \$6,010.33

OUTSTANDING CHECKS:

#751.....	\$ 500.00
#752.....	500.00
#753.....	114.17
#754.....	10.00
#755.....	15.55

Total Outstanding.... \$1,139.72

Actual Balance..... \$4,870.61

Grand Secretary

REPORT OF EASTERN STAR HOME FUND

This fund was transferred from Wilmington Trust Company to Wilmington Savings Fund Society in order to receive a higher rate of interest.

Amount in the Fund April 30, 1952..... \$2,668.38

Received since the above date:

From.

The Star Chorus.....	\$10.00
Esther Chapter No. 16.....	5.00
Kent Chapter No. 11.....	50.00

Florence Mannering.....	5.00
Sussex Chapter No. 7.....	50.00
Adah Chapter.....	50.00
Frankford Chapter No. 12.....	50.00
Victory Chapter No. 15.....	50.00
Laurel Chapter No. 18.....	40.00
Int. from Wil. Sav's. Fund.....	7.50

Total amount received since April 30, 1952. \$ 317.50 317.50

Amount in Wilmington Savings Fund Society..... \$ 2,985.88

The following chapters have subscribed to Building Loan Shares:

Mizpah Chapter	No. 2
Julia M. Story	No. 3
St. John's	No. 4
Caesar Rodney	No. 8
Georgetown	No. 9
Unity Chapter	No. 16

VETERANS HOSPITAL FUND

The amount in our checking account which had been earmarked for Veterans Hospital use was..... \$ 16.46

The amount from the Rehabilitation Fund allotted for this cause was..... \$ 166.60
 Making a total of..... \$ 183.06

Spent for prizes for Vet. Hospital..... 10.00
 Balance..... 173.06

One case of Paper Cups..... 15.63
 Leaving a balance in our checking account which is earmarked for Veterans Hospital use..... \$ 157.43

Plus the \$25.00 Bond which matures October 1956.

On June 3, 1952, we received a letter from Mr. Freeland Kendrick for the Shriners Hospital acknowledging check from the Grand Chapter of Delaware. The Shriners appreciate this support of the Eastern Star for the "Temple of Baby Smiles".

Letter was received from Brother Frankland W. L. Miles, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron, thanking us for Get-well wishes during his illness.

All invitations to Grand Chapter Sessions have been acknowledged with fraternal greetings and good wishes.

We have received acknowledgment of our invitations sent to Sister Grand Jurisdictions to attend our Grand Session.

We have letters of acceptance from:

Mrs. Ruth A. Jones, Most Worthy Grand Matron
 Miss Virginia Randall, P. G. M. Maryland
 Mrs. Florence A. Plummer, Right Worthy Assoc. Gr. Matron
 Mrs. Bertha M. Weir, Grand Rep. of Del. in Penna.
 Bro. Wilbur H. Cramblet, M. W. G. Patron

We have received regrets from:

Mrs. Juanita Killion, Rt. W. Gr. Conductress
 Mrs. Josephine H. Browning, Rt. W. Gr. Trustee
 Mrs. Mamie Lander, Past Most W. Gr. Matron and Right
 Worthy Grand Secretary
 Sister Eugene Ryland Miles, P. G. M. of Maryland
 Sister Mildred Harris, Rt. W. Assoc. Gr. Conductress

Motion by Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, seconded by P. G. Matron
 Sister Sarah E. Riffin report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

VIRDA SIMPLER

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

I submit the following report of my official transactions for the
 Grand Chapter year ending April 30, 1953.

Balance on hand April 30, 1952.....	\$ 4,192.77	
Received from the Grand Secretary:		
May 26, 1952.....	\$ 189.67	
July 14, 1952.....	1,058.39	
Sept. 19, 1952.....	69.18	
Nov. 25, 1952.....	238.81	
Dec. 12, 1952.....	71.49	
Feb. 2, 1953.....	3,004.37	
Feb. 24, 1953.....	435.64	
March 23, 1953.....	1,073.70	
April 17, 1953.....	161.71	
Total Receipts.....	\$6,302.96	\$ 6,302.96
Grand Total.....		\$10,495.73
Disbursements April 30, 1952 to April 25, 1953.....		5,625.12
Balance April 25, 1953.....		4,870.61
Bank Balance.....	\$6,010.33	

Outstanding Checks:

#751.....	\$ 500.00	
#752.....	500.00	
#753.....	114.17	
#754.....	10.00	
#755.....	15.55	
Total Outstanding.....	\$1,139.72	\$1,139.72
Actual Balance.....		\$4,870.61

VIRDA SIMPLER
Grand Treasurer
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE
J. NELSON ABBOTT

Motion by Sister Virda Simpler, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce that Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland, Sister Katherine L. Wiley and Past Grand Matron of Oklahoma, Sister E. Agnes Eldred be made honorary members of this Grand Chapter.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

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

We, your Necrology Committee wish to submit the following report:

The Memorial Service in memory of our deceased members, was held in Hillcrest Memorial Methodist Church, at 7:45 P. M. Sunday, May 10, 1953.

Preceding the Memorial Service the Rev. George W. Goodley gave an impressive message on "Faith" as illustrated in the life of Martha.

Music for the service was provided by a quartette, under the direction of Sister Emma S. Wheeler, composed of Brother Cheston McCormick, Brother Frank Futchler, Brother Harold Shaub and Sister Greta Anderson.

The tribute was given by Brother Earl Smith, followed by a prayer offered by the Worthy Grand Patron, Henry T. Miller.

Meditation was given by Sister Edna J. Carter, followed by the beautiful and impressive ceremony of the Worthy Matrons assisted by their Worthy Patrons, presenting their flowers in memory of their departed friends.

There were 37 deaths reported in 15 chapters, 3 chapters reporting no deaths. There were no deaths in either the General Grand Chapter nor the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of the deceased members and to their Subordinate Chapters.

*"God saw the road was getting rough
The hills were hard to climb;
He gently closed their loving eyes
And whispered, "Peace be thine."*

Fraternally submitted,

SYLVIA KNOX
ESTHER CLYMER
EARL SMITH
EDNA CARTER, Chairman

Motion by Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, seconded by Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry T. Miller, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion Adopted.

Memorial Period.

Worthy Grand Matron:

Memorials are held to pay tribute to all who have passed to the Great Beyond:

*"Somewhere back of the sunset
Where loveliness never dies
They live in the Land of Glory
'Mid the blue and the fold of the skies"*

We know they dwell in love and peace in the Land of Eternity.

Grand Secretary read the names of departed members, Chorus sang, "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is calling," while Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary approached the Altar. Worthy Grand Matron placed a spray of white carnations at base of Altar and Grand Secretary placed the scroll of names upon the Altar with these words:

*"Though from our chain these Golden Links
have fallen from our sight
Yet we are sure that He knows best,
His will, not ours, is right."*

ROLL OF DECEASED MEMBERS FOR YEAR 1952

DELAWARE CHAPTER No. 1
 Mrs. Sarah A. Howard
 Mrs. Elinor M. Hill
 Mrs. Margaret M. Quarles
 Mrs. Lettie I. Adamson
 Mrs. Jennie B. Springer

MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2
 Harrington J. Wheeler
 Harry F. Newlin, P. G. P.
 Mrs. Lillie E. Pierce
 Mrs. Beulah M. Irwin
 Alexander R. Colegrove

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3
 Mrs. Edith T. Frazier
 Mrs. May Thompson

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4
 Mrs. Malcolm Billsborough
 Mrs. Minerva Billsborough
 Mrs. Helen Camperson, P.M.
 Mrs. Bella B. Gray, P. M.
 Mrs. Eleanor Gregg
 Mrs. Bertha McCall
 Mrs. Louise K. Sallaway

ADAH CHAPTER No. 5
 Mrs. Ida H. Conoway
 Mr. Harry T. Esham, P.P.

RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6
 Mrs. Mae B. Keller
 Mrs. Millicent M. Lawton
 Mrs. Sarah E. Phillips

SUSSEX CHAPTER No. 7
 Charles R. Wiley

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER No. 8
 Mrs. Catherine Ellison, P.M.
 Mrs. Ida Smith, P. M.

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER No. 9
 Mrs. Nettie E. White

NEWARK CHAPTER No. 10
 Carl D. Brown

KENT CHAPTER No. 11
 Mrs. Mary Daley
 Mrs. Lula Holmes Potter

FRANKFORD CHAPTER No. 12
 No Deaths

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13
 Amos H. Cattell, P. P.
 Mrs. Emma Nichols
 Harry E. Maxwell, P. P.

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER No. 14
 Walter Missimer

VICTORY CHAPTER No. 15
 Robert E. Chambers, W.P.

UNITY CHAPTER No. 16
 Mrs. Olive T. Becker

ESTHER CHAPTER No. 17
 No Deaths

LAUREL CHAPTER No. 18
 No Deaths

Worthy Grand Matron made an announcement that all Voting Members must show their Due Cards to receive a ballot if they wish to vote.

Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called to recess to resume labor at 10:00 A. M. Tuesday.

TUESDAY MORNING

May 12th 10:00 A. M.

Chairman of Sessions, Past Matron, Sister Marian Kumpel presiding, presented Past Grand Matron, Sister Dora Fitzgerald and Past Grand Patron, Brother J. Albert Kumpel, who opened the

morning session, inviting the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter Room.

Sister Fitzgerald's welcome to the Worthy Grand Matron and Patron:

I feel highly honored this morning being requested to preside in the opening of this important session of our Grand Chapter. I can assure you I do it with a great deal of pride and pleasure and I bid each of you a most hearty and sincere welcome. I am also very glad to have Past Grand Patron, Brother Kumpel share the Grand East with me this morning.

I trust this session will do much for the advancement of our Order. May we keep before us this day, our Worthy Grand Matron's motto—"Faith and Loyalty". Faith in each other and loyalty to the high ideals of our Order. We have met to legislate and review the work of the past year and to plan for the years to come.

This last day of our Grand Session is perhaps the most important of all, for in it we select those to whom we shall entrust the immediate future of the Order in the state. Let us strive to legislate wisely, so that when the time comes for us to return to our homes and chapters, we do so with a feeling that we and our Order are the better for our associations together.

Grand Marshal you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers into the Grand Chapter Room. I am most happy to welcome you to this your morning session. Brother Kumpel and I feel this is a great honor as well as a pleasure to call to order one of your sessions. We sincerely appreciate being chosen from the many others and we shall always cherish the memory of this occasion. I congratulate you on your successful session and the work of the year. This is the last day of your session and you are looking toward the closing of your year as Worthy Grand Matron. May you look back upon this year, not with regrets and disappointments, but with joy and happiness that will follow you down through the years. I am sure that all the members will realize, when you have finished your term of service, you have left good-will and friendship along the way. We realize the things we do for ourselves die with us, but what we do for others, lives on. You have kept the Faith and been Loyal to our teachings of being mindful of the welfare of others. May I conclude in reference to your Project of the year; The Home Fund. A Fund project that had its beginning in our year 1949. I extend to you my personal appreciation and congratulations for the service you have given to this worthy cause, for in no greater way can we fulfill our obligations. The principles, teachings and high ideals upon which our Order was founded, is giving unselfish service to others and especially to the aged. In your acceptance address, may I quote? 'The aged need so little but they need that little so much.' How true! You have given your little and much, so may this be a challenge for others to continue to plan and build for the future, so that we will be prepared to give aid

and comfort and care to those less fortunate and especially to our aged in the SUNSET OF THEIR LIVES.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry: I cannot conclude without telling you of the service you have given; you have been a messenger of goodwill and if your advice is followed, our chapters and the Order will continue to grow and prosper, so I leave with you a word of appreciation and congratulation for the splendid service you have given throughout the year.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were escorted to the Grand East.

Opening Ode.

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

Minutes of the Monday evening session were read and approved.

Motion by P. G. M., Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by W. G. P., Brother Henry T. Miller, they be accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggin made a motion seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles V. Cleaver that we take from the Student Loan Fund and give to the Eastern Star Training Fund of the General Grand Chapter each year, a sum equal to ten cents per member until the Student Loan Fund shall be exhausted.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER SISTER SARAH HOFFMAN

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, distinguished East, Officers, and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S.

The honor of serving the Grand Chapter of Delaware as Grand Lecturer has been a privilege indeed. To my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, I thank you for this appointment, it has been a pleasure to serve you. The joy for service, the contacts made, the friendships formed, the many courtesies received have been a wonderful experience never to be forgotten.

The school for Deputies was held in Caesar Rodney Chapter room, New Castle, Del., May 29, 1952. Many thanks to Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 for use of their room and paraphernalia.

It has been my happy privilege to visit each subordinate Chapter and to find the Ritualistic work being exemplified in a very creditable manner, many thanks to all Deputies for receiving corrections in a most gracious way.

It has been my pleasant duty to attend rehearsals in several Chapters and was pleased with the cooperation received from Deputies and Officers.

To the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth, many thanks for all your kindness.

My report of Contingent Fund has been filed with the Grand Secretary and Grand Trustees.

I have examined the following and issued certificates in Class "A" to:

Joseph H. Ellis.....	Sept. 29, 1952.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Beulah Rodway.....	Feb. 28, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Esther Clymer.....	March 28, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Ella Cleaver.....	April 20, 1953.....	Wilmington, Del.
Edna Simmons.....	April 23, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Vera Snedeker.....	April 24, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Anna White.....	April 25, 1953.....	Laurel, Del.
Minnie Kytte.....	April 25, 1953.....	Laurel, Del.
Eliza Crossland.....	April 28, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Dorothy M. Corkran	April 30, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Bessie Miles.....	May 2, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Margaret C. Wilkinson	May 4, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.
Edwin R. Wilkinson...	May 4, 1953.....	Bellefonte, Del.

I have also given Sister Dorothy Larrimore of Unity Chapter No. 16, one third of her examination in "Class A".

And Sister Ivah Ostendarp of Brandywine Chapter No. 14 all but the Initiatory and Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S.

Those examined for Worthy Matron are:

- Florence Walls, Delaware No. 1
- Margaret King, Mizpah No. 2
- Virginia Holdway, Julia M. Story No. 3
- Ruth Nutter, St. John's No. 4
- Doris Truitt, Adah No. 5
- Callie Wood, Radiant No. 6
- Eunice Wood, Radiant No. 6
- Evelyn T. Holden, Sussex No. 7
- Odel Guy, Caesar Rodney No. 8
- Grace Moore, Caesar Rodney No. 8
- Edna Simmons, Caesar Rodney No. 8
- Myrtle Stevenson, Georgetown No. 9
- M. Ella Steele, Newark No. 10
- Marion Moore, Newark No. 10
- M. Katherine Downing, Kent No. 11
- Hilda Wood, Frankford No. 12
- Helen Weldie, Five Points No. 13
- Jeanette Gutzke, Brandywine No. 14

Jennie Thompson, Victory No. 15
 Helen T. Joseph, Unity No. 16
 Patricia Mears, Esther No. 17
 Mary Woerner, Laurel No. 18
 Thirza Hall, Laurel No. 18

Those examined in "Class B" are:

Ruth Loveless, Delaware Chapter No. 1, Jan. 5, 1953
 Myrtle Shaub, Mizpah Chapter No. 2, Dec. 29, 1952
 Isabelle D. Allen, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Jan. 5, 1953
 Dorothy Sweeney, St. John's Chapter No. 4, Dec. 18, 1952
 Anna Hudson, Adah Chapter No. 5, June 23, 1952
 Eunice Wood, Radiant Chapter No. 6, Dec. 13, 1952
 Katherine C. Bradley, Sussex Chapter No. 7, Nov. 25, 1952
 Elwood W. Coulbourn, Sussex Chapter No. 7, March 11, 1953
 Grace Moore, Caesar Rodney No. 8, Jan. 2, 1953
 Edna Simmons, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, Jan. 5, 1953
 Marcella De Moss, Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Dec. 28, 1952
 Herbert Von Goerres, Jr., Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Dec. 28 1952
 Eleanor Tyler, Newark Chapter No. 10, Dec. 30, 1952
 Marian Moore, Newark Chapter No. 10, Jan. 12, 1953
 Jane Pride, Kent Chapter No. 11, Dec. 24, 1952
 Mary Cobb, Frankford Chapter No. 12, Dec. 18, 1952
 Jane C. Livermore, Five Points Chapter No. 13, Dec. 30, 1952
 Joseph H. Ellis, Five Points Chapter No. 13, May 21st, 1952
 C. Maurice Weldie, Five Points Chapter No. 13, March 4, 1953
 Marjorie Ward, Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Dec. 29, 1952
 Sue Baynard, Victory Chapter No. 15, Feb. 10, 1953
 Joseph P. Miller, Victory Chapter No. 15, June 16, 1952
 Richard Chambers, Victory Chapter No. 15, April 13, 1953
 Jane D. Brittingham, Unity Chapter No. 16, Dec. 17, 1952
 Edith Labour, Esther Chapter No. 17, Dec. 17, 1952
 Mary E. Woerner, Laurel Chapter No. 18, Jan. 14, 1953
 Thirza P. Hall, Laurel Chapter No. 18, Jan. 14, 1953
 Catherine C. Ruston, Laurel Chapter No. 18, Jan. 14, 1953

And now as this year comes to a close, Worthy Grand Matron, it is with a deep sense of gratitude that I say thanks to you for your confidence, patience, and kindness.

It has been an honor to have served as your Grand Lecturer.

Fraternally submitted,

SARAH HOFFMAN

Motion by Sister Ruth Laws, seconded by Sister Ruth Stiggins, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

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, 1952 to April 30, 1953:

Cash Balance on hand April 30, 1952.....	\$ 4,192.77
Receipts for the year.....	6,302.96
	\$10,495.73
Total.....	
Less Disbursements from April 30, 1952 to April 30, 1953.....	5,625.12
	\$ 4,870.61
Cash Balance on hand.....	\$ 4,870.61
Bank balance April 25, 1953.....	\$ 6,010.33
Outstanding Checks:	
#751 \$500.00	
#752 500.00	
#753 114.17	
#754 10.00	
#755 15.55	
	\$1,139.72

Bank balance April 30, 1953.....\$ 4,870.61

Assets of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

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

ROBERT LARRIMORE
J. N. ABBOTT

Motion by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Sister Sarah E. Riggins, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

Associate Grand Matron, Sister ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished Guests, Officers and Members of the Order of the Eastern Star:

With the proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions to pilot the course, it has been the happy privilege and pleasure of the committee to travel far and wide on an imaginary journey throughout our Eastern Star world, fulfilling one of the most interesting and educational assignments of this Grand Chapter.

We have attended Grand Sessions in Masonic and Shrine Temples, Scottish Rite Cathedrals, Civic Auditoriums, Churches, Schools, Theatres and Hotel Ballrooms which have been transformed into beautiful and inspiring settings.

The Order was founded by Robert Morris. The first chapter being organized in LaGrange, Kentucky in 1850 with a few sincere, honest, conscientious people and has grown into an organization of three million members and has threaded its way into all parts of the world with subordinate chapters in Cuba, Canal Zone, Alaska, Yukon, Japan, Okinawa, Manila, Guam, Hawaiian Islands and at the General Grand Chapter held in Milwaukee last September, the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Miles gave a report of his trip to Germany in the interest of instituting a chapter at Frankford. The Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Cramblet will go to Germany in a few weeks to constitute the chapter.

The Holy Bible, the Stars and Stripes, Christian Flag, State Flag Eastern Star Flag are always present at each Grand Session. Nearly every jurisdiction has a memorial service previous to the Grand Session. In the state of Mississippi a highway Eastern Star Marker was erected at Richland on September 1951 in front of the little Red School House where Robert Morris was teaching when he wrote the Ritual. The Marker was given by the State Historical Commission in commemoration of the Order of Eastern Star movement.

Maryland has done note-worthy work for Veterans at Perry Point, Maryland.

In New Hampshire all Grand Officers, Committees and Representatives are paid mileage from home town to Grand Session.

In Washington State the names of investigating committee not read in chapter, but must be in the minutes.

New Jersey affiliated and withdrew from General Grand Chapter three times. Have been independent since 1907.

Indiana does not permit members to own Rituals.

An orphanage is maintained by Eastern Stars in Michigan.

Utah must open chapter for a funeral. In 1952 constituted their first chapter in 26 years.

Connecticut has a library from which ceremonies and diagrams for marches may be borrowed.

Kansas gave \$785.05 for hair dryers and shampoo equipment for Masonic Home. The Grand Treasurer of Kansas gave her report in poetry until it was necessary to give the financial statement. An office building which had been talked about for 5 years became a reality and is located in central part of Topeka, a portrait of Sister Olga Philips to be hung in the new building.

The Grand Session of Arkansas had an unusual setting. A real cotton patch with Colonial Home in rear. The Grandson of the Worthy Grand Matron and the daughter of the Worthy Grand Patron marched through the cotton patch to open the doors of the home for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. At their grand session a silver loving cup was to be presented to the oldest member present who had been a member the longest. It was won by a member 86 years of age, having been a member 68 years. One had been a member 74 years, but not present.

The Golden Gavel which was presented to New York Grand Chapter in 1920 on the event of their Golden Jubilee Session has been used to open the Thursday evening session every year since that date. They gave a piano to the recreational building at the United States Military Academy, also chancel furniture, Baptismal Font and robes for the choir of thirty voices.

Minnesota has seventy chapters with wife and husband teams, Worthy Matrons and Patrons.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Sister Elizabeth Fisher for sending the proceedings to us so promptly.

Fraternally submitted,

ELVIRA ZIEGLER

Associate Grand Matron

LILLIAN LARRIMORE

Grand Conductress

RUTH M. LAWS

Associate Grand Conductress

Motion by Past Grand Matron, Sister Clara A. Reuter, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Irma LeCompte, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth A. Jones had to leave at this time and expressed her appreciation of everything which had been done for her enjoyment at this Grand Chapter Session.

REPORT OF THE 27TH TRIENNIAL ASSEMBLY OF
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER, O. E. S.

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

One of the greatest privileges during my year as Associate Grand Matron was the opportunity I had of representing Delaware at the 27th Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on October 12 to 17, 1952. My only regret was that our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron were unable to attend and enjoy this assembly with me.

My grateful thanks to the Grand Chapter of Delaware for this pleasure and one which will never be mine again, that of representing Delaware at the Triennial.

When I left Wilmington on Saturday, October 11th, I did not know where I would sleep that night, as my reservation had not been confirmed, but knowing Eastern Stars all over the world, I knew the Eastern Stars in Wisconsin would not let a little old Star from Delaware sleep on a park bench so my family took me to the Philadelphia Airport with confidence in their hearts that I would find a place. On my arrival at the airport in Milwaukee while confirming my return flight, the United Air Line attendant very graciously phoned the Schroeder Hotel, which was the headquarters for the Triennial, and learned that plans had been made for me to stay there, having Sister Catherine Felger, Past Grand Matron from Oregon, and a member of the Necrology Committee, to share the room with me. That was a very happy and pleasant arrangement. The newly elected Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Brother Lloyd E. McRae is from Oregon.

On Sunday morning at divine worship in the Grand Avenue Congregational Church, the Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet delivered the sermon, taking as his theme "If Christ Were Here". The Church was filled to capacity, and overflowing in the aisles and recreation room.

On Sunday evening after seven o'clock is when the fun began, that of swapping favors with other states. The hotel lobby was in shambles by midnight, however, the swapping continued all week. The lute luggers which Indiana had given each one who registered at their tea on Sunday afternoon, became the most important accessory to ones' ensemble. The historical favors which I was privileged to take from Delaware were very much in demand.

Monday was set aside for registration and Monday night the informal opening. A very lovely pageant was presented with Miss America leading, Miss Britannia, Miss Cuba, Miss Mexico, Miss Philippines, Miss Japan, and the Canal Zone, all in native costume. The call to order and welcome was given by the General Chairman, Mrs. Irma H. Sedlmayer, Past Grand Matron of Wisconsin. Then came the welcome to the Distinguished Guests, entrance of the General Grand Chapter Officers and Committee Members. We of Delaware should feel very proud of our representation. First was Sister Dora Fitzgerald, presented with the General Grand Chapter Committee members. Brother Charles V. Cleaver proudly carried our State Flag in the absence of Brother Robert Larrimore. I know of nothing more

thrilling than the Cavalcade of Flags, being carried from the rear of the Auditorium and placed in their standards on the platform. Then when the pages were presented we had sister Mildred Bryan, page to the General Chairman of the Assembly, Sister Irma H. Sedlmayer, Past Grand Matron of Wisconsin. Brother J. Albert Kumpel was Assistant Worthy Grand Sentinel who was very helpful to all. There were greetings extended to us by the Governor of Wisconsin, the Mayor of Milwaukee and the head of all bodies of Masonry. They sent no substitutes. They were there.

On Tuesday after ritualistic opening and introductions were over we went into the business of the Assembly. At 6 P. M. was the Delegates Banquet. This was a delightful affair, the favors being two small packages of Wisconsin cheese and a sterling silver cheese knife for each delegate. After the banquet at 7:30 was Shrine Night. Orak Shrine, from Hammond, Indiana, of which the Most Worthy Grand Matron's husband was a member, and Tripoli Shrine of Milwaukee entertained us in a most magnificent manner with drills, male chorus, concert music, band and drum and bugle corps. The Imperial Potentate, Mr. Harvey Beffa from St. Louis was presented. It was at this time that we were informed that the Order of Eastern Star had given \$250,000.00 in the past three years to Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children. Because of the wonderful evening afforded us by the Shriners an offering was taken at the door via the Shrine Fez and \$1,490.00 was contributed to be used for crippled children.

Wednesday was spent with Committee Reports. Wednesday night was International Night. A very fine pageant was presented with all the different countries in native costume.

Thursday morning was time for election, with the first seven officers being unanimously elected. Sister Mildred H. Harris of Texas being elected Right Worthy Grand Associate Conductress and Brother Hugh Tamisiea from Iowa elected Right Worthy Grand Sentinel. Thursday evening was set aside for Memorial Service with Sister Ruth Neighbor, Past Grand Matron of Missouri as Chairman of Necrology. It was a very impressive service.

Friday was spent on revising the ritual. Since the copyright expired on the present ritual this year, and since they were unable to make any changes from the past nine years, this session fell heir to making the revisions. Since so much work is involved in revising the ritual we have had no official notification of the revisions.

At 5:30 P. M. Friday a Banquet and Reception was given honoring Sister Ruth A. Jones and Brother Wilbur H. Cramblet by the Grand Chapters of Connecticut and West Virginia. A plate of the International Temple in Washington was presented to each one attending. After the banquet the evening session was a farewell to Sister Hanson with Sister Hanson and Brother Miles installing the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Jones and the Most Worthy Grand Patron Brother Wilbur H. Cramblet and their officers for the next three years.

I know every one in Delaware was happy and proud to learn that we again have an appointment to the General Grand Chapter for the next three years. Brother Charles V. Cleaver has been appointed on the welfare committee.

Thanks again for the distinguished privilege of representing the Grand Chapter of Delaware at the 27th Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter.

Motion by Sister Ruth Laws, seconded by Sister Mary Bevis, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

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

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

Your Jurisprudence Committee has carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron and submit the following:—

In conjunction with the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, we approve and concur in their report and various changes in By-Laws of subordinate chapters.

We approve Dispensations granted with the following exceptions:

Nov. 14, 1952, Five Points No. 13 for purpose of initiation; December 24, 1952, Frankford No. 12 for the purpose of initiation; fees collected in each instance should be returned, as Art. 1, Sec. 1, Par. 3, Rules and Regulations of Subordinate Chapters, and Ritual, Page 93, states that the Worthy Matron may call special meetings for the purpose among others of conferring degrees.

Sept. 20, 1952 and October 21, 1952, two dispensations issued to Laurel U. D.; fees collected should be returned as under the Constitution the Worthy Grand Patron renders all decisions for chapters while under dispensation.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

We approve #1 and #2, #4, #5 and #6.

On Question and Answer No. 3, we do not feel a chairman is necessary.

Art. 1, Sec. 31, Page 50, Rules and Regulations, covers and no chairman is authorized for an investigating committee.

IRREGULARITIES:

We approve irregularities noted with the exception of #3, signing for secret work. We find nothing in the Constitution or By-Laws requiring this procedure.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

#1 Ritual, Page 35, shows presentation of the flag after the Worthy Matron seats the Chapter. Unless the new Ritual now being printed changes this, we disapprove this recommendation.

#2. We feel this courtesy should be left entirely to the Worthy Grand Matron and her staff of Grand Officers.

#3. Withdrawn by Worthy Grand Matron.

#4. We approve.

#5. We approve.

#6. We approve.

Respectfully submitted

MARIE L. ROBERTS, Chairman
CHARLES V. CLEAVER
IRMA O. LECOMPTE
Jurisprudence Committee

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

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

Your Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron, and commend him for the earnest and conscientious manner in which he has performed his duties. We congratulate him on the service rendered.

We recommend the adoption of his report as a whole.

Respectfully submitted

MARIE L. ROBERTS, Chairman
CHARLES V. CLEAVER
IRMA O. LECOMPTE
Jurisprudence Committee

Motion by Sister Marian Craig, seconded by Brother Charles V. Cleaver that this report be accepted as a whole and printed in the proceedings.

Motion adopted.

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

The recommendation on the first four dispensations issued by the Worthy Grand Matron be accepted. This recommendation was that the fee of \$1.00 collected, be returned to the respective chapters.

Motion by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin seconded by Brother Charles V. Cleaver, that the recommendation be adopted.

Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Matron reported irregularities of secretaries sending requests without seal of chapter, also sending of notices on Post Cards. The Worthy Grand Matron disapproved of this procedure and the Jurisprudence Committee approved her disapproval.

Motion by P. G. M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by Eliazbeth M. Fisher, that we accept the report of the Jurisprudence Committee on irregularities and take up later, the item of three officers in the subordinate chapters giving a receipt to the secretary for the secret work and diagram.

Recommendation No. 1 of Worthy Grand Matron's report was disapproved by Jurisprudence Committee, unless the new Ritual changes the time of saluting the Flag.

Sister Clara A. Reuter and Sister Elizabeth Pierce moved the adoption of Jurisprudence ruling.

Motion adopted.

Recommendation No. 2. The Jurisprudence Committee feels this courtesy should be left entirely to the Worthy Grand Matron and her Grand Officers.

Sister Sadie Conly, seconded by Sister Ruth Laws, moved the adoption of the Jurisprudence ruling.

Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Matron withdrew Recommendation No. 3

Recommendation No. 4 regarding recognition and welcome of our Grand Representatives in our meetings. Jurisprudence Committee approved this recommendation. Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce and Brother Charles V. Cleaver moved this adoption.

Motion adopted.

Jurisprudence Committee approved Recommendation No. 5. A closer study of the Ritual and Constitution.

Sister Clara A. Reuter, seconded by Sister Sarah E. Riggin moved its adoption.

Motion adopted.

Report of Jurisprudence Committee on Questions and Answers. Approved Questions and answers 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6. Question #3, Committee reported no chairman is authorized by our laws for the Investigation Committee.

Moved by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Brother Charles V. Cleaver that this portion be accepted.

Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter from labor to recess to resume labor at 1:00 o'clock.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

May 12 1:00 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Sister Marian Kumpel, presenting Past Grand Matron Bessie Warrington and Past Grand Patron, Brother Frederick Warrington who opened the session and invited the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers into the Chapter Room.

Welcome by P. G. M. Sister Bessie Warrington:

You are about to commence the final duties of your office. For a year you have given your best to your large family. You have endeared yourselves to all you have come in contact with, by your loving kindness and devotion to duty, being always ready to help others, even if by so doing, you had to sacrifice your own personal affairs. Your cheerful smiles were always welcome in the subordinate chapters or wherever any of us were fortunate enough to meet you and your kindly words of advice and encouragement were always gratefully received. We hope that when the present session is drawn to a close, we shall return to our homes, feeling that this Session has been one of the happiest and most successful we have held.

*For, we liked you plenty yesterday,
And lots the day before;
Today we're running true to form,
And we like you more and more.
And if equations still prevail
And everything runs true
I've a faint suspicion,
we'll keep on liking you.*

Once more, I repeat, "Thank you" for this privilege.

Brother Fred expressed his pleasure at the honor of having a part in the opening of this part of the session and congratulated the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron upon a successful year.

Opening Ode.

Past Grand Matrons, Sister Louise Green and Mary M. Clower and Past Grand Patron, Brother Jay W. Miller were presented at the Altar, welcomed and escorted East and given Grand Honors.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION

We, the undersigned committee on Chartered Chapters and Chapters under Dispensation, have verified the membership reports of the eighteen subordinate chapters of Delaware.

The following is a summation of our findings for the year ending December 31st, 1952.

Lost by Death.....	37	Gained by Reinstatement ..	9
Lost by Demit.....	17	Gained by Initiation	160
Lost by Suspension.....	13	Gained by Affiliation.....	17
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Total Loss.....	67	Total Gain.....	186
Membership, December 31st, 1952.....	3025		
Membership, December 31st, 1951.....	2887		
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Net Gain.....	138		

Fraternally submitted

JAMES H. FULKS, Chairman

BETTY CORRELL

MARTHA D. MACKEY

Motion by Sister Ruth Stiggins, seconded by Sister Adele Gibbs, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF DELAWARE O. E. S. BUILDING CORPORATION

Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation
912 West Street
Wilmington, Delaware
December 1, 1952

The Thirtieth annual meeting of the board of Directors, of the Delaware order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation, was held at the office, 912 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

The following directors were elected to serve until November 30, 1953. Grand Chapter of Delaware, Mrs. Pauline Davis; Delaware Chapter No. 1, Mrs. M. Etta Keys; Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Mrs. Mabel L. Stirlith; Radiant Chapter No. 6, Mrs. Jane C. Zebley.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. Jane C. Zebley, Radiant Chapter No. 6
1st. Vice Pres., Mrs. M. Etta Keys, Delaware Chapter No. 1
Secretary, Mrs. Mabel L. Stirlith, Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
Treasurer, Mrs. Pauline Davis, Grand Chapter of Delaware
The treasurer reported the total worth of the Corporation,
December 1, 1952.

Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund

February 26, 1952.....	\$2,314.95
Interest Dec. 12, 1951..	57.75
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Total.....	\$2,372.70

REPORT OF PRINTING COMMITTEE

The report of the Printing Committee is still on a note of satisfaction regarding promptness, accuracy and cooperation on the part of those with whom we have dealings of this nature.

It makes our committee very happy when we do not have to make excuses of any kind for this part of our duties.

ELLA F. CLEAVER

ELIZABETH M. FISHER, Chairman

Motion by Sister Bessie Warrington, seconded by Sister Helen West, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

May 11, 1953

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:

Dec. 30, 1952, Bal. in the Wilmington Savings Fund Soc. \$2,255.51

Jan. 1, 1953, Interest for year 1952 @3%..... 56.38

Total Bal. to date in the Wilmington Savings Fund Soc.. \$2,311.89

No new Loans and all Loans Paid to date.

Sister MAMIE P. WENDLING, Chairman
MABEL C. JOHNSTON

Approved:

ROBERT W. LARRIMORE

J. N. ABBOTT

Motion by Brother Fred Warrington, seconded by Sister Elvira J. Ziegler, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Your Credential Committee wishes to report 18 Chapters represented, 177 Voting Delegates, 3 Proxies. Total of 180 votes.

ARZIE LEWIS, Chairman

SYLVIA KNOX

WALTER O. BRYAN

Motion by Sister Edna Johnson, seconded by Sister Mabel Johnson, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Patron read Article from the Constitution regarding election procedure:

The following Judges were appointed:

Brother Conrad Lewis, Jr. and Brother Herbert Von Goeress—
Tellers: Sister Sue Cardwell, Ruth Roberts, Edith Work and Martha Mackey.

RESULTS OF ELECTION:

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Mrs. Elvira J. Ziegler
Worthy Grand Patron.....	Mr. Kendall Gibbs
Associate Grand Matron.....	Mrs. Lillian Larrimore
Associate Grand Patron.....	Mr. George H. Ostendarp
Grand Secretary.....	Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer.....	Mrs. Virda Simpler
Grand Conductress.....	Mrs. Ruth Laws
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Mrs. Mary Bevis
Grand Trustee.....	Mr. J. Albert Kumpel

REPORT OF RED CROSS COMMITTEE 1953

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, 1952 to April 30, 1953.

	<i>Blood</i>	<i>Clothes</i>	<i>Service</i>
Delaware Chapter No. 1		4 Boxes	564 hrs.
Mizpah Chapter No. 2			189 hrs.
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3			72½ hrs.
St. John's Chapter No. 4			20 hrs.
Adah Chapter No. 5	no report		
Radiant Chapter No. 6			254 hrs.
Sussex Chapter No. 7	no report		
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8			250 hrs.
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	no report		
Newark Chapter No. 10	no report		
Kent Chapter No. 11	1		40 hrs.
Frankford Chapter No. 12	no report		
Five Points Chapter No. 13	2		481 hrs.
Brandywine Chapter No. 14	no report		
Victory Chapter No. 15	no report		
Unity Chapter No. 16	4		89½ hrs.
Esther Chapter No. 17	no report		
Laurel Chapter No. 18	no report		
Total from all Chapters.....	7	4 Boxes	1560 hrs.

Respectfully submitted
MABEL L. STIRLITH

Motion by Sister Ruth Laws, seconded by Sister Bessie Warrington, report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters & Brothers,
I submit the following report on Job's Daughters:

Membership 6-30-52, #1.....	71	#2	70
Loss thru demit, over 20, #1.....	4	#2	6
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	67		64
Initiated, #1.....	22	#2	46
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Membership to date.....	89		110

Of this membership a class of 19 will be initiated in Bethel #2 tonight and on May 20 Bethel #1 will initiate 15.

The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and their staff visited both Bethels and were awarded "Member of Honor" certificates from each Honored Queen.

The Honored Queens of each Bethel took part in the Grand Guardian Council of Maryland's formal opening on May 8 and presented and paid tribute to the Delaware State Flag.

The Ways and means committees of both Bethels have done very well. Bethel No. 1 has cleared since June 1, 1952, \$525.00 and Bethel No. 2, \$478.12.

The Grand Master of Masons, Mr. Edward Clough paid an official visit to Bethel No. 1 in February and will visit Bethel No. 2 on May 12.

The Supreme Guardian, Mrs. Gladys Hall visited in Delaware in October.

Each Honored Queen has had her Church service in her own respective Church and have been well attended.

Lafayette Lodge sponsored the soliciting of advertisements for programs for Bethel No. 1's minstrel show which was a huge success. Bethel No. 1 also have been hat-check girls for two Masonic Lodges on the occasions of their Ladies night affairs.

The opening and closing ceremony was exemplified by Bethel No. 1 with some girls from Bethel No. 2 substituting as officers for St. John's Chapter No. 4 on April 16.

Both Bethels have taken parties to the Masonic Home.

Bethel No. 1 has an "aged shut-in" whom they remember with gifts on her birthday and on holidays.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE R. GRUBB

RUTH M. STIGGINS

WALTER A. GEHRET

Motion by Sister Elvira J. Ziegler, seconded by Sister Mary King, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF EASTERN STAR HOME FUND

This fund was transferred from Wilmington Trust Company to Wilmington Savings Fund Society in order to receive a higher rate of interest.

Amount in the Fund April 30, 1952.....\$2,668.38

Received since the above date

From:

The Star Chorus.....	\$ 10.00
Esther Chapter No. 17.....	5.00
Kent Chapter No. 11.....	50.00
Florence Mannering.....	5.00
Sussex Chapter No. 7.....	50.00
Adah Chapter No. 5.....	50.00
Frankford Chapter No. 12.....	50.00
Victory Chapter No. 15.....	50.00
Laurel Chapter No. 18.....	40.00
Int. from Wil. Sav's Fund.....	7.50

Total amount received since April 30, 1952 . \$317.50 - \$ 317.50

Amount in Wilmington Savings Fund Society.....\$2,985.88

The following chapters have subscribed to Building Loan Shares.

Mizpah Chapter No. 2

Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

St. John's Chapter No. 4

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

Georgetown Chapter No. 9

Unity Chapter No. 16

Brandywine Chapter No. 14

Radiant Chapter No. 6

Have purchased 5 shares each.

Has purchased 3 shares.

Has purchased 2 shares.

Fraternally submitted,

Committee:

ADELE R. GIBBS

DOROTHY QUILLEN

Chairman: J. ALBERT KUMPEL

RUTH M. STIGGINS

JONATHAN J. BURRIS

Motion by Sister Emma Wheeler, seconded by Sister Mabel Davis, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Your chairman serves six hours each Wednesday in Central Service and Recreation at the hospital.

On May 20th, Mrs. Louis H. Hearn, and her daughter, acted as pages at a doctors' conference at the V. A. Hospital. There were 125 doctors attending the conference. Your chairman also acted as Chairman of Reception, Registration, and Refreshments at the "Presentation of Certificates" meeting, at which time awards were given to volunteers. Your chairman had the honor of receiving her five-year award.

She was on the committee for a "Variety Program" of entertainment given by the Veterans Administration Volunteer Service Committee at which time your Co-chairman and other oriented workers also took part. The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Secretary were invited to attend this program.

Copies of the Hospital and Mothers' Day booklet and programs of the Certificate Presentation and Variety Show were sent to Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry, Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth and to the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Frankland L. Miles. Your committee was most happy to receive a nice letter of commendation from Brother Miles. Also, a copy of the minutes of the V. A. V. S. committee meeting was sent to the Worthy Grand Matron each month.

On June 12th, \$27.50 was received from Five Points Chapter No. 13 "Cheer Cup" to purchase articles for the patients of the 7th and 8th floors of our V. A. Hospital. This sum was donated at the reception for our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry, who is a member of Five Points Chapter. On October 23, at the Grand Visitation at the same chapter, \$16.69 was received to purchase gifts to be used at games for the veterans. On October 27th, we received from Grand Chapter a check for \$10.00 to purchase articles to be used at a Carnival for the veterans. At the Carnival, your chairman was a member of the refreshment committee, with your co-chairman, Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert W. Larrimore and Sister Helen M. Welsh assisting.

On January 12th, Newark Chapter No. 8 took a party to the 7th floor of the hospital. There were games, prizes, entertainment and refreshments—candy, nuts, pretzels and about ten cakes which were beautiful and delicious.

We received for the V. A. Hospital, 63 phonograph records from Sister Anna M. Harrington of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 10; stamped Christmas cards from Past Grand Matron, Martha W. Krapf; 100 stamped Christmas cards and 300 books of matches from Frankford Chapter No. 12; money from Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to be used for purchasing prizes; about 200 paper and cloth-bound books from members; \$5.00 for gifts for the boys from Sister Marie and Brother Jonathan Burris of Mizpah Chapter No. 2; a number of lovely gifts, nicely wrapped, from Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marion, and

Sister and Brother Burris; a number of new, cloth-bound books from our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry; old spectacles which are used in the work of Brother William Edmonds, the Masonic Service worker at the hospital, who is a member of Eastern Star, also; and Program Planning Cards and many articles, too varied and numerous to mention, from members of Five Points Chapter No. 13. Our Refreshment Program served the third Sunday of each month is regularly taken care of by the Chapters, serving numerically.

Letters of thanks were received from Dr. Major W. Gasper, Manager of the V. A. Hospital, and they were sent to those concerned. The patients and personnel of the hospital greatly appreciate our part in the "Hospital and Mothers' Day" booklet, refreshments, gifts, and the purchase of the punch bowl.

An invitation was sent to the Worthy Grand Matron, and the Worthy Grand Patron to attend the "Hospital and Mothers' Day Open House" held on May 10th, 1953. Your chairman had the pleasure of making 300 boutonnières which were given to the women visitors, (the cost shared by the V. A. V. S. group) and acted as assistant to the Chief of Special Services, Mr. Joseph J. Crowe, on that day.

Oriented workers who were Guides on Hospital Day included Sisters Helen M. Welsh and Mildred Hurlock, who are members of Five Points Chapter No. 13 and Mrs. Edith M. Payne and Mrs. Betty Crosby, friends of members of Five Points Chapter. Sister Elaine Phillips is also an oriented worker and a member of Five Points Chapter. Mrs. Esther Outten and Mrs. Mary Combs, friends of Sister Elaine Phillips, also gave their hours of service to the Order of Eastern Star's credit. These workers account for many "service hours" at the hospital and to them we say "many thanks and please keep up the good work." Only those who serve our boys can realize the great privilege it is to do so little for those who did so much for us.

The supplies and cash on hand and list of expenditures are in the hands of the Grand Secretary. Anyone wishing to see same, may do so.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we thank you for giving us this appointment as it is a great privilege to serve on a so worthwhile committee.

Also, to all Chapters and Chapter chairmen, we say "Thank you". You have all been so nice to work with and I know you have received a blessing, too, for doing the things you did which gave so much enjoyment to those who are laid aside for awhile. "God" has, and will bless you, for as much as you did it unto these, you did it unto "Him."

Sincerely and fraternally,

SADIE C. CONLY, Chairman
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE,
Co-chairman

Supplies on hand.

May 12th, 1953

Paper cups 1900
 " plates 600
 " napkins 2700

O. E. S. Table cloth

Two towels

" metal trays

" openers

Expenditures

May 12th Hospital and Mothers' Day 1952.	{ Booklet Flowers Refreshments \$ 5.00
May 12th, '52, Punch bowl—our share	\$ 5.00
Oct. 27th, '52, Hospital Carnival, check	\$10.00
Oct. 29th, '52, 1 case (2500) 6 oz. Juice cups	\$15.63
Fulton Paper Co.	
Total	\$35.63

Contingent Fund

	Expenditures May '52 to May '53
Balance May '52 \$ 5.00	100 Stamped Envelopes . . . \$3.64
Check May '52 10.00	1 Spiral Note book25
	1 Bottle ink25
	4 Tablets large @ .25 1.00
Expend. 6.11	Feb. 4th Phone call to Frankford Chapter69
Balance \$ 8.89	5 yds. ribbon for volunteers at V. A. Hospital28
	Total \$6.11

Sincerely and fraternally,

SADIE C. CONLY, Chairman
 ROBERT W. LARRIMORE

Motion by Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, report be accepted and check drawn in amount of \$5.00 to defray share of expenses of Mothers' Day at the Hospital, seconded by Sister Marian Craig.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF REGISTRATION

May 12, 1953

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

We, your Committee on Registration submit the following report:

212 Visitors
 64 Out of State visitors
 Representing 11 States
 148 Non-voting Delaware members

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH C. GALLOWAY, Chairman

MAY M. PAYNE

MABEL C. JOHNSTON (acting)

Motion by Sister Edna Johnson, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEFIT FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN OF DELAWARE AND SHRINERS HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA

Our fourth benefit for Crippled Children was held at the Shrine Club on Saturday March 21st, 1953. It was a beautiful day and due to the splendid support and cooperation of every Chapter throughout the state it was a very successful affair.

Everyone was interested and did their very best to make this the fine affair it was. Lunch was served and cards played in the afternoon and there was a prize for every table. Supper was served from five to seven in the evening and entertainment and dancing followed. Thirty-five door prizes were given away during the evening. The price of this affair was one dollar which included either lunch or supper.

Each Worthy Matron had her table decorated in green and white with various articles for sale. Every Chapter did very well with their tables. Much credit goes to Sister Marion Kumpel, who with a very efficient group of assistants took care of all the food. Brother Albert Kumpel supplied all of the food at cost and Sister Clara Reuter, P. G. M., donated twelve decks of cards to this affair which, at Sister Reuter's request have been turned over to the in-coming Grand Matron for future Grand Chapter affairs. There were 748 dinners served. All food, ice cream and soft drinks were purchased as well as the paper goods and card party prizes.

Total receipts to date of this report are \$1,812.17. Expenses were \$698.00. Profit turned over to the Grand Secretary \$1,114.17. This money to be divided in the following manner—\$500.00 to the Handicapped Children of Delaware; \$500.00 to the Shriners Hospital in Philadelphia; \$114.17 to the Cancer Fund which is one of our Most Worthy Grand Matron's projects.

It is impossible to thank everyone who helped and donated to this affair so will everyone please accept the grateful thanks and appreciation of the entire committee for their help and support for

it was through the members all over the state that made this undertaking such a splendid success.

Fraternally submitted,
 BENETA I. MEENAN
 WILLIAM MEENAN
 ELIZABETH FISHER
 J. ALBERT KUMPEL
 JONATHAN J. BURRIS
 MARIAN KUMPEL Co-Chairman
 MARIE V. BURRIS, Chairman

Since this report was made, \$8.00 additional has been turned in to the fund.

Motion by Brother Fred Warrington, seconded by Sister Marian Craig report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

Jurisprudence Committee recommend that the Worthy Patron be required to sign for the Secret Work (Pink Slip) and diagram of the labyrinth and the Associate Patron sign for the secret work, placed in their possession. Also that these signatures be kept on file by the secretary of each subordinate chapter.

Motion by Brother Kendall Gibbs, seconded by Brother Jacob Allen, report be accepted and referred to Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Motion adopted.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Marie Roberts moved the acceptance of the Jurisprudence Committee report as a whole. Seconded by Brother Jacob Allen.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

The Sessions Committee has been glad to serve you at this Grand Session. We trust our efforts have been acceptable to all. We wish to thank the Matrons of the subordinate chapters for their planning of the Banquet Saturday night and to thank them, their Patrons and Chapters for a most delightful dinner and entertainment.

We ask that a letter of thanks be sent to Rev. George W. Goodley for the fine service he rendered us Sunday night. Also that letters be sent to Mizpah Chapter for use of their furniture and to the Past

Matrons and Past Patrons Asso. for their donation of money to entertain our guests at the luncheon on Tuesday, which was very nicely arranged by Past Matron Katherine Marshall.

We were indeed honored to serve this Grand Chapter when our Most Worthy Grand Matron and other distinguished guests honored us with their presence.

We were delighted to have the Honorable J. Caleb Boggs, Gov. of Delaware; Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons, Mr. Edward Clough; Deputy Grand Master, Mr. Francis Hukill; Potentate of Nur Temple, Mr. Fred G. Krapf and Rev. George W. Goodley at our Informal Opening.

Finally we wish to thank each of you for your cooperation and for all the flowers you brought to make this room more beautiful.

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARIAN R. KUMPEL, Chairman

Motion by Brother Fred Warrington, seconded by Sister Irma O. LeCompte that the report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.
Motion adopted.

Sister Sarah E. Riggan made a motion that this Grand Body send flowers to Sister Anna Cloud, Sister Anna Stausebach and Sister Irene Bauer, seconded by Sister Marian Kumpel.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

We, your Committee on unfinished business wish to submit the following items to be considered at this Grand Chapter Session.

1. Recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee that a Manual of approved Legislation be compiled.

2. A Committee be appointed to prepare an examination to be passed by the Associate Grand Patron, under the supervision of the Grand Lecturer, six months prior to his installation as Worthy Grand Patron.

3. Amendment to Art. III, Sec. 1, paragraph 1, page 38 of the Constitution and By-Laws.

Change \$60.00 to \$100.00.

4. Amendment to Art. V, Sec. 1, page 9, of the Constitution and By-Laws.

Change 2:00 P. M. to 10:00 A. M.

5. Amendment to Art. IV, page 7 of the Constitution and By-Laws. Eliminate Section 1, and have it read as follows:

Elected:	Appointed:
Worthy Grand Matron	Grand Chaplain
Worthy Grand Patron	Grand Marshal
Associate Grand Matron	Grand Organist
Associate Grand Patron	Grand Adah
Grand Secretary	Grand Ruth
Grand Treasurer	Grand Esther
Grand Conductress	Grand Martha
Associate Grand Conductress	Grand Electa
Grand Lecturer	Grand Warder
Grand Sentinel	

6. Amendment to Art. IX, Sec. 1, paragraph 17, page 15 of the Constitution and By-Laws.
Eliminate appointing of Grand Lecturer.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANCES TRUITT
THOMAS C. RODWAY
MARY H. BEVIS, Chairman

Motion by Sister Sarah E. Riggins, seconded by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, report be accepted and items be taken up seriatim.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMPILING OF A MANUAL OF LEGISLATION

The committee entered whole-heartedly into this work with an earnest desire to have the legislation of the Grand Chapter of Delaware in such form that the Worthy Matrons and especially the Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers could substantiate what they are trying to teach the officers and members of the subordinate chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star, as instructed by the Worthy Grand Matron in her School of Deputies.

After searching diligently and very carefully through all of the Proceedings since the beginning of the Grand Chapter in this Jurisdiction (1922) to the year 1945 when the printing of the legislation in the back of the Proceedings, was discontinued, we suddenly became aware of the fact that we were just duplicating time, effort and money, for the cost of printing is a considerable item in these times.

The ruling was passed last year that all legislation shall again be printed in the back of our Proceedings. Each Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron, Grand Lecturer, Deputy Grand Lecturers, and each Secretary for her Chapter, receives a copy of these Proceedings each year they are serving as officers. These same members or officers would be the ones to whom we would give a copy of the Manual of Legislation for their use while in office.

As all legislation, from now on will be printed in the Proceedings, including that from the beginning—1922, and inasmuch as any member who is not entitled to a free copy of the Proceedings, may buy one for the price of \$1.80, the chairman of the committee consulted with the Worthy Grand Matron and told her the Committee felt the printing of a Manual of Legislation was a waste of time, effort and money and asked permission to so state to this Grand Chapter at this Session.

This permission was granted, hence the report as just read to you.

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE
Past Grand Matron

HARLAN L. CLOUD
Past Grand Patron

ELIZABETH M. FISHER, Grand
Secretary & Chairman of Com.

1—Compiling of Manual of Legislation; Sister Riggins moved acceptance of the report and printing in proceedings, seconded by Brother Cheston McCormick.

Motion adopted.

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

The Jurisprudence and Constitution and By-Laws Committees submit the attached list of twenty questions to be used as an examination to be passed by the Associate Grand Patron, under the supervision of the Grand Lecturer, six months prior to his installation as Worthy Grand Patron.

This was authorized at the 1952 Session, but as it involves change in the Constitution (increasing the duties of the Grand Lecturer) this shall constitute the second reading, and become effective at the close of this Grand Session.

Jurisprudence Committee: MARIE L. ROBERTS, Chairman
CHARLES V. CLEAVER
IRMA O. LECOMPTE

Constitution and By-Laws: JANE C. ZEBLEY, Chairman
EDNA L. GIFFORD
W. E. SAWDON

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS TO BE PASSED BY ASSOCIATE
GRAND PATRON, UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE
GRAND LECTURER, SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO HIS
INSTALLATION AS WORTHY GRAND PATRON

- #1 What are the qualifications for membership in our Grand Jurisdiction?
- #2 What prohibits the Eastern Star member from being eligible for office or committee appointment in subordinate chapter or Grand Chapter?

- #3 What is a Proxy? (b) Who may carry a Proxy? (c) How are they made legal? (d) What is the maximum number of votes under one Proxy?
- #4 What are the duties of the Grand Patron during a Grand Chapter Session?
- #5 Who shall sign Charters granted and issued to new Chapters?
- #6 Who grants dispensations to new chapters under Dispensation in this Grand Jurisdiction?
- #7 Under what circumstances should the Worthy Grand Patron perform the duties of the Worthy Grand Matron?
- #8 What is our law regarding Secret Work?
- #9 Who may give the Obligation?
- #10 What number of members is required to institute a new Chapter?
- #11 Who performs the initiation ceremony in instituting a new Chapter?
- #12 What is the fee for supplies, etc.?
- #13 Give details of change in Constituting Ceremony as outlined in 1952 Proceedings.
- #14 How may the Constitution of this Grand Chapter be amended?
- #15 What are the requirements for opening the Grand Chapter?
- #16 What is the procedure of motions involving expense?
- #17 In the absence of Worthy Grand Matron at Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, give order of Proxy.
- #18 ELECTION OF OFFICERS; (a) state hour specified for election in Grand Chapter. (b) Who presides during election in Grand Chapter? (c) Are blank ballots counted? (d) Who is in charge of securing collection boxes or containers? (e) Is majority, two-thirds, etc. of votes cast necessary for election? (f) Question arose regarding declaring the ballot closed—When is this done?
- #19 What constitutes a Quorum of this Grand Chapter.
- #20 Points of information. (a) In 1944 the Grand Chapter approved the following: "The Worthy Grand Patron shall read Art. 8, Sec. 1 of the Constitution on balloting before the election of officers each year. (b) In 1945, the Grand Chapter approved the following: When it is impossible for the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron to attend an official visit, the Conductress and Associate Conductress proceed as though both officers were present and conduct either one, as the case may be, to the East.

Article 2. Examination for Associate Grand Patron. Motion by Sister Marie Roberts, seconded by Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce it be adopted.

Motion adopted.

Article 3. Changing Institution Fee from \$60.00 to \$100.00.

Report of committee was accepted on motion of Sister Elizabeth Fisher, seconded by Sister Sarah E. Riggin.

Article 5. Regarding change of meeting time of Grand Chapter.

Sister Sarah E. Riggin made motion to accept report of committee, seconded by Sister Mildred Bryan. Motion adopted and it will go into effect immediately.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter called from labor to recess to reconvene at 8:00 P. M.

TUESDAY EVENING

MAY 12th 8:00 P. M.

Grand Session called to order by chairman, Sister Marian Kumpel, presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Irma O. LeCompte and Brother Thomas C. Rodway who opened the session.

Welcome by Sister Irma LeCompte:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Marian and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Henry: I thank you for the honor of inviting my Worthy Grand Patron and me to open this your last session of the Grand Chapter. By your zealous manner in performing the duties of your office, you have not only brought credit to yourselves, but also to the Grand Chapter and I want to congratulate both of you.

You know, of course, this session is the culmination of your active participation in the Grand Chapter in an official way. Both of you will, in just a very short time join the ranks of "Has Beens", and I am sure you will be welcomed with open arms as I was one year ago.

May the conclusion of this session be as happy as its beginning and may your memories be all that you could desire.

*"Like the end of a pleasant journey
Your pathway of service now ends
We hope your days were made easy
By your host of faithful friends".*

They were invited to the Grand East.

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

Opening Ode.

Past Grand Patrons, Brother John LeCompte and Horace K. Fulmer were presented at the Altar, welcomed, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Deputy Grand Lecturers, Sister Alice Minner and Esther Clymer were presented in the west, escorted to the East and given a hearty welcome.

Past Patrons, Brothers Boyd Hambright, Harley Clymer and Worthy Patron, Conrad Lewis were presented in the west, escorted East and given a hearty welcome.

Grand Secretary read a telegram received from Sister Sayda Petterson, Right Worthy Grand Trustee and Sister Josephine H. Browning, Chairman of Right Worthy Grand Trustees, also a note from Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Frances Haun of Florida.

A telegram from Sister Esther Faibish, Grand Representative in Alberta, Canada.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Frederick Warrington, announced he had received a check in amount of \$25.00 from a member of Corinthian Chapter No. 13, Philadelphia, Pa. to be put in the Eastern Star Home Fund in memory of her mother.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

We, the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, in conjunction with the Jurisprudence Committee, have reviewed the amendments to the Subordinate Chapters By-Laws, as previously temporarily approved by the Worthy Grand Matron; and offer additions and amendments as herein listed:

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

Art. V., Sec. 1, to read:—The fees for conferring the degrees in this Chapter shall be Ten (\$10.00) Dollars, and for Affiliation, Two (\$2.00) Dollars, which must accompany the petition.

Art. V., Sec. 2,—Each Member must pay the sum of Five (\$5.00) Dollars as annual dues, payable in June and December.

Art. VI, Sec. 4:—Of whom to consist. A committee on Investigation on petitions must consist of three Members, two Sisters, and one Brother, neither of whom have signed the petition.

Art. VI, Sec. 9:—A petitioner for degrees or affiliation, if elected shall be notified by the Secretary, if rejected, the petition fee shall be refunded to the applicant by the Secretary.

Art. IX, Sec. 4:—shall be worded as follows:—It shall be the duty of the Organist to pay strict attention, and whenever an Officer is requested or directed by the presiding Officer to perform any duty she should always accompany the Officer with music; at other times render appropriate music upon request of presiding Officer; for which service she shall receive the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) dollars per year.

Art. IX, Sec. 5:—It shall be the duty of the Sentinel to have charge of all paraphernalia, and prepare the Chapter Room, and to protect the outer door of the Chapter Room at all times, for which service He or She shall receive the sum of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars per year.

Art. IX, Sec. 6:—When the service of a Chorister is required, she or He will receive the sum of Two (\$2.00) dollars for each service rendered.

APPROVED.

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

Art. 5, Sec. 1:—The Initiation Fee shall be Ten (\$10.00) dollars and Fee for Affiliation Two (\$2.00), which must accompany the petition.

We approve.

We disapprove of line 3 and 4 in regards to International Temple Fund, and recommend this be deleted.

Approved as recommended by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Art. 9, Sec. 4: add—The salary for the Organist shall be Twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars per year, and the Sentinel Twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars per year. Salaries of all Officers shall be pro-rated at the end of each year.

Approved.

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8

Art. VIII, Sec. 4:—Amendment to read:—The Treasurer, for which service shall receive the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per year.

Art. IX, Sec., 3 amendment to read:—The Organist shall receive for services rendered the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per year.

Approved.

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9

Art. XI, Sec. 1, Beginning with line 17 to read:—She shall receive the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) dollars per year. Approved.

KENT CHAPTER NO. 11

Art. 5, Sec. 1, Fees for conferring degrees in this Chapter shall be as follows:—Degrees, \$10.00.

We disapprove of compulsory \$1.00 contribution to International O. E. S. Temple Fund, and recommend this be deleted.

Approved as recommended by Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

Art. 5, Sec. 2, Affiliation, \$2.00.

Art. 5, Sec. 2, Change to read:—Each Member must pay the sum of Five (\$5.00) dollars as annual dues payable in June and December.

Approved.

ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17

Art. IX, Sec. 2, Change in second sentence to read:—These jewels each year shall be the same as the redesigned ones presented to the first Past Matron and Past Patron of Esther Chapter U. D.

Approved.

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13

Art. V, Sec. 1:—The fee for conferring the degrees in this Chapter shall be Ten (\$10.00) dollars, and for affiliation One (\$1.00) dollar, which accompany the petition.

Approved.

We disapprove of part of line 3 and part of line 4, which reads: of which a portion shall be designated for the International Temple Fund, and recommend this be deleted.

Approved as recommended by Constitution and By-Laws Committee.

We recommend that Art. 7, Sec. 1, of the Constitution be changed to read:—Representatives or their proxies regularly appointed, of eleven Subordinate Chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, and one of the first four elected Officers shall be considered to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

We recommend that under "Rules and Regulations" for the government of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

Art. V, Sec. 1, Be changed to read:—This Grand Chapter shall send the Worthy Grand Matron then in office to the Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, if in attendance thereon, and who has been elected and installed. If she is unable to attend then a proxy in the following order; Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron.

Sec. 2, That our Delegate be allowed Ten (\$10.00) dollars per day while Triennial is in session, and four cents per mile transportation charges.

We recommend that Art. IV, Sec. 7 of the Constitution be changed to read:—The first line to read:—The ten officers above named shall be elected annually.

Committee:

EDNA L. GIFFORD, P. G. M.
WALTER E. SAWDON, P. G. P.
JANE C. ZEBLEY, P. G. M.,
Chairman

Motion by Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by Brother Percy C. Cotty, that the report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

Motion adopted.

REPORT ON COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18

These By-Laws were approved with the exception of the following, which were taken up seriatim:

Art. 1, Sec. 2, reading "The Warrant under which this Chapter is held is a Charter granted by the General Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; Change to read:—

The Warrant under which this Chapter is held is a Charter granted on the 22d day of January, A. D. 1953 by the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

Art. 1, Sec. 4 reading:—"Special meetings may be called by the Worthy Grand Matron to be held at any time, but the purpose of such special meetings shall be stated in the Call, and no other business shall be transacted at such meeting."

Change to read:—and conform with Constitution:—

"Special meetings may be called by the Worthy Matron, to be held at any time, notice of which shall be sent out ten (10) days previous to meeting. The purpose of such special meeting shall be stated in the Call, and no other business shall be transacted at such meeting."

Art. 1, Sec. 5 reading: The hour of meeting shall be eight o'clock.

Change to read:

The hour of all stated meetings shall be 8:00 P. M.

Art. 2, Sec. 1, reading: The order of business of this Chapter shall be as directed by the Worthy Matron, or in the absence of specific directions on her part as follows:

Change to read:

"This Chapter unless otherwise directed shall proceed with its business in the following order:

1. Opening ceremonies
2. Introduction of Visitors
3. Reading of Minutes
4. Reception of Petitions
5. Reports of petitions
6. Ballotting
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business
9. Work
10. Sickness or Distress
11. Good of the Order
12. Closing

Art. 2. Sec. 2. This order of business or any part thereof, may be dispensed with at the discretion of the Worthy Matron.

Art. 4, Sec. 2, reading: "The appointive officers of this Chapter shall be Chaplain, Marshal, Organist, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha, Electa, Warder and Sentinel and to be appointed by the Worthy Matron. Add to the end of third line—the word "Elect".

Art. 4, Sec. 3, reading: All officers shall be installed as soon after the annual election as practicable;

Change to read: All Officers shall be installed at the first stated meeting in January, or as soon thereafter as possible. A dispensation must be secured to install Officers on any later date.

Art. 5, Sec. 1, reading: It shall be the duty of the Worthy Matron to preside at all meetings of the Chapter, to preserve order and harmony, appoint all special committees, unless named by resolution of the Chapter and perform such other duties as are required by the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the General Grand Chapter for the government of subordinate Chapters.

Change to read: Rules and regulations of the Grand Chapter of Delaware for the government of subordinate Chapters.

Art. 5, Sec. 4. The Associate Patron shall assist the Worthy Patron and in case of his absence or disability discharge the duties of the Worthy Patron. In case of the death of the Worthy Patron, the Associate Patron shall be acting Worthy Patron for the remainder of the year.

Change: By ending paragraph on line 3 with the words "Worthy Patron".

Art. 5, Sec. 7, reading: The Trustees shall have general supervision of the finances and property of the Chapter, examine the books and vouchers of the Secretary and Treasurer and render an annual detailed report to the Chapter at the first regular meeting after the

installation of officers, and perform such other duties as may be deemed expedient or the Chapter may direct.

Change line 4 to read: "At the annual meeting before installation."

Art. 6, Sec. 3. This to be deleted, as it is covered in Art. 5, Sec. 1.

Art. 7, Sec. 3, reading: Any member in arrears for more than one year's dues shall be liable to suspension, unless financially unable to pay dues, when the Chapter may remit such dues by a vote of those present.

Change the word "One" to "Two".

Art. 8, Sec. 5, reading: Application for demit shall be made personally or in writing by the applicant at a regular meeting. If all dues are paid and no charges are pending, a demit shall be granted.

Change to read: "Elected Officers of Chapters who have been installed cannot demit. All other members have the right to demit if they are clear on the books. A demit shall be granted only on written request signed by the Sister or Brother desiring it. A demit having been granted by the Chapter, cannot be reconsidered.

Each of the above changes were voted upon in Grand Chapter. Motion made by P. G. Patron, Brother Walter Sawdon, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane C. Zebley that the change be approved.

Motion adopted.

CLOSING ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON SISTER MARION SIMPSON

At last this is the end of a wonderful year, the end of my journey too; it leaves a thought that is deep and strong, a wish that is kind and true, for memory has painted this wonderful year in colors that can never fade, of happy days I have spent with you, of the many friends I have made. Never shall I forget the kindnesses, courtesies, flowers, gifts and the wonderful hospitality in your homes and chapter rooms.

I have tried to be fair in my decisions, courteous in my actions, considering at all times, the welfare and prosperity of our Order.

*"Now my book of this year is ended
Its pages more precious than gold
Are full of familiar faces
Of friends both new and old
I may have accomplished but little
But my efforts were true and sincere
And so with these memories, I am closing
The book that I started last year."*

Sincerely and fraternally,
MARION J. SIMPSON,
Worthy Grand Matron

CLOSING ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON
BROTHER HENRY T. MILLER

This message, my sisters and brothers, will be nigh as short as my meal-time prayers—short, effective and equal to the need. This is neither a good-bye nor a farewell, for I am not leaving, only stepping down from the active Grand Chapter to become a member of the Past Grands. I am returning to Five Points Chapter No. 13, as a side-line member. I have been traveling the Eastern Star Routes since 1948, consistently, almost five and one-half years, with few exceptions. I am planning a long stay in my favorite easy chair at home for many nights to come.

Thanks to Grand Chapter and everybody present. You have taken me and Sally Ann into your hearts by your confidence, welcomes, greetings and fraternalisms. Thank you again for coming and again a fond welcome. I hope in this Grand Session you will be repaid for your many kindnesses to me and mine.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER
WORTHY GRAND MATRON

There are special times that stand out in every one's life, such a time is mine tonight, when you have installed me as your Worthy Grand Matron. The labor of our leaders of the past year is finished and we all agree that their records read "Well Done".

Tonight I have reached the top of a hill and as I look back I find the climb has not been too difficult and on the whole, interesting and worthwhile. I shall open a new book, read and endeavor to learn from it, trusting that at the end of my year, when I review it for you, that I can show some profit of good for which our Order stands.

To you who have been our Installing Grand Officers I express my sincere "Thanks". There is a tie of friendship that binds me to each of you. At some mile-stone along my Eastern Star road you have placed a stepping stone. The years of our friendship have been full of joy because of your kindness and consideration. To the members of my Chapter, Delaware No. 1, my homefolks, you have known me the longest. I am most grateful for your cooperation and kindness. There is nothing that so touches the heart and thrills the soul as loyalty of one's homefolks. Past Grands, Matrons and Patrons, I know that many times I shall need the benefit of the wisdom you have gained through years of experience and I ask your watchful care and helpful advice during the year.

Of course I am proud of the Grand Family, I want you to feel that this is Our year together and the year ahead holds a wonderful opportunity for love and service to Others.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Kendall, I know that I shall find pleasure in sharing the honors of the Grand East with you and I will have your wise counsel and cooperation. I am happy to have your good wife serve as Grand Chaplain. Last, but most important, my

family. My joy knows no bounds at your presence in Eastern Star work. Milton once said, "They also serve who only stand and wait". You have waited for me and upon me, making it possible for me to go forward in this work. You have always had greater faith in me than I have had in myself. So we will let this be known as the Family Session, with Faith and Love which is certainly a family affair.

Grand Chapter of Delaware I now present to you, our Worthy Grand Patron, I. Kendall Gibbs.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF BROTHER KENDALL GIBBS WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Junior Past Grand Matron, Junior Past Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

It is with gratitude and happiness, I accept as a sacred trust the most precious gift within the power of this Grand Chapter to bestow upon a Brother, the privilege of serving as your Worthy Grand Patron for the following year.

With humbleness and a keen desire to prove worthy of your trust, I pledge to you the best I can give in this year of service.

I have looked forward to this coming year with a great deal of pleasure and anticipation, for I am very sure that, under the efficient leadership of our Worthy Grand Matron, and the cooperation of all, and looking to Him for guidance, Him "Who doeth all things well", we will have a very pleasant, fruitful and constructive year.

Worthy Grand Matron, it is indeed a pleasure and a privilege to serve with you in the Grand East. With faith in God and faith in each other, we shall strive to make this an outstanding year of moral, spiritual and material progress in the history of our Great Order.

At this time I wish to thank the members of this Grand Chapter and also, the members of my own chapter—Victory No. 15, for electing me to this high office. I am personally grateful for the honor of serving as your Worthy Grand Patron, but more especially for the recognition of my own chapter. To Victory Chapter No. 15 I owe my thanks for any honors I may receive, for if you had not seen fit to elect me to membership in your chapter, and then a couple of years later, to elect me as your Worthy Patron, this honor could not have been mine. I want you to know that I am deeply grateful to each and every member of Victory Chapter.

In closing, I would like leave this little thought with you.

*My life will touch many lives
Before this year is done
Leave countless marks of good or ill,
Ere sets the setting sun.
But this is the wish I'll always wish,
The prayer I'll ever pray,
Lord, may my life help other lives
That may touch it along the way.*

I thank you.

Past Matron, Sister Marie Burris presented Junior Past Grand Matron with her jewel also a gift from the Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers and Committee Members.

Sister Sally Ann Miller, wife of our Junior Past Grand Patron presented him with his jewel.

Sister Marie Burris, presented Junior Past Grand Patron, Brother Henry Miller with a beautiful set of luggage from the Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers and Committee Members.

The Matrons of all Delaware Chapters put on a beautiful ceremony for the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin made a motion that all bills of the Grand Session be paid. Seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Horace Fulmer.

Motion adopted.

Past Matron, Sister Miriam Ziegler, our Grand Marshal presented the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron with gifts from the Grand Officers.

Worthy Grand Matron announced Official visit to Adah Chapter No. 5 on June 15th and Unity Chapter No. 16 on June 23d.

The Traveling Jewels were presented to Sister Elvira Ziegler, Worthy Grand Matron by Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Marion J. Simpson and Junior Past Grand Patron presented the Traveling Jewel to Worthy Grand Patron, I. Kendall Gibbs.

Grand Marshal proclaimed the Thirty-Second Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware closed.

MRS. MARION SIMPSON
Worthy Grand Matron

HENRY T. MILLER
Worthy Grand Patron



Attest:

ELIZABETH M. FISHER
Grand Secretary

STATISTICAL REPORT

CHAPTERS	No. of Members	Ini- tiated	Rein- stated	Affil- iated	Died	De- mitted	Sus- pended	With- drawn	Charter Members
Delaware No. 1.....	353	13		1	6				
Mizpah No. 2.....	243	12	2	1	5		1		
Julia M. Story No. 3.....	157	4	4		2		2		
St. John's No. 4.....	159	3	4		6	1	2	20	
Adah No. 5.....	153	3	1	1	2		2		
Radiant No. 6.....	134	6		2	3				
Sussex No. 7.....	142	9		2	1	2		9	
Caesar Rodney No. 8.....	167	2		2	2				
Georgetown No. 9.....	143	10		2	1				
Newark No. 10.....	145	4		2	1				
Kent No. 11.....	149	11		2	1	1			
Frankford No. 12.....	215	21	1	2	2	2			
Five Points No. 13.....	290	25		4	1	1	1		
Brandywine No. 14.....	181	25	1		3	3	2		
Victory No. 15.....	146	8		1	1	4	4		
Unity No. 16.....	147	13		1	1	1			
Esther No. 17.....	48	5		1	1				
Laurel No. 18.....	53	6		1	1				
	3025	160	9	17	37	17	13	29	48

Lost by Death.....	37	Gained by Reinstatement.....	9
Lost by Demit.....	17	Gained by Initiation.....	160
Lost by Suspension.....	13	Gained by Affiliation.....	17
Total Loss.....	67	Total Gain.....	186
Membership December 31st, 1952.....	3025		
Membership December 31st, 1951.....	2887		

Not Gain..... 138

NOTE—Twenty withdrawn from Adah Chapter No. 5 and Nine withdrawn from Sussex Chapter No. 7.,
To become Charter Members of Laurel Chapter No. 18.
These above 29 are counted in the 53 members of Laurel Chapter No. 18.



Front Row; Left to Right; Grand Esther, Edna Williams; Associate Grand Conductress, Ruth Laws; Grand Treasurer, Virda Simpler; Associate Grand Patron, I. Kendall Gibbs; Associate Grand Matron, Elvira J. Ziegler; Most Worthy Grand Matron, Ruth Angrave Jones; Worthy Grand Matron, Marion J. Simpson; Worthy Grand Patron, Henry T. Miller; Grand Secretary, Elizabeth M. Fisher; Grand Conductress, Lillian Larrimore; Grand Adah, Dorothea S. Werner.
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This page is dedicated to
THE MEMORY OF
OUR BELOVED DEAD
of the
SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

*"Lovingly then we say farewell
To the friends with whom we have walked awhile
Our lives are richer for the friendship so true
For the touch of the hand and the gentle smile
Then lifting our eyes from the sorrows of earth
Let us look beyond to the other shore,
And believe with hearts attuned to faith,
We shall meet again to part no more".*

IN MEMORY OF
THE BELOVED DEAD
of
SISTER JURISDICTIONS

*They have passed through the gateway of life
Sailed into the harbor of love
And Angels beckoned a welcome home
To the Supreme Grand Chapter above*

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.

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 Raymond Wilhelm
 *John Oliver
 Otto Helbing
 Wm. Mutcheller
 Percy Cotty, P.G.P.
 James Kitchen
 Wm. Mutcheller

James K. Shinn, P.P., Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5

*Deceased

**Dropped

***Demitted

MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Feb. 5, 1918. Date of Charter Apr. 18, 1918
 Meets in Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall St.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Alice M. Paulson, 106 West Ayre St., Newport, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. John R. Paulson, 106 West Ayre St., Newport, Del. Worthy Patron
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 Mrs. Marian Simpson
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 *George A. Hodgson
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 Robert M. Rogers, P.G.P.
 Horace K. Fulmer, P.G.P.
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 *Leroy W. Beatty
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 *Leroy Beatty
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 *Leroy Beatty
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JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 11, 1918. Date of Charter July 22, 1918
 Meets in Knights of Pythias Building, 10th and Harrison Streets

OFFICERS

Mrs. Edith M. Zeyher, 830 W. 6th St., Wilmington, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. William Meenan, 11 No. Stuyvesant Drive, Edgemoor, Wilmington, Del. Worthy Patron
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- Mrs. Beulah G. Backus
- *Mrs. Elizabeth P. Frederick
- *Mrs. Ellen H. Robinson
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- 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
- Mrs. Ruth V. Jenkins
- Mrs. Mabel Stirlith
- Mrs. May Pople
- Mrs. Phoebe E. Sharpley
- Mrs. Sara Schafer
- Mrs. Sylvia Knox
- Mrs. Bessie Borglin
- Mrs. Katherine Schroeder
- Mr. James Duncan, P.G.P., Dimitted to organize Five Points No. 13.

- ***Fred Macklin
- *Andrew Cathcart
- Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.
- *John Frederick, P.G.P.
- ***James Duncan, P.G.P.
- ***James Duncan, P.G.P.
- Ellsworth L. Jones
- **William L. Nixon
- *John Frederick, P.G.P.
- Ellsworth L. Jones
- Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.
- ***J. Calvin Hastings
- E. Everett Ragan
- Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.
- Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.
- E. Everett 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
- William Meenan
- Charles C. Sharpley
- Joseph Borglin
- Mr. Ross Lanius

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. Grace S. Allen, Box 83, Marshallton, Delaware Worthy Matron
- Mr. William Nutter, 84 University Ave., Wilmington Manor..... Worthy Patron
 Wilmington, Del.
- Mrs. Ruth Nutter, 84 University Ave., Wilmington Manor..... Associate Matron
 Wilmington, Del.
- Mr. J. Harry Allbrittain, 1921 Washington St., Wilmington, Del... Associate Patron
- Mrs. Sue Cardwell, 413 West 30th St., Wilmington, Del..... Secretary

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- Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn, P.G.M.
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- Mrs. Minnie A. Riley
- Mrs. Mary M. Clower, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee, P.G.M.
- 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

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PAST PATRONS

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- *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

***Demitted

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
 Mrs. Isabelle Minto
 Mrs. Marian J. Craig
 Mrs. Susan Cardwell
 Miss Laurel Erdman

**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.
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 Jacob S. Allen, Jr.
 John H. Campbell
 Mr. John Crossland

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. Sara E. Mitchell, 608 Beuna Vista Ave., Salisbury, Md. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Ralph E. Nichols, 305 Pine St., Delmar, Delaware Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Doris I. Truitt, 709 Grove St., Delmar, Delaware Associate Matron
 Mr. Ralph Baker, 300 Maryland Ave., Wilmington, Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Mabel E. Venables, Box 405, Delmar, Delaware Secretary

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 *Mrs. Anna T. Ellis
 *Miss Rose L. Freeny
 *Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman
 *Mrs. Annie S. Parker
 Mrs. Lelah H. Freeny
 Mrs. Irma Baker Barr, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Charlotte Lear
 *Mrs. Flora Culver
 Mrs. Ella Carmine
 *Mrs. Anna D. Peters
 *Mrs. Anna Lee Waller
 Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Mattie E. Kirk
 Mrs. Blanche L. Melson
 *Mrs. Alice P. Hutchinson
 Mrs. Daisy B. Dunn
 Mrs. Mattie W. Ritchie
 Mrs. Maria Loddell
 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

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**Dropped

PAST PATRONS

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 *Harry T. Hickey, P.G.P.
 J. Albert Hearn
 *James H. Conway
 **Ira F. Hearn
 Thomas H. Esham
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 *Samuel M. Ellis
 Victor J. Carmine, P.G.P.
 ***James K. Shinn
 **Paul K. Ellis
 **Walter H. Whyland
 Ralph A. Baker
 **Paul K. Ellis
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Levin R. Lowe
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 Ralph A. Baker
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 *David J. Snowden
 Ralph A. Baker
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 Ralph Baker

***Demitted

Mrs. Rita C. Wilkinson
 Mrs. Mabel Venables
 Mrs. Margie Stokes
 Miss Dorothea Werner
 Mrs. Marian L. Hearn

Ralph Nichols
 Robert Vincent
 Ralph Baker
 Ralph Nichols
 Mr. Paul R. Lowe, Jr.

James K. Shinn demitted to join Delaware Chapter No. 1.

RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6

Meets First and Third Tuesday (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. Edith McLennan, 108 Mullin Road, Hilltop Manor, Wil., Del., Worthy Patron
 Mr. Boyd Hambricht, 2405 Broom St., Wilmington, Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Callie Wood, 1807 Lovering Ave., Wilmington, Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. Benjamin H. Cooper, Hillside Rd., Ashley, Wilmington, Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Jane C. Zebley, 912 West St., Wilmington, Del. Secretary

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 **Mrs. Mary A. Woodus
 **Mrs. Mabel P. Wood
 Mrs. Myrtle L. Sawdon
 **Mrs. Gladys E. Sidel
 Mrs. Edith B. Harmstead
 *Mrs. Gertrude E. Vincent
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 Mrs. Elva R. Curry
 *Mrs. M. Agnes Strickland
 *Mrs. Bertha B. Lees
 Mrs. Anna M. Cavender
 Miss Helen R. Wilson
 *Mrs. Sadie C. Beatty
 Mrs. Virginia E. Hambricht
 Mrs. Edith McLean
 Mrs. Helen C. Taft
 Mrs. Hannah C. Corkadel
 Mrs. Mary Vannort
 Mrs. Eva Casper
 Mrs. Ann Leonard
 Mrs. Mary A. King
 Mrs. Anna Lloyd
 Mrs. Louise Pusey
 Mrs. Louise Mortlock
 Mrs. Eleanor Smith
 Mrs. Mary H. Waller
 Mrs. Katherine P. Marshall
 Mrs. Beda H. Lentz
 Mrs. Sarah M. Cordrey
 *Deceased

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 **Harry J. Beckerle
 **Walter R. Wood, P.G.P.
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 **Joseph A. Jackson
 **Joseph A. Jackson
 *John P. Zebley
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 *Chas. Hastings
 *Chas. Hastings
 Carroll Lloyd
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 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.
 Boyd N. Hambricht
 Edgar Mortlock
 Mr. Ira S. Cordrey
 ***Demitted

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SUSSEX CHAPTER No. 7—SEAFORD

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter April 21, 1920. Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920
 Meets over American Store Bldg., Seaford, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Anna Fryling, Seaford, Delaware. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Wilbur Fryling, Seaford, Delaware. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Evelyn Holden, Seaford, Delaware. Associate Matron
 Mr. Elwood Coulbourne, Seaford, Delaware. Associate Patron
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 Mrs. Mary N. Banks
 Mrs. Esther Clymer
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 J. Ralph Duling
 Martin E. Arters
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 Wm. Tubbs
 Henry E. Williams
 Mr. Harley E. Clymer

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

Meets in V.F.W. Hall, Depot St., Georgetown, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Frances Warren, Georgetown, Delaware..... Worthy Matron
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 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 Keeler
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Swain
 Mrs. Alma Mustard
 Mrs. Eva M. Hudson
 Mrs. C. Linda Sammons

*Deceased

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 Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 Fred H. Warrington, P.G.P.
 Theodore Jester

***Demitted

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NEWARK CHAPTER No. 10—NEWARK

Meets First and Third Thursdays (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 Masonic Temple, Newark, Del.

OFFICERS

Miss M. Ella Steel, 286 E. Main St., Newark, Delaware Worthy Matron
 Mr. Conrad K. D. Lewis, Jr., 27 Amstel Ave., Newark, Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Marian V. Moore, 42 Paul St., Chelsea Estates, Associate Matron
 New Castle, Delaware
 Mr. Robert P. Major, Capital Trail, Marshallton, Del. -Associate Patron
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 Mrs. Anna R. Slack
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 Henry F. Mote
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 *Charles J. Krapf
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 *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
 Conrad K. D. Lewis
 Samuel L. Diehl
 Wilmer F. Pusey
 Samuel Diehl

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. Blanche B. Williams, Harrington, Delaware Worthy Matron
 Mr. Howard D. Williams, Harrington, Delaware Worthy Patron
 Mrs. M. Catherine Downing, Harrington, Delaware Associate Matron
 Mr. Fulton J. Downing, Harrington, Delaware Associate Patron
 Mrs. Marie L. Roberts, 300 Weiner Ave., Harrington, Delaware Secretary

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 Mrs. Elsie R. Simpson

PAST PATRONS

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 **Jacob C. Messner
 **Jacob C. Messner
 *Sidney B. Dolby
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 Dr. Russell J. Emory
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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. Vinyard
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 W. Clifford Raughley
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 Thomas Rodway, P.G.P.
 Archie Ford
 Earl K. Williams
 Thomas Rodway, P.G.P.
 Clifford W. Raughley
 Archie C. Ford
 Thomas C. Rodway

FRANKFORD CHAPTER No. 12—FRANKFORD

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jan. 25, '28. Date of Charter Apr. 21, '28

Meets in Fire Hall, Millville, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Adella Holt, Ocean View, Delaware.....Worthy Matron
 Mr. William Derrickson, Selbyville, Delaware.....Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Hilda Wood, Selbyville, Delaware.....Associate Matron
 Mr. Stephen Evans, Millville, Delaware.....Associate Patron
 Mrs. Florence Burbage, Ocean View, Delaware.....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
 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
 Mrs. Irene Watson
 Mrs. Edna Johnson
 Mrs. Blanche Williams
 Mrs. Dorothy Quillen

*Deceased

PAST PATRONS

**Topp M. Heath
 *E. Washington Bryan
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 Gardner L. Thomas
 Rev. Chas. W. Branford
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 **Topp M. Heath
 *E. Washington Bryan
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 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 Harley R. Burbage
 John B. Williams
 Harley Burbage
 Albert Derickson
 Geo. W. Mitchell
 Robert Derickson
 Frank Johnson
 John Williams
 George Mitchell

**Dropped

***Demitted

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. Jacqueline Kyle, 10 Leech Ave., Elsmere, Wil., Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Gordon Kyle, 10 Leech Ave., Elsmere, Wil., Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Helen D. Weldie, 16 Lorewood Ave., Elmhurst, Wil., Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. Calvin M. Weldie, 16 Lorewood Ave., Elmhurst, Wil., Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Helen Welsh, 400 Junction St., Elsmere, Wilmington, Del. Secretary

PAST MATRONS

**Mrs. Ellen 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 T. Putzier
 Mrs. Ruth Laws
 Mrs. May M. Payne
 Mrs. Jane White
 Mrs. Vera Hughes
 Mrs. Bertha Smith
 Margaret Wilkinson

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 E. Hellen
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 *George D. Baldwin
 **Harold L. Emory
 Theodore W. Work, Jr.
 Lee E. Nicols
 Stevenson E. Hellen
 Raymond T. Grubb
 W. Pierce Laws
 Paul Fleming
 Raymond Smith
 Richard Welsh
 Henry T. Miller
 Alvin Rementer
 Edward F. Livermore
 Samuel Richeson

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. Ruth C. Layton, 614 Northside Drive, North Hills, Wil., Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. George Ostendarp, 406 Lore Ave., Hillcrest, Wil., Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Jeanette Gutze, 812 Grandview Ave., Wilmington, Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. Cheston McCormick, 208 Lore Ave., Hillcrest, Wil., Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Lilla V. Rogers, 405 Grandview Ave., Gordon Heights, Wil., Del. Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Idella E. McCormick
 *Mrs. Mildred Hickey
 Mrs. Ruby D. Porter
 Mrs. Thelma Dickerson
 Mrs. Edna Gifford, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Alice Frederick
 Mrs. Grace Hild
 Mrs. Virda Simpler
 Miss Edith Shinn
 Mrs. Sarah S. Hoffman
 Mrs. Frances Warren
 Mrs. Ruth M. Stiggins
 Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp
 Mrs. Emma Gehret
 Mrs. Florence M. Gilbert
 Mrs. Cordella Rodenheiser

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 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
 James W. Keenan
 Walter A. Gehret
 Raynard Jensen
 John Rodenheiser
 ***Demitted

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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. Mary R. Miller, 51 Sackerackin Ave., Dover, Del..... Worthy Matron
 Mr. Joseph Miller, 51 Sackerackin Ave., Dover, Del..... Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Jennie Thompson, R.D. 3, Dover, Del..... Associate Matron
 Mr. Richard E. Chambers, Odessa, Del..... Associate Patron
 Mrs. Katherine Smith, 220 No. Bradford St., Dover, 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
 Mrs. Ann B. Cleaves
 Mrs. Mary McWilliams
 Mrs. Katherine Smith
 Mrs. Adele Gibbs

PAST PATRONS

M. Eugene Gardner
 M. Eugene Gardner
 John A. Kennedy, Jr.
 M. Eugene Gardner
 Walter J. Williams
 James A. McWilliams
 Robert Slaughter
 John Saxton
 I. Kendall Gibbs
 Earl D. Smith
 *Robert E. Chambers

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 Bryan, Lewes, Delaware..... Worthy Matron
 Mr. Walter O. Bryan, Lewes, Delaware..... Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Helen T. Joseph, Rehoboth Beach, R.D., Delaware..... Associate Matron
 Mr. Clarence Rickards, Lewes, Delaware..... Associate Patron
 Mrs. Marguerite L. Yarnall, 208 Hickman St., Rehoboth, Del..... Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Mary Bevis
 Mrs. Gladys Lynch
 Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore
 Mrs. Ruth Roberts
 Mrs. Goldia Palmer
 Mrs. Claire Andress
 Mrs. Mabel Guthrie

PAST PATRONS

H. Edward Maull
 Elwood H. Lynch
 H. Edward Maull
 Walter O. Bryan
 Clarence E. Rickards
 Walter O. Bryan
 Clarence Rickards

ESTHER CHAPTER No. 17—MIDDLETOWN

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sept. 27, '50. Date of Charter May 2, '51
 Meets in St. Anne's P. E. Church, Parish House, Middletown, Delaware

OFFICERS

Mrs. Grace Cochran, Townsend, Del..... Worthy Matron
 Mr. Winfield Cochran, Townsend, Del..... Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Patricia Mears, Middletown, Del..... Associate Matron
 Mr. Groome J. Mears, Middletown, Del..... Associate Patron
 Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall, Smyrna, Del..... Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall
 Mrs. Florence Mannering

PAST PATRONS

Oscar C. Biddle
 Samuel Carpenter

*Deceased

**Dropped

***Demitted

LAUREL CHAPTER No. 18—LAUREL

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 4, 1952

Meets in Friendship Hall of Centenary Methodist Church, Laurel, Delaware

OFFICERS

Mrs. Mary E. Woerner, Laurel, Delaware.....	Worthy Matron
Mr. Wm. E. Hall, Laurel, Delaware.....	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Thirza Hall, Laurel, Del.....	Associate Matron
Mr. E. Pratt Ingersoll, Laurel, Del.....	Associate Patron
Mrs. Louise Northam, Laurel, Del.....	Secretary

PAST MATRON

Mrs. Minnie Kytte

*Deceased

PAST PATRON

William E. Hall

***Demitted

**Dropped

GRAND SECRETARIES

- ALABAMA: Mrs. Florence G. Newsom, Masonic Temple, Montgomery—May.
 ALBERTA: Miss Ella C. Isaac, 636 15th Ave., W. Calgary, Canada—June.
 ARIZONA: Mrs. Danitza Angius, Box 1175, Bisbee—February.
 ARKANSAS: Mrs. Etta C. Lynn, Box 1127 Hazen—November.
 BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Hazel Freese, 4767 Collingwood St., Vancouver—June
 CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Maud McW. Smith, 760 Market St., San Francisco—Oct.
 COLORADO: Mrs. Nellie E. Wegner, 308 Masonic Temple, Denver—September.
 CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Ethel DeWitt Hull, 84 High St., Clinton—April.
 DELAWARE: Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher, 1614 No. Union St., Wilmington—May.
 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Hazel R. Englebrecht, Masonic Temple,
 Washington—January.
 FLORIDA: Mrs. Mae Donovan, 129 Broadway, Daytona Beach—April.
 GEORGIA: Mrs. Claudia B. Singletary, 508 Gordon Ave., Thomasville—June.
 IDAHO: Mrs. Loula T. Carpenter, Salmon—June.
 ILLINOIS: Mrs. Lillian G. Burchby, 32 West Randolph St., Chicago—Oct.
 INDIANA: Mrs. Daisy Crist, 53 East Washington St., Indianapolis—April.
 IOWA: Mrs. Gladys Haycock, 6th and Mulberry Sts., Des Moines—October.
 KANSAS: Mrs. Gertrude Verne Gough, 1109 Topeka Blv'd, Topeka—April.
 KENTUCKY: Miss Ella M. Mount, 923 Cherokee Road, Louisville—October.
 LOUISIANA: Mrs. Gertrude S. Davis, Box 375, LeCompte—March.
 MAINE: Miss Mabel H. DeShon, 26 Orland Ave., Portland—May.
 MANITOBA: Mrs. Irene Ramsay, 146 Riverbend Cres St. James, Manitoba—June
 MARYLAND: Mrs. Cora E. Weider, 932 No. Charles St., Baltimore—April.
 MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Alice Wallace, Room 1107, Little Bldg., Boylston
 St., Boston—May.
 MICHIGAN: Miss Genevieve M. Nauman, West Branch—October.
 MINNESOTA: Mrs. Frances J. Newman, 4805 Arden Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.
 —May.
 MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Florence F. Williams, Houston—April.
 MISSOURI: Mrs. Bertha Lew, 3681 Lindell St., St. Louis—October.
 MONTANA: Mrs. Lucille M. Kennedy, Masonic Temple—August.
 NEBRASKA: Mrs. Allie Wegner, Masonic Temple, Omaha—May.
 NEVADA: Mrs. Pearl C. Ericson, Box 195 Lovelock—October
 NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Della Currie, Box 2, Woodstock, Canada—June.
 NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Alice K. Simons, 328 Main St., Laconia—September.
 NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Florence M. Lapidge, 880 Bergen Ave., Jersey City—May.
 NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Frances E. Pino, 804 So. Puereo Drive, Gallup, N. Mex.
 —October
 NEW YORK: Mrs. Annie M. Pond, 71 West 23d St., New York City—October.
 NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Bessie R. Mangum, Rocky Mount—June.
 NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Violet Jane Oleson, 62½ Broadway, Room 205,
 Fargo—June.
 NOVA SCOTIA: Mrs. Ethel V. Kinsman, 495 Main St, Kentville—June
 OHIO: Mrs. Nellie E. Maeder, 3615 Euclid Ave., Cleveland (15)—October.
 OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Ethel Johnson, Box 391, Perry—April.
 ONTARIO: Mrs. Lillian B. Turriff, 55 Runnymede Rd., Toronto—October.
 OREGON: Mrs. Laura Bretscher, 7311 Masonic Temple, Portland—June.
 PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Margaret B. Alexander, 12 So. 12th St., Phila.—June.
 PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Jacobina R. deToro, Box 82, Arecibo—December.
 QUEBEC: Mrs. Esther B. West, 53 Pere Marquette St., Quebec City—October.
 RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Bertha G. Haines, 56 Zone St., Providence—October.
 SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Caroline E. Smith, Box 116, Rosetown—May.
 SCOTLAND: Mrs. Edna K. Douglas, 128 Hope St., Glasgow—March and October.
 SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Nellie M. Alley, Glendale, South Carolina—June.
 SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Lillian Olson, Box 476, Yankton—October.
 TENNESSEE: Mrs. Mae Conaster, Grand Lodge Bldg., Nashville—March.
 TEXAS: Mrs. Rebecca L. Miles, Grand Chapter Office Bldg., Arlington—October.
 UTAH: Mrs. Naomi P. Hoskins, 1954 So. 3d East St., Salt Lake City—October.
 VERMONT—Mrs. Ethel S. Hill, Johnston—June.
 VIRGINIA: Miss Louise Beale, 2025 Hanover Ave., Richmond—May.
 WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Lula A. Atzrodt, Box 1488, Clarksburg—October.
 WISCONSIN: Mrs. Otille Brunke, 207 E. Michigan St., Milwaukee—October.
 Wyoming: Mrs. Mollie M. Ellis, Box 630, Buffalo—August.
 WASHINGTON: Mrs. Mabel C. Clark, 4702 47th St. N. E., Seattle—June.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS
OF DELAWARE

- 1921-22—MRS. JULIA M. STORY*
HARRY F. NEWLIN*
- 1922-23—MRS. AMY E. MEYER, 616 N. Broom St., Wilmington, Del.
HARRY T. HICKEY*
- 1923-24—MRS. LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY*
ALFRED M. CLOWER*
- 1924-25—MRS. CORRINE W. TIMMONS, Berlin, Md.
WILLIAM H. REDMILE*
- 1925-26—MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN, 1612 Woodlawn Ave., Wilmington, Del.
ELHANAN BURTON WILSON*
- 1926-27—ELIZABETH LEECH*
WALTER WOODS**
- 1927-28—MRS. ROSE E. NEWLIN*
THOMAS B. PEPPER, Georgetown, Del.
- 1928-29—MRS. JEAN H. CAUFMAN*
RAYMOND H. FOSTER*
- 1929-30—MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN, 1019 Rodney St., Wilmington, Del.
ROBERT S. GALLAHER*
- 1930-31—MRS. IRMA BAKER BARR, Delmar, Del.
WALTER E. SAWDON, 1210 Harrison Ave., Holly Oak Terrace
- 1931-32—MRS. MARY M. CLOWER, 1117 Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington, Del.
FRANK L. HOWARD*
- 1932-33—MRS. ANNA BELLE SAUTER, 1214 Market St., Wilmington, Del.
GROVER C. MacNAMEE*
- 1933-34—MRS. IRENE BAUER, 914 W. 24th St., Wilmington, Del.
C. HERBERT NEUTZE, 1102 Jefferson St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1934-35—MRS. M. ETTA KEYS, 824 Van Buren St., Wilmington, Del.
DR. JAY W. MILLER, Glen Mills, Pa.
- 1935-36—MRS. BESSIE M. WARRINGTON, Harrington, Del.
VICTOR J. CARMINE, Delmar, Del.
- 1936-37—MRS. BERTHA M. SMITH*
JAMES DUNCAN
- 1937-38—MRS. SARAH E. RIGGIN, 37 Brooklyn Ave., Rehoboth, Del.
JOHN FREDERICK*
- 1938-39—MRS. MARTHA W. KRAPP, 207 E. Justis St., Newport, Del.
JOHN L. Lecompte, Lincoln, Del.
- 1939-40—MISS CARRIE L. GEMMILL*
FRANK L. HARRAR*
- 1940-41—MRS. JANE C. ZEBLEY, 912 West St., Wilmington, Del.
WILLIAM B. DERRICKSON, Selbyville, Del.
- 1941-42—MRS. BERTHA S. WELCH, Cannon, Del.
ROBERT M. ROGERS, Richardson Park, Wilmington, Del.
- 1942-43—MRS. MYRTLE C. NESBITT*
FREDERICK STOUT,** 614 W. 32d St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1943-44—MRS. CLARA A. REÜTER, 512 Carbon St., Pottsville, Pa.
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, Eden Park, New Castle, Del.
- 1944-45—MRS. ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, 11 Reamer Ave., Richardson Park,
Wilmington, Del.
CHESTON R. McCORMICK, 208 Lore Ave., Hillcrest, Del.
- 1945-46—MRS. HELEN C. WEST, Selbyville, Del.
CHARLES V. CLEAVER, 708 W. 27th Street, Wilmington, Del.
- 1946-47—MRS. ALICE C. ABBOTT, 189 Browning Ave., Elizabeth, New Jersey.
PERCY C. COTTY, 1022 Clayton St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1947-48—MRS. SARA S. MacNAMEE, 26 Windsor Road, North Hills, Wil., Del.
HORACE K. FULMER, 2129 Linden St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1948-49—MRS. MARIE L. ROBERTS, 300 Weiner Ave., Harrington, Del.
HARLAN L. CLOUD
- 1949-50—MRS. DORA E. FITZGERALD, Delmar, Del.
J. ALBERT KUMPEL, Port Penn, Del.
- 1950-51—MRS. EDNA L. GIFFORD, 412 Maple Ave., Bellefonte, Wilmington, Del.
FREDERICK H. WARRINGTON, Harrington, Del.
- 1951-52—MRS. IRMA O. Lecompte, Box 23, Lincoln, Del.
THOMAS C. RODWAY, 44 So. Governors Ave., Dover., Del.
- 1952-53—MRS. MARION J. SIMPSON, 200 Lore Ave., Wilmington, Del.
MR. HENRY T. MILLER, 600 Birmingham Ave., Woodcrest, Wil., Del.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES PAST MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS

- MRS. ELLIE LINES CHAPIN (1919-1922), 19 Newport Ave. West Hartford, Conn.
 MRS. EMMA P. CHADWICK (1928-1931), Eseter Hotel, Seneca & 8th Ave., Seattle, Wash.
 MRS. MILDRED K. SCHANBACHER (1931-1934), 310 Fort Street, Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada.
 MRS. FRANCES HAUN (1934-1937), 101 E. 24 St. Bradenton, Florida.
 MRS. ANNA W. SMALLEY (1937-1940), Roundup, Montana.
 MRS. MAMIE LANDER (1943-1946), 1618 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington 9, D. C.
 MRS. EVA HOLLAND HAMILTON (1947-1949), 2317 East 68th Street, Chicago 49, Ill.
 MR. GEORGE M. HYLAND (1916-1919), 646 N. Culpepper Terrace, Portland, Oregon.
 MR. WILLIAM A. DUVALL (1934-1937), 4906 Branchville Rd., Branchville, Maryland.
 MR. FRANK W. LYNN (1937-1940), Lynnhaven Farm, Grapevine, Texas.
 MR. CHARLES H. TOWNSEND (1940-1943), 1232 South Center Street, Casper, Wyo.
 MR. R. DONALD STEWART (1946-1949), Hartland, New Brunswick, Canada.
 MRS. ABBIE HANSOM (1949-1952), 6423 Forrest Ave., Hammond, Ind.
 MR. FRANKLAND W. L. MILES (1949-1952), Rocky Hill Rd., Plymouth, Mass.

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1952-1955

- Most Worthy Grand Matron, MRS. RUTH A. JONES, 92 Windson St., Waterbury 8, Connecticut.
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 Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, MR. LLOYD K. MCRAE, Helix, Oregon.
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 Right Worthy Grand Trustee, MR. ROY CLOSSEN, 504 Elm St., Coffeyville, Kansas.
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 Worthy Grand Adah, MRS. LOUISE D. GANDY, 4015 State Street Drive, New Orleans 18, Louisiana.
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 Worthy Grand Esther, MRS. EDNA C. MOAG, 103 Homewood Ave., Greensboro, North Carolina.
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 Worthy Grand Electa, MRS. FRANCES KERR, Oakesdale, Washington.
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 Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus, MRS. MINNIE E. KEYES, Olivet, Michigan.

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ALABAMA: Mrs. Marian Craig	5- 1-54
ARIZONA: Mrs. Edith Galloway	12-31-54
ALBERTA: Mrs. Isabelle Klabe	12-31-54
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Miriam Ziegler	12-31-54
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Virginia Newth	12-31-55
COLORADO: Mrs. Frances Warren	6-22-55
CONNECTICUT: Miss Eliza Crossland	12-31-55
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Katherine Schroeder	12-31-55
FLORIDA: Mrs. Claire Address	12-31-54
GEORGIA: Mrs. Sophronia Harmon	8- 1-55
IDAHO: Mrs. Frances Truitt	12-31-53
INDIANA: Mrs. Anna White	12-31-54
ILLINOIS: Miss Laurel Erdman	12-31-54
12-12-55 IOWA: Mrs. Eleanor Smith, G. G. C	1955
KANSAS: Mrs. Emma Wheeler	12-31-53
KENTUCKY: Mrs. Marian Hearn	12-31-55
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Alice Minner	5- 1-54
MAINE: Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore	3- 1-55
MARYLAND: Mrs. Marian Kumpel	5- 1-54
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Sarah Cordrey	12-31-55
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Dorothy Diehl	12-31-53
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Mildred Snowberger	12-31-53
MISSOURI: Mrs. Mabel Johnston	8- 1-55
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Florence Gilbert	12-31-54
MONTANA: Mrs. Bertha Smith	12-31-54
NEBRASKA: Mr. I. Kendall Gibbs	10- 1-53
NEVADA: Mrs. Mary P. Garton	12-31-55
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Emma Thomas	12-31-54
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. C. Linda Sammons	12-31-55
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Mary McWilliams	1- 1-54
NEW YORK: Miss Elizabeth Foster	12-31-55
NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Sarah Hoffman	12-31-53
NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Sarah Howell	12-31-55
OHIO: Mrs. Lanah Milbourne	12-31-54
OKLAHOMA: Mr. Samuel Richeson	12-31-53
ONTARIO: Mrs. Alma Long	12-31-54
OREGON: Mrs. Cordella Rodenheiser	12-31-55
PENNSYLVANIA: Mr. Edward Livermore	3-15-54
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Dorothy Quillen	12-31-55
SO. CAROLINA: Mrs. Eugenia Hall	12-31-55
SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Edna Johnston	12-31-53
TENNESSEE: Mrs. Goldia Palmer	3- 1-54
TEXAS: Miss Dorothea Werner	12- 31-54
UTAH: Mrs. Bessie Borglin	12-31-54
VERMONT: Mrs. Lillian Wheeler	12-31-54
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Catherine Marshal	12-31-53
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Adele Gibbs	12-31-55
WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Susie Cardwell	12-31-54
WISCONSIN: Mrs. Edith McLean	12-31-54
SCOTLAND: Mrs. Beda Lentz	12-31-54
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Sylvia Knox	12-31-53
NOVA SCOTIA: Mrs. Eva Hudson	12-31-53
WYOMING: Mrs. Mabel Guthrie	12-31-55
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Vera Snedeker	12-31-53
PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Florence Mannering	12-31-55
QUEBEC: Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson	12-31-55
MANITOBA: Mrs. Olivia Enright	6-30-55

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF DELAWARE IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

	Term Expires
ALABAMA: Mrs. Ola Cardwell.....	12-31-54
ARIZONA: Mrs. Olivia Wilkinson.....	12-31-54
ARKANSAS: Mrs. Mary Reed.....	12-31-54
ALBERTA: Mrs. Ethel Faibish.....	12-31-54
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Jessie Munroe.....	12-31-53
CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Sarah A. Crowell.....	12-31-54
COLORADO: Mrs. Evelyn Hammond.....	12-31-54
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Clara Spargo.....	12-31-53
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Virginia Morton.....	12-31-55
FLORIDA: Mrs. Ann Seabloom.....	12-31-53
GEORGIA: Mrs. Eula Wright.....	12-31-55
IDAHO: Mrs. Edna Littlefield.....	12-31-53
INDIANA: Mrs. Myrle Keller.....	12-31-53
IOWA: Mrs. Elizabeth Coulon.....	12-31-54
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Elaine Franknecht.....	12-31-55
KANSAS: Mrs. Corrine G. Ray.....	12-31-54
KENTUCKY: Mrs. Elizabeth Brand.....	12-31-55
KENTUCKY: Mrs. Frances Price.....	12-31-52
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Rita Gilbert.....	12-31-53
MAINE: Mrs. Etta Morill.....	12-31-54
MARYLAND: Mrs. Mary Payne.....	12-31-54
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Mildred B. Mackey.....	12-31-54
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Kathryn I. Eaton.....	12-31-53
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Katherine Tordson.....	12-31-53
MISSOURI: Mrs. Caroline L. Gresham.....	12-31-53
MONTANA: Mrs. Hazel Halvorsen.....	12-31-54
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Josephine Ziegenbein.....	12-31-53
NEVADA: Mrs. Edith Logue.....	12-31-55
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Elizabeth R. Perkins.....	12-31-54
NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Maud Wilbur.....	12-31-53
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Verna Bell.....	12-31-53
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Sara Lawrence.....	12-31-53
NEW YORK: Mrs. Alberta Clauss.....	12-31-52
NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Grace Crabtree.....	12-31-55
NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Lillian Arestad.....	12-31-53
OHIO: Mrs. Marie Crowell.....	12-31-53
OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Martha Kimbriel.....	12-31-54
ONTARIO: Mrs. Cora McGowan.....	12-31-55
OREGON: Mrs. Mildred Whipple.....	12-31-53
PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Bertha Weir.....	12-31-54
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Althea S. Finch.....	12-31-55
SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Mildred Matthews.....	12-31-54
SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Marie Reed.....	12-31-54
TENNESSEE: Mrs. Jennie Carroll.....	12-31-55
TEXAS: Mrs. Mollie Rosenberg.....	12-31-54
UTAH: Harold L. Lambert.....	12-31-55
VERMONT: Mrs. Ellen Keyser.....	12-31-53
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Ethel Morrow.....	12-31-54
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Anna Bell Lightel.....	12-31-54
WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Violet Taylor.....	12-31-54
WISCONSIN: Mrs. Verne Huber.....	00-00-00
SCOTLAND:	12-31-55
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Bernice Buchan.....	12-31-55
NOVA SCOTIA: Mrs. Janet Lawley.....	12-31-54
MANITOBA: Mrs. Laura Fisher.....	12-31-54
WYOMING: Miss Olga Enburg.....	12-31-54
PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Clotilde Alba.....	12-31-54
QUEBEC: Mrs. Dora Graves.....	12-31-54
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Eunice Meadows.....	12-31-54

ACTIVE LEGISLATION OF GRAND CHAPTER

Approved Recommendations

1. That at every semi-annual meeting of a subordinate Chapter the Secretary shall read the Land Marks.—1922.

2. That the Warder or Sentinel remain at their stations during recess, otherwise the Chapter must be purged on resuming order.—1922.

3. That the degrees cannot be conferred on a candidate the same night that the said candidate is elected for the degrees, unless said candidate is departing hurriedly for foreign jurisdiction.—1922.

4. That any visitor desiring to visit a Chapter by examination must show receipt for dues paid, or a year card, before the committee will give an examination.—1922.

5. That no member be allowed to vouch for any one unless they have sat in Chapter, or have lawful information from a sister or brother who has sat in Chapter with them.—1922.

6. That the Bible shall not be closed at recess,—by doing so closes the Chapter.—1922.

7. That while a Chapter is in session, excepting during recess, members be required to use the guarded door.—1922.

8. That the Grand Chapter furnish Christmas Greetings to be sent to each Grand Jurisdiction, General Grand Chapter, Present Grand Officers and to the subordinate Chapters in Delaware.—1922.

9. That for every ten white balls in a ballot box, there shall be one black ball; no ballot box, however, to contain at any time less than six black balls.—1922.

10. That the letter "G" be omitted from the Square and Compass in all Patrons' Jewels.—1922.

11. That a uniform system of books be adopted by this Grand Chapter consisting of Minute Books, Roll Book, Secretary's Cash Book, Treasurer's Cash Book, Ledgers, Record Book of petitioners elected and rejected in this State.—1923.

12. That the proceedings of this Grand Chapter be distributed in the following manner—One copy to each Grand Officer—to each Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron—to each Grand Representative of Delaware—to each elective officer of the General Grand Chapter—three copies to each Grand Chapter—six copies to each Chapter in Delaware.—1923-1930.

13. That the Flag of our Country be required to be placed in the East at the right of the Worthy Matron in each Chapter room and that the Pledge of Allegiance be given at each meeting.—1924.

14. That the Grand Secretary send to each Chapter a copy of all legislation enacted at the Grand Chapter Session immediately after its close.—1924.

15. That public installations be discontinued.—1924.

16. That once each year there shall be set aside a night known as Obligation Night in which to have a Special Service to renew our Obligation, the matter of the time and Ceremony to be left in the hands of the Worthy Matron of each Chapter.—1925.

17. That all approved decisions and recommendations made by this Grand Chapter be printed in the Proceedings under the heading of "Approved Decisions and Recommendations," adding those made and approved each year.—1925.

18. That all Sister Officers must be dressed in white at all Chapter meetings.—1926.

19. That Officers shall not be permitted to take hand bags or similar articles to their stations.—1926.

20. That no one but members be admitted to the ante-room or preparation rooms, except candidates for the degrees, until after the Chapter is closed.—1926.

21. The laws of this State forbid gambling, any form of raffling, or chances; therefore no Chapter, or any committee, or individual representing a Chapter, shall be permitted to secure money for any Chapter in this manner.—1926.

22. That the sale of anything in the Chapter Room be prohibited.—1926.

23. That the Address of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron be in the hands of the Jurisprudence Committee not less than one week previous to the date of the Opening Session of the Grand Chapter.—1926.

24. That in the future when a call is sent to the members of any Chapter for a Special Meeting a duplicate shall be sent at the same time to the Grand Matron and Grand Secretary.—1926.

25. I have noticed some of the articles appearing in the newspapers concerning the activities of the Order in this State. One recent article gave the names of the candidates initiated in one of the Chapters, while another article stated that only one office held by the officer named would be contested at the election. I would recommend that the members be more careful in giving information outside the Chapter Rooms.—1928.

26. That a copy of the Book of Instructions be given to the Worthy Grand Matron and each one of the members of the Board of Grand Instructors, to be returned to the Grand Secretary on their

retirement from office. Also that a copy be furnished to the Worthy Matron of each Subordinate Chapter to be turned over to her successor at the close of her term of office.—1928.

27. That a revised copy of the By-Laws of each Subordinate Chapter be kept on file in the Grand Secretary's office.—1928

28. That a special dispensation be required to install officers who are not installed at the regular installations.—1928.

29. That in case of removal from one jurisdiction to another in this Grand Jurisdiction, any sister or brother desiring a demit for the purpose of joining another Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, shall have the right to petition such other Chapter for membership upon first giving notice to their original Chapter of such intention.

Should the Chapter so receiving the petition elect the petitioner to membership and notify their former Chapter, under seal, accordingly, upon receipt of said notice by their former Chapter, it shall grant a demit, which shall be sent direct to the Secretary of the Chapter to which petitioner has been elected. In case of their rejection by the Chapter to which petitioner has applied, their membership shall remain in their former Chapter.—1929.

30. That no request be made or granted to confer degrees by courtesy for a Grand Chapter working under a Ritual other than the one promulgated by the General Grand Chapter, and that a petitioner for membership by affiliation on demit granted by a Chapter working under such Ritual, if elected shall be required to take the obligation.—1930.

31. That the election of a petitioner, against whom objection has been made, shall be considered void, if the objection is not raised and the petitioner initiated within one year of the date of the election. That the status of such person be that of a rejected petitioner over whom the Chapter shall have jurisdiction for one year thereafter.—1930.

32. That each Chapter be held responsible to this Grand Chapter for the number of Rituals furnished them at the time of Institution, as a part of their required Chapter property and that the Chapter shall pay to the Grand Secretary the list price for each Ritual lost, upon receipt of which the necessary Rituals will be sent to the Chapter. That a money value be placed upon the Secret Work and Labyrinth Chart, to be paid to the Grand Secretary by the Chapter in case of loss.—1930.

33. That no new edition of By-Laws shall be issued by any Chapter without first submitting a copy to the Worthy Grand Matron or the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, for approval.—1930.

34. That the Visiting Card as issued heretofore, be abolished and that the "identification and receipt for dues in card form," as required by our Constitution, be the only card furnished the Chapters to be issued to members, and that the cards furnished by the General Grand Chapter be adopted for this purpose.—1930.

35. That in the future all officers appointed to serve Under Dispensation shall be installed at the time of Instituting the Chapter and that no Chapter shall be Constituted until they have worked Under Dispensation at least six months (not including July and August unless stated meetings are held during these months).—1930.

36. That all persons signing a petition for a dispensation for a new Chapter be required to also fill out, in ink, individual petition blanks, answering all questions thereon in their own handwriting. Said petition to become the property of the Subordinate Chapter.—1930.

37. That a price of \$5.00 (five dollars) be placed on Secret Work and \$2.00 (two dollars) on the Diagram of the Labyrinth.—1930.

38. That no member of a Chapter shall furnish a list of the membership to anyone for the purpose of circularizing its members, or soliciting for any purpose other than the Eastern Star.—1931.

39. That a space be provided for the signature of the installing officer on the list of officers installed.—1931.

40. That a copy of the Book of Instructions be furnished the Associate Grand Matron, and that officers of Subordinate Chapters and any member interested in the work in this Jurisdiction be allowed to purchase them, if they so desire.—1931.

41. That a form, for requesting a Special Dispensation from the Worthy Grand Matron, be printed, to be furnished to Chapters, as other supplies, from the office of the Grand Secretary.—1931.

42. That Article 5, Section 1, be amended so that this Grand Chapter may meet in any town in Delaware where there is a subordinate Chapter, at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron.—1931.

43. That the Grand Secretary be authorized to dispose of all foreign proceedings after a period of 3 years, and that due care be taken in disposing of them.—1931.

44. That a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Chapter (marked "Property of Grand Chapter" and with Seal affixed) be given to each member of the Jurisprudence, Constitution and By-Law Committee and to each elective officer and returned to Grand Secretary on their retirement from office. That copies be sold to interested members of the Order for twenty cents each.—1932.

45. That the list of names of the members of subordinate Chapters be omitted and that in place thereof a Chapter directory be printed

to contain the name of the Chapter, place, and time of meeting, the names of the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron, with the name and address of the Secretary.

46. That a Grand Lecturer be required to pass the examination to secure a Grade A Certificate not less than two months after being elected.—1933.

47. That the Grand Matron have the power to appoint a member who holds a Grade A Certificate, that the appointment of the Grand Matron shall be effective until the elected officer qualifies or until the next annual session of the Grand Chapter, when the office shall be filled by election.—1933.

48. That no practice meetings be held on Sunday.—1933.

49. That the approved recommendation, No. 34, 1930, be rescinded and that the Sentinel see that all members and visitors register in the Register Book.—1933.

50. That the Book of Instruction on Page 8—Reception of Grand Officers on Official Visits be changed from “they should be introduced and escorted to the East immediately after the Conductress and Associate Conductress have finished proving the Chapter” to “they should be introduced and escorted to the East immediately after the Chapter has been declared open”. My reason for this recommendation is that Grand Honors should not be given when the Bible is closed and the Chapter not opened.—1934.

51. That the names of all Past Matrons and Past Patrons be printed in the Proceedings after the names of the Officers.—1934.

52. That the Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee composed of four sisters and one brother to be known as an “Educational Fund Committee”. One member to be appointed for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year. Thereafter one to be appointed each year to serve for five years. Said committee to have the custody of all money properly belonging to the fund. All disbursements to be signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the committee.—1934.

53. That a copy of the Book of Instructions be given members of the Jurisprudence Committee. These books to remain the property of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, and to be returned to the Grand Chapter at the completion of each member’s term.—1934.

54. That the members be permitted to remain seated during the Opening March in Subordinate Chapters and called up when the position referred to in the Ritual is assumed.—1935.

55. That no Life Memberships shall be granted by Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction. (This not to affect those now holding such memberships.)—1935.

56. That some ruling be adopted by this Grand Chapter whereby the Associate Patron shall have the same restrictions as the Worthy Patron regarding the Pink Slip.—1935.

57. That all petitions for Affiliation from New Jersey shall state thereon the Masonic relationship upon which their Eastern Star Membership is based, and if it does not conform to the requirements of the General Grand Chapter, such petitions shall not be considered.—1935.

58. That the Ceremony used in receiving Distinguished Visitors at this Grand Session be adopted as official in this Grand Jurisdiction.—1935. See pages 37-38.

59. That the ceremony of affiliation as used at the Schools of Instruction in 1935 be adopted and incorporated in the Book of Instruction. This is in accordance with the General Grand Chapter.—1935.

60. That a sponsorship committee, composed of three members of this Grand Chapter, be appointed by the incoming Worthy Grand Matron to cooperate more fully with the Job's Daughters, which organization has been sponsored by this Grand Chapter.—1935.

61. That those portions of the Worthy Grand Matron's report and the Worthy Grand Patron's report which require action by this Grand Chapter be duplicated and distributed to the delegates at the opening of the Grand Chapter Session.—1935.

62. That in order to facilitate the making of proper records, secretaries of Subordinate Chapters be instructed to list on their annual reports both the new and old names of members whose names have been changed since the issuance of the latest annual report.—1935

63. That the Associate Matron fall in line with other officers and march to her station, when directed by the Worthy Matron.—1936.

64. That all Grand Representative Commissions expire the same Month, December 31st.—1936.

65. That our proceedings be bound in book form with stiff backs, four or five in one volume.—1936.

66. That Job's Daughters be added to our mailing list.—1936.

67. That Chapters urge their committees on applications to be more particular in their investigation. This is the most important committee in your Chapter.

68. That the Associate Matron march to her station when the Worthy Matron says: "The Officers will take their respective stations".—1937.

69. That a Membership Committee shall be appointed each year by the Worthy Matrons.—1937.

70. That the Worthy Grand Patron make written Report to his successor in office of all outstanding petitions for dispensations and any preliminary work that has been done to create interest in localities where no Chapters exist.—1937.

71. That as the Conductress is the only one (except the Worthy Patron) to use the pink slip in her work, that the Associate Conductress be required to pass a Grade B examination—1938. See Recommendation 100

72. That the Associate Matron be required to pass an examination in the opening and closing ceremony before she is installed as Worthy Matron.—1938.

73. That a complete set of our proceedings be bound for the use of the Worthy Grand Matron. That she be held responsible for same and deliver them to the Installed Grand Matron at the same time she delivers the seal, etc.—1938.

74. That the fourth paragraph on page 28 in the proceedings of 1930 be eliminated and the following substituted: The Associate Conductress must be positive, when preparing the ballot box, that there are as many white balls as there are voting members in the Chapter Room, and the proper number of black balls or cubes. If there be a Chapter that has not in its possession as many white balls as it has members they should be purchased.—1938.

75. That this Grand Body give its approval and recognize the sounding of the gavel in the subordinate Chapters as the opening of the Chapter.—1938.

76. I recommend that all Chapters requesting Dispensations shall accompany their request by check drawn on Treasury of Chapter requesting same.—1941.

77. That the compensation to the Fraternal Correspondent be eliminated for the time being.—1941.

78. I recommend that in order to eliminate embarrassing situations, Honorary Memberships in Subordinate Chapters not be proposed or voted upon when the recipient is in the room.—1943.

79. That the Grand Lecturer's contingent fund be increased to \$50.00.—1943.

80. That the Associate Conductress hand the ballot box to the Worthy Matron from the floor of the Chapter room and not go up on the platform.—1944.

81. That we discontinue the use of stoles. The Jurisdiction of Delaware has adopted the use of shoulder ribbons and no officer should wear both.—1944.

82. That the outline for Proficiency examinations in Constitution and By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for Class "A" certificates

as found on pages 29, 30 and 31 in 1930 Proceedings be mimeographed for the use of those desiring to take the examination.—1944.

83. That a card be issued to the Associate Matrons as follows, to show that they have passed the examination required. "This is to certify that..... Associate Matron of Chapter No..... has passed a satisfactory examination in opening and closing ceremonies." —1944.

84. That the Conductress drape the Charter immediately after the Flag Ceremony in all Chapters. This to be incorporated in the Book of Instructions.—1944.

85. That when a Chapter amends its By-Laws, copies of said amendments be sent in threes to the Grand Secretary, one for the book in the Grand Secretary's office, one for the book held by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and one for the Worthy Grand Matron's book. These books will then be kept up-to-date.—1944.

86. That the incoming Deputy Grand Lecturers receive a copy of the Proceedings.—1944.

87. That the Worthy Grand Patron read Article 8, Sec. 1, of the Constitution, on balloting, before the election of officers each year.—1944.

88. That the words "Without further ceremony" be deleted from Article 11, Sec. 6 of the Rules and Regulations. This will give the Worthy Grand Matron the privilege of having a ceremony if she so chooses.—1944.

89. That the Associate Grand Matron, who according to our Constitution and By-Laws, automatically becomes Fraternal Correspondent, be granted permission to divide proceedings received, with Grand Conductress, and Associate Conductress, each to review and report same to Associate Grand Matron to be included in her report to this Grand Chapter.—1944.

90. That the Diamond used in future for Past Grand Matron's jewel be a fine point 18 (.10) white stone.

91. When it is impossible for the Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron to attend a Grand Visitation, the Conductress and Associate Conductress proceed as though both officers were present and conduct either Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron, as the case may be, to the East.—1945.

92. Since the Ritual requires the Associate Matron to assume the duties of the Worthy Matron, the Conductress must take an examination in the Opening and Closing ceremonies.—1945. (See Recommendation No. 109.)

93. Deputy Grand Lecturer is authorized to give examinations in Grade "B" but the certificates be issued by the Grand Lecturer.

94. Candidates may be seated during lecture to the Worthy Patron, in initiatory work.—1947.

95. Members of a chapter must be notified ten (10) days in advance when voting to change the By-Laws of a chapter.—1948. (See Recommendation No. 111.)

96. Members appointed on an investigating committee should not visit the petitioner. An investigation should be made thoroughly but discreetly and more or less secretly.—1948.

97. Members should not sign a petition unless they are acquainted with the petitioner.—1948.

98. Price of Proceedings shall be \$1.80 each.—1948.

99. 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, at the close of regular introductions, by a request to rise. Welcome them at their seats. Our Grand Chapter sponsors the Job's Daughters and we do recognize them in Grand Chapter Session.—1949.

+ **100. That all examinations for Grade "B" Certificates and Star cards, be taken immediately after election of officers.**

101. That a committee of five (3 sisters and 2 brothers) be appointed on a Home Fund Committee. One member to be appointed for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year. Thereafter one to be appointed for each year to serve five years. This fund to be kept as a separate fund by the Grand Secretary and known as Eastern Star Home Fund. No money to be withdrawn from this fund without the consent and approval of the committee.—1950.

102. That the Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturer impress upon the officers and members of subordinate chapters that when a change is contemplated in the By-Laws of a Chapter all members must be notified at least 10 days in advance.—1950.

103. Secretaries must put Seal of Chapter on all requests to Worthy Grand Matron.

104. No notices shall be sent out on Post Cards.

105. Grand Representatives shall be recognized and welcomed at all meetings.

106. Worthy Patron must give secretary a receipt for Secret Work and Diagram. Associate Patron must give secretary a receipt for Secret Work.

107. Associate Grand Patron must pass an examination of 20 questions six months before Installation as Worthy Grand Patron. This examination to be given by Grand Lecturer.

108. Time of meeting of Grand Chapter has been changed from 1:00 o'clock to 10:00 o'clock A. M.

Changes to be made in Constitution and Laws:

109. Art. V, Sec. 1 Changed to read:

This Grand Chapter shall send the Worthy Grand Matron, then in office, to Triennial Assembly of General Grand Chapter. If she is unable to attend, then a Proxy in the following order—Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron.

110. Art. V, Sec. 2. That our Delegate be allowed \$10.00 per day while Triennial is in session and 4c per mile traveling charges.

111. Art. IV. Sec. 7, Change to read: The ten (10) officers above named shall be elected annually.

This changes the office of Grand Lecturer and Grand Sentinel from Appointive offices to elective offices.

Approved Decisions

1. The election of a petitioner to receive the degrees in a Chapter, when another Chapter holds jurisdiction over the person as a rejected petitioner, is null and void,—1922.

2. It is permissible to do crocheting or fancy work in the Chapter during the session? No.—1922.

3. The time referred to in the Constitution shall be the time prevailing in Wilmington on the dates the Grand Chapter is in Session.—1925.

4. Can we hold rehearsal at member's homes? No.—1926.

5. A special election is necessary to fill vacancies in the office of Trustee. This will require a dispensation for that purpose, the members being notified ten days before the election.—1926.

6. A petition has been received from a person holding a demit from Pennsylvania, but who now resides in Maryland. Is it necessary to ask for a waiver of Territorial Jurisdiction from Maryland? Yes.—1926.

7. What should we do with a visitor who attends our Chapter, and has done so for years and has never shown a receipt for dues? Every visitor must show a receipt for dues or a demit once every current year. If demit is more than one year old, she is refused admission.—1928.

8. Can the members of the Chapter stand within the Labyrinth and repeat the Obligation at the same time a candidate is taking the Obligation? No. Members can arise and repeat Obligation when presiding officer calls for it.—1928.

9. After a petitioner has been balloted upon and has been declared either elected or rejected and ballot broken, members may be admitted, after which the name of the next petitioner may come up for ballot.—1929.

10. A person with a deformity of the hand may be initiated into the Order of the Eastern Star if such deformity does not interfere with their ability to make themselves known as a sister or brother.—1929.

11. The ballot shall not be spread on the application of a person who is not eligible to petition for the degrees.—1930.

12. A legally adopted daughter may petition for the degrees on the Masonic affiliation of the son of her foster parents.—1930.

13. A petitioner for affiliation becomes a member of the Chapter immediately upon being elected. Having signed the By-Laws of a Chapter upon being initiated, the signing of the By-Laws upon affiliation is merely a matter of Chapter record.—1930.

14. A petition for affiliation on demit granted by Chapter not using Ritual of General Grand Chapter shall be handled in the usual way, except that in addition to signing the By-Laws, such petitioner shall be required to take the Obligation of the Order as required by our Ritual.—1930.

15. Members cannot be admitted to the Chapter room during balloting. The ballot is started when the Report of the Investigating Committee is read to the Chapter. According to our procedure, action on the report is not finished until the petition is balloted upon.—1930.

16. By-Laws of a subordinate Chapter are required by the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter and should be classified as a supply, as interpreted in my official letter number one.—1930.

17. A duplicate Certificate of Proficiency can be secured upon payment of a fee to cover the cost of affixing the Grand Chapter Seal (See Rules and Regulations for government of Grand Chapter, Art. III, Sec. 1, (4), plus the list price of the Certificate.) (See recommendation of Jurisprudence Committee.)—1930.

18. The Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron serving from the time of the Instituting of a Chapter, though not elected at the time of Constituting, is entitled to the privileges and prerogatives of a Past Worthy Matron or a Past Worthy Patron, since she or he filled the office for which she or he was appointed by the Worthy Grand Patron.—1930.

19. That in accordance with Constitution and By-Laws, Section 44, when a person applies to a Chapter for the degrees, and is rejected, said Chapter retains absolute jurisdiction over said party for one year.—1931.

20. That no member can be elected or appointed to fill two offices at the same time in a subordinate Chapter.—1931.

21. That Secretaries do not read the names of rejected candidates in other Chapters with concurrent jurisdiction and that secretaries keep proper record of all said applicants.—1933.

22. Page 61, 1929 Proceedings, "do not give honorary membership to anyone, this law rescinded".—1933.

23. That this Grand Chapter sponsor the Order of Job's Daughters.—1933.

24. That a member who is in arrears two and one-half years for dues and has received suspension notice may visit this Grand Chapter by another Sister of the same Chapter vouching for her.—1935.

25. That a demitted or suspended Past Matron has the right to wear her Jewel, because it is her personal property; however, it does not seem to be good taste.—1935.

26. That the time referred to in constitution shall be the time prevailing in the Town or City on the date that the Grand Chapter is in Session.—1936.

27. That a Grand Instructor be required to pass the examination to secure a Grade A. Certificate not less than two months after being elected.—1933.

28. Only a brother may occupy the station of Worthy Patron or Associate Patron. (This decision made by Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Easton). If there is no brother present, the Worthy Matron may invite a Past Matron to call the Chapter to order and invite the Worthy Matron and other officers to enter the Chapter room.—1944.

29. A dispensation is required to hold a special election, the Chapter members being notified ten days prior thereto. (Constitution and By-Laws, Article 1, Sec. 10, under Rules and Regulations governing subordinate Chapters.)—1944.

30. Collection plates shall not be passed in the Chapter room. The By-Laws specify the amount of dues each member shall pay. Voluntary contributions may be put into a receptacle placed in a convenient place, such as Electa's cup or on the Associate Matron's pedestal.—1944.

31. There shall be no music while the prayer is being said. (Ritual, Page 34—fine print.)—1944.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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

Answer No we do not undrape the charter. Have the presiding officer mention the passing away of this other member,

thus the drape remaining on the charter for 60 days for the two deceased members.

Question Can a suspended member of Chapter affiliate with another Chapter in the City?

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

Question Can a person join our chapter who is unable to kneel at the Altar due to Arthritis in her knees?

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

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

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

Question Has the Sentinel the right to present a resolution or take any part in the business of the chapter?

Answer When the Sentinel is invited into the chapter by the Worthy Matron (he or she) has the same right and privilege as any other member.

Question A few days after being elected, our associate conductress elect, found she could not accept this office. When holding a special election to elect another, may we install the same night?

Answer Yes.

Question May we ballot at a special meeting?

Answer No.

Question May officers leave their stations and form a hollow square outside the labyrinth for Obligation, if someone is appointed to fill Warder's chair during Obligation Ceremony?

Answer Yes.

Question May a member from Pennsylvania join a chapter in Delaware by affiliation, if she has a Demit from a Philadelphia Chapter, without a waiver?

Answer Yes. She does not need a waiver with a Demit.

- Question** May a chapter sell chances on a cake, after meeting is closed?
- Answer** No. I refer you to paragraph 23 (now paragraph 21) in Active Legislation.
- Question** Since the law says the officers (Conductress and Associate Conductress) must take examinations before installation, should they be installed if the required examinations have not been given?
- Answer** I would say "NO" in order to uphold our law.
- Question** The question has been asked in our chapter "In proving a chapter should the Conductress and Associate Conductress use "Lawful Information" as the Book of Instructions tells us, or must they have sat in chapter with them?"
- Answer** Our instruction is "use Lawful Information". This does not mean that the Conductress or Associate Conductress shall have sat in chapter with them, but "Lawful Information" means they must be vouched for by someone who has sat in Chapter with them.
- Question** Does the Conductress assist the Associate Conductress when there are two members to be affiliated?
- Answer** Associate Conductress does the work alone.
- Question** Is it necessary for members to be affiliated to wait in the anteroom?
- Answer** No, they may be present for the opening ceremony and then asked by the Worthy Matron to retire.

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