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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

*Grand Chapter*

OF

DELAWARE

*Order of the Eastern Star*

SUNSHINE SESSION

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

1955

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MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE  
Worthy Grand Matron  
1954 — 1955



GEORGE H. OSTENDARP  
Worthy Grand Patron  
1954 — 1955

## SATURDAY EVENING

May 21, 1955

A banquet honoring the 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 22, 1955

Divine Service was held in the First and Central Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware at 8:00 P. M. The evening message was given by the Reverend G. Willard Purdy.

## FORMAL OPENING

Monday Morning, May 23, 1955, 10:00 A. M.

Grand Chapter was called to order by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Dora E. Fitzgerald and Past Grand Patron, Brother J. Albert Kumpel, who welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Sister DORA FITZGERALD—Past Grand Matron—

Sisters and Brothers: Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, Brother Kumpel and I have been accorded the honor and pleasure of calling to order this 34th Grand Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. I can think of no greater pleasure than is mine this morning for the privilege of extending to you, our honored guests, visitors and members, a most sincere welcome and I trust that your attendance at this Grand Session will be a pleasant memory to each of you. It is always a joy and pleasure to meet our friends and members we have known through the years and greet new ones. We gather here not alone for pleasure and entertainment but to write into history another page, and plan well for the future welfare of our Order. May this be a time of rededication of our lives to Him whose Star we follow; a time for inspiration and a time to remember that the greatness and strength of our Order is measured by the character and principles of its members. Our Worthy Grand Matron has named this "Sunshine Session". May we make this the grandest session ever. Not only renew our interest in the laws, teachings and principles upon which our Order was founded, but may we also add some happiness and sunshine to the lives of others, so that when we return to our homes and chapters, may you take with you, not only a broader conception of the high ideal of our Order but pleasant memories of this "Sunshine Session," that years can never erase. Again I bid you welcome!

Worthy Grand Matron, I want to thank you for the honor and pleasure you have given Brother Kumpel and me in being the first to greet and welcome you at this 34th Annual Grand Session, which you have named "Sunshine Session". Many of us have planned and looked forward with great anticipation to this session, not only to legislate and review the work of the past year and plan for the future, but to honor you, not only as our Worthy Grand Matron but as one who has given many years of unselfish service to our Order. I am happy to know you have been given the health and strength to carry on the duties of this Grand Chapter during the past year and I congratulate you on your year of service.

Friends and material things in life can be taken from us, but memories are our own. Memories I have of you through the years in the work of our Order and especially during the year of our close association when you honored me by accepting the office of Grand Lecturer, will never be forgotten. You have been faithful and loyal in your official duties and have exemplified in your life the teaching of our Order. If in this year there has been an unkind deed, a disappointment or a shadow of a cloud cast over your year to mar your happiness, may I leave with you these lines; perhaps they will help you to understand and forgive. As the years pass on may only pleasant memories remain of your year and your "Sunshine Session."

### TRIAL

"If everything could pleasant be  
And never had we care to know,  
Were all from disappointment free,  
How should we stronger grow?

Did every hope and dream come true  
With courage never once required  
Then we could idle all day through  
And never once grow tired.

But had this life been fashioned so,  
Care-free from birth to end  
If grief and sorrow were never ours to know  
Then few would need a friend

Were trial and disappointment unto us denied  
The years an endless round of bliss  
The joy of self respect and pride  
Courage and triumph we should miss."

Worthy Grand Patron—I am most happy to greet you today as our Worthy Grand Patron and honor you for the faithful and loyal service you have given to our Order.

I was the Grand Chaplain at the time your Chapter (Brandywine 14) was constituted in 1937 and it has been my happy privilege to

visit your Chapter many times through these years and I have always found you either in an official office or giving your loyal support to your Chapter and Order. I am sure you have been faithful and loyal in your official duties as Worthy Grand Patron and to our Worthy Grand Matron in the past year and I sincerely trust you will give her the same loyalty during this grand session.

So today we honor you both for the years of faithful and loyal service which you have so generously given. When this grand session is concluded under your leadership, I know "Well Done" will be your Reward! Again I welcome you.

J. ALBERT KUMPEL:—

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, this is a real privilege to be permitted to assist Past Grand Matron Sister Fitzgerald in calling to order this 34th Grand Chapter Session—your "Sunshine Session" and to extend sincere and fraternal greetings to both of you. I should like to commend you on your accomplishments this year and to wish for you a Session bright with sunshine and rich in results. I am sure this year has been an inspiration to you and will long remain in your book of memories. Your very congenial way has endeared you to the hearts of all of us and we are proud of you. We of Caesar Rodney Chapter are particularly proud of you and shall be happy to have you back in your own chapter after your six years of continuous service beginning as you recall, when you were appointed Grand Lecturer by Sister Dora.

Brother George, your willingness to be of service to the Order of the Eastern Star has brought you to the high honor you now hold and are soon to relinquish. We are proud of you too. May God's richest blessings rest upon both of you now and always.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron thanked Sister Fitzgerald and Brother Kumpel for opening the first morning session.

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

Entrance of Pages

Entrance of Grand Officers

Roll call of Constituent Chapters—18 Chapters represented.

Roll call of Grand Officers. All officers present.

Opening Ceremony (Ritualistic)

Singing by Assembly—"Sunshine in the Soul"

Pledge of Allegiance to American Flag.

Singing—"Star Spangled Banner"

Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter duly opened for the transaction of such business that may properly come before it.

## PARTIAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Number of Chapters represented . . . . .	18
Number of voting delegates . . . . .	106

SYLVIA M. KNOX, *Chairman*

## COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

On Educational Fund Committee — P. G. M. Sister Bessie M. Warrington replaced by Sister Grace Moore.

Minutes of the 1954 Grand Session were called for.

Motion by Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and they be accepted as printed in proceedings. Motion seconded by Past Grand Patron Brother Charles Cleaver and adopted.

## REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON

LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE

We have come again to another page in the history of our beautiful Order, with memory for yesterday, work for today and hope for tomorrow. It is my hope that each of us may receive an inspiration from this 34th Session of the Grand Chapter that will lead us to more closely follow the light of His Star, whose unfailing light is leading you and me onward and upward. May our deliberations be marked by that spirit of kindness which is essential to our welfare and prosperity and may God in His infinite wisdom and goodness guide us and direct our footsteps in ways of pleasantness and paths of peace and may all of our doings reflect honor upon His Holy Name.

One year ago, you placed in my care, the stewardship of the Grand Chapter and I accepted this office of honor and responsibility in the spirit of reverence and humility, with a feeling of gratitude in my heart for the confidence and faith you expressed in me. My year of service hastens to a close and I bring for your approval, the record of my official acts and duties. It has been a wonderful year, not without its heavy burden; however, the burden has been made lighter by the help of the many wonderful sisters and brothers of the Order. Everywhere I turned I found someone ready and willing to make the road a little smoother, easier to travel and lighten it with good wishes and friendly handshakes and expressions of love and good cheer. To all those attending this Session it is my happy privilege to say "Welcome". This is your Session and I hope you will enjoy it to the fullest; benefit from its deliberations and carry home with you inspiration and enthusiasm for the coming year.

I have been graciously welcomed in your home chapters and I want you to know that the welcome I now extend is as sincere as any

I have received. To our distinguished guests from other Grand Jurisdictions, I am happy to add my personal greetings and welcome to you.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Let us give thanks there has been no broken link in the fraternal chain of our Grand Officers. We express our gratitude to Him for permitting the circle of our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons to remain unbroken. I wish to express my appreciation for the sympathy cards and flowers when mother was called to her Heavenly Home. To those bereaved members of General Grand Chapter, our hearts go out in tender and understanding sympathy.

“When shadows fall about us,  
And sad hearts are alone  
There is a strength that comes to us  
Far greater than our own.

There is a love that comforts,  
There is a light that leads  
There is a Heavenly Father  
Who understands our needs.”

#### OFFICIAL ACTS

One of the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's sweetest privileges and greatest joys, is the selection of the appointive Grand Officers and Committees. The success of our year has depended greatly upon your cooperation, your willingness to sacrifice, and your devotion to the noble principles and high standard of the Order.

#### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO REPRESENT SISTER JURISDICTIONS IN DELAWARE

Arizona—M. Catherine Downing  
 Alberta—Evelyn Holden  
 British Columbia—Thirza Hall  
 Florida—Grace Moore  
 Illinois—Virginia Moore—1 Yr. Appointment  
 Indiana—Hilda Wood  
 Kentucky—Jennie Thompson  
 Maine—Lanah Milbourn  
 Mississippi—Myrtle Stevenson  
 Missouri—Lorraine Putzier  
 Montana—Helen Joseph  
 New Hampshire—Jeanette Gutzke  
 Ohio—Callie Wood—1 Year Appointment



Oklahoma—Marian Moore—1 Year Appointment  
 Ontario—Margaret King  
 Scotland—Edith McLean  
 Texas—Patricia Mears  
 Utah—Doris Truitt  
 Vermont—Ruth Nutter  
 Washington—Marjorie Montgomery  
 West Virginia—Helen Weldie  
 Wisconsin—Ida Case  
 Wyoming—Florence Walls

APPOINTMENTS APPROVED TO REPRESENT  
 DELAWARE IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Alabama—Levella Paris  
 Arizona—Irene Taylor  
 Arkansas—Verna McGaughney  
 Alberta—Hilda Brady  
 Colorado—Sophia McKinney  
 Idaho—Georgia Hamilton—Unexpired term of Gladys Lutes  
 Iowa—Christine Peterson  
 Kansas—Gertrude McKain  
 Maine—Evelyn F. Hershey  
 Manitoba—Laura Ottley  
 Maryland—Mary C. Remsberg  
 Massachusetts—Norma L. Hastings  
 Mississippi—Lucy Edwards  
 Montana—Pearl Phillips  
 New Hampshire—Mary Ojala  
 Quebec—Jessie Bruce  
 Rhode Island—Doris M. Pendleton  
 South Dakota—Lola Merkel  
 Tennessee—Ruth Berryhill  
 Utah—LaVerne Madsen  
 Washington—Pearl Cornell  
 West Virginia—Betty Stipe  
 Wisconsin—Beverly Sager  
 Wyoming—Eunice Burris

OFFICIAL VISITS

Among the most endearing memories of my year as Worthy Grand Matron will be the memory of my official visits to the subordinate chapters. Those were my greatest joy and what I considered

my greatest obligation. You have all been friendly, understanding and kind, making my evening in your chapters, events to be remembered all my life. You have endeared yourselves to me in many ways and your sincere interest in our Summer Benefit and the Peace Garden is appreciated. You also expressed your love and esteem in song, flowers and gifts, filling my life with happiness and my heart with joy.

At the time of the official visit to Caesar Rodney (My Home Chapter) the Grand Officers accepted the invitation to put on the initiation ceremony. Six candidates were initiated and the work was exemplified in a commendable manner.

The most special of the official visits was the one to Mizpah Chapter No. 2 on the night of "Hurricane Hazel". The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain and Grand Sentinel were the only Grand Officers who ventured out in the storm. The Grand Chaplain (Ivah Ostendarp) acted as Electa, The Grand Sentinel (William Nutter) acted as Chaplain, Marie Burris acted as Secretary and Jonathan Burris acted as Associate Patron, Brother Bryan acted as Grand Sentinel. After all the offices were filled, there was no one left on the side lines. There were gifts and flowers and refreshments. We had no organist, so no music, but a very happy enjoyable evening. There was so much food left over that the Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Chaplain, Sister Ivah, took the surplus to the Children's Home in Claymont. On the following meeting night of Mizpah Chapter (two weeks later) a second visit was made and all Grand Officers were present.

### SPECIAL OCCASIONS

May 13, 1954. Reception in Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, for Grand Officers of that Chapter:—Worthy Grand Matron, Lillian M. Larrimore, Deputy Grand Lecturer—Bessie Miles, Grand Organist, —Marian Kumpel and Grand Marshal, Vera Snedeker.

June 1, 1954—Reception in Brandywine Chapter No. 14 for the Grand Officers of that chapter;—George Ostendarp, Worthy Grand Patron, Ivah Ostendarp, Grand Chaplain and Edith Shinn, Deputy Grand Matron.

June 6th. Held a meeting about Summer Benefit.

July 17th. Summer Benefit at the Shrine Club of Delaware.

September 22, 1954, Visit to Delaware Day School, at which time we presented a check for \$1000.00 to the school.

October 2d. Attended the Potentate's Ball in Gold Ball Room of Hotel DuPont, when Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, Past Grand Matron, presented a check for \$1000.00 to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children.

November 13. Visited Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 with the Worthy Grand Patron.

December 19th, 1954. Grand Chapter served refreshments at Veterans' Hospital.

December 23d, 1954. Grand Chapter held Christmas Party at the Masonic Home for the guests. Grand Marshal, Sister Vera Snedeker in charge. Refreshments were served and a gift presented to each guest.

December 24, 1954. Worthy Grand Patron and I were invited to the Christmas Party at the Masonic Home given for the guests, directors and staff of the Masonic Home of Delaware.

February 5, 1955. Accompanied by Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain, Grand Secretary, Associate Grand Conductress and Deputy Grand Lecturer, attended Penn Chapter No. 16 of Chester, Pa. It was the event of their Grand Visitation. Quite a large delegation from Delaware was in attendance.

February 6th, 1955. With a delegation from the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware, we visited the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Philadelphia.

March 16, 1955. Our Grand Family paid a visit to Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Maryland. It was the event of their Grand Visitation.

### SCHOOL FOR DEPUTIES

School of Instruction for Deputies was held in Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle, Delaware on May 22, 1954. Many thanks to you, Deputies, for your service to your chapters.

### INSTALLATIONS

I was indeed honored when I was invited to install the following chapters:

Brandywine	#14
Esther	#17
Sussex	#7
Adah	#5
Victory	#15
Frankford	#12
Laurel	#18
Caesar Rodney	#8

I wish to thank the Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Officers who assisted in the installation ceremonies.

## HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

The highest compliment and one of the loveliest courtesies a chapter can bestow upon one who is not a member of their own chapter, is that of electing them to honorary membership. To the several chapters who have accorded me that honor, my sincere thanks for those gifts of honor. I shall treasure them through life and shall aim always, to be worthy of your love and confidence:—

Esther Chapter No. 17  
 Frankford Chapter No. 12  
 Brandywine Chapter No. 14  
 Laurel Chapter No. 18  
 Sussex Chapter No. 7  
 Newark Chapter No. 10  
 Georgetown No. 9  
 Five Points No. 13  
 Kent Chapter No. 11  
 Victory Chapter No. 15  
 Adah Chapter No. 5  
 St. John's Chapter No. 4

Honorary Membership in Bethel No. 1 and Bethel No. 2 of Job's Daughters.

## JOB'S DAUGHTERS

I accepted an invitation from Bethel No. 1 and Bethel No. 2 for the Grand Chapter Officers to be their guests. Both Bethels had initiation. The work was beautifully exemplified. Gifts of money from the Grand Officers were given to both Bethels.

## MASONIC HOME

December 21, 1954. Christmas Party for the guests. Grand Marshal was in charge. Gifts and refreshments were served to the guests.

On Sunday, April 3, 1955. Divine service was held at the Home. Grand Chaplain, Sister Ivah Ostendarp was in charge.

## PROJECT FOR THE YEAR

Our project this year was the Summer Carnival held at the Shrine Club of Delaware for the benefit of handicapped children and adults. Thanks to each chapter for their cooperation in the work. A final report will be given by the Chairman, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce.

## INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN

Our Grand Jurisdiction was happy to have the privilege of sharing in a small way in the maintenance of this beautiful Garden and each subordinate chapter made a contribution which was forwarded to the General Grand Chapter in Washington, D. C.

## WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION REQUESTED

From the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petition of

Mrs. Lois Esther Webster  
202 N. State Street  
Delmar, Maryland

and

Mrs. Norma Cuyler,  
402 Chestnut Street  
Delmar, Maryland

in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware.  
Request granted November 13, 1954.

February 7, 1955. From the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petition of

Mrs. Marie M. Betts  
Line Road  
Delmar, Maryland

in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware. Request granted, February 25, 1955.

June 25, 1954. Waiver granted over the petition of  
Mrs. Helen Anna Oliver, (nee Stewart)  
601 Delaney Place,  
Claymont, Delaware

in favor of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Pa.

September 22, 1954. Waiver granted over the petition of  
Mrs. Elizabeth Trader (nee Walls)  
11 Coral Drive  
Claymont, Delaware

in favor of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Pa.

February 21st, 1955. Waiver granted over the petition of  
Mrs. Audrey West  
510 Delaney Place  
Claymont, Delaware

in favor of John F. Reichardt Chapter No. 301, Upper Darbey, Pa.

## INITIATION BY COURTESY

For Mrs. Elsie Sparks, who was elected in Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 on October 14, 1954, was performed by Tuscan Chapter No. 148 of Bangor, Maine on Thursday, November 11, 1954. Sister Sparks' husband is in the Service of United States and they left Delaware before she could be initiated.

## CHECKS SIGNED

I have signed checks from No. 832 to 931 inclusive.

## CONTINGENT FUND

A copy of a report on my Contingent Fund has been filed with the Board of Grand Trustees.

## DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

The following Dispensations have been granted and the fee of \$1.00 sent to the Grand Secretary.

June 2, 1954; Esther Chapter No. 17 to change meeting place permanently from St. Anne's Parish House to Bethesda Hall, Middletown, Delaware.

June 17, 1954. Five Points Chapter No. 13 to install Star Point "Martha".

August 7, 1954. Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 for purpose of moving from the Masonic Hall to New Castle Century Club Building, 18 East 4th St., New Castle, Delaware.

September 14, 1954. To Victory Chapter No. 15 for the purpose of holding their meeting for the Official Visit in Capital Grange Hall.

October 14, 1954. Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 for the purpose of moving paraphernalia from New Castle Century Club to Carrie Downie School for stated meeting at time of Grand Visitation.

December 14, 1954. Victory Chapter No. 15 for the purpose of electing Associate Patron.

December 20, 1954. Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 for the purpose of electing and installing an Associate Conductress.

January 4, 1955. Adah Chapter No. 5 for the purpose of installing Ralph E. Nichols, Worthy Patron and Genevieve Elliott as "Esther".

January 4, 1955. Radiant Chapter No. 6 to install Associate Patron.

January 26, 1955. St. John's Chapter No. 4 to install Sister Susie Cardwell, Secretary.

January 27, 1955. Georgetown Chapter No. 9 to install Associate Patron and Organist.

February 3, 1955. Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to install "Electa".

February 23, 1955. Laurel Chapter No. 18 to install Frances Tulloch as Conductress.

March 5, 1955. Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 to move Charter and paraphernalia from Room 325 to Room 404 in Odd Fellows Building for the meeting of March 28, only.

March 16, 1955. Sussex Chapter No. 7. To move paraphernalia to Mt. Olivet Fellowship Hall for Birthday Party and Grand Warder night.

March 21, 1955. Esther Chapter No. 17 to install "Esther" and "Sentinel".

May 20, 1955. Sussex Chapter No. 7 to hold Grand Visitation at Mt. Olivet Fellowship Hall.

March 16, 1955. Sussex Chapter No. 7 to move paraphernalia across street to Mt. Olivet Fellowship Hall for official visit of Grand Officers.

April 14, 1955. Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 to move Charter and paraphernalia to Carrie Downie School for Birthday Party.

#### APPOINTMENTS

Appointed Sister Grace Moore on Educational Loan Committee, replacing Sister Bessie Warrington, who resigned.

#### SOCIAL AFFAIRS

These social affairs were outstanding and it gave me pleasure to attend them.

May 13, 1954. Reception of Caesar Rodney Chapter honoring the Grand Officers of my own Chapter. Thanks to my Home Chapter.

June 1, 1954. Reception in Brandywine Chapter No. 14 honoring The Grand Officers of their own Chapter.

I attended the following Birthday Parties:

- Victory Chapter No. 15
- Georgetown Chapter No. 9
- Adah Chapter No. 5
- Radiant Chapter No. 6
- Esther Chapter No. 17
- Mizpah Chapter No. 2
- Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
- Delaware Chapter No. 1
- Frankford Chapter No. 12
- Laurel Chapter No. 18
- Newark Chapter No. 10
- Kent Chapter No. 11

Unity Chapter No. 16  
 Brandywine Chapter No. 14  
 Five Points Chapter No. 13  
 Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

Due to conflicting dates I was unable to attend Sussex Chapter No. 7. Our Worthy Grand Patron and our Grand Chaplain represented the Grand Chapter at this party and I as Worthy Grand Matron represented the Grand Chapter in Newark the same night.

I attended all banquets except Unity Chapter No. 16. The Grand Chapter was represented at this banquet by the Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chaplain and Grand Secretary. I represented the Grand Chapter at Five Points Chapter No. 13 banquet on the same night.

#### VETERANS' HOSPITAL

Spent an afternoon with Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 at the Veterans' Hospital while they served refreshments.

December 10, 1954. Grand Officers served refreshments at the Veterans' Hospital.

Subordinate Chapters each served refreshments at Veterans' Hospital on the 3d Sunday of each month during the year.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Can a daughter having Power of Attorney over the financial affairs of a member (her mother) who is in a Nursing Home, request a demit for her mother. Her mother does not want a demit.
  - A. A demit cannot be granted unless the request is made personally by the member or by a letter signed by the person for whom the demit is to be granted.
2. I received a demit from my chapter in 1927 and have lost it. I now wish to affiliate with another chapter. What is the procedure?
  - A. A member who has lost a demit must apply to the secretary of the chapter which granted the demit and the secretary may issue a duplicate and collect a fee of \$1.00 for same. See constitution and By-Laws Page 48, Section 23.
3. May a Worthy Patron invite another Worthy Patron or Past Patron to preside during the initiation ceremony?
  - A. Yes. But the Worthy Patron must remain in the East.
4. Our Trustee resigned. Can we elect another Trustee?
  - A. Yes, as we do not install a Trustee, he may resign, but a special dispensation must be obtained to hold an election and all members notified at least ten days in advance of the election date.



## IRREGULARITIES

Most of the irregularities were due to a misunderstanding of the New Ritual or established rules and regulations.

A few are listed below:

1. Officers not holding sign until Pass is given.
2. Balloting not kept inviolably secret, and members discussing a rejection even in chapter meeting. This should not be done.
3. Members discussing transactions of Chapters in Public Places.
4. Officers going to members for instruction instead of Deputies. No one is authorized to issue instructions except Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers.

## CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence will be printed in the Proceedings.

May 24, 1954

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The dawn of the thirty-fourth year of the Order of the Eastern Star brings to your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, the opportunity to extend fraternal and personal greetings to the membership throughout the State.

With humble pride and gratefully acknowledging the high honor conferred upon us and our respective chapters, we express our thanks for the privilege of serving you.

Our earnest endeavor shall be to justify and merit your confidence and respect. The success of our beautiful Order depends not alone on the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers, but upon the cooperation of every officer and member in the subordinate chapters. With a firm faith in the future of the Order of the Eastern Star, we ask for divine guidance and strength to creditably perform our duties.

We have chosen for our Project "The Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children". The membership of the Order of the Eastern Star have a common interest with those who have taken upon themselves to fight to restore crippled children from physical bondage. We all love children, yet until recently we have overlooked those whom the Great Master pointed out as our greatest charge, namely "The least" among these little children. Let us help those who are nearest and dearest to us, build a mighty monument, that some day will tower into God's blue sky; a monument made up of crutches, wheel chairs, leg irons and straps no longer necessary.

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Strive to increase your membership with good material. New members mean progress. We urge you to exercise greater care in proving the Chapters. Open your meetings on time and your members would appreciate closing at a reasonable hour.

Study the Ritual, Constitution, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter and the By-Laws of your own chapter, that a more general knowledge of our laws and regulations may be acquired.

Perfection in our work, creates interest and a knowledge of our laws and regulations promotes harmony in the chapters; but, in striving for ritualistic perfection let us not forget that we have another goal toward which every member should strive—the performance of those acts of kindness which are essential to the welfare and prosperity of daily living.

May every member make this a year of service to our Order and every member find happiness through service to others.

Our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George joins with me in good wishes for you. We are looking forward to meeting and greeting you in your chapters. We assure you of our great desire to cooperate with you to the best of our ability. May God bless and keep you.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE

*Worthy Grand Matron*

GEORGE H. OSTENDARP, SR.

*Worthy Grand Patron*

November 2, 1954

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Once again Time has brought us one of the most beautiful customs that has ever prevailed among any people—THANKSGIVING DAY!

It is with grateful happy hearts that we approach this season of Thanksgiving. We recognize and gladly own that the Will of God is the ultimate secret of all true government and His mercy the fountain of all real happiness.

Let us remember our friends at the Masonic Home with canned goods, jams and jellies. Let our donations be as generous as in the past.

Please place a card with your donation, bearing the name of your chapter so that sister and brother Davis will have no difficulty in acknowledging them.

With sincere thanks for your generous response, we are

Sincerely and fraternally,

LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

GEORGE H. OSTENDARP, SR.  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

November 24, 1954

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

This Peace Garden is located on the dividing line between the United States and Canada and commemorates 100 years of unbroken peace between our two countries.

This is a project that is worthy of the very principles of the Order of the Eastern Star—that of promoting and maintaining international peace—and we are asking that each chapter contribute to the fund being raised by General Grand Chapter.

The amount need not be large as there will be many contributions from all Grand Jurisdictions. We have suggested \$2.00 from each chapter. If you are interested in having a part in this project will you please make your check payable to

Grand Chapter of Delaware

and mail it to the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher. Earmark it for the Peace Garden Fund.

Sincerely and fraternally,

LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

GEORGE OSTENDARP, SR.  
*Worthy Grand Patron*

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- No. 1 That the members show their Receipt for Dues or Demit to the Sentinel, twice a year.
- No. 2 I recommend that our Constitution & By Law Book be revised and brought up-to-date and that the incoming Worthy Grand Matron appoint a Committee composed of members of the Jurisprudence Committee and the Constitution & Law Committee to act in this capacity.

No. 3 That our present Instruction Books be declared obsolete and destroyed. All officers to receive and accept instructions from the Deputy Grand Lecturers, who will receive their instructions from the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Lecturer.

If a new Book of Instructions is compiled I suggest that those books should be in the hands of the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers, only, as too many books on the side lines only cause different interpretations and confusion. If a new book is compiled I would also suggest that all unwritten laws which are applicable to the present day and age, be included in the new instruction books or in the revised Constitution and By Laws.

#### APPRECIATION

To my Worthy Grand Patron:

Brother George, sharing the Grand East with you has made my year a very enjoyable one. Cooperation is the keynote of success and you have cooperated in every way, failing me not once. I appreciate the help you have given, your kindness and consideration at all times and for your attendance at all meetings. Words cannot express my gratitude to you and Sister Ivah for your many acts of kindness and most of all, your friendship. I hope it will continue through the years.

“There are millions of folks in this world  
it is true  
There are Worthy Grand Patrons, but none  
better than you.  
I count myself lucky, and shall to the end;  
To serve the Grand East with so loyal a friend.”

To the Grand Secretary:

To know you and to work with you has been one of my most cherished experiences. To work in close association with you this year is to appreciate your fine qualities all the more.

I am indeed grateful for your friendship and understanding help. May the happiness you give to others return to bless you throughout the years to come. My sincere thanks to you always.

To the other Elected Grand Officers:

I admire you for your true worth. I shall watch your pathways to the Grand East with kindly interest. You have been most kind and your presence at the meetings on my official visits has made me feel your loyalty. My best wishes go with you always.

To My Appointed Officers:

Each Worthy Grand Matron thinks her Grand Officers are the best. This year is no exception. You have been loyal and true and your words of encouragement have inspired me to do my best. For your loving kindness and your faithfulness, I am deeply grateful and my life has been blest for having known you.

To the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron:

In a short time we relinquish our authority to you. No one knows better than one who has just travelled the road which you will soon follow, how exacting are the duties and how great the responsibilities. Yet I speak with assurance, when I say, the reward is great. May the year ahead be all that you hoped and planned. May kind and loyal friends surround you and may your journey be a happy one.

To the Committee Members:

My sincere thanks to each of you for your acceptance to the appointments. You have served unselfishly, without hope of reward, but it is your service that makes the Grand Chapter run smoothly.

To my Home Chapter:

To try to say "Thank you" not for just a year, but for the many years you have been doing lovely acts of thoughtfulness and kindness for me, is a mountainous task and a very difficult one. Just look deep in my heart for there you will find my true appreciation and love for you and I'll just say "THANK YOU."

To My Husband:

I express my appreciation of your keen interest and untiring devotion all through the year. In your ready understanding and cooperation, your willingness to help carry out my every wish in order that I might perform my duties, you have shown yourself to be the ideal helpmate that you have always been.

I deeply appreciate your love, kindness and support which has helped me greatly to make my stay in the Grand East, a year I shall never forget.

### CONCLUSION

And now, our year is nearly over, we are about to enter the twilight of the dawn. We still have the gold of the setting sun and we will always have the light of the stars above us as we move to the dawn of another day. Dear Eastern Star friends, this delightful period of comradeship will always be a happy memory. For every deed of kindness, for every bit of love, I thank you.

The record of my work as Worthy Grand Matron will soon be over. I have given you my best, have done all in my power to uphold the principles of our Order.

Let us keep ever before us the high ideals and beautiful lessons of our Order, for our Order is judged by the actions of those who make up our membership. We should do more than merely memorize and recite them, we should act and live them not only during initiations but for all time. May each member of our beloved Order remember and be faithful to our motto:

“A Smile, A Deed, a Prayer”.

You have showered upon me the most precious gifts of life; friendship, loyalty and love. May God's richest blessing rest upon each and every one of you.

“If I have given a smile or bit of sunshine  
Or spoken kindly words just when I should  
If I have had the joy, when come the evening  
Of knowing I have done the best I could  
If I have given each day my best service  
To help make others happy at their task  
Then God has granted, grace and strength and courage  
To do His will, and this is all I ask.

Fraternally submitted,

LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE  
*Worthy Grand Matron*

It was moved by Grand Trustee, Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott that the Worthy Grand Matron's report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

Motion Adopted.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON

May 6th with the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George Ostendarp, Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larrimore, Grand Chaplain, Sister Ivah Ostendarp and Sister Grace Moore, Past Matron of Caesar Rodney Chapter, I visited the Home Chapter of Sister Martha Doughty, our Grand Representative of Delaware in New Jersey.

Granted Special Dispensation to Victory Chapter No. 15 to hold their stated meeting May 9th in Grange Hall, it being the occasion of their Birthday Party.

May 17th with the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George Ostendarp, Associate Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws, Associate Grand Conductress, Sister Sarah Hoffman, Grand Chaplain, Sister Ivah Ostendarp, Grand Marshal, Sister Vera Snedeker, Past Grand Matrons, Sister Elizabeth Pierce and Elvira J. Ziegler and other members of Delaware, I attended the Grand Session of the Grand Chapter of New Jersey.

## REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

BROTHER GEORGE OSTENDARP, SR.

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

It is with great pleasure that I greet you and unite with our Worthy Grand Matron in extending to all of you a most cordial welcome and I hope that your attendance at our Thirty-Fourth annual Grand Chapter Session will be both instructive and enjoyable.

I wish to extend to the members of this Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star my most sincere appreciation for conferring upon me the honor of Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Jurisdiction and also the honor and privilege of serving with your Worthy Grand Matron Sister Lillian.

At the beginning of the year I pledged myself to faithfully perform the duties of my office and to support our Worthy Grand Matron in the discharge of her official duties and to promote the welfare of our Order.

The work this year has been a broadening experience to me. I have enjoyed the contacts and associations with so many fine members.

### SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Attended school of instruction held by the Worthy Grand Matron Sister Lillian Larrimore for Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturers in Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, New Castle Delaware.

### OFFICIAL VISITS

I attended all the Grand Visitations with the Worthy Grand Matron and her staff of Grand Officers.

- 1—June 1 Brandywine Chapter No. 14
- 2—June 8 Laurel Chapter No. 18
- 3—June 17 Sussex Chapter No. 7
- 4—June 22 Unity Chapter No. 16

5—Sept. 8	Frankford Chapter No. 12
6—Sept. 14	Delaware Chapter No. 1
7—Sept. 17	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
8—Sept. 27	Victory Chapter No. 15
9—Oct. 4	Adah Chapter No. 5
10—Oct. 5	Radiant Chapter No. 6
11—Oct. 7	St. John's Chapter No. 4
12—Oct. 15	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
13—Oct. 20	Kent Chapter No. 11
14—Oct. 28	Five Points Chapter No. 13
15—Nov. 3	Esther Chapter No. 17
16—Nov. 4	Newark Chapter No. 10
17—Nov. 8	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
18—Nov. 11	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8

Note. Owing to the Hurricane of October 15th we paid another visit to Mizpah Chapter on November 5.

#### HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

St. John's Chapter No. 4	Kent Chapter No. 11
Adah Chapter No. 5	Frankford Chapter No. 12
Sussex Chapter No. 7	Five Points Chapter No. 13
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	Victory Chapter No. 15
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	Esther Chapter No. 17
Newark Chapter No. 10	Laurel Chapter No. 18
Membership of Honor in Job's Daughters	Bethel No. 1
	and Bethel No. 2

#### INSTALLATIONS

It was a happy privilege to attend and assist the Worthy Grand Matron and her staff of installing officers to install the following chapters:

Jan. 3	Adah Chapter No. 5
Jan. 4	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
Jan. 5	Esther Chapter No. 17
Jan. 6	Sussex Chapter No. 7
Jan. 10	Victory Chapter No. 15
Jan. 11	Laurel Chapter No. 18
Jan. 12	Frankford Chapter No. 12
Jan. 13	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8



### BANQUETS AND BIRTHDAY PARTIES

The Worthy Grand Matron and myself with the Grand Officers and members were happy to attend all of these enjoyable affairs with the exception of Five Points No. 13. The Worthy Matron and I attended Unity No. 16. Birthday Party. The Worthy Grand Matron attended Newark No. 10 and I attended Sussex No. 7. These fell on the same dates.

### GIFTS

I have received many useful and beautiful gifts and greatly appreciate them. I do wish to thank the donors for their kindness and thoughtfulness to me.

### WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S PROJECT

A very hearty thank you and well done to all the Chapters for their help in our project. The Summer Benefit, Peace Garden and the needy overseas will long remember your many kindnesses.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

- May 13 Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8. Reception for the Worthy Grand Matron.
- June 1 Brandywine Chapter No. 14. Reception for the Worthy Grand Patron.
- June 6 Attended meeting to discuss the summer benefit.
- June 12 Pennsgrove Chapter No. 86. Attended Banquet in honor Most Worthy Grand Matron.
- July 17 Summer Benefit Shrine Club.
- Sept. 11 Catherine Chalmers Chapter No. 272. Banquet in honor of Right Worthy Associate Matron.
- Sept. 26 Delaware Day School with the Worthy Grand Matron to present check for \$1000.00.
- Oct. 2 Attended Potentate's Ball with the Worthy Grand Matron to present check for \$1000.00 for the Crippled Children's Hospital in Philadelphia.
- Nov. 7 Housewarming for the Worthy Grand Matron.
- Nov. 9 Visit Port Deposit Chapter No. 78.
- Nov. 11 Grand Officers conferring degree on five candidates at Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.
- Nov. 17 Visit Elkton Chapter No. 84.

- Nov. 23 Perth Amboy Chapter No. 151. Reception for the Grand Representatives.
- Dec. 13 Visit to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 with the Worthy Grand Matron.
- Dec. 15 Visit to Port Deposit Chapter No. 78.
- Dec. 16 Visit Newark Chapter No. 10 with the Worthy Grand Matron to receive Honorary membership.
- Dec. 19 V. A. Hospital to entertain guest.
- Dec. 21 Masonic Home Grand Officers. Entertain guests at the home.
- Dec. 23 Brother Bob and Sister Pauline, Christmas Party for the guests at the Masonic Home.
- Feb. 5 Visit Penn Chapter No. 16. Chester, Pa.
- Feb. 6 Visit to the Shrine Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Mar. 2 Visit with the Worthy Grand Matron to Bethel No. 1 Job's Daughters.
- Mar. 16 Visit with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of Maryland and the Worthy Grand Matron to Elkton Chapter No. 84.
- April 26 Visit with the Worthy Grand Matron to Bethel No. 2 Newport, Del.
- May 6 Visit to Glasboro Chapter No. 234 in honor of the Grand Representative to the state of Delaware.

#### APPRECIATIONS

To our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian. It has been a great honor and privilege for me to serve with you in the Grand East this year. I shall look back to this year with pride and joy. You always had a pleasant smile and a charming disposition which was an encouragement to all.

To our Grand Secretary. I want to thank you, Sister Elizabeth for accompanying me during the year and I appreciate the help you gave me. To the Grand Family. It has been a great pleasure to have been associated with you this year as a Grand Family and your presence was greatly appreciated at all our gatherings.

To my own Chapter, Brandywine No. 14. I wish to thank you for your help and cooperation by electing me as your Patron. You made it possible for me to be honored by being elected Worthy Grand Patron of this Grand Jurisdiction. The beautiful reception held in my honor will always be a treasured memory. I also hold in my heart many precious memories of the many things you have done for me.

To the Past Matrons and Past Patrons. I wish to thank you for the fine reception, dinner and gifts that were given in my honor.

To my Wife, Grand Chaplain. My final and biggest tribute goes to you. You have accompanied me on every trip making journeys much more pleasant. When called upon to give an invocation you always gave one from the heart. Your counsel and advice was always timely and good. So thank you from the bottom of my heart.

To Brother Norris, Associate Grand Patron. You will soon assume the duties and responsibilities that I have had this year. I wish you a most successful year. I know that you will enjoy the privileges that have been mine this year.

### CONCLUSION

Thus we wind up another year. There are many things that cause us much concern in the world today. There is not a finer organization in the world anywhere than our Order of the Eastern Star. If we can only apply the teachings and principles of our Order to our affairs today, what a different world we would have. Let us try and apply these principles this year and I know that we will overcome any "ism" that may come up.

It was moved by Grand Trustee Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Sara MacNamee that the Worthy Grand Patron's report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter from labor to recess, to reconvene at 1:30 P. M.

## MONDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Past Grand Matron Sister Alice C. Abbott presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Marion J. Simpson and Past Grand Patron Brother Charles V. Cleaver. Both welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian Larrimore and Worthy Grand Patron Brother George Ostendarp.

Past Grand Matron—MARION J. SIMPSON:

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, you have given me the honor and privilege of calling to order another session of this Grand Chapter also to share that privilege with a member of the Welfare Committee of the General Grand Chapter and a Past Grand Patron of Delaware, Brother Charles V. Cleaver.

Worthy Grand Matron, I assure you it is a pleasure to welcome you to your "Sunshine Session" and to congratulate you upon the

service you have rendered. I have enjoyed many of your official visits and found you gracious and anxious to give your best to the good of our Order, bringing in your messages "Kindness and forbearance one toward another".

Worthy Grand Patron, you have traveled the length and breadth of our State; you too, have been loyal and faithful to your duties, and have played an important part in making this a profitable and successful year.

May this Session be clothed with the Honor of Adah, the Patience of Ruth, the Loyalty of Esther, the Faith of Martha, the Charity of Electa, and may your cup of hospitality be filled to overflowing.

May wisdom guide you  
Truth strengthen you,  
And Grace bless you  
In all your labors.  
Again I bid you welcome.

Past Grand Patron—BROTHER CHARLES V. CLEAVER:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George. I am very happy to join with sister Marion in welcoming you both to the afternoon session.

Your year, like that of those who have served in the Grand East before you has passed by rapidly. No doubt some of your plans have not been completed. I hope that you have found joy and satisfaction in the working out of your program as far as time permitted.

Our jurisdiction is small and this makes for a more intimate contact with its membership. This intimacy is challenging, for like one big family we must ever be considerate of all our sisters and brothers.

I know that the record will show an increase in membership. May some of these new stars added during your year bring much into our order.

May you recall only the pleasant events of your year and find lasting satisfaction in knowing that you have done your best and no one can do more.

May this Grand Session be but another happy event in your year of service. And when you have completed your year we will welcome you both as worthy Past Grands.

Thanking you for this privilege, I bid you welcome to this afternoon session.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister Simpson and Brother Cleaver for opening the afternoon session.

Opening ceremony.

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

Singing—"When Love Shines in"

## 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 Eastern Star:

All routine work in the office of Grand Secretary has received prompt and careful attention.

At the close of the 33rd Annual Session all bills were promptly paid and all letters of thanks mailed immediately.

Flowers were sent to Sister Emma Wheeler.

Cheer card and letter sent to Dr. Purdy of First & Central Church.

Signature cards from bank were signed by the newly elected Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. Letter was written to the Bank advising of change in name of Worthy Grand Matron who would sign checks.

Letters received from Public Relations Committee were typed and a copy sent to each subordinate chapter.

Name of newly elected Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were sent to General Grand Chapter for their records.

Ordered Past Grand Patron's jewel for Brother George H. Ostendarp, but not for Lillian M. Larrimore, Worthy Grand Matron as she is to receive the Carrie Gemmill jewel (at her request).

Advised General Grand Chapter that our next session would be held May 23d and 24th in Gold Ball Room of Hotel DuPont.

Prepared list of Grand Chapter Committee members, Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers, Grand Trustees and names and addresses of Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons and secretaries of subordinate chapters and mailed to all those entitled to receive them.

Ordered stationery for Worthy Grand Matron.

Acknowledged all invitations from Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Sent many sympathy cards to members during the year.

Attended an all-day school of instruction and gave out necessary secret work and diagrams.

Notified all chapters of the change made in the wording of the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### MEMORIAM

We are grateful that the chain of Grand Officers remains unbroken, also the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons.

Sorrow and bereavement have come to many of our members and to members of General Grand Chapter. Sympathy has been expressed to all.

#### OFFICIAL ACTS

Requested for our Worthy Grand Matron twenty-three Commissions for our members to be Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions. When they were received, recorded them in Grand Chapter records and sent them with a letter to the subordinate chapter of which the recipient was a member.

Signed and sealed twenty-four Commissions, which were signed and approved by our Worthy Grand Matron, for members of other Grand Jurisdictions to represent Delaware in their respective states.

Signed, sealed, recorded and delivered to the Grand Lecturer three A Certificates.

Signed, sealed, recorded and delivered to Grand Lecturer twenty-seven B Certificates.

Signed, sealed and delivered to the Grand Lecturer eighteen "Star" cards for Associate Matrons.

#### PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings were compiled as soon after close of Grand Session as possible. List of names and addresses of those to receive them sent to the Printer for mailing purposes.

Five Hundred programs have been mailed, one to each voting delegate of Grand Chapter of Delaware.

Proxies and Credential Cards were mailed to each of the secretaries for distribution to their Line officers, Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron and Associate Patron.

### TRIENNIAL IN WASHINGTON

Reservation Blanks for Hotel reservations in Washington, D. C. have been given out to those requesting them.

Information regarding the fact that Membership cards showing dues paid to date, must be presented when registering in Washington at the Triennial and also that a fee of \$2.00 must be paid when registering, has been passed on to each subordinate chapter by the Grand Secretary, at the birthday parties by reading a letter received from our Right Worthy Grand Secretary and also one from our Most Worthy Grand Matron, regarding her wish that each one attending the Triennial, will remember that our Order will be judged by our behavior.

### SOCIAL AFFAIRS

I have attended all Official Visits except one and all Birthday parties except one. I want to express my gratitude to our Worthy Grand Patron and his good wife Ivah, for seeing that I had transportation all during the year.

I attended the meeting in Elkton, Md. at the time of their official visit. Enjoyed meeting my Maryland friends.

I was thrilled when Sister Eliza Crossland asked me if I would care to go by automobile with her to Hartford, Connecticut for the Grand Session of that Grand Jurisdiction. Of course I said "Yes". In the party were, Sister Eliza who is Grand Representative of Connecticut in Delaware, Elizabeth E. Pierce, Past Grand Matron, Ruth Laws, Associate Grand Matron, Edith Shinn, Deputy Grand Lecturer and myself. We had a nice trip on the New Jersey Turnpike and Merrit Parkway. Stayed at the beautiful new Statler Hotel and enjoyed the Grand Session from beginning to end. We missed no part of it. The room was beautifully decorated, the officers were dressed in Lavender and Purple, the work was beautifully exemplified and we were treated royally.

I also attended the reception in Washington, D. C. and I attended the meeting in Washington, D. C. in April 1954, when many of the changes in the new Ritual were exemplified.

There are not many idle days in the life of a Grand Secretary, but the reward is great in the friendships formed, the courtesies accorded and the many, many kind expressions of appreciation for the services rendered.

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH M. FISHER,  
*Grand Secretary*

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE ON HAND APRIL 30, 1954. . . . . \$6,065.52

## RECEIPTS:

Per Capita Tax . . . . .	\$3,111.00
Initiation . . . . .	56.50
Bibles . . . . .	165.82
Rituals . . . . .	96.60
Supplies . . . . .	920.15
Receipt Books (Due Cards) . . . . .	87.75
Past Grand's Dinner . . . . .	96.00
Refund L. Putzier (Cont. Fd.) . . . . .	1.45
Refund Hotel Reservations . . . . .	78.30
Surety Bonds . . . . .	92.50
Peace Garden Fund . . . . .	36.00
Estarl Fund . . . . .	311.10
Inst. Books . . . . .	.70
Misc. . . . .	.29
Handicapped Children Fund . . . . .	2,615.87
Proceedings . . . . .	9.10
Dispensations . . . . .	19.00
Constitution & By-Laws . . . . .	.20
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	\$7698.33

## DISBURSEMENTS:

Mancus Club . . . . .	\$ 300.00
Kutner School . . . . .	700.00
Dorothy Werner (Necrology) . . . . .	3.96
State Register " . . . . .	12.75
Bishop's Florist " . . . . .	10.00
Prompt Printers . . . . .	2.75
Letter Shp. Mimeographing . . . . .	11.75
E. Maxwell (Storage) . . . . .	50.00
E. M. Fisher (Cont. Fd.) . . . . .	150.00
Mildred Minner (Cont. Fd.) . . . . .	50.00
Virda Simpler (Cont. Fd.) . . . . .	5.00
Sadie Conly (Cont. Fd.) . . . . .	10.00
S. Conly (V. A. Hosp.) . . . . .	23.17
E. Fisher. Hauling necessary supplies to Grand Sessions . . . . .	3.50
E. F. Cleaver (Stenogr.) . . . . .	20.00
Culver's (Mem. Flrs.) . . . . .	16.00
Sunshine Bisc. Co. (V. A. Hos.) . . . . .	5.22
Sara S. MacNamee (Hosp.) . . . . .	1.05
A. H. Lewis (Flowers) . . . . .	5.00
Howard Collins (Jeweler) . . . . .	60.50
Letter Shop . . . . .	27.50
Facette Co. (Novelties) . . . . .	18.00



Hotel DuPont.....	768.90
Sanborn Studio.....	1.00
Walnut Flower Shop.....	5.00
Wilm. Storage Co. (Hauling).....	21.89
Shrine Club of Delaware.....	235.00
Lillian Larrimore (Fd.).....	125.00
Geo. Ostendarp Cont. Fd. \$25.00 returned uncashed with thanks and statement he con- sidered it an honor and privilege to serve as Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware.....	\$2,642.94
Brought forward.....	\$2,642.94
Cliquot Club.....	7.80
E. M. Fisher (Refund of Dup. Deposit).....	96.00
Handicapped Children (Day School).....	1,000.00
Walnut Flower Shop (Spray).....	10.00
Nur Temple (Shriners' Hospital).....	1,000.00
Highfield & Watkins (Surety Bonds).....	100.00
Elvira J. Ziegler (Gift for M. Keyes).....	20.43
Fulton Paper Co. (V. A. Hospital).....	19.63
Knowles Press.....	6.50
Anti-TB Seals (Christmas).....	2.00
Royal Typewriter Co.....	4.25
Rose Cohen (Christmas Cards).....	23.85
March of Dimes.....	100.00
Virgil O. King (Gen'l Gr. Triennial).....	400.00
Wick & Wick Ribbons.....	58.20
E. M. Fisher (Expressage on Souvenirs).....	3.41
Emergency March of Dimes.....	100.00
Peace Garden Fund.....	36.00
Gray's Printing.....	14.75
E. M. Fisher.....	25.00
V. Simpler.....	10.00
Marian Kumpel.....	5.00
Easter Seal Campaign (R. Cann).....	100.00
E. E. Pierce (Handicapped Fd.).....	73.07
General Grand Chapter.....	393.00
Rommel's, Inc.....	55.27
C. L. Story Co.....	1,679.34
Macoy Pub. Co.....	116.43
E. M. Fisher.....	200.00
Lehmberg & Sons, Inc.....	228.32
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	\$8,531.19
Balance April 30, 1954.....	\$6,065.52
Receipts.....	7,698.33
Total.....	<hr/>
Disbursements.....	\$13,763.85
	8,531.19
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	5,232.66

Bank Balance.....	\$5,335.40
Outstanding Checks.....	102.74
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Actual Balance.....	\$5,232.66

### VETERANS' HOSPITAL FUND

		Carried in checking Account
Amount in the Fund April 30, 1954.....		\$ 109.40
May 17, 1954 Stamp Fund		
Sadie Conly, Chairman.....	\$ 10.00	
Juices & Jelly Beans.....	3.17	
Sunshine Bisc. Co.....	5.22	
Hospital Booklet.....	5.00	
Carnival Prizes.....	15.00	
Fulton Paper Co.....	19.63	
	<hr/>	58.02
Balance.....		\$ 51.38
Plus \$25.00 Bond Maturing in Oct. 1956		
EASTERN STAR HOME FUND.		
April 30, 1954.....	\$3,233.13	
Rec'd. after books were closed April 1954		
Victory Chapter.....	5.00	
Rec'd. at Grand Session from P. G.		
Matron, Bessie Warrington.....	2.00	
	<hr/>	3,240.13
Interest Dec. 31, 1954.....		95.84
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		\$3,335.97

### ESTARL FUND EASTERN STAR TRAINING AWARD RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

April 30, 1954.....	\$ 307.60
Interest.....	3.19
April 30, 1955.....	311.10
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	\$ 621.89

Audited and Approved  
PAULINE DAVIS  
J. A. KUMPEL  
J. N. ABBOTT

A motion was made by the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, seconded by P. G. M. Sister Sarah E. Riggins, report be accepted and printed in proceedings. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF 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, 1955.

Balance on hand April 30, 1954.....		\$6,065.52
Received from Grand Secretary:		
May 1954.....	\$	135.43
Less Check returned to Subordinate Chapter for proper signature.....		15.23
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		120.20
June 1954.....		197.10
July 1954.....		2,239.35
August 1954.....		483.78
October 1954.....		230.71
December 1954.....		293.59
January 1955.....		1,828.13
February 1955.....		1,366.25
April 1955.....		939.22
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		\$7,698.33
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Disbursement 4/30/54 to 4/30/1955.....		13,763.85
		8,531.19
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Balance 4/30/1955.....		\$5,232.66
Bank Balance.....	\$5,335.40	
Less Outstanding Checks:		
918.....	\$73.07	
923.....	5.00	
924.....	5.40	
925.....	19.27	
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		102.74
Actual Balance.....	\$5,232.66	

Audited and Approved:  
PAULINE DAVIS  
J. A. KUMPEL  
J. N. ABBOTT

Respectfully submitted,  
VIRDA SIMPLER  
Grand Treasurer

A motion was made by the Grand Treasurer, Sister Virda Simpler, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings. Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

Past Matron Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

SISTER JEAN COTTMAN, Chairman

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

We, your committee on Necrology submit the following report:

Our Memorial Service for our sisters and brothers who have passed into the eternal life, was held in First and Central Presbyterian Church at 11th and Market Streets, Wilmington, Delaware, on Sunday evening, May 22, at 7:45 P. M., with the Reverend Willard G. Purdy presiding. His sermon on "Heritage" was most appropriate. Under the glow of candlelight, Sister Jeanette Gutzke sang a solo, our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George H. Ostendarp, gave a tribute, and our Grand Chaplain offered a prayer. After a few words by the chairman, the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian Larrimore, placed flowers in thankfulness that there had been no deaths in the Grand Family. As each Chapter and the names of their deceased members were called, the Worthy Matrons of the Subordinate Chapters came to the altar, placed flowers in memory, or if no deaths, flowers in thankfulness, and then took their places to form a candlelighted cross at the altar. The Worthy Patrons followed and formed a line to make a base for the cross, after which Sister Gutzke sang a short hymn.

Each Chapter and the nearest relative of their deceased members were invited to attend the service, and a large congregation attended.

We are very grateful to First and Central Presbyterian Church and their pastor, the Rev. Willard G. Purdy, for the very cordial hospitality and fine assistance they extended to us.

We extend our deepest sympathy to those who mourn the loss of loved ones and to each Chapter who have had these links severed in their golden chain.

Fraternally submitted,

JACKIE KYLE  
RUTH LAYTON  
FLORENCE MANNERING  
BOYD HAMBRIGHT  
JEAN COTTMAN

A motion was made by Past Grand Matron Sister Elvira Ziegler, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Marion Simpler, report be accepted and printed in proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER  
Past Matron Georgetown Chapter No. 9  
SISTER MILDRED MINNER

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

Last May when this Grand Chapter elected me Grand Lecturer, I felt very humble, and most grateful for the confidence placed in me.

This for me has been a most inspiring and wonderful year, made so by the whole hearted cooperation of the Deputy Lecturers and the officers of every chapter as well as the fellowship with the members.

A School of Instruction for Deputies was held at Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 on Saturday, May 22, 1954.

I took over sister Adele Gibbs' duties in Victory Chapter #15 when she was hospitalized and later confined to her home for several weeks.

I made special visits to several Chapters and attended rehearsals when invited.

I have made at least two visits to each chapter with the exception of Mizpah and Newark. These I visited only once. This I regret very much.

The report of my Contingent Fund has been filed with the Grand Secretary.

I hope that in the not too far distant future the many, many unwritten laws will be put in writing, for the benefit of the Grand Lecturer and Deputies.

I gave Brother Norris Tull an examination on 20 Questions, October 1, 1954, and have examined and issued class "A" certificates to the following:

Edna Lynch	December 28, 1954	Georgetown, Delaware
Norris Tull	February 19, 1955	Georgetown, Delaware
Frances Warren	April 11, 1955	Georgetown, Delaware
Elsie Conley	April 27, 1955	Wilmington, Delaware
Mabel Guessford	May 14, 1955	Milford, Delaware

Star Cards were issued to:

Ruth O. Walls	Delaware No. 1	December 9, 1954
Emily Crossland	Mizpah No. 2	December 18, 1954
Julia Dawson	Julia M. Story No. 3	August 6, 1954
Margaret O. Holloway	St. Johns No. 4	December 29, 1954
Ethel D. Hudson	Adah No. 5	July 20, 1954

Mary Ellison	Radiant No. 6	December 27, 1954
Miriam Williams	Radiant No. 6	May 10, 1955
Beatrice Gilbert	Sussex No. 7	January 3, 1955
Ruth Steele	Caesar Rodney No. 8	December 18, 1954
Mildred Carlisle	Caesar Rodney No. 8	December 18, 1954
Ruth M. Porter	Georgetown No. 9	December 13, 1954
Pauline Shaefer	Newark No. 10	January 2, 1955
Mary Sipple	Kent No. 11	January 15, 1955
Viola Burton	Frankford No. 12	December 23, 1954
Rebecca Hagenbuck	Brandywine No. 14	November 17, 1954
Margaret Russell	Unity No. 16	January 4, 1955
Evelyn Reynolds	Esther No. 17	December 28, 1954
Marilyn Miller	Laurel No. 18	January 7, 1955
Adlaide Martin	Delaware No. 1	November 14, 1954
Dorothy E. Honey	Delaware No. 1	December 1, 1954
Adela S. Ruth	Mizpah No. 2	December 18, 1954
Elaine M. Watson	Julia M. Story No. 3	January 4, 1955
Horace Allen, Jr.	Julia M. Story No. 3	January 9, 1955
Louise B. Truitt	Adah No. 5	November 23, 1954
Miriam Williams	Radiant No. 6	December 27, 1954
Elwood T. Marshall	Radiant No. 6	April 2, 1955
Lottie Cleaver	Sussex No. 7	January 4, 1955
Mildred Carlisle	Caesar Rodney No. 8	October 14, 1954
Mildred Mills	Caesar Rodney No. 8	December 18, 1954
Phyllis Lenhart	Georgetown No. 9	November 22, 1954
Charles Schultheiss	Newark No. 10	November 22, 1954
Euretta Schultheiss	Newark No. 10	December 28, 1954
Florence Kent	Kent No. 11	January 8, 1955
Howard Sipple	Kent No. 11	January 15, 1955
Laura Hickman	Frankford No. 12	January 6, 1955
Mildred Wilgus	Frankford No. 12	May 2, 1955
Ebe Quillen	Frankford No. 12	January 3, 1955
Margaret Weir	Brandywine No. 14	December 21, 1954
Margaret Tomlinson	Victory No. 15	January 8, 1955
William Chambers	Victory No. 15	January 8, 1955
Grace Hall	Unity No. 16	January 8, 1955
Marguerite Yarnall	Unity No. 16	March 22, 1955
Wilmer Schmierer	Unity No. 16	January 9, 1955
Mabel Guessford	Esther No. 17	December 28, 1954
Martin Mitchell	Esther No. 17	December 28, 1954
Frances Tulloch	Laurel No. 18	January 7, 1955

Worthy Grand Matron, and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been an honor and a privilege to serve in this Grand Chapter with you and

the other Grand Officers. I feel that much has been done to attain the uniformity for which our Most Worthy Grand Matron is so earnestly striving. My sincere thanks to this Grand Chapter for giving me a wonderful year as your Grand Lecturer.

Fraternally submitted,  
MILDRED H. MINNER

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron Sister Helen West, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE

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 Grand Treasurer and found them to be correct.

Following is a statement covering the period from April 30, 1954 to April 30, 1955.

Cash balance on hand April 30, 1954 . . . . .	\$ 6,065.52
Receipts for the year . . . . .	7,698.33
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Total . . . . .	\$13,763.85
Disbursements from April 30, 1954 to April 30, 1955 . .	8,531.19
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Cash balance on hand . . . . .	\$ 5,232.66

#### Assets of the Grand Chapter of Delaware

##### Jewels

- 1 Steel Safe
- 3 Utility Cabinets
- 1 Brief Case
- 1 O. E. S. Seal of Delaware
- 1 Typewriter
- 1 Gavel
- 1 Letter File
- 1 Charter
- 1 Altar Bible
- 2 Small Bibles
- 1 Christian Flag
- 1 State Flag
- 1 O. E. S. Flag
- 1 American Flag
- Worthy Grand Matron's pedestal (kept by Julia M. Story Chapter)

2 Shares of O. E. S. Building Stock

Records

Subordinate Chapter supplies, including 50 Rituals valued at \$2.25 ea.

2 Sets of Bound Volumes of Proceedings from year 1922 to date.

1 set in possession of Worthy Grand Matron; 1 set in Grand Secretary's office.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE DAVIS  
J. Albert Kumpel  
J. N. ABBOTT

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend that the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Secretary each be allowed a single room for two nights during the Grand Chapter Session.

We recommend that the mailing of programs of the Grand Chapter session to the members be discontinued, and each member attending to receive his or her program at the time of registration.

PAULINE DAVIS  
J. ALBERT KUMPEL  
J. N. ABBOTT

Motion was made by Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larri-more, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, report be accepted and printed in proceedings and recommendations complied with.

Motion adopted.

#### REPORT OF FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON, SISTER RUTH E. LAWS, Chairman

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

It has been a most wonderful experience to travel all over our Eastern Star world via the proceedings. There is a lot of time and effort given to make the session in each Grand Jurisdiction inspiring and beautiful. The decorations, pageantry, along with the different colored gowns, gardens and beautiful flowers are just a heaven on earth.

All Jurisdictions are very faithful to the Most Worthy Grand Matron's projects—working with the Masonic Homes, Eastern Star Homes, and homes for girls and children. The main objective is Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness.



I find that some jurisdictions have nominations for election to Grand Chapter from the floor, whereas others have blanks for nominees to fill in and these must be signed by two members before being presented. Still others have a box where each interested person puts in his or her own name and a committee counts them at a specific time and presents them on the floor.

A few Gleanings from the fields of other Jurisdictions:

ALASKA: has a chapter so isolated it can only be reached by plane. The Midnight Sun Chapter is only 57 miles from Russia.

ALBERTA: a Worthy Matron was installed by her 74 year old Mother. Their Associate Patron is 86 years old.

BERMUDA: Eastern Stars in their formal gowns are seen pedalling bicycles to meetings—no automobiles are allowed.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: The appointive Grand Officers are Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron.

IDAHO: All candidates must take a proficiency examination within 3 months after initiation.

IOWA: A chapter has a Chaplain 92 years old who has served 37 years; a Sentinel 85 years old served 42 years; a Secretary served 43 years; and a Treasurer served 33 years—an organist 27 years.

KANSAS: Has probably the largest subordinate chapter in the world—membership 2135.

MAINE: Must exemplify the work once every 3 months whether or not they have candidates.

MINNESOTA: Has a chapter with 1018 members, another with only 28 members.

MEXICO: Can boast of one chapter where eleven different nationalities are represented among its 96 members.

NOVA SCOTIA: Has 25 members of a chapter that drive 92 miles to attend meetings. It is the youngest Grand Jurisdiction.

SOUTH DAKOTA: has one chapter where every resident Mason is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Hopewell Chapter in Ellentown was obliged to surrender its charter as the entire community was destroyed to provide for the construction of an H-Bomb Plant.

WYOMING: The Gavel is made of agatized petrified wood, almost translucent. The only adhesive that would hold the handle in place is used by Dentists.

It is very gratifying to know that all over the world chapters are being constituted and the order growing stronger.

We hope you have enjoyed this journey with us. Many thanks to Sister Mary and Sister Sarah—your reports were wonderful. Thanks to you, Sister Elizabeth Fisher, for getting the proceedings to me promptly.

My earnest prayer is that the bright rays of our Eastern Star will always be permitted to shine throughout the world.

Fraternally submitted,

SARAH HOFFMAN

MARY BEVIS

RUTH M. LAWS

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Dora E. Fitzgerald, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Past Matron Radiant Chapter No. 6

SISTER EDITH McLEAN, Chairman

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

We find the Unfinished Business of the Grand Chapter to be as follows:

*Second reading of the following two recommendations:*

That Article XIV, Section 1, of the Constitution be changed to read:

"The minimum fee for initiation in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be Ten (\$10.00) Dollars, but each Chapter may provide in its By-Laws for any larger amount it may wish."

That the Grand Lecturer be elected for a term of three (3) years.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH McLEAN, *Chairman*

PERCY COTTY

KATIE BOYER

Motion was made by Associate Grand Matron, Sister Ruth M. Laws, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Irma LeCompte, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION

Past Matron Newark Chapter No. 10

SISTER ELIZABETH CORRELL, Chairman

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 31, 1954.

Lost by Death.....	45	Gained by reinstatement. . .	5
Lost by Demit.....	28	Gained by initiation.....	113
Lost by Suspension.....	26	Gained by affiliation.....	9
Total Gain		28	

Membership December 31, 1955.....	3111
Membership December 31, 1954.....	3083
Net Gain.....	28

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH D. CORRELL, *Chairman*  
IVAH OSTENDARP  
MARIE BURRIS

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Marion report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF PRINTING COMMITTEE

GRAND SECRETARY, SISTER ELIZABETH M. FISHER, Chairman

The cooperation which we receive from our Printing Company (The Charles L. Story Co.) is much appreciated, not only by the Grand Chapter but by the subordinate chapters as well.

There are times when supplies run low without the secretary noticing it, and a hurry call to our friends in the Printing Office and our worries are over, for they never fail to come to our assistance.

We appreciate this friendly spirit in our business transactions and say "Thank You" to them.

HELEN HELBING  
 ELLA F. CLEAVER  
 ELIZABETH M. FISHER, *Chairman*

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

Past Matron Mizpah Chapter No. 3

SISTER MABEL JOHNSTON, *Chairman*

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:

April 4, 1954, Balance in the Wilmington Savings Fund Soc..	\$2,073.62
April 5, 1955, Interest 12/31/54 for the year 1954.....	63.75
Total assets.....	\$2,137.37

#### Disbursements:

April 5, 1955....To the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S. for the contribution to General Grand Chapter for the amount to be credited to Delaware's share to the Most Worthy Grand Matron's Project—Eastern Star Award for Religious Training.....	\$ 311.10
Balance as of April 5, 1955.....	\$1,826.27

MABEL C. JOHNSTON, *Chairman*

Motion was made by Associate Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggins that the fund now known as the Educational Loan Fund be withdrawn from the Wilmington Savings Fund as such, then re-deposited as the E.S.T.A.R.L. fund with the understanding that the percentage authorized each year may be withdrawn by the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Delaware and deposited in our general fund in order that we may send our check to the General Grand Chapter to

go thru their records and the check then be returned to our Grand Chapter and banked until we have a request to assist someone in Religious Leadership. Motion was seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GIFT TO RIGHT  
WORTHY GRAND SECRETARY EMERITUS  
SISTER MINNIE E. KEYES

At our grand session last year on May 11th, 1954 a motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Clara A. Reuter and seconded by Past Matron, Sister Jane Krauss that a gift of remembrance be sent to Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus, Sister Minnie E. Keyes.

Past Grand Matron, Sister M. Etta Keys and myself were to work on this project. Due to Sister Keys being ill we were detained somewhat, but in talking it over with Sister Keys it was decided that I would make the selection and send it on to Sister Keyes with a letter telling her all about our grand session and a few of the Past Grands with whom I was sure she had fraternized. This was sent in October and arrived shortly after her birthday. On October 29th, I received the following letter from Sister Keyes which I am sure you will be most happy to hear. The letter follows: Along with newspaper clipping:

"My Dear Sister Ziegler: What can I say to even begin to tell you what a beautiful remembrance, of one of my dearest Grand Chapters, came this morning. I was speechless to know that in these busy days I could be so lovingly remembered. And to tell you the truth my year in the B. C. Sanitarium had about used up my negligees and now I can dress up again, and how did you know that blue was my color?

To be remembered after the long years 1923 to 1954, with so much taking place, is the most heart-warming thing that could happen. Memories of days when Delaware was young and I was new, are precious, and while so many are "gone in" their memory is dear and when I recall the days of your first Grand Matrons and the many hours I spent so happily, I am grateful to our Father in Heaven who looks down upon us with loving compassion and thank Him for the compassion he has given.

Michigan Grand Chapter gave me a very high honor and Wednesday evening was the happiest I ever knew.

I do hope Etta will keep quiet and so recover her strength. She has fought a good fight and I hope may be with you many years. I will ask you to send this message to Louise and Mary and to any who recall my visits to you. I had my 88th birthday, October 12th and Old Father Time is marking off the years faithfully. I have only one

copy of the paper telling what Michigan did for me and I will enclose it and ask you to pass it around to my friends. I could not get more to send to my friends.

Please dear Sister Ziegler, remember me to the Boys and Girls in Delaware who have meant so much to me. Clara Reuter has ever been faithful to send me greetings, etc. If you see Grace Martin, Julia Story's niece, please give her my love. She was so kind to Julia and me. And do not omit your Grand Secretary. She has been such a friend and done so much for Delaware's O. E. S. I read the proceedings from cover to cover and enjoy it so much. I cannot write much or well as my wrist on the broken arm gets tired quickly. My mail is enormous but I cannot write to all.

I note the splendid growth of the Order in Delaware and nothing has pleased me more than to see the fine spirit of Fraternity between Delaware A. F. & A. M. and the O. E. S. They are our husbands, fathers, sons and brothers and with the wives, sisters, daughters, mothers and widows make up the great masonic family of which I am most proud. I hope you can read this and please include the Brothers in the love I am sending to Delaware.

Always your loving "Country Cousin"

MINNIE E. KEYES

P.S. Pass this around and I hope you can decipher it. I am able to cook my own meals and shake a dust rag once in a while so I get along, but am not good for much. My heart is OK and filled with love. M.E.K.

The following is the contents of the newspaper clipping from the "Olivet Optic" of Olivet, Michigan, which Sister Keyes speaks of in her letter.

THE HEADING "GRAND CHAPTER HONORS MRS. MINNIE KEYES"

Names Scholarship for her which she awards to Duane Sanford of Olivet.

A double honor came to Olivet Wednesday evening at the 88th annual session of the Michigan Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in Grand Rapids, when Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes awarded a scholarship, named for her and given by the Grand Chapter, to Duane Sanford, Olivet college senior.

Mrs. Keyes, who joined the Olivet chapter in 1899 and is its most famous member, celebrated her 88th birthday Tuesday, the first day of the three-day annual session. She is Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus of the General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Michigan. She came to Olivet as a bride in 1893 and was associated for years with her husband, Karl, in a private banking business. In 1920 she went to Washington, D.C., as Right Worthy Grand Secretary of the O. E. S., retiring in 1946. A few years later she returned to Olivet to live.

Duane, her choice as the recipient of the Minnie E. Keyes \$1000.00 scholarship, has been "in the care" of the Central Association of Congregational Christian Churches of Michigan as a preministerial student for the past two years. Duane is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Sanford of Walkerville and attended schools in Pentwater where he played baseball and basketball and was editor of the school paper. As a student at Olivet, he has served as editor of the Echo, sings in the college ensemble and the church choir, and is now vice-president of the Student Christian Association. He plans to do graduate work at Yale University.

In an impressive ceremony at Wednesday night's meeting, Mrs. Keyes was presented with a Golden Key by the Michigan Grand Chapter; a silver star pentagon by the Pennsylvania Grand Chapter and a bouquet of roses by the Olivet Chapter. The latter presentation was made by the Worthy Patron, Herbert Krebs. The speaker for the evening was Dr. Raymond B. Blakney, president of Olivet College.

Report submitted by

Past Grand Matron, M. ETTA KEYS  
Past Grand Matron, ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elvira Ziegler and seconded by Brother J. Nelson Abbott that report be accepted and printed in proceedings in its entirety.

Motion adopted.

#### REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON WORTHY GRAND PATRON'S REPORT

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

Your Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the Worthy Grand Patron's report and commend him for his devotion and interest in our Order.

We most heartily approve his report.

Respectfully submitted,

IRMA O. LECOMPTE, *Chairman*  
CHARLES V. CLEAVER  
ELIZABETH E. PIERCE

Motion was made by Associate Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S REPORT

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

We, your Jurisprudence Committee congratulate the Worthy Grand Matron for her interest in the Order as exhibited in her report, and feel she has given the best in her, in its service.

We submit our report as follows:

We approve all waivers of "Territorial Jurisdiction" granted.

We approve all dispensations granted with the exception of the one to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 on March 5, 1955. We think this was unnecessary since the Charter and Paraphernalia remained in the Odd Fellows building.

We also suggest the dates for the usage of dispensations be reported as well as the date they were requested.

We approve all answers given to reported questions.

### Recommendation No. 1.

We approve this recommendation, but we feel our Order is growing so rapidly it is impossible for the Conductress and Associate Conductress to prove the Chapter efficiently; therefore, we recommend that all persons attending the Chapter meeting show their dues card or demit to the Conductress and Associate Conductress at each meeting, when they prove the Chapter.

We approve recommendation No. 2.

### Recommendation No. 3.

We approve the first section of this recommendation.

If recommendation No. 2 is approved by this Grand Chapter, recommendation No. 3 will not be necessary as each Worthy Grand Matron has the privilege of issuing her own instruction, providing it does not conflict with the Ritual or Constitution and By-Laws of our own Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

IRMA O. LECOMPTE, *Chairman*

CHARLES V. CLEAVER

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.



Recommendation No. 1—After a general discussion on Recommendation No. 1, Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Irma LeCompte that at each meeting, members must show their dues card or a demit to the Conductress or Associate Conductress when they are proving the Chapter.

Motion adopted.

Recommendation No. 2—Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie M. Warrington, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Dora E. Fitzgerald that our Constitution and By-Laws be brought up to date under the supervision of our incoming Worthy Grand Matron.

Motion adopted.

Recommendation No. 3—That our present instruction books be declared obsolete and that officers receive and accept instructions from the Deputy Grand Lecturer, Grand Lecturer and Worthy Grand Matron. Motion made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggin, recommendation be accepted.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF RED CROSS COMMITTEE

SISTER MARY A. KING, Chairman

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

The following is the report of the work done by the subordinate Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction in the interest of the Red Cross.

Delaware Chapter No. 1 . . . . .	210	Sewing hours
	60	Bed Pads
	30	Night shirts
	14	Bibs
	5	Boxes of clothing to Bacon Health Center
	2	Blood Donors
	1	Home nursing course
Mizpah Chapter No. 2 . . . . .	185	Hours sewing
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 . . . . .	5.00	Donation
St. John's Chapter No. 4 . . . . .	5.00	Donation
Adah Chapter No. 5 . . . . .	5.00	Donation
Radiant Chapter No. 6 . . . . .	84	Hours hand sewing
	24	prs. Shorts for State Hos.
	7	Large dresses for Bacon Health Center
	1	Home nursing course
	10.00	Donation

Sussex Chapter No. 7 . . . . .	5.00	Donation
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 . .	10.00	Donation
Georgetown Chapter No. 9 . . . . .	1	Telephone installed for disaster work, a nurse is chairman area #8 disaster, no report on her hours worked.
Newark Chapter No. 10 . . . . .	5.00	Donation
Kent Chapter No. 11 . . . . .		
Frankford Chapter No. 12 . . . . .	4	Hours work
	10.00	Donation
Five Points Chapter No. 13 . . . . .	955	Service Hours
	10.00	Donation
Brandywine Chapter No. 14 . . . . .	36	Prs. Shorts for State Hos.
	5	Dresses for Bacon Health Center
	1	Solicitor collected \$2.00
	3	Pints Blood
Victory Chapter No. 15 . . . . .		
Unity Chapter No. 16 . . . . .	10.00	Donation
	8	Hours Soliciting
	12	Hours teaching adult classes, 3 talks of 5 mins. each.
Esther Chapter No. 17 . . . . .		No report
Laurel Chapter No. 18 . . . . .		No report
Total Number of Hours . . 1470 $\frac{1}{4}$ hrs.		

Motion made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larrimore, report be accepted with one correction and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. KING, *Chairman*

Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggan made a motion that report of Jurisprudence Committee be accepted as a whole. Motion seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larrimore.

Motion adopted.

Eastern Star Home Committee reported that there was no change in the condition of the Home Fund except the interest which had been added for the year 1954 making the fund at the present time \$3,395.97. This report was given verbally and the Chairman was requested to put it in writing for the proceedings.

The Eastern Star Home Fund Committee submits following report:

Cash on hand May, 1954.....	\$3,240.13
Interest for Year.....	95.84
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Cash on hand May, 1955.....	\$3,335.97

RUTH M. STIGGINS, *Chairman*

This report was accepted to be printed in the proceedings.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott made an announcement stating there were two nurses in waiting for our Assembly, Sister Ruth Steele and Sister Emily Crossland.

Sister Elizabeth Pierce made an announcement of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons dinner promptly at 5 P. M. in the Hunt Room.

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elvira Ziegler, that flowers be sent to Past Grand Matron, Sister Etta M. Keys, Sister Mary E. Clower, Sister Irene Bauer, Sister Edna Gifford and a card of congratulations be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Short, parents of Past Grand Matron, Sister Bertha Welch, who celebrated their sixty-third wedding anniversary. Also flowers to Sister Clara Reuter.

Motion Adopted.

Grand Marshal called the Grand Chapter from labor to recess to reconvene at 7 P. M.

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, known as the "Sunshine Session", was called to Order at 7 P. M., in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont, by Sessions Chairman, Sister Alice C. Abbott, Past Grand Matron.

The ballroom was beautifully decorated in carrying out the Worthy Grand Matron's theme for the session—"Sunshine". A large glittering sun hung in the Grand East with two flood lights from the floor beaming on it throughout the session. A small glittering sun hung in the West, representing the setting sun. Beautiful Cybodium ferns adorned the back of the dais, and across the front of the dais were flower boxes filled with sunflowers and evergreens. A huge basket of yellow gladiolas and snapdragons were in front of the Worthy Grand Matron's station. The stair-railing leading to the Grand East was entwined with lovely sunflowers and evergreens, and the six wall mirrors in the ballroom reflected a large sunflower on each of them.

On the officers' pedestals were bowls of freshly cut garden flowers—yellow the predominating color, and behind each starpoint was a basket containing flowers appropriate to their degrees.

A large plaque stating, "Welcome to the Sunshine Session" hung over the stairs to the entrance of the foyer. The words were in glittering gold on a royal blue background.

Following the welcome extended by the Sessions Chairman, was the entrance of the flags—The American Flag carried by Brother Joseph Ellis, the Christian Flag by Brother Robert W. Larrimore, P.G.P., State Flag by Brother Charles Schultheiss, and the Eastern Star Flag by Brother John King.

The Invocation was given by the Rev. Willard G. Purdy, Pastor of First and Central Presbyterian Church.

A human Sun was formed by the Pages, the 1954 and the 1955 Worthy Matrons of the Subordinate Chapters. Each one wore a yellow cape and carried a miniature glittering sun on a staff. While the 18 pages in the inner circle held yellow crepe paper streamers from every other Worthy Matron in the outer circle, depicting the rays of the sun, all those participating in the drill sang the following song to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

Tune: "Sunshine of Your Smile"

Words by Sister Lillian Swift of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

"You've given us the sunshine of your smiles  
As our Worthy Grands, you've made this year worthwhile.  
This Sunshine Session reflects all your love,  
Because you're guided by the good Lord above."

The Worthy Patrons of 1954 and 1955 formed an Honor Guard for this drill.

After the drill, two Past Matrons from Newark Chapter No. 10, Sisters Lettie L. McMullen and Catherine R. Gibbs, Grand Adah, sang a duet, Shubert's "Serenade."

Greetings of welcome from the City of Wilmington were extended by His Honor the Mayor, Mr. August F. Walz.

Brother Horace C. Allen, Worthy Patron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3; also the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Delaware, was presented and gave a few inspiring remarks.

It was the suggestion of Sister Abbott that Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, be given the privilege of introducing the next three guests, since she had worked so diligently and enthusiastically for the benefit of crippled children. The first to be introduced was Mr. Hart Cooper, Past Potentate of Nur Temple. He thanked the Grand Chapter for the \$1,000 that had been given him for the Shriners' Crippled Children's Hospital. Following his remarks, Mr. Thomas L. Brand, President of the Delaware Day School for Handicapped Children was presented, and he, too, thanked the Grand Chapter for the \$1,000 given him for the Day School. Sister Pierce then introduced

Mrs. Ruth Cann, President of the Delaware Society for Crippled Children and Adults, who thanked the Grand Chapter for the \$100 presented her for the Polio Drive.

The main address of the evening was given by Mr. Thomas Herlihy, Jr., Judge of the Municipal Court, who gave a very inspiring message on the "Heritage of Masonry."

The Benediction was given by the Grand Chaplain, Sister Ivah Ostendarp.

The Sessions Chairman announced that all who were not members of the Order would please retire

## MONDAY EVENING

7:00 P. M.

### INFORMAL OPENING

A welcome was extended by Sessions Chairman, Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott.

Distinguished Guests, Members and Friends:

The Informal Opening of the 34th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, will now come to order. Serving as Sessions Chairman for our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it is my happy privilege and honor to extend to each of you a most cordial and sincere welcome to our "Sunshine Session". We look forward each year, with happy anticipation, to our annual meeting. We are delighted to have so many with us tonight, and I can assure you that your presence is very inspiring. I sincerely hope that every moment of your time spent here with us will be thoroughly enjoyed.

Entrance of Flags—

American Flag—carried by Brother Joseph Ellis, Worthy Patron  
Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Christian Flag—carried by Brother Robert W. Larrimore Past  
Grand Patron.

State Flag—carried by Brother Charles Schultheiss, Worthy  
Patron Newark Chapter No. 10.

Eastern Star Flag—carried by Brother John King, Mizpah  
Chapter No. 2.

With a heart full of joy for the privilege of presenting to you, one of the most beloved clergymen who has endeared himself to all of us, I am very pleased to have Dr. Willard Glenn Purdy, Pastor of First and Central Presbyterian Church, give the Invocation—Dr. Purdy.

I am very proud to present two Past Matrons from my home chapter, Newark No. 10, Mrs. Lettie L. McMullen and Mrs. Catherine R. Gibbs, Grand Adah, who will render a duet at this time. They will sing—Shubert's "Serenade".

Thank you girls, so much. Your selection was beautiful.

I believe that a little poem was especially written to describe the qualities of our next guest of the evening. It goes like this:

"If you think your town is best, "Tell 'em so!"  
 If you'd have it lead the rest, Help it grow!  
 When a stranger from afar, comes along,  
 Tell him who and what you are—  
 Make it strong, Maybe flatter, even bluff,  
 Bend the truth, if that's enough.  
 But be a booster, that's the stuff!"

I feel this is just what he is—A booster for this city, and I am delighted and honored to present the Honorable August F. Walz, Mayor of the City of Wilmington.

WELCOME TO ORDER OF EASTERN STAR FROM  
 HIS HONOR MAYOR AUGUST F. WALZ

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests and friends:

It affords me a real pleasure again this year to appear here on your opening night and express to you the welcome of the City and my own personal warm greetings. I can subscribe whole-heartedly to the poem that was read because we have every reason to be proud of our city. We are aware of its short-comings, but we are standing at a critical crisis of the world. We have much to be proud of and much responsibility to live up to. We are also very proud of our fraternal organizations, particularly the Order of the Eastern Star and we are much pleased that the Grand Chapter of Delaware has again selected Wilmington for their annual session and may I trust that this 34th Annual session will be a most successful one.

Thank you, Mayor, for taking the time out from your busy life to be with us tonight.

It gives me much pleasure to present to you a very fine friend and member of our Grand Chapter, bearing two distinguished titles. this year, However, I shall introduce him in the title of: The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in Delaware, Brother Horace S. Allen, Sr.

Madam Chairman, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron Mayor Walz, Judge Herlihy, Distinguished guests, officers, members.

and friends of this Grand Chapter. It is a distinct pleasure for me to be able to bring to this Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star, the official greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Delaware, as well as my own most cordial personal greetings.

The outstanding aim of the Masonic fraternity is the promotion of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth and we naturally have a very kindly feeling toward any other order who is dedicated to similar aims. We, therefore, salute you for your objectives, congratulate you upon the remarkable success that you have achieved during the past year and wish for your incoming officers the very best of everything during the coming year.

We want to thank all the chapters who accorded so many acts of kindness to the guests of our Masonic Home. We know that many of you have participated in religious services, entertainments and parties for our guests, as well as many individual visits and kindnesses throughout the year. We hope that you received a personal satisfaction from your visits, but we also want to thank each one of you on behalf of our guests for your interest in them.

I'd like to thank all the chapters also for the very generous response you have given to our request for help on our Grand Lodge Celebration on June 4th. Your response in money, cookies, talent and help on the committees is very gratifying. I want to extend to all of you a very earnest personal invitation to be present at this affair and to urge you to bring your men-folks along also.

On my numerous visits to the various chapters in the State, you have been most kind. I want to thank all the Worthy Matrons who so graciously welcomed me and gave honor to my office. I have visited well over half of the Chapters in the State thus far and hope to visit the others in the near future.

I am proud that my wife is a Worthy Matron of one of the Chapters and I am proud to serve in the East with her.

In visiting the various Chapters, I have noticed that some of the Matrons and Conductresses in introducing me, have had some difficulty with my official title and as it is unfamiliar to them, I can understand why they should have, but as long as they continue to address me as "Brother" and not "Sister", all else is forgiven. I assure you it has been a great privilege to speak to you tonight and I hope that this will indeed prove to be a Grand Session.

Thank you, Brother Allen for those kind words.

Since one of our Past Grand Matrons, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, has worked so diligently this past year, for the benefit of crippled children, I shall give her the honor and pleasure of introducing our next three guests. Sister Pierce.

Past Grand Matron—ELIZABETH E. PIERCE:

On the evening of October 2d, I attended the Potentate's Ball in the Hotel DuPont and presented to the Potentate, a check for \$1000 to be used for the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Philadelphia. I must now introduce that Potentate to you as the Past Potentate—Mr. Hart Cooper.

Mr. Hart Cooper: I bring you greetings from the A.A.O.N.M.S. and particularly from the Shrine in Wilmington. This is a happy opportunity, for it was my good fortune to receive that check for \$1000 and I thank you on behalf of the unfortunate kiddies who do not even know about it, except that they will receive benefits from its use.

Someone tells us that the Order of the Shrine is 85 years old and that for 50 years of its life it had no soul. But, in 1921 the idea of a Crippled Children's Hospital was born by Freeland Kendrick—We now have 17 hospitals throughout the United States and there is not a penny due on any of them. Many, many children have been cured and many more materially helped. We have a very, very large waiting list. You can visualize what is going on.

In Montana the Knights of Columbus passed an assessment on their members and this is made in payment to the Children's Hospital. Our fund is One Hundred Million Dollars and that has been built in fifteen years. These hospitals will be a perpetual thing for these children.

We thank you sincerely and ask that you keep a little corner in your hearts for these kiddies.

Past Grand Matron, ELIZABETH E. PIERCE:

It is now my pleasure to present the President of the Day School for Handicapped Children at Claymont, Delaware, Mr. Thos. L. Brand.

Mr. Brand: Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and all distinguished guests and friends:

I am certainly pleased to have this opportunity to be here tonight to express to you folks the sincere appreciation of your friends and neighbors, the parents of the children in the Delaware Day School and thank you for your splendid support. I also wish to thank the officers and committee members and their friends who came to Claymont on that Sunday afternoon. They did a lot more than they realized, because the words of encouragement and understanding of the problems and the pat on the back they gave to those good people who are daily teaching and training our children is appreciated very, very much. So I will again say that we the officers and the parents of the children of the Day School extend our heartfelt thanks to the Order of the Eastern Star and may God Bless you all.



Past Grand Matron, ELIZABETH E. PIERCE:

And now it is a pleasure to present someone who is chairman of many worthwhile projects in Wilmington and Delaware, but I present her at this time as Chairman of the Easter Seal Campaign, for the Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Sister Ruth Cann:

Someone has said "No one ever stands so tall as he who stoops to help a child".

We feel that the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star stands very tall. The money you have given will be used for our Children's Camp. On July 9th we will hold Open House at Fairlee and I extend an invitation for all of you to visit the camp and see for yourselves what it means to the children. I thank you again for your help. God needs kind people to help his little children.

Our speaker of the evening really needs no introduction, for, if you recall, he was the Main Speaker at our 1947 Grand Chapter Session when Brother Cotty and I were serving in the Grand East together. To get a bit personal, I attended old No. 15 Primary School with Thomas Herlihy—I won't say how many years ago, and he and Brother Abbott were classmates thru the entire Wilmington Public School System. I am sure that this City is proud of their native son, for he has served as Mayor of this city and is now doing a wonderful job serving as Judge of the Municipal Court, so I am very pleased to present the speaker of the evening, Judge Thomas Herlihy, Jr.

Thank you, Judge Herlihy, for that wonderful message, and I can assure you that we have appreciated your presence here tonight, for we realize what a busy man you must be. I know that our Past Grand Matron, Sister Louise Green, is extremely proud of her nephew, Judge Herlihy.

Benediction: Rev. Willard G. Purdy.

And now, I have to do a very sad and embarrassing duty. That is, I must ask "all who are not members of the Order of the Eastern Star to leave." I'm sorry, but we must abide by all rules and regulations. We hope you enjoyed the Informal Opening and we thank you for coming.

## MONDAY EVENING

May 23, 1955—8 P. M.

### RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS OF THE ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Grand Chapter called to order by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Pierce presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott and Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larrimore.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister Alice and Brother "Bob" for opening the evening session.

Entrance of Grand Officers.

Opening Ceremony.

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

Singing—"Brighten the corner"

## TRIBUTE TO THE FLAGS BY THE GRAND MARSHAL

SISTER VERA SNEDEKER

American Flag—

Christian Flag—

State Flag—

Eastern Star Flag—

*American Flag* —The meaning given to the American Flag by Francis Scott Key, one memorable night while "Old Glory" was giving courage to American Soldiers, is further typified for us today as she flies with the flags of all nations, as we try to effect peace throughout the world by way of the United Nations. No greater tribute could be possible than this part our flag plays and has played throughout our great country's history.

*Christian Flag* —All nations, all communities, all people are given their reason for being, by their Christian beliefs. Without Christianity, we know from history, that nations, communities and people crumble into nothing. This fact, being known by all men, gives special meaning to the Christian Flag wherever people of all faiths come to worship.

*Delaware Flag* —Whenever state Flags are on display, the great Flag of Delaware is always given a place of prominence and distinction because of the prompt action of Delawareans when this wonderful country of ours was just an idea in the minds of our founders. This place of distinction was earned, and is being earned by the people of this state today; who have continued to give special meaning to the Delaware Flag and the state it represents, the first state in the Union.

*Eastern Star Flag*—Nearly two thousand years ago a bright and Shining star appeared in the East, that guided

the wise men to a manger in a stable at Bethlehem where lay the newly born Christ Child. Inspired by that beautiful star, an organization was created that has reached out to the four corners of the world, and joined together as one large family. A group of people who uphold the better things of life and who live by that great commandment laid down by Christ, that we love one another. I now pay tribute to the Emblem of that wonderful organization, the Flag of the Order of the Eastern Star.

VERA SNEDEKER

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Singing—"National Anthem"

#### ADDRESS OF WELCOME

MRS. RUTH D. STEELE, Worthy Matron of Caesar Rodney Chapter.

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

I am very happy to extend to all of you assembled here a most cordial and fraternal welcome to the thirty-fourth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

How eagerly we have looked forward to the time when we meet again, mingle fraternally and work together for the one great cause of our beloved Order and to strengthen the fraternal chain of fellowship which makes us one big family.

To our Distinguished Guests:

I extend a most hearty welcome and hope that your visit may be a memorable one.

To our own Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lil:—

Thank you for the privilege and honor to welcome you to your own Grand Chapter Session. It is a memory that will never be forgotten.

May the memories of this Sunshine Session ever remain a bright spot in your album of memories and an inspiration to guide you as you return to your own chapter.

My Sister, there is an album with its leaves of snowy white. The Book of Life, God's Album, may *your* name be ever bright.

## RESPONSE TO WELCOME

By RUTH M. LAWS, ASSOCIATE GRAND MATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, distinguished guests, Sister Steele, Sisters and Brothers:

It is an honor and a privilege to respond to these words of welcome so graciously extended by Sister Steele, and in behalf of the members of this Grand Chapter, I accept the hospitality so generously tendered.

We look forward to these gatherings each year with much pleasure, first for the meeting with old friends and second the forming of new friendships.

Then we are here to review the past and plan for the future, and consider what is best for us to do in behalf of our beautiful order. May the growing threads of Blue, Yellow, White, Green and Red be woven into a fine web of Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness, and at the close of this session, may we all feel that it was good to have been here.

Sister Steele, thanks to you and all Matrons and Patrons for the courtesies extended and especially the wonderful Banquet we so very much enjoyed Saturday evening.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you so much for this honor and privilege.

## WELCOME TO ASSEMBLY

By WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, visitors and friends:

It is a happy privilege to say welcome to such an assembly as this.

The word welcome makes us forget the word stranger and like the old story of love, grows sweeter each time.

It is the keynote of hospitality, sincere greetings, open doors and friendly handclasps.

Our doors are open wide to you and we are happy indeed to have you with us and we hope that your visit with us will be a pleasant one.

## PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

General Grand Chapter Committee Members, Sister Anna Yeager, Chairman of the Welfare Committee and Brother Charles V. Cleaver, a member of the same committee, presented at the Altar, escorted to the Grand East and given grand honors.

May I on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, assure you of a warm and fraternal welcome. It was delightful of you to come to be with us and we open the gates of friendship to you.

## WELCOME TO GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Brother Charles V. Cleaver:

It is indeed a great honor and I am indeed happy to welcome you as one of our Past Grand Patrons, and a member of the Welfare Committee of the General Grand Chapter.

May your service in this capacity bring you many joys, rich in experience and friendship.

We are very proud of you. Thanks for coming.

## WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND PATRON

We are very happy to extend to you a most cordial welcome. We are grateful for the service you are giving our Order, and it is an inspiration to have you with us. We hope this occasion will be one which you will long remember, for we will do our best to make your stay with us very pleasant.

## WELCOME TO WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND WORTHY GRAND PATRONS

Our distinguished friends, the gates of fraternal welcome are always open to the members of the General Grand Chapter, but we feel especially honored tonight by your presence. We are proud and happy that you would travel such a long distance to be with us at this Sunshine Session and we offer you a warm hospitality directly from the hearts of your Sisters and Brothers in the Grand Jurisdictions of Delaware.

## WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND PATRON

To you our Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons of other Grand Jurisdictions, we extend our most gracious welcome. This is your year to give your wholehearted service to our Order, and in this service you will enjoy a delightful fellowship not only with the members of your own Grand Jurisdiction but also with those across the border.

To attain the height of highest honor requires much thought and effort, for the way before us does sometimes seem very steep and rugged, but if we keep before us the beautiful teachings of our heroines,

we can always hope to find Charity, Truth and Loving kindness in all our dealings. It has taken a number of years to complete your past service, but we know that you are now reaping a just reward for your efforts. While this year is still yours, may you try to make every day a challenge day. If you do not always win, look with faith to the day ahead which we hope will bring continuous joy and pleasure to you. We are indeed happy to have you with us tonight. You will find that you are among friends, for no stranger leaves our chapter room.

## WELCOME TO PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

In behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, I bid you welcome to this our Sunshine Session. We consider it an honor to have you with us and help us enjoy our Grand Chapter Session.

We feel that the friendships formed by visits from our neighboring jurisdictions are the very finest. As you return to your own jurisdiction may you carry with you greetings of love and fraternal fellowship from all members of this Grand Chapter.

May you enjoy every minute of your stay with us, and do come again.

## WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND PATRON

We extend to you fraternal greetings with friendly smiles, warm handclaps and the spirit of kindness from our members. We hope your stay with us will be pleasant.

## WELCOME TO PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF DELAWARE

BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

One of the greatest pleasures this Sunshine Session will bring for me is the joy of welcoming you, our own Past Grands.

You have given years of service, builded well and made the pathway brighter for those of us who follow. Your presence here indicates that you are deeply interested and are happy to help carry on the work of our beautiful Order. I wish to express personally my deep gratitude for your kindness to me. I want to make one more plea—will you find within your rank some little place for me?

By Worthy Grand Patron,

Sisters and Brothers: It is a great pleasure to welcome you to this Grand Chapter Assembly. Your presence here is another expression of

your continued interest and devotion to our beautiful Order. A welcome is like a gift of some magic power. It always brings to the lips a smile, and to the heart a song. It helps to drive away the shadows and bring sunshine into our presence. May our welcome to you hold this magic, and make your visit to this session a most happy one.

### RESPONSE BY

SARAH E. RIGGIN, Past Grand Matron  
C. HERBERT NEUTZE Past Grand Patron

### PRESENTATION OF GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

#### BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

I deem it a great honor to greet you and bid you welcome.

We are happy to have you for our guests and hail with pleasure your coming among us.

As you grace this Sunshine Session with your presence, may you feel the warmth of our welcome in each handclasp, hear it in every voice and see it in every smile. I bid you welcome.

By Worthy Grand Patron:

We want you to feel at home with us for we bring you a welcome which is sincere. We want you to know that we are your friends who wish to be of every possible service to you while you are here, that your visit may be very pleasant and happy. Your presence is an inspiration to us and we hope you will enjoy being with us as much as we enjoy having you. A visit of friends always gives us an incentive to give our best to the Order we love.

### WELCOME TO GRAND TRUSTEES

WORTHY GRAND MATRON, MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE

It is my happy privilege and real joy to extend a welcome to you.

Your work for the Grand Chapter in dealing with funds, requires a great deal of responsibility on your part and I trust you have not found your labours too hard.

I hope you have enjoyed your years of service and again I extend to you a sincere welcome to this Sunshine Session.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON, GEORGE OSTENDARP, SR.

It is my pleasure to extend a very cordial welcome to you, the Grand Trustees of our Grand Jurisdiction. You are here to fulfill your duties and we are assured that you will do so to the best of your

ability. We hope the year to follow will be a very happy one for each of you and we know that you will put forth every effort in the interest of our Order. May I again say that you are heartily welcome.

Response by Mrs. Pauline Davis.

## WELCOME TO DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

WORTHY GRAND MATRON, MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE

WORTHY GRAND PATRON, GEORGE OSTENDARP, SR.

By Worthy Grand Matron:

It brings a glow of happiness to my heart to extend fraternal greetings to you Deputy Grand Lecturer. You were selected to present the Ritualistic work of our order to our Chapters.

You have performed your task most graciously, and I sincerely welcome you to this Sunshine Session.

You have carried my message and given instructions in a sincere and earnest manner. Your reward for this work is not material, but is the satisfaction of having given to our Sisters and Brothers, the spirit of loving kindness. The friends you have made will be a reward for your devotion to the teaching of our order. I extend to each of you my sincere appreciation and love.

By Worthy Grand Patron:

To you the Deputy Grand Lecturers of this Grand Jurisdiction, we are most happy to say welcome. We want to tell you how glad we are to have you present at this Grand Chapter Session. You have been very busy people this year as you taught the ritualistic work of our Order. But we know that throughout the year you have found much comfort in promoting the principles of Charity, Truth and Loving kindness.

Response to the Welcome of The Deputy Grand Lecturers:

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

We thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for your gracious words of welcome.

We have enjoyed serving as your Deputies in our various chapters, and, if through our efforts we have helped you to realize some of your ambitions for your year we are very pleased.

If all the sunshine and smiles you both have scattered throughout your travels this past year are reflected back on your session, then your memory of your Sunshine Session will surely be so Golden and Bright that it will never tarnish or grow dim with the passing of the years.



May God bless and keep you both, and give you the strength and health to continue in all your good works.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of responding to the gracious welcome given the Deputy Grand Lecturers.

EDITH H. SHINN

WELCOME TO WORTHY MATRONS AND  
WORTHY PATRONS OF 1954

WORTHY GRAND MATRON, MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE

WORTHY GRAND PATRON, GEORGE OSTENDARP, SR.

You are the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons that graced the East when we paid our official visit to your Chapters.

Our association has meant much and I hope that we've formed friendships that will continue. Your presence adds dignity to our meeting and your wisdom lends support to our endeavors. I extend to you a warm and sincere welcome.

By Worthy Grand Patron:

Last year you served our Order, and we were standing by as a united band to help you. The year of 1954 will go down in your history as one of the happiest years of your life, and we hope that each year as it comes will bring a continued source of pleasure to you. As you come here from all parts of the State, may you carry home with you new desires and new inspirations which will make your Chapter just what you want it to be. If you just follow in the light of our star, you cannot fail.

Response: Mrs. Grace Moore, Mr. Ralph Baker:

GRACE S. MOORE, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

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

Worthy Grand Matron, I am deeply grateful for the honor and privilege you have given me, in responding to your gracious welcome, in behalf of the Worthy Matrons of 1954.

We are very happy to be here, and enjoy the fraternal relationship which more closely seals the chain of love, and binds us together, making us truly one united family.

Sister Lil and Brother George, it was nice to have served with you and we will always treasure the memories of you as our guides and dear friends. Your love and loyalty meant much to us as Matrons of our respective Chapters.

*There is a gift called Friendship that weaves some magic spell,  
and binds our hearts together,  
In ways no words can tell, and like a beam of sunshine  
That comes from skies of blue,  
We have found God's gift of friendship deep in the heart  
of each of you.*

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we wish for you a beautiful Sunshine Session, may it be a perfect culmination of your years of service to our beloved Order.

May God grant you good health, much happiness and many more years of service.

I thank you.

WELCOME TO WORTHY MATRONS AND  
WORTHY PATRONS OF 1955

WORTHY GRAND MATRON, MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE

WORTHY GRAND PATRON, MR. GEORGE OSTENDARP, SR.

It is a great pleasure to have so many of you here this evening. I have visited with you in your own Chapters this year and will always cherish the friendly greetings received from you.

I now can return the compliments and extend to you a hearty welcome to this "Sunshine Session".

By Worthy Grand Patron:

May I say to you that you are most welcome. This is your year, a year in which you will give your very best to the Order you love. Each year marks a milestone in the life of every person, and this year will be yours and at it's close we will be able to see your wonderful achievements, and a great faith in our Order. We hope this Grand Chapter Session will strengthen the ties of fraternal love and friendship.

Response: Mrs. Catherine Rustin,

Mr. Harold Shaub

Response for the Worthy Matrons of 55 by CATHERINE RUSTON,  
Laurel Chapter No. 18.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron: It is an honor to have been chosen to respond to your most gracious words of welcome. I thank you. We the Worthy Matrons of 1955 consider your devotion to the Order and your interest in our Chapters both earnest and persistent. We are proud to have served under your leadership.

May God bless you and guide you  
And make this Grand Session a success and pleasure,  
Is the wish from all of us  
To you whose work and loyalty we treasure.

Our farewell message comes to you in the words of Him whose birth was proclaimed by the Star of the East—Well done, thou good and faithful servant.

## WELCOME TO GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

WORTHY GRAND MATRON, MRS. LILLIAN LARRIMORE

It is a pleasure for me to welcome you to our Sunshine Session and I hope the bonds of friendship will be strengthened by your attendance. I extend to you a fraternal greeting and trust you will enjoy every minute with us.

## WELCOME TO SECRETARIES OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE BY THE GRAND SECRETARY

ELIZABETH M. FISHER

Each year when I think of what I shall say to my co-workers when I extend a welcome to you to your Grand Session, I try to think of something specially nice, for you are specially nice people. I hope you are having a specially nice time and will continue to enjoy your Grand Session to the very last minute.

This does give me an opportunity to tell the members of the Order of The Eastern Star in Delaware, how fortunate each chapter is to have a secretary who sends to the Grand Secretary, prompt and accurate reports and pays all bills promptly.

Each one of you may rightly be called a "V. I. P." Very Important Person, for much depends upon the faithful performance of your duties and I am sure your Chapter appreciates this fact as much as I do. Thank you for coming and do have an enjoyable time.

Response: Florence M. Hanby, Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

Worthy Grand Matron: I appreciate the honor and pleasure of being asked to respond to our Grand Secretary's cordial welcome to the secretaries of the subordinate chapters.

Sister Elizabeth, we appreciate the many kindnesses you have shown us in the past year. You are always so willing to help us when we need assistance and we try to repay you by having our records correct and we think they meet with your approval as you have stated in your kind greeting.

We hope you will enjoy this Grand Session and again thank you.

## WELCOME TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

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

My Sisters, through the courtesy of the Worthy Grand Matron, I am privileged to extend to you, Our Grand Representatives, a hearty welcome to this 34th Grand Chapter Session. I welcome you, not as individual members of this great order, but as diplomatic agents between this Grand Jurisdiction and the several which you represent.

Each of you represents a different Jurisdiction. Collectively you typify the fellowship exemplified by the Grand Jurisdictions all over the world, where the spirit of fraternalism and friendship is created and fostered.

Your position as Grand Representative is one of honor and opportunity, your duties are pleasant ones, as they require you to act as "Good Will" agents and to promote the spirit of friendliness with the Grand Jurisdiction you represent. You can also promote the welfare of the order in our own state.

We hope that you will convey to the other Grand Jurisdictions our greetings of love, good will, and good wishes.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for this privilege.

NORRIS TULL,  
*Associate Grand Patron*

Response: Mrs. Ruth Nutter.

Associate Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East. My Sisters and Brothers.:

It is an honor indeed to have been chosen to respond on behalf of the Grand Representatives to your gracious words of welcome here this evening. We are happy and proud to serve in this capacity and hope that we are the links that bind all Eastern Star members together in Fraternal Friendship. Our wish for you is a very happy and harmonious session, one that is filled with Sunshine and will prove an inspiration to all of us. Again I thank you.

RUTH C. NUTTER  
*Grand Representative, State of Vermont*

## PRESENTATION OF PAGES

Welcome—Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Lillian Larrimore:

Grand Pages, the words, "A pretty girl is like a melody", come true when we look at you, for you are lovely to look at and delightful to see. Thank you for accepting these appointments.

*To make a beautiful garden, It takes the sun,  
and rain and dew,  
To make a successful Grand Chapter Session,  
It takes lovely ladies like you;*

*So with your smiling faces and in your pretty gowns,  
I'm sure you'll make us happy and drive away all frowns.  
I know many times you'll be weary.  
And your feet will be "Oh so tired",  
But please remember to just keep smiling,  
For Tuesday night you'll be fired.*

Response: Mrs. Sinah Pelham, Five Points Chapter No. 13.

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

On behalf of the pages I thank you for your gracious words of welcome and best wishes.

It is with pleasure that we accepted the honor and privilege of serving as pages and hope that all will feel free to call upon us at any time.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to you for the honor extended to me of responding for the pages. May your session be one of Sunshine, harmony and happiness and may God's richest blessings brighten your paths.

#### WELCOME SUPREME DEPUTY OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS AND ASSOCIATE GUARDIAN

Surely, no work is more worthy of our time and effort than that of directing the lives of our young people.

It has been an inspiration to me to attend the Bethels meetings.

The poise and grace in which these girls perform their duties is most impressive.

I congratulate you on the fine work you are doing with the girls of our state, and extend to you a most cordial welcome to this our Sunshine Session.

Response: Mrs. Emma Gehret.

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

I bring you greetings on behalf of Job's Daughters and wish you much happiness in your "Sunshine Session".

In the book of Job we read that in all the land were found no women so fair as the daughters of Job. This is the passage on which Job's Daughters is founded and in our lessons we strive to teach that "To be fair is to do good", and that "Virtue is a quality which highly adorns Woman".

*We are the daughters of Masonry  
The fairest in all the land  
We stand for Truth and Loyalty  
For our country strong and grand  
For deeds well done  
On us you can rely  
To carry on your principles  
As the years pass by.*

Thank you Worthy Grand Matron for the privilege of responding to your kind words of welcome. I am very proud to be the leader of our girls in Delaware.

EMMA M. GEHRET  
*Supreme Deputy of Delaware*

PRESENTATION OF MRS. PAULINE DAVIS  
AND MR. ROBERT DAVIS

Superintendents of Masonic Home of Delaware

Sister Pauline and Brother Robert:

It has been my privilege to visit the Home and I deeply appreciate the many courtesies extended to me.

You are doing a wonderful work bringing happiness to our Sisters and Brothers.

The spirit of love and friendliness prevails at all times.

May God bless you in the great work in which you are engaged.

Thank you for coming.

Response by Mr. Robert Davis, Superintendent of Masonic Home.

READING OF MINUTES OF MORNING AND AFTERNOON  
SESSIONS

Motion by P.G. Patron—Charles V. Cleaver.

Seconded by P.G. Matron—Elizabeth E. Pierce.

Minutes be approved as read and printed in Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED ON DURING THE YEAR 1954  
DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

Robert W. Johnson, P.P.....	Jan.	18, 1954
Jennie Boyce.....	Jan.	27, 1954
Ida P. Blaine.....	Jan.	29, 1954
Emma G. Dunham.....	Jan.	31, 1954

Blanche H. Downward.....	July	31, 1954
Elizabeth A. Vandegrift.....	Aug.	22, 1954
Cora S. Shinn.....	Aug.	24, 1954
Mary E. Whitesell.....	Oct.	13, 1954
Mary C. Shafer.....	Oct.	19, 1954
Bertha T. McKaig.....	Nov.	21, 1954

## MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2

Mary C. Saville.....	Jan.	28, 1954
Mildred Jordan Fleetwood.....	March	3, 1954
Katie L. Dockety.....	April	18, 1954
Jessie M. Neider.....	April	20, 1954
Laura Aurand.....	June	14, 1954

## ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

Sarah M. Clark.....	March	17, 1954
Angela Milano Cuozzo.....	March	24, 1954
Harriet S. Erdman.....	March	24, 1954
Hiram B. Battis.....	June	2, 1954
Myrtle H. Giffing.....	Sept.	2, 1954

## ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5

Annabelle Curdy.....	Feb.	13, 1954
Maria Lobdell.....	June	20, 1954

## RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6

Anna L. Stausebach, P.M.....	April	25, 1954
Eva Casper, P.M.....	Sept.	16, 1954

## SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7

Bessie L. Conaway.....	April	23, 1954
Kate Smith.....	June	21, 1954

## CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8

Howard L. Wilhelm, P.P.....	March	10, 1954
Mary C. Hanf, P.M.....	March	12, 1954
Willena Hewlett.....	Aug.	18, 1954

## GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9

Mary E. Phillips.....	Jan.	1, 1954
Mary J. Hungerford.....	April	11, 1954
Merritt F. Smith.....	Nov.	8, 1954

## NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10

Lillian R. Maxwell.....	May	4, 1954
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## KENT CHAPTER NO. 11

Rose F. Hart.....	June	11, 1954
Sallie M. Lord.....	Dec.	20, 1954

## FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12

Eunice Crocker.....	Oct.	30, 1954
Clara Davey.....	Dec.	18, 1954
Lyda Walls.....	Dec.	18, 1954

## FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13

Wood H. Hollen.....	Feb.	16, 1954
Catharine Smith.....	Feb.	25, 1954
Bertha Briggs.....	May	13, 1954

## UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16

Herbert T. Pyle.....	May	14, 1954
Myrtle A. Rickards.....	July	29, 1954

Our hearts are filled with deep and understanding sympathy for every Sister and Brother in our own and in Sister Grand Jurisdictions who have suffered the loss of loved ones and whose hearts and homes have been made lonely.

Only a trustful faith in Him who said:

*"Let not your heart be troubled;  
Ye believe in God,  
believe also in me.*

*"In my Father's house are many  
mansions; if it were not  
so I would have told you,  
I go to prepare a place for you".*

Can bring comfort to the soul.

Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Chaplain attend at the Altar.

Draping of the Altar in memory of Sisters and Brothers who have been called to the Grand Chapter above.

Worthy Grand Matron placed flowers at base of the Altar and Grand Secretary placed scroll of names upon the Altar. Sister Bertha Carlisle sang, "Sunrise Tomorrow."

Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter from labor to recess to reconvene at ten o'clock Tuesday morning.

## TUESDAY MORNING

10:00 A. M.

May 24, 1955

Meeting called to order by Sessions Chairman, Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Irma O. LeCompte and Past Grand Patron, Brother John LeCompte



who opened the session and welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and invited them to the Grand East.

By IRMA O. LECOMPTE, Past Grand Matron:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George:

For the past year you have been our leaders, of whom we are all proud. By your earnest labor for the Order, your loving kindness for its members, your ever pleasant smile and cheerful words of encouragement, you have taught us to love you.

May good will and fellowship abound throughout the remainder of this session, and at its close may you carry home inspiration, enthusiasm and a more abundant faith in Him whose Star we have seen in the East.

By JOHN LECOMPTE, Past Grand Patron:

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George:

It is a privilege and pleasure to welcome you this morning. From your service and love for our Order it makes me proud to welcome you as the leaders of our Grand Chapter this past year.

Each one of you has given unselfishly of your best in our beautiful Order. Very soon you will lay aside the regalia of your office and we shall be very happy to welcome you again, to the ranks of the Past Grands.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister and Brother LeCompte for opening the morning session.

Opening Ceremony.

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

Singing—"Let the Sunshine In".

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ethel M. Mitchell of Penna. was presented at the Altar, given a welcome, escorted East and given grand honors.

Grand Officers of Penna.—Grand Marshal, Sister Sarah Newlin and Grand Warder, Sister Helen Hughes were introduced, escorted East and given a hand of welcome.

Grand Representative of Penna. to Alabama, Sister Mabel Vorhees was presented at the Altar, escorted East and given a hearty welcome.

Greetings were extended by the Worthy Grand Matron to the members at the morning session.

Minutes of Monday morning and afternoon sessions were read. Motion made by Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Irma LeCompte, minutes be accepted as read and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS

May 20, 1955

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

We submit the following report on Job's Daughters for the Grand Chapter year May 1954 to May 1955:

Bethel No. 1 took a Christmas Party to the Layton Home for aged colored people, took two sunshine baskets to shut-ins for Easter and Christmas, Easter party for cottage of girls at the Governor Bacon Health center, Easter party to guests at Masonic Home, and donated to all worthy funds.

Bethel No. 2 sang Christmas carols for the Home of Merciful Rest, Layton Home, Home for Aged Women, and Masonic Home. Took a party of guests to Masonic Home in November. The Guardians, Bernice and Edwin Newth, took four girls to the Ice Follies on January 8 as their prize for bringing the most petitions. Their fifth birthday banquet was observed on February 28.

Bethel No. 2 took an all-day bus trip to Washington, D. C. on May 14. Sightseeing was enjoyed during the day and that evening, we visited Bethel No. 6 in Washington, D. C. to attend their birthday party. Mr. Glen Richeson, past associate guardian of Bethel No. 2 is now the associate guardian of this Washington Bethel.

Each Bethel enjoyed an official visit from the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and the other grand officers and each Bethel presented "member of honor" certificates to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

The Supreme Guardian, Mrs. Florence Melgard of Boise, Idaho, made her official visit to Delaware on May 10. Each Bethel took part in exemplifying the work. As it was Bethel No. 2's regular meeting night, this Bethel exemplified the opening, business session, and closing ceremony, and Bethel No. 1 exemplified the initiatory work. At this meeting, four Pilgrims were initiated into the Order.

Bethel No. 1 has a membership of 78 and has cleared \$322.74 on their ways and means. Bethel No. 2 has 142 members and has cleared \$518.35.

The Honored Queen of Bethel No. 1, Miss Janet Martin, and Bethel No. 2, Miss Nancy Williams took part in the Grand Guardian

Council of Maryland's opening session on May 13. The girls presented and paid tribute to the Delaware State Flag.

In August of 1954, three girls from Bethel No. 2 attended the Supreme Guardian Council Session in Indianapolis, Indiana. Five Points Chapter No. 13, O. E. S. and the Masonic Bodies of Newport made this trip possible.

We wish to thank all the adults who came out during the year and to those who witnessed the work for the first time, we sincerely trust the girls have pleased you in every way. It is our earnest desire that more Bethels may be started in the State in the coming year.

GERTRUDE R. GRUBB  
EDITH M. ZEYHER  
LAURA B. FULMER

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

Motion adopted.

#### REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

We the Committee of Constitution and By-Laws report that no changes in any Subordinate Chapters By-Laws have been presented to the Committee.

We present for the second reading:—

Article XIV, Section I of the Constitution be changed to read:—

The minimum fee for initiation in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) but each chapter may provide in its By-Laws for any larger amount that it may wish.

We present for second reading a recommendation that:—

The Grand Lecturer be elected for a term of three (3) years instead of being elected annually.

THOMAS C. RODWAY, P.G.P.  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, P.G.P.  
JANE C. ZEBLEY, P.G.M.,  
*Chairman*

Second reading of Article XIV, Section I of Constitution, namely that the Minimum fee for initiation in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), but, each Chapter may provide in its By-Laws for any larger amount it may wish. Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane Zebley moved its adoption, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Irma Baker Barr.

Motion adopted.

Second reading on Section 2—We recommend that the Grand Lecturer be elected for a term of three years. Motion by Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles Cleaver, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West that recommendation be accepted. After some discussion, question was called for and motion lost.

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Thomas Rodway, report of Constitution and By-Laws Committee be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

### REPORT OF SUMMER BENEFIT FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, Past Grand Matron, Chairman

*"INASMUCH AS YE HAVE DONE IT UNTO  
THE LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHREN, YE  
HAVE DONE IT UNTO ME".*

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

It was my happy privilege and pleasure, mingled with a thrilling experience, to have been selected chairman of the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's project—The Summer Benefit for the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children and the Handicapped Children of Delaware, which was held at the Delaware Shrine Club Building on the DuPont Highway, Saturday, July 17, 1954.

It will be a day long-remembered by me, and I am sure by those who helped so faithfully to make (what each member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware, will agree) was a big success.

Each member of the committee along with those who attended or gave any assistance whatever, did his or her very best so far as donating, helping and purchasing the various articles which were for sale.

I can't begin to thank each one personally, nor will I attempt to single out any individual or group, because it would be impossible, but I would like to say, there are no finer men in any jurisdiction than we have in Delaware, whether it was in the kitchen, parking lot, dining room, outside stands, collecting money, or various other duties—, *THEY WERE REALLY TOPS.*

First I want to thank our Heavenly Father for giving us such a beautiful day on which to hold our Carnival and then our thanks to the members of the Shrine Club for the privilege of using the building, the dishes, the silver and utilities, and also for permitting us to use the building on Friday evening in preparation for our Benefit on

Saturday. Also thanks to the members of the Band for furnishing the music for dancing. Also our Worthy Grand Patron for donating the tickets—3,000 of them.

We were complimented on our dinner and the very efficient manner in which it was served. Our baked goods, fancy work, candy, novelties, farm produce and parcel post articles were considered quite a bargain by the customers and they enjoyed learning the Past, Present and Future from Madam Fan Fell.

Our proceeds for the day amounted to \$3,378.42, including \$8.35 received from Sister Marie Burris from the benefit of 1953. Our expenses were \$770.35 making our net profit \$2,608.07.

Included in our expenses was the purchase of a tarpaulin which we had borrowed and when we returned it to the owner it was discovered that someone had put a few small nail holes in it and we were compelled to pay two-thirds of the purchase price. Our share was \$26.20, but now it is our property and can be used each year.

On September 26th it was my happy privilege, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and several members of the Order, to present a check in the amount of \$1000.00 to the Delaware Day School for Handicapped Children at Claymont, Delaware. This was greatly appreciated by the Board members and parents, who served delicious refreshments to those of us who attended.

On October 2, accompanied by the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and several members of the Order, attended the Potentate's Ball in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel DuPont and presented to the Potentate of Nur Temple, Mr. Hart Cooper, a check in the amount of \$1000.00 to be used for the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children and the Certificate of Appreciation received from them is in the foyer on the desk of the Registration Committee.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, under the direction of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, during the Emergency Drive of the Polio Campaign, sent a check in the amount of \$100.00 and at the Annual Drive another check in amount of \$100.00 making our contribution for the year \$200.00. A check in amount of \$100.00 was sent to Sister Ruth Cann for the Society for Crippled Children and Adults, during the Easter Seal Campaign—this check to be used at the summer camp for these children.

In appreciation for all courtesies extended to us in the past and for full cooperation on the part of the members of the Shrine Club in selling tickets for our Carnival, we donated an exhaust fan for the Delaware Shrine Club Building to be placed in the kitchen. A check in amount of \$235.00 to be used for this purpose was sent to them by our Grand Secretary, Sister Fisher.

All the food left from our dinner, which consisted of potatoes, tomatoes, string beans, rolls, butter and pies were taken to the Polish

Orphanage at Glasgow, Delaware by two officers of the Delaware State Police and we express our appreciation to them for their co-operation during the Carnival. A one-hundred pound bag of potatoes was taken by our Worthy Grand Patron and his wife, Sister Ivah, to the Children's Home at Claymont.

We have also purchased three electric grills to be the property of the Grand Chapter, for use at the hamburg and weiner stand, at a cost of \$20.58 each. Sister and Brother Ostendarp have consented to keep these at their home for use at all future benefits. This leaves us a working balance of \$31.91.

We are again indebted to the Shrine Club for our Carnival which will be held this year on July 9 at the Shrine Building and we hope for a bigger and better benefit so that we may again in some small way, contribute to the comfort of these little children who bring joy to our homes. Let us do our very best to show our Shriner Brothers that we too, want to share in the task of bringing hope and happiness to these many children, one of whom returned thanks in his testimony when he said:—

“SEE, I CAN WALK:

My legs were crooked—born that way  
I couldn't move around  
I'd never stood or walked  
Sometimes I'd crawl upon the ground  
They called it 'Act of Providence',  
Which has to be endured,  
Anyway, the neighbors said,  
Such cases can't be cured.

But not my Ma! She used to say that rich folks found a way  
To straighten crippled children's legs, so they could run  
and play.

“It don't seem fair that there's no hope”  
she'd say “for boys like mine  
Whose folks are poor!” And then one day,  
she heard about the Shrine.

The Shriner's doctor saw my legs. He didn't shake his head  
Like most folks did. “We'll fix you up as good as new”  
he said,  
“We're awful poor” said Ma. “It's hard to pay for food and  
rent”  
“Give us that boy” the Shriner said, “It won't cost you a  
cent”.

They didn't ask about what church we went to, or if any,  
Or if we had some Shriner kin. Their questions wasn't many.  
They took me in. And then one day, the doctor said  
“Well son,  
Let's try those new straight legs of yours and see  
how well you've done”.

I don't know how they did it—  
 I'm not much on doctor talk  
 I only know I used to crawl—  
 and now; See, I can walk;  
 I wonder why my mother cried  
 When I went home so straight  
 and fine! But through her tears  
 I heard her say, "God bless the Shrine".

By Didley Glass, Atlanta, Ga.

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggan, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane Zebley report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West that all Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons attending this session be made Honorary members of this Grand Chapter. Motion adopted.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larrimore made a motion, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Thomas Rodway, that Past Grand Matron, Sister Bond and Past Grand Patron, Brother Schroeder of Maryland be made Honorary members.

Motion adopted.

## REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Alice C. Abbott, Past Grand Matron

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

Your Sessions Committee met twice (Jan. 26th, March 2nd.) at the home of Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, Past Grand Matron, to formulate plans for the thirty-fourth Annual Session, known as the "Sunshine Session". Our sincere thanks to Sister Pierce for opening her home to us.

I am deeply grateful to my committee, as well as the Sisters serving on the Hospitality Committee, for their help in making the yellow artificial flowers for the session, and to the Banquet Decorating Committee for the use of their beautiful sunflowers made by Sister Ruth Walls of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

My sincere thanks to Brother John Conly for making the large glittering sun hanging in the Grand East and the small one which is setting in the West, and to Brother William Nutter for making the two flower boxes holding our lovely Sunflowers on the dais.

I am extremely appreciative for the wonderful help given us by Brother Walter Gehret for moving Brandywine Chapter's paraphernalia to and from the Gold Ballroom. Also to Brother Robert W. Larrimore, Past Grand Patron, for moving Caesar Rodney Chapter's Signet and Esther's emblems to and from the Gold Ballroom—a request from the Worthy Grand Matron that her Chapter's Signet and Esther's emblems be used at her Grand Session.

My thanks to our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, for making the attractive felt Sunflower wrist corsages and boutonnieres worn by our Grand Officers.

My sincere thanks to our two nurses, Sisters Ruth Steele and Emily Crossland for serving during the entire sessions.

I am very grateful to my friend, Mr. Ross Wynans of Staten Island, New York, for making the fifty-four miniature sparkling suns carried by the Pages, the 1954 and 1955 Worthy Matrons in the drill. Also for the lovely plaque, "Welcome to the Sunshine Session" hanging in the entrance to the foyer.

I appreciate very much my Sister and my friend, Mrs. Mattie Charles, making the fifty-four yellow capes worn by those participating in the drill.

I had a most wonderful and cooperative committee plus three who worked "behind the scenes"; namely, Sisters Vera Snedeker, Bessie Miles and Eliza Crossland. My many thanks to them and to all those who so generously donated the huge amount of beautiful flowers from their gardens.

Your Committee suggests that letters of thanks be sent to:

1. Brandywine and Caesar Rodney Chapters for use of their paraphernalia.
2. Mr. Ross Wynans for making the "Welcome" plaque and the 54 miniature suns carried in the drill.
3. To all distinguished guests who participated at the Informal Opening.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve you, and I hope that your Sessions Committee has pleased you in every way to make your Sunshine Session a memorable one.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ALICE C. ABBOTT  
*Sessions Chairman*

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane Zebley, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Marian Simpson, report be accepted and "Thank You" letters be sent as requested by the Chairman. Motion adopted.



Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister Alice C. Abbott, Chairman of Sessions Committee. Sister Alice, I am indebted to you for the many deeds of loving service, both before and during this Grand Chapter Session. I thank you most sincerely for accepting this responsibility of serving as general Chairman. Every Committee that has worked under your supervision has given unselfishly of time and effort in complying with my every wish, and I will never be able to express my appreciation.

I regret that time does not permit me to introduce every Committee member. You will find their names in the program, and be assured that each has contributed much to our happiness.

The Grand Chapter of Delaware expresses thanks.

### REPORT OF HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

We, your Hospitality Committee, greatly appreciate the opportunity of serving this Sunshine Session, and welcoming to our Grand Chapter the distinguished guests.

On Monday evening, it was our happy privilege to escort into the Grand Chapter room, Rev. Dr. Willard G. Purdy; Past Potentate of Nur Temple, Mr. Hart Cooper; our own General Grand Chapter Representative, Past Grand Patron Charles V. Cleaver, a member of the Welfare Committee; Most W. G. Master, Horace S. Allen, Jr.; Mr. Thomas Brand and Mrs. Ruth Cann, who participated in our informal opening.

The dinner for the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, was well attended by our own, and Past Grands, from other jurisdictions, and our thanks to Sister Alice C. Abbott and Brother J. Nelson Abbott, for assuming the expense of the accordian player for entertainment.

We also, during our session, welcomed visitors from Arkansas, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and our sincere wish is that they enjoyed themselves, as much as we enjoyed having them visit us during our Sunshine Session.

CALLIE S. WOOD  
RUTH LAYTON  
DOROTHY DEIHL  
ROSS LANIUS  
J. PAUL FLEMMING  
WILLIAM HALL  
ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, *Chairman*

Motion was made by Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert Larrimore, seconded by Past Matron, Sister Arzie Lewis, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Eastern Star Building Corporation. Motion was made by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles Cleaver that Sister Pauline Davis be re-appointed as Representative of Grand Chapter in the Building Corporation.

Motion adopted.

Report of Grievances and Appeals—Chairman of Grievances and Appeals read a letter they had received from a member of a subordinate Chapter asking that it be presented to the Grand Chapter for action. After considerable discussion in a sincere effort to have an amicable settlement for the matter, motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Riffin that report be accepted, spread upon the minutes, but deleted from the proceedings. This motion was seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles Cleaver. Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from labor to recess until 1:30 P. M.

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 P. M.

May 24, 1955

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane C. Zebley and Past Grand Patron, Brother Fred H. Warrington who opened this Grand Session and welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and invited them to the Grand East.

Sisters and Brothers, through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, we are privileged to call this Tuesday afternoon session to order, and to bid you a good afternoon.

Grand Marshal, you will invite the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and other Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Officers, I am most happy to welcome you to this afternoon session.

Brother Warrington and I feel this is an honor as well as pleasure to call to order one of your sessions.

Worthy Grand Matron, you like Ruth of old have returned and rendered to us the account of your labors in our Eastern Star fields this year, and I trust they have been rich in memories, experiences, and friendships. We appreciate and honor you for the service you have rendered this year. I am sure one of the happiest years in your Eastern Star life is drawing to a close, and we will welcome you in the Past Grand Matrons' group.

May joy, harmony and loving kindness attend your entire session and may we continue to legislate for the future, remembering that the

good of to-day, makes history for to-morrow. May we build wisely and well in the spirit of kindness and co-operation so that our acts may reflect honor and justice upon our Order.

My sincere thanks for the privilege of having a part in your Grand Session.

Brother Warrington, I know that you too have greetings for our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress preceded by the Grand Marshal, will escort the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to the Grand East.

Opening ceremony.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from recess to resume Labor.

Singing—"Sun of my Soul"

## REPORT OF V. A. HOSPITAL REHABILITATION

May 24th, 1955

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware.

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

One can hardly believe that a year has passed since our last report to you, but it has, so here we are and here is our report.

First of all, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we want to thank you for our re-appointment as Chairman and Co-chairman of the Veterans Hospital Rehabilitation Committee, and we trust that we have met with your approval.

Your chairman's first duty was to serve as a page at the New Castle County Medical Association conference held at the V. A. Hospital on Tuesday, May 18th, assisted by Sister Mildred Ouesenberry.

Sister Ouesenberry who was a member of Five Points Chapter 13, passed away on March 2nd, of this year.

On June 17th, an outside Carnival was held. Your chairman was assisted by Sister Helen M. Welsh, Brother William Edmonds and William Preston, a member of Armstrong Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Our booth was shared by the Masonic Lodge. Our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron could not attend due to a "Grand Visitation." The Grand Chapter gave us a check of \$15.00 for prizes.

Your chairman acts as a news reporter for the hospital paper Del-VA-News, collecting items of interest from patients of "7-E" and

"7-W" (the 7th floor) M. P. Ward each Wednesday morning, and works in the afternoon in the Central Service Room and in Recreation. Miss Mary Cornelius, Recreation Director, is a member of our Order in Pennsylvania.

On November 1st, Radiant Chapter 6 held a Game-party for the T. B. patients on the 6th floor and served ice cream, homemade cake, candy and cigarettes. The boys surely enjoyed the games, prizes refreshments and the *girls*. The colors followed the Hallow-een trend.

A beautiful poinsettia plant was presented at the Christmas season by Sister and Brother Benjamin Cooper of Radiant Chapter, and this was placed in the hospital Chapel. A letter of thanks was sent to our Sister and Brother from Dr. Major W. Gasper, the hospital manager.

At Christmas time, the T. B. patients made ceramic Santa mugs and Five Points Chapter No. 13 gave the boys 42 Narcissus bulbs and 20 lbs. of small stones for the mugs. Each of the 40 patients received a mug and enjoyed watching the bulbs bloom. A letter of appreciation was received from the boys, and a 'Thank-you' card with the signature of each boy was received by your chairman. This card more than compensated for having had to carry those bulbs and stones from town and to the hospital.

On March 10th, Newark Chapter No. 10 took a party to a ward in the Delaware State Hospital where 58 men patients were entertained. Three members served coffee, cake, candy and nuts and gave to Mrs. Miller a Service worker, 1 dozen decks of playing cards for the Recreation Room. Sister Euretta Schulthouse, Conductress of Newark Chapter, has worked as a volunteer for 374 hours for the period of May, 1954 to April 30th, 1955, at the "Emily P. Bissell" Sanitarium.

The V. A. V. S. Committee (Veterans Administration Volunteer Service) sent a check to the "Damon Runyon Cancer Research Fund, in lieu of flowers, at the time of Sister Mildred Ouesenberry's passing away, and your chairman acted as treasurer for this tribute. Sister Mildred was a faithful volunteer at the hospital, and will be sadly missed.

As before, copies of the V. A. V. S. meetings were sent to the Worthy Grand Matron.

I want to publicly thank Sister Helen M. Welsh, a member of Five Points Chapter No. 13, an oriented volunteer at the V. A. Hospital. Although not a member of the Grand Chapter, she has been a faithful aide to your chairman, having missed only two Sundays of our Refreshment Program, which is held the 3rd Sunday each month, since her orientation in May, 1947. Without Sister Helen, your chairman would not have been able to carry on as she has. "Thank you" is so little to say to such a loyal helper.

Plans are in progress for the first V. A. V. S. banquet to be held on June 2nd, and your chairman has been honored by being asked to

serve as a hostess and also as ticket chairman. Brother "Bill" Edmond, P. P. of New York, and the Masonic Service Worker at the V. A. Hospital, is one of the hosts. There will be two hostesses and two hosts, so we feel our Order has been greatly honored as there are 29 organizations on our V. A. V. S. committee.

Your chairman and Sister Welsh were again pages for the Medical Conference, Tuesday May 17th, of this year, making the 6th year your chairman has been honored. Over 100 doctors attended this conference.

The "Refreshment Program" (the 3rd Sunday of each month since November, 1946), has been taken care of each month by Chapters serving numerically, with the Grand Chapter serving the December program each year, and these services have been appreciated greatly by the patients, their guests, and the staff. A letter of thanks has been sent to each Chapter chairman from Dr. Gasper.

With the permission of the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian, and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother George, I asked or wrote each Chapter for a contribution to be used for gifts and hobby material for the patients. Each Chapter responded and \$147.30 was contributed which furnished gifts for the game-prize-cupboard, leather articles, pictures to be painted, yarn for weaving, boats, cars, air-planes, locomotives and other plastic articles to make, and crayons, paints and brushes, guitar picks and strings and other things too numerous to mention. Sisters and Brothers, your money has surely helped make many boys happier.

Sunday, May 15th, was 'Hospital Day' and Sister Helen Welsh and your chairman again had part in the activities. Your chairman is treasurer again for the Hospital Program, made 300 boutonnières which were presented to the women guests and acted as aide to Mr. Joseph J. Crowe, Chief of Special Services.

About 800 hours of volunteer service was given for the past year by our members.

We wish to thank all Chapter chairmen for their wonderful cooperation, and the members who helped again, to make our tasks more pleasant, and most important, to make our boys happier.

There are so many folks to thank for so many things, but your committee surely appreciates all you have done, so to each one we say "Thank you sincerely."

The "Master" said: "In as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

(Math. 25-40)

Fraternally submitted,

SADIE C. CONLY, P. M., *Chairman*

ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, P.G.P.

*Co-chairman*

P. S. Expenditures, supplies on hand and report of contingent fund, is in the hands of the Grand Secretary for anyone who wishes to see same.

S. C. CONLY, P. M.

*Hospital-Chairman*

Expenditures for year, May, 1954 to May, 1955.

1 case (2500) 6 oz. paper cups . . . . . \$15.63  
(Bill sent to Grand Secretary).

Presented the 600 paper plates on hand in 1954 to Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, P. G. M. to be used for Summer Carnival (Grand Chapter project) also 1000 paper napkins for same project.

Supplies on hand—

800 paper cups	1 O. E. S. Cloth
5000 paper napkins	2 Trays
	2 Towels

Contingent Fund as of May 1954—

Balance on hand . . . . .	\$12.99
Check for 1955 . . . . .	10.00

Total . . . . .	\$22.99
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Expenses for same year—May, 1954 to May 1955, O. E. S. share of gift for Miss Jean Wayne on leaving V. A.

Mr. Crowe's secretary . . . . .	.75
O. E. S. share to Cancer Fund for Sister Ouesenberry . . . . .	2.00
O. E. S. share for Refreshments for Certificate Presentation . . . . .	.50
Writing paper . . . . .	.75
Ink . . . . .	.15
Record Book . . . . .	.75
50 Stamped envelopes . . . . .	1.83
2 Tickets for V. A. V. S. Banquet (ea. \$3.00) . . . . .	6.00
(for 2 Oriented workers)	
	\$12.73

Contingent Fund Balance as of 1954 . . . . .	\$22.99
Expenditures . . . . .	12.73

Leaving a balance of . . . . .	\$10.26
as of May 24th, 1955	

Fraternally submitted,

SADIE C. CONLY, P. M.

*Hospital Chairman*

Motion was made by Sister Alice Albrittan, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Fred Warrington report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

## FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

18 Chapters Represented  
 192 Voting Members  
 12 Proxies

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204 Total

GORDON E. KYLE  
 SUE D. CARDWELL  
 SYLVIA M. KNOX, *Chairman*

## REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, your committee has registered 52 guests representing 6 states. Delaware members 248, a total of 300.

SAMUEL R. RICHESON  
 MILDRED R. LEE  
 ALMA F. LONG

Motion was made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggins, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West, both reports be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

At the request of Sister Sadie Conly, motion was made by Past Grand Patron, Brother Larrimore, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles Cleaver that a donation of \$2.00 be made for a year book for the Veterans Hospital. Motion adopted.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott made a motion that all bills for this Grand Chapter Session be paid. Motion seconded by Grand Trustee, Brother J. Nelson Abbott. Motion adopted.

## ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Patron read Article from the Constitution regarding election.

The following Judges were appointed:

Brother Thomas Rodway  
 Brother Emerson Keeler

Tellers: Sister Dorothy Sweeney  
 Sister Eugenia Hall  
 Sister Jane Brittingham  
 Sister Helen Joseph

Grand Secretary read telegrams and letters received expressing good wishes to all.

## Result of election—

Worthy Grand Matron . . . . .	Ruth M. Laws
Worthy Grand Patron . . . . .	Norris Tull
Associate Grand Matron . . . . .	Mary Bevis
Associate Grand Patron . . . . .	William Nutter
Grand Secretary . . . . .	Elizabeth H. Fisher
Grand Treasurer . . . . .	Sylvia M. Knox
Grand Conductress . . . . .	Sarah Hoffman
Associate Grand Conductress . . . . .	Mildred Minner
Grand Lecturer . . . . .	Eliza Crossland
Grand Sentinel . . . . .	John Conley
Grand Trustee . . . . .	Pauline Davis

Worthy Grand Patron dismissed the Judges and Tellers with thanks.

An address was given by the Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania, Sister Ethel M. Mitchell at which time she extended an invitation to this Grand Chapter to visit their Grand Chapter Session which opens on Monday evening, June 20 in Convention Hall in Philadelphia.

A copy of the report of the Eastern Star Building Corporation is in the Grand Secretary's office and will be printed in the proceedings.

DELAWARE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR  
BUILDING CORPORATION  
912 West Street

November 30, 1954

The Thirty-Second 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, November 30, 1954.

The meeting of the Corporation was called at 8:00 P. M. by the President, Mrs. Jane Zebley. The following Directors were elected:

Grand Chapter of Delaware . . . . .	Mrs. Pauline Davis
Delaware 1 . . . . .	Mr. John Conley
Radiant 6 . . . . .	Mrs. Jane Zebley
Julia M. Story 3 . . . . .	Mrs. Phoebe Sharpley

The election of officers resulted as follows:--

<i>President</i>	—Mrs. Jane Zebley
<i>Secretary</i>	—Mrs. Phoebe Sharpley
<i>Treasurer</i>	—Mrs. Pauline Davis

The Treasurer reported the total worth of the Delaware Order of the Easter Star Building Corporation, November 30, 1954.



Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund	
Nov. 30, 1954.....	\$2,432.00
Interest.....	72.96
Deposited 1/18/54 Int. on Bond.....	25.00
Deposited 9/9/54 Int. on Bond.....	25.00
Balance November 30, 1954.....	\$2,554.96

Balance Security Trust Co.	
Nov. 30, 1953.....	\$2,401.45

## Disbursements

Check #73 State of Del..	5.00
Check #74 Radiant Chap.	
#6 for 200 Shares of	
Stock @5.00 per share	1,000.00
Check #75 Sec. Trust Co.	
for Lock Box for 1 Yr.	7.20
Total November 30, 1954.....	1,389.25

## Total worth of Corporation;

Balance Wil. Savings Fund	\$2,554.96
Balance Sec. Trust Co.....	1,389.25
Two \$1,000.00 U.S. Bonds .	2,000.00
Total November 30, 1954.....	\$5,944.21

Treasurer, Mrs. Pauline Davis

Wishing you success in the coming year, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,

PHOEBE SHARPLEY, *Secretary*

President Mrs. Jane Zebley

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from labor to recess until 8 o'clock.

## TUESDAY EVENING

8:00 P. M.

May 24, 1955

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott presenting Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth Pierce and Past Grand Patron, Brother Cheston R. McCormick who opened the evening session and invited the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron to enter the Chapter Room.

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

Prayer by Sister Ivah Ostendarp—Grand Chaplain.

Our heavenly Father we thank thee for this lovely place in which we are meeting and for the ones who toiled to make it so. We thank

thee for the Past Grand Matron and Past Grand Patron who laid the foundation of this Grand Chapter. So that a new corps, of officers each year may add their love and labor to this foundation.

We thank all that have assembled here. We thank thee for the love that unites us, for the peace that is accorded us and for the hope with which we expect the tomorrow for our health, our work, our food and the bright skies that make our lives delightful.

We ask thy greatest blessing upon the Master Mason that gives us heritage, that we may see the star in the East and in following that Star we have been lead here today.

Heavenly Father, give us a bright light to guide our Worthy Grand Matron and our Worthy Grand Patron through this day and this night, all of this we ask in Jesus name. Amen

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Myrtle L. Faulty and Most Worthy Grand Patron of New Jersey were presented at the Altar, escorted East and given Grand Honors.

Lilly L. Gates—New Jersey  
 Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron of New Jersey, Sister  
 Anna Belle Fenton.  
 District of 11-B Penna.—May M. Pipman hand of welcome.

Minutes of Tuesday morning and Tuesday afternoon sessions were read. Motion made by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie Warrington that minutes be accepted as read and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Grand Secretary:

Worthy Grand Matron, under new business I have something which I believe will be of interest not only to each subordinate chapter but to each member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

We know that when a petitioner has been accepted for membership, our secretary notifies the petitioner to present himself or herself at a certain place at a certain time for the ceremony of initiation.

The petitioner has many different ideas as to just what this initiation will be.

I have a little folder titled "Preparation". The information contained in this folder is to give the petitioner a little insight as to just what may be expected from membership in our Order, and to more or less put the petitioner at ease as to what may take place during the initiation ceremony.

I wish to suggest that we have some of these folders printed and that a supply be sent to each chapter for the secretary to inclose with

each notice to a petitioner, advising them they have been accepted for membership.

Grand Secretary read a folder on initiation and motion was made by Past Grand Patron, Brother John LeCompte, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Fred Warrington that a supply be purchased and sent to the various Chapters.

Motion adopted.

### REMARKS BY MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON OF NEW JERSEY

I am not here as a good-will ambassador of New Jersey, but because I anticipated a pleasant evening. We thank you for the opportunity of spreading goodwill among our neighbors. I want to congratulate the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron upon what I know has been a successful year. Thank you for your courtesies and for your welcome at the Altar.

Most Worthy Grand Matron of New Jersey:

It is a very happy privilege for me to be here and I bring fraternal greetings to you from the Grand Jurisdiction of New Jersey and tell you how happy we have been to be here. We have enjoyed the company of some of your Grand Officers in our Jurisdiction and I would like to compliment both of you upon the completion of what has been a successful administration and Sister Ruth and Brother Norris you will assume your office and I wish for you a happy, successful year. I extend an invitation to you to visit New Jersey as often as you can and we will endeavor to extend the same hospitality we have received here.

Past Most Worthy Grand Matron of New Jersey, Sister Anna Belle Fenton:

May I say to you Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron that I am most happy as your neighbor to be here during your Grand Session. I offer my apologies for being late. I am sure you have had a happy session and I know you are going to enjoy the title of Jr. Past Grand Matron and Jr. Past Grand Patron. I am happy to share your evening with you and I hope you will visit us whenever possible and especially Pennsgrave Chapter.

Sister Martha Doughty—Grand Representative of Delaware to New Jersey:

This is quite a surprise to be asked to speak when you have the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron of New Jersey present. This is the Gold Ball Room and Gold Session and your Grand Representative of Delaware to New Jersey is just full of sunshine and smiles. I wish that I was gifted with a singing voice that

I might sing to have been your Grand Representative. I feel that I am fortunate to be here and you have helped to make this year a very happy one for me and I hope you will come to New Jersey to visit us. It has been a wonderful experience and I thank you very much.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Charles V. Cleaver—member of the Welfare Committee of General Grand Chapter:

Three years ago I was appointed on a committee for the General Grand Chapter. My term of office will terminate as of September 1955. I want to thank all who have extended to me so many courtesies and good wishes and say they are appreciated very much.

I hope you will all come to Washington and hear this report of the clothing that has been sent to Berlin, Germany.

I will appreciate it if the present Worthy Matrons will check with their secretary and give me a complete report for 1953-54 and 55.

Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania:

I am happy to say a few words to you and to bring you greetings from Pennsylvania. It has really been a pleasure to have an opportunity in this my busy year to spend this time with you folks and friends in Delaware. Living so close, I feel I know many of you. Through the years I have visited several chapters in your State and I have spent part of the time in your Grand Chapter and I want to compliment the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron upon the way they have presided and your smiles have been most encouraging and much enjoyed. I want to congratulate you upon the way in which you have handled your election.

I am most grateful for the honor of being made an honorary member of your Grand Jurisdiction. It is a gift that money cannot buy and a gift that will ever be cherished. May we live with our hearts filled with love, understanding and encouragement, one toward another. Many thanks to this Jurisdiction for every courtesy extended to us and may I wish for your incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and your staff of officers great success and happiness as you serve your Jurisdiction.

I want to invite you folks to come to our Grand Session. It opens Monday, June 20th until the evening of June 23d when we have our installation and I will graduate.

A motion was made by Past Grand Patron, Thomas Rodway, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Jane Zebley that the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Patron of New Jersey, the Junior Past Worthy Grand Matron of New Jersey and the Grand Representative from New Jersey to Delaware be made Honorary Members of this Grand Chapter. Motion adopted.

## FAREWELL ADDRESS

LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE, Worthy Grand Matron

Farewell doesn't just mean good-bye to me. It is a little word with eight letters in it, and each letter has a meaning.

F. is for the fairest among thousands you have been.

A. is for your acts of kindness.

R. is for the Ritual you followed.

E. is for the ease with which you said your parts.

W. is for your willingness to Serve.

E. is for your eagerness to do the right.

Double L. is for the love light shining in your eyes.

Put them all-together they spell Farewell. Farewell to a year of service to our beautiful Eastern Star.

Farewell to my happiest Eastern Star year. Farewell to the 1955 Sunshine Session. We leave with Smiles of happiness because your Sunshine brightens my pathway.

Farewell: George Ostendarp, Worthy Grand Patron:

The past year has been a very happy one for me. I have tried to serve with loyalty and devotion, and I want to thank all the members of our great Order who have in any way aided me in keeping true to my promise. To come up through the years to the highest office that this Grand Jurisdiction can bestow upon a brother means much to me and I hope I have not been found wanting. The principles and ideals of our Order have stood the test of time, and to me it has been a great honor to have some little part in it.

It has been a pleasure to serve in the Grand East with our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian. She has ruled at all times with dignity, grace and love and this has been an influence for loving cooperation and increased membership. She has lifted high the torch that has never faltered, and whose light has never grown dim as she carried the message of good will to all our people. The good deeds which she has accomplished during the year will never be forgotten.

## INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Past Grand Matron, Bessie Warrington and Past Grand Patron, Frederick H. Warrington installed the Grand officers with the exception of the Worthy Grand Matron, Ruth M. Laws.

Sister Ruth was given a thrilling and happy surprise when Sister Bessie handed Brother Pierce Laws, Sister Ruth's husband the gavel and invited him to install his wife as Worthy Grand Matron.

The following Grand Officers were installed.

Worthy Grand Matron . . . . .	Mrs. Ruth M. Laws
Worthy Grand Patron . . . . .	Mr. Norris Tull
Associate Grand Matron . . . . .	Mrs. Mary Bevis
Associate Grand Patron . . . . .	Mr. William Nutter
Grand Secretary . . . . .	Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer . . . . .	Mrs. Sylvia M. Knox
Grand Conductress . . . . .	Mrs. Sarah Hoffman
Associate Grand Conductress . . . . .	Mrs. Mildred Minner
Grand Lecturer . . . . .	Miss Eliza Crossland
Grand Trustee . . . . .	Mrs. Pauline Davis
Grand Chaplain . . . . .	Mrs. Eunice Tull
Grand Marshal . . . . .	Mrs. Helen Weldie
Grand Organist . . . . .	Mrs. Lanah Milbourn
Grand Adah . . . . .	Mrs. Florence Walls
Grand Ruth . . . . .	Mrs. Marian Moore
Grand Esther . . . . .	Mrs. Thirza Hall
Grand Martha . . . . .	Mrs. Virginia Moore
Grand Electa . . . . .	Mrs. Jennie Thompson
Grand Warder . . . . .	Mrs. Doris Truitt
Grand Sentinel . . . . .	Mr. John Conley

Brother Pierce Laws presented to his wife, Sister Ruth Laws a beautiful gavel, a gift from him with good wishes for health, happiness and success.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth thanked Sister Bess and Brother Fred:

Sister Bess and Brother Fred, our installation was beautifully done and it meant a little more to me because you both hold a great big place in my heart. Thanks a million—and to all other installing Grand Officers, we couldn't have gotten along without you. Thanks so much for a job well-done.

### ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

RUTH M. LAWS, Worthy Grand Matron

*BEFORE US IS A YEAR UNKNOWN, A PATH UNTRIED,  
BESIDE US IS A FRIEND WELL LOVED AND KNOWN—  
THAT FRIEND IS GOD.*

Life teaches us that we have nothing of our own, but are only caretakers of that which is placed in our keeping. Tonight there are no words to express my appreciation of the confidence you have shown in making me the Caretaker of this Grand Chapter for the coming year. I deem it a great honor as well as a privilege to serve you.

I know I'll not be able to please every one, but my earnest prayer is to please Him who has promised to "strengthen and uphold us by the

right hand of His power." When I repeated the obligation of our Order, I promised to give to my sisters and brothers sympathy, aid and advice. I feel that is a very big part of my job as your Worthy Grand Matron, so please call on me if I can be of any help. If there are differences in your Chapter, you seem to have trouble settling and you would like my help, please write me a letter with the seal of your Chapter and I shall be at your service.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris, it is a privilege to have you share the Grand East with me and I do feel free to call on you at any time. I am sure the friendship that has existed between you, your good wife, my good husband and me will grow richer for having served this beautiful order together.

To all our officers, it is with pride and happiness that I welcome you into this year of service. This is your year just as much as mine for we are co-workers. I shall love having you share in the responsibilities, the pleasures and the joys. Let this be a year never to be forgotten, and at the same time remember that it doesn't matter what office we fill but how we fill it. Every Chapter we represent deserves our best.

To my own Chapter, Five Points No. 13, (please stand) it is wonderful to have so many here. Many thanks to you for making it possible for me to be where I am tonight. All of you are just Tops.

There is a very good friend of mine here from Philadelphia. Sister Rena Zimmerman, will you please stand? I want every one to know my very special friend. This evening wouldn't have been complete without you. Thanks for coming.

I wish I could call everyone here by name, but since that is impossible, may I just say thanks to everyone for coming. And now, last but not least to the three most wonderful people in the world, my Mother—Sister Mary E. Reynolds, my daughter—Sister Ruth Ellen, and my Husband—Brother Pierce, you are my leaning posts, trailers and just lots of other things you don't know about yet. God bless you and thanks for coming.

There is much to be done with the summer benefit coming up, July 8th. This is for the Crippled Children of Delaware and the Shriner's Hospital. We also want to remember the VA Hospital, the guests of the Masonic Home and all of the Most Worthy Grand Matrons' projects.

It takes every little part of a jig-saw puzzle to complete the whole thing. God has need of every one of us in His plan and as your Worthy Grand Matron I need each one of you—The sideliners as well as the committee members and the officers. We can't do without a single person.

Our Motto is—Be ye Kind, Forebearing and Forgiving one towards another.

Watchword—Loyalty

The yellow rose is our flower.

Our Colors are Blue and Gold for our beautiful state.

Sisters and Brothers, I accept this high office with a prayer that God will give me health, wisdom, and understanding to be an inspiration for good and will strive to prove that your faith in me has not been misplaced.

And now I think you would like to hear from our Worthy Grand Patron.

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

As I assume the duties of Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, I do so with the full realization that I owe some duties of gratitude and appreciation for your confidence in me and your support of me, in electing me to this high office. First of all, of course, I am indebted to Sussex Chapter No. 7, where I was permitted to serve as Worthy Patron, thereby fulfilling the first qualifying requisite of this office.

In showing your faith in me, you have created in me a faith in you, and an assurance that your Worthy Grand Matron and I will receive from you your very best efforts to make for 1955-56 a record that will be outstanding in the history of Eastern Star in Delaware.

We have a Worthy Grand Matron who is sincere, capable, loyal, friendly, and imbued with the principles of the order. And I trust, that you, along with me will pledge to her your loyalty and cooperation in her efforts for the advancement of our order.

Our order is dedicated to Charity, Truth, and Loving Kindness. Charity meaning not only the giving of alms to the needy, but more the character of our daily association with our Sisters and Brothers. It means being ready to overlook faults, having good will toward our Sisters and Brothers, looking upon the best side of a situation, being patient and compassionate. If we as Eastern Stars, will strive to demonstrate Charity in that sense in our lives, the other two attributes of Truth, and Loving Kindness will follow in natural order.

Therefore, let us renew our Eastern Star Obligation to ourselves, to each other, and to our God.

To Sister Lillian and Brother George, Junior Past Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron, congratulations for a wonderful year—Well done. Your Grand Family have enjoyed working with you and received inspiration and happiness from our association with you. I know you have been and will continue to be of much help to those who follow. The best of luck to both of you.

Now I am sure that most of you already know my wife, Eunice. I wish to present her at this time. Sister Eunice, you have been a big help to me in my journey to the Grand East. I will treasure your love, your loyalty, and your help.



I also wish to present my sister—Netta Moore, and my cousin—Elizabeth Tull. Netta and Elizabeth, your encouragement will never be forgotten.

Now, will all the members of Sussex Chapter please stand? *Thank you*, is all I can say. It is not enough, of course, but I will try to say more later.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Bessie, Past Grand Patron, Brother Fred, it is indeed an honor to have you two install me to this high office. Thank you so much.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth, to serve with you in the Grand East is indeed a pleasure and I shall at all times endeavor to support and assist you in every way possible.

To the newly installed Grand Officers, may this year of service to the Order of Eastern Star be one of Joy and Contentment.

Thanks to all again for the many honors you have bestowed upon me.

Past Grand Patron, Brother Robert W. Larrimore presented Sister Lillian Larrimore our Junior Past Grand Matron with her jewel.

I want to congratulate you tonight on your entire year, your beautiful Sunshine Session and tell you how proud I am that you are my wife and the Junior Past Grand Matron of Delaware. I thought My Worthy Grand Matron and I had the nicest set of officers anyone ever had, but yours are about the "Tops". I can speak on behalf of Caesar Rodney Chapter, (our Home Chapter) and tell you how proud they are too.

You said you have been six years traveling to the Grand East. You filled your first office in 1942 and you have had some little job to do in Grand Chapter ever since and in return for the fine service you have given to the Grand Chapter of Delaware, I present this jewel and hope you will wear it with pride and honor.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF PAST WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S JEWEL

Thank you Larry:

I know of no greater joy that could have been mine than to have you present me with my Past Grand Matron Jewel.

I shall cherish always this beautiful Jewel.

I shall wear it with pride, as the symbol of my year of service.

It is something that cannot be bought, begged or borrowed, but can only be obtained through service of the Grand Chapter.

Thank you Sisters and Brothers for giving me the opportunity of serving you this past year.

I accept it as a gift of love from you to me. Thank you.

Sister Ivah presented jewel to the Junior Past Grand Patron:

Junior Past Grand Patron, my beloved husband, it is with pride and honor that I present this jewel to you. It is very pretty and I know you will wear it with honor. I know you have earned it and have enjoyed earning it. I am sorry that I forgot part of the last prayer, but I can't memorize prayers from a book, I have to make my own.

Acceptance Junior Past Grand Patron Brother George:

I have enjoyed every minute of having my wife serve as Grand Chaplain. When she did not know she was to give an invocation or a prayer, she was always equal to the occasion in a very commendable manner. On May 19th next year we will celebrate forty-five years of married life and the last year has been just as happy as the first.

I thank you for presenting this Jewel and I will cherish it for the balance of my life. Thank you, one and all.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws, presented gift to Brother Fred and Sister Bess Warrington from herself and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull and also a small gift from her personally.

Brother Fred responded:

Thank you for the small part I played. I assure you that any time I can be of service to you I will be glad to do anything I can.

Members of Five Points Chapter asked permission to approach the East. Worthy Matron, Sister Jane C. Livermore—"We the officers of Five Points Chapter speak for all the members when we offer you our very best wishes on this memorable occasion. Indeed we love and honor you and we are confident that you will endear yourself to all. We ask that you may have good health and that you may have a happy year. It is a great pleasure to present this gift on behalf of your Chapter.

A gift was presented to Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull from the officers of Sussex chapter as a token of their love and esteem.

The two chapters sang a song together, pledging loving support to Ruth and Norris.

Grand Marshal, Sister Vera Snedeker, presented a gift to Junior Past Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron from the officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers and Committee members. We hope that when you look at these you will think of all the fun we have had this year together.

Brother George remarked about the difference in size of the packages and Grand Marshal said, "We got you what we want you to have and we presented the envelope to Sister Lillian so that she could pick out her own."

Junior Past Grand Matron, Sister Lillian presented Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth with the Traveling Jewel.

"Just one short year ago this jewel was presented to me, shining clear and beautiful and I sincerely hope you will not find it otherwise as you go along the fraternal road this year. It is a symbol of achievement of our Grand Chapter. I have been proud to have this jewel in my possession. I have worn it with great pride and now with my love I pass it on to you.

Sister Ruth, Worthy Grand Matron:

I thank you and I shall enjoy wearing this jewel. Now you will all know I am from Delaware and I will wear it whenever I visit in another jurisdiction.

Brother George, Junior Past Grand Patron made a presentation to Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull:

I want to be the first to present you with these ballot boxes, and a few souvenirs.—The Worthy Grand Patron's seal, the gavel *to use in an arbitrary manner*, and the Jewel to wear when visiting other Grand Jurisdictions. It is rather heavy, but you are big enough to take care of it.

Please accept these and relieve me of the responsibility.

Brother Norris: I shall endeavor to wear this Traveling Jewel with honor to the Order.

Worthy Matron of Caesar Rodney Chapter—Sister Ruth Steele presented a gift to Junior Past Grand Matron from her Home Chapter.

Worthy Matron of Brandywine Chapter—Sister Marjorie Ward, presented a gift to Junior Past Grand Patron from his Home Chapter, with best wishes and sincere appreciation.

Sister Helen Weldie, Grand Marshal, presented a gift to Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws—a large white Altar Bible engraved with her name, title and year of service, from the officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers. Our best wishes and may God's richest blessings rest upon you.

Announcement was made that Georgetown Chapter No. 9, Georgetown, Delaware would have a birthday party on Friday, June 17th. All invited.

Announcements by Worthy Grand Matron—Ruth M. Laws.

Just a word before introducing my deputies.

You will notice there are but fifteen deputies. In some cases there is one deputy for two Chapters. I am very sorry to have to do things this way, but I can only ask our girls to serve. I do not think it fair or the best for the Order to have a deputy to serve in a Chapter more than three years. If this does not meet with your approval I'm sorry, and I promise to make it up to you in some other way. Now as I call your names, will the deputies please assemble in the West.

I trust that each Chapter will receive your Deputy with a true Eastern Star spirit, whether she be from your own number or not.

The newly appointed Deputy Grand Lecturers were introduced in the West by the Worthy Grand Matron. They were escorted to the East and welcomed.

### DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

- DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1. . . . . Mrs. Elsie Conley  
3001 Pennsylvania Ave., Wilmington, Del.
- MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2. . . . . Mrs. Edith Galloway  
McDaniel Crest, Wilmington, Del.
- JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3. . . . . Miss Edith Shinn  
1323 W. Court Street, Claymont, Delaware
- ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4. . . . . Mrs. Ruth Nutter  
81 University Ave., Wilmington Manor Gardens, New Castle, Del.
- ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5. . . . . Mrs. Rita Wilkinson  
Delmar, Delaware
- RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6. . . . . Mrs. Sadie Conly  
23 Reamer Ave., Wilmington 4, Del.
- SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7. . . . . Mrs. Anna White  
Seaford, Delaware
- CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8. . . . . Mrs. Bessie Miles  
No. 4 Second Ave., Midvale, New Castle, Del.
- GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9. . . . . Mrs. Frances Warren  
Georgetown, Delaware
- NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10. . . . . Miss Eliza Crossland  
200 Claymont Garden Apts., Claymont, Del.
- KENT CHAPTER NO. 11. . . . . Mrs. Mildred Snowberger  
South Walnut St., Milford, Del.
- FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12. . . . . Mrs. Edna Johnson  
Dagsboro, Delaware
- FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13. . . . . Mrs. Bertha Smith  
13 No. Connell St., Wilmington, Del.
- BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 14. . . . . Miss Edith Shinn  
1323 West Court St., Claymont, Del.
- VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15. . . . . Mrs. Catherine Smith  
Dover, Delaware
- UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16. . . . . Mrs. Ruth Bryan  
Lewes, Delaware
- ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17. . . . . Mrs. Bessie Miles  
4 Second Ave., Midvale, New Castle, Del.
- LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18. . . . . Mrs. Minnie Kytte  
Laurel, Delaware

School for Deputies on June 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the Masonic Temple, Newport, Delaware—for Deputies and Grand Officers ONLY.

At 2:00 p.m. on June 4th the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons is holding a Grand Masters Day at the Masonic Home. Since the Order of the Eastern Star will have a part, I do hope every one will be present.

Another very important day is July 9th, when we will have our summer benefit at the Shrine Club.

Sister Sadie Conly our representative to the V. A. Hospital has asked to borrow our Eastern Star Flag to be used at the V. A. Banquet on June 2nd.

Motion duly made and seconded that the flag be loaned to Sister Sadie for this occasion. Motion adopted.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

### *Credentials*

Mrs. Mae T. Ford . . . . . 3 Yrs. (11)

### *Jurisprudence*

Mrs. Bessie Warrington . . . . . 3 Yrs. (9)

### *Constitution & Laws*

Mrs. Irma LeCompte . . . . . 3 Yrs. (9)

### *Chapters under Charters & Dispensation*

Mr. Groome Mears . . . . . 3 Yrs. (17)

### *Estral Committee*

Mrs. Helen West . . . . . 5 Yrs. (12)

### *Eastern Star Home Fund*

Mrs. Marian Craig . . . . . 5 Yrs. (4)

### *Grievance & Appeals*

Mrs. Marie Roberts . . . . . 3 Yrs. (11)

### *Registration*

Mrs. Benita Meenan . . . . . 3 Yrs. (3)

### *Unfinished Business*

Mr. Horace Fulmer, Chairman . . . . . (2)

Mrs. Gladys Lynch . . . . . (16)

Mrs. Grace Moore . . . . . (8)

### *Necrology*

Mrs. Catherine Gibbs, Chairman . . . . . (10)

Mrs. Edna Carter . . . . . (2)

Mrs. Margaret King . . . . . (2)

Mrs. Evelyn Holden . . . . . (7)

Mrs. Jane White . . . . . (13)

Mrs. Helen Joseph . . . . . (16)

Mr. John Conley . . . . . (1)

### *Printing*

Miss Elizabeth Fisher, Chairman . . . . . (4)

Mrs. Sylvia Knox . . . . . (3)

Mrs. Edith McLennan . . . . . (6)

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Mrs. Eleanor Tyler . . . . .	(10)

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Mrs. Clara Reuter . . . . .	(1)
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Mr. William Hall . . . . .	(18)

*Hospitality*

Mrs. Alice Abbott, Chairman . . . . .	(10)
Mr. Kendall Gibbs . . . . .	(15)
Mrs. Elvira Ziegler . . . . .	(1)
Mr. Fred Warrington . . . . .	(9)
Mrs. Lillian Larrimore . . . . .	(8)
Mr. Henry Miller . . . . .	(13)
Mr. Archie Ford . . . . .	(11)

*V. A. Hospital*

Mrs. Sadie Conly, Chairman . . . . .	(13)
Mr. George Ostendarp, Co-Chairman . . . . .	(14)

Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons of each Chapter:

*SPECIAL COMMITTEES*

## Red Cross

Mrs. Patricia Mears . . . . .	(17)
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## Masonic Home Church Service

Mr. Fred Warrington . . . . .	(11)
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## Masonic Home Party

Mrs. Helen Weldie, Grand Marshal . . . . . (13)

*Summer Benefit*

Mrs. Elizabeth Pierce, Chairman . . . . . (13)  
 Mrs. Bessie Miles . . . . . (8)  
 Mr. Robert Larrimore . . . . . (8)  
 Mr. William Nutter . . . . . (4)  
 Mr. George Ostendarp . . . . . (14)  
 Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp . . . . . (14)

## OFFICIAL VISITS

## JUNE

June 2nd . . . . . Sussex No. 7  
 June 7th . . . . . Brandywine No. 14  
 June 13th . . . . . Victory No. 15  
 June 16th . . . . . Newark No. 10  
 June 28th . . . . . Unity No. 16

## SEPTEMBER

September 8th . . . . . Caesar Rodney No. 8  
 September 21st . . . . . Esther No. 17  
 September 26th . . . . . Julia M. Stacy No. 3  
 September 27th . . . . . Laurel No. 18

## OCTOBER

October 4th . . . . . Radiant No. 6  
 October 5th . . . . . Kent No. 11  
 October 7th . . . . . Georgetown No. 9  
 October 12th . . . . . Frankford No. 12  
 October 17th . . . . . Adah No. 5  
 October 21st . . . . . Mizpah No. 2

## NOVEMBER

November 3rd . . . . . St. Johns No. 4  
 November 8th . . . . . Delaware No. 1  
 November 10th . . . . . Five Point No. 13

## LEGISLATION MAY 1955

Mailing of programs to be discontinued. Each member attending the Session will receive a program when registering.

Worthy Grand Matron to appoint a committee composed of Jurisprudence Committee and Constitution and By-Laws Committee to revise the Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Chapter of Delaware and bring same up-to-date; including in the new book all unwritten laws which are observed in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Books of Instruction declared obsolete and to be destroyed.



*Back Row, left to right:* Grand Warden—Anna Fryling, Grand Sentinel—William Nutter, Grand Esther—Alice Paulson, Grand Trustee—J. Albert Kumpel, Grand Trustee—Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee—J. Nolson Abbott, Grand Adah—Catherine Gibbs, Grand Electa—Bessie Borglin, Grand Ruth—Edith McLennan. *Second Row, left to right:* Grand Martha—Frances Warren, in center of 2nd row Grand Organist—Marian Kumpel, Grand Chaplain—Ivah Ostendary. *Third Row, left to right:* Grand Marshal—Vera Snedeker, Grand Lecturer—Mildred Minner. *Front Row, Seated left to right:* Associate Grand Conductress—Sarah Hoffman, Grand Treasurer—Virda Simpler, Associate Grand Patron—Norris Tull, Worthy Grand Matron—Lillian Larrimore, Worthy Grand Patron—George H. Ostendary, Associate Grand Matron—Ruth M. Laws, Grand Secretary—Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Conductress—Mary Bevis.



All Officers to receive Instructions from Deputy Grand Lecturer, Grand Lecturer and Worthy Grand Matron, only.

Minimum fee for membership in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be \$10.00. Any Chapter may specify a larger amount if they so desire.

Preparation cards to be inclosed with each notice to receive degrees.

Members must show due card or demit to Conductress and Associate Conductress when Chapter is being proved.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Secretary to be reimbursed for the cost of two nights at hotel during Grand Session.

### IRREGULARITIES WHICH MUST BE CORRECTED

Balloting. Result of ballot not kept inviolably secret.

Rejection being discussed in Chapter or after Chapter is closed.

Discussing Chapter transactions in public.

Officers going to members for instructions instead of Deputy Grand Lecturer.

No one is authorized to give instructions except Deputy Grand Lecturer, Grand Lecturer and Worthy Grand Matron.

The Thirty-fifth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star will convene Monday and Tuesday, May 14 & 15, 1956 in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel Du Pont, Wilmington, Delaware.



LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE  
Worthy Grand Matron

GEORGE H. OSTENDARP  
Worthy Grand Patron

Attest:  
ELABETH M. FISHER  
Grand Secretary

## STATISTICAL REPORT

Chapters	No. Members	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Died	Demitted	Suspended
Delaware No. 1 . . . . .	348	11		1	10	4	2
Mizpah No. 2 . . . . .	234	7			6	1	2
Julia M. Story No. 3 . . . . .	149	2		1		4	1
St. John's No. 4 . . . . .	153		2		5		2
Adah No. 5 . . . . .	158	7			2		
Radiant No. 6 . . . . .	143	8		1	2		
Sussex No. 7 . . . . .	143	3		1	3		
Caesar Rodney No. 8 . . . . .	169	10			3	2	2
Georgetown No. 9 . . . . .	141	4	2		3	3	8
Newark No. 10 . . . . .	152	3			1	1	
Kent No. 11 . . . . .	159	4	1		2	1	1
Frankford No. 12 . . . . .	216	1		2	1	1	1
Five Points No. 13 . . . . .	333	21		1	3	3	
Brandywine No. 14 . . . . .	194	10			3	4	
Victory No. 15 . . . . .	144	9					7
Unity No. 16 . . . . .	160	8		2	2	2	
Esther No. 17 . . . . .	52	2					
Laurel No. 18 . . . . .	63	3				2	

Lost by Death . . . . . 45  
 Lost by Demit. . . . . 28  
 Lost by Suspension . . . . . 26  
 Total Loss . . . . . 99

Gained by Reinstatement . . . . . 5  
 Gained by Initiation . . . . . 113  
 Gained by Affiliation . . . . . 9  
 Total Gain . . . . . 127

Membership December 31, 1955 . . . . . 3,111  
 Membership December 31, 1954 . . . . . 3,083  
 Net Gain . . . . . 28

This page is dedicated to  
the memory of  
OUR BELOVED DEAD  
of the

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

*"Into God's Garden of our lives  
Some rain is sure to fall  
But after that He sends the sun  
To triumph over all  
And so when sorrow comes to us  
And teardrops cloud our day  
God give us strength to bear our load  
And light to guide our way."*

IN MEMORY OF  
THE BELOVED DEAD

of

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

*"Death comes when the shades of the evening  
encircle the aging brow,  
And kissing the cheeks worn and weary, it  
Quietly whispers "Now"  
And dropping the cares of a lifetime  
And laying the earthly aside,  
Our loved ones clothed for that City where  
They will forever abide.  
It may be the Morn or the Evening or Noon  
When death shall come  
But behind the shadow that chills us is hidden  
The face of a Friend  
For Death is one of God's angels, commissioned  
To gather when sent  
The beautiful souls of Life's Garden, whose  
days upon earth have been spent."*

## 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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 Mr. Bryan Walls, 402 W. 35th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
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 Samuel L. Wildie  
 John Conley

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.

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 Mrs. Margaret King

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 John E. King  
 Harold G. Shaub  
 John Paulson  
 John King

## JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

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 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 11, 1918. Date of Charter July 22, 1918  
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 \*Robert S. Wood  
 \*Elhanan B. Wilson, P.G.P.

Miss Fannie W. Brown  
 \*\*\*Mrs. Violet A. Rush  
 \*\*Mrs. Jennie M. Hill  
 Mrs. Annabelle Sauter, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Alberta E. Stewart  
 Mrs. Helen C. E. Brown  
 \*Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Catherine B. Jones  
 Mrs. Beulah G. Backus  
 \*Mrs. Elizabeth P. Frederick  
 \*Mrs. Ellen H. Robinson  
 \*Mrs. Beatrice C. Nah  
 Mrs. Frances M. Shorter  
 Mrs. E. Lillian Miller  
 Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon  
 Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver  
 Mrs. Helen R. Anderson  
 Mrs. Mary P. Frame  
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 Mrs. Alice M. Jones  
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 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  
 Mrs. Edith Zeyher  
 J. Virginia Moore  
 Mr. James Duncan, P.G.P., Demitted 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.  
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 Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*J. Calvin Hastings  
 E. Everett Ragan  
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.  
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 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  
 Ross Lanus  
 William Meenan  
 Charles E. Sharpley

### 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. Dorothy Sweeney, 4632 Weldin Rd., Wilmington 3, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. John F. Campbell, 11 Bayard Dr., Brookview Apts. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Claymont, Del.

Mrs. Margaret Holloway, 315 W. 36th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Edgar J. Holloway, 315 W. 36th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Sue D. Cardwell, 413 W. 30th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn, P.G.M.  
 \*Mrs. Bertha M. Smith, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Minnie A. Riley  
 Mrs. Mary M. Clower, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee, 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  
 \*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

#### PAST PATRONS

\*Stuart J. Horn  
 \*Harvey F. Smith  
 \*Alfred M. Clower, P.G.P.  
 \*Willard T. Loreman  
 \*Frank G. Bartram  
 \*Frank L. Harrar, P.G.P.  
 \*Nicholas A. Grubb  
 George E. Hirlinger  
 \*Horace K. Brown  
 \*Grover C. MacNamee, P.G.P.  
 \*Herbert D. Peters  
 \*\*J. Paul Adams  
 \*Charles T. Wainwright  
 \*Edward J. Livermore  
 \*\*\*Elmer D. Howell  
 \*\*\*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  
 Mrs. Grace Allen  
 Mrs. Ruth Nutter

\*\*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.  
 J. Harry Allbrittain  
 Jacob S. Allen, Jr.  
 John H. Campbell  
 John Crossland  
 William Nutter  
 J. Harry Allbrittain

### 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. Anna Hudson, Delmar, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Ralph Nichols, 305 Pine St., Delmar, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Ethel D. Hudson, 303 Chestnut St., Delmar, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Ralph A. Baker, 300 Maryland Ave., Delmar, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Mabel Venables, Box 405, Delmar, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### PAST ATRONS

Mrs. Susie Marsh  
 \*Mrs. Anna T. Ellis  
 \*Miss Rose L. Freaney  
 \*Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman  
 \*Mrs. Annie S. Parker  
 \*Mrs. Lelah H. Freaney  
 Mrs. Irma Baker Barr, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Charlotte Lear  
 \*Mrs. Flora Culver  
 Mrs. Ella Carmine  
 \*Mrs. Anna D. Peters  
 \*Mrs. Anna Lee Waller  
 Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald, 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 Lobdell  
 Mrs. Mary L. Nichols  
 Mrs. Bertha G. Marvel  
 Mrs. Addie Mae Snowden  
 Mrs. Georgia G. Jones  
 Mrs. Annie O. Elliott  
 Mrs. Mabel R. Hearne  
 Mrs. Hettie P. Hall  
 Mrs. E. Paris Bounds  
 Mrs. Clemmie C. West  
 Mrs. Ida C. Lowe

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

#### PAST PATRONS

\*\*Joshua Ellegood  
 \*Harry T. Hickey, P.G.P.  
 J. Albert Hearn  
 \*James H. Conway  
 \*\*Ira F. Hearn  
 Thomas H. Esham  
 Wm. F. Hickey  
 Carroll S. Barr  
 \*Samuel M. Ellis  
 Victor J. Carmine, P.G.P.  
 \*\*\*James K. Shinn  
 \*\*Paul K. Ellis  
 \*Walter H. Whayland  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 \*\*Paul K. Ellis  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Levin R. Lowe  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 \*David J. Snowden  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph A. Baker  
 Ralph E. Nichols  
 Ralph Baker  
 \*\*\*Demitted



Mrs. Rita C. Wilkinson	Ralph Nichols
Mrs. Mabel Venables	Robert Vincent
Mrs. Margie Stokes	Ralph Baker
Miss Dorothea Werner	Ralph Nichols
Mrs. Marian L. Hearn	Paul R. Lowe, Jr.
Mrs. Sara E. Mitchell	Ralph Nichols
Mrs. Doris E. Truitt	Ralph Baker
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

Miss Eunice Wood, 9 Central Ave., Wilmington, Del.	Worthy Matron
Mr. Edgar Mortlock, 2509 West St., Wilmington, Del.	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Mary L. Ellison, 417 Howell Dr., Collins Park, New Castle, Del.	Associate Matron
Mr. Elwood T. Marshall, 104 W. 38th St., Wilmington, Del.	Associate Patron
Mrs. Jane Z. Zebley, 912 West St., Wilmington, Del.	Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

\*Mrs. Lillie S. Riley, P.G.M.  
 Mrs. Anna L. Stausebach  
 \*\*Mrs. Mary A. Woodus  
 \*\*Mrs. Mabel P. Wood  
 Mrs. Myrtle L. Sawdon  
 \*\*Mrs. Gladys E. Sidel  
 Mrs. Edith B. Harmstead  
 \*Mrs. Gertrude E. Vincent  
 Mrs. Jane C. Zebley, P.G.M.  
 \*Miss Essie J. Dempsey  
 Mrs. Elizabeth S. Burkins  
 Mrs. Elva R. Curry  
 \*Mrs. M. Agnes Strickland  
 \*Mrs. Bertha B. Lees  
 Mrs. Anna M. Cavender  
 Miss Helen R. Wilson  
 \*Mrs. Sadie C. Beatty  
 Mrs. Virginia E. Hambright  
 Mrs. Edith McLean  
 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  
 Mrs. Edith McLennan  
 Mrs. Callie Wood

#### PAST PATRONS

\*A. Victor Hughes  
 \*\*Harry J. Beckerle  
 \*\*Walter R. Wood, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
 \*\*Joseph A. Jackson  
 \*\*Joseph A. Jackson  
 \*John P. Zebley  
 \*John P. Zebley  
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     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Carroll J. Lloyd  
     Carroll J. Lloyd  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
 \*William J. Beatty  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Carroll J. Lloyd  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
 \*George W. Richards  
 \*Chas. Hastings  
 \*Chas. Hastings  
     Carroll Lloyd  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Walter E. Sawdon, P.G.P.  
     Boyd N. Hambright  
     Edgar Mortlock  
     Ira S. Cordrey  
     Boyd Hambright  
     Benjamin H. Cooper

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

### SUSSEX CHAPTER No. 7—SEAFORD

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter April 21, 1920. Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920  
 Meets over American Store Bldg., Seaford, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Katherine Bradley, Seaford, Del.	Worthy Matron
Mr. Edgar Bradley, Seaford, Del.	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Beatrice Gilbert, Seaford, Del.	Associate Matron
Mr. Elwood Coulbourn, Seaford, Del.	Associate Patron
Mrs. Eunice Tull, Seaford, Del.	Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Corinne W. Timmons, P.G.M.
*Mrs. Josephine B. Miller
***Mrs. Addie Allen
***Mrs. Abby H. Bell
**Mrs. Mary Elzey
**Mrs. Amelia J. Hardesty
**Mrs. Fannie D. Stein
Mrs. Arabella Gerker
***Mrs. Bernice V. Hurley
Mrs. Grace M. Coulbourn
***Mrs. Esther Willin
Mrs. Louise E. Phillips
*Mrs. Mary T. King
*Mrs. Kate Smith
**Mrs. Mary V. LeCates
Mrs. Bertha S. Welch, P.G.M.
Mrs. Louise W. Wright
Mrs. Mary L. Hudson
Miss Anna E. Wheatley
Mrs. Addie H. White
Mrs. Helen M. Covey
Mrs. Kathleen A. Pollitt
Mrs. Bertha J. West
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Lank
Mrs. Agnes W. Wooten
Mrs. Helen P. Turner
Mrs. Eunice Tull
Mrs. Rachel Atwell Henry
Miss Clara G. Smith
Mrs. Frances Truitt
Mrs. Anna White
Mrs. Mary P. Garton
Mrs. Anna Fryling
Mrs. Evelyn Holden

#### PAST PATRONS

*William H. Miller
*William H. Miller
*William F. Allen
**Samuel J. Stein
**Samuel J. Stein
T. Scott Purse
**Samuel J. Stein
*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
*Ezekial G. Coulbourn
Charles F. Welch
Charles F. Welch
***Charles H. Wheatley
Charles F. Welch
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T. Scott Purse
Charles F. Welch
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Charles F. Welch
Norris Tull
Norris Tull
Norman West
Norman West
Norman West
C. Roland Garton
Wilbur Fryling
Elwood Coulbourn

### CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER No. 8—NEW CASTLE

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter May 7, 1920. Date of Charter Dec. 1, 1920  
 Meets in New Castle Century Club, 18 East 4th St., New Castle, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Ruth Steele, Holloway Terrace, New Castle, Del.	Worthy Matron
Mr. Wm. Tubbs Baldton, New Castle, Del.	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Mildred Carlisle, Castle Hills, New Castle, Del.	Associate Matron
Mr. Bernard Carlisle, Castle Hills, New Castle, Del.	Associate Patron
Mrs. Marjorie Montgomery, 37 W. 5th St., New Castle, Del.	Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

*Mrs. Elizabeth Leach, P.G.M.
*Miss Carrie L. Gemmill, P.G.M.
***Mrs. Sallie R. Meredith
*Miss Anna S. Vantine

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

#### PAST PATRONS

*H. Raymond Foster, P.G.P.
*Edward H. Naylor
*H. Raymond Foster, P.G.P.
*Edward H. Naylor

\*\*\*Demitted

- Mrs. Willena Yetter
- Mrs. Mary C. Hanf
- \*Mrs. Mary K. Naylor
- Mrs. Mary L. G. Burris
- \*Mrs. Bessie R. Hewlett
- Mrs. Ida J. Smith
- Mrs. Marjorie P. Montgomery
- Mrs. Reba L. Greer
- Mrs. Bessie Williams
- Mrs. M. C. L. Ellison
- Mrs. Sophronia Hewlett
- Mrs. Emily V. Fleming
- Mrs. Mabel M. Davis
- Mrs. Lillian I. Arters
- Mrs. Lillian M. Larrimore
- Mrs. Florence M. Arters
- Miss Laura E. Porter
- Mrs. Isabelle V. Klabe
- Mrs. Anna Hirzel
- Mrs. Anna M. Harrington
- Mrs. Marian Kumpel
- Mrs. Florence Ballard
- Mrs. Elizabeth M. Heinel
- Mrs. Mary N. Banks
- Mrs. Esther Clymer
- Mrs. Vera Snedeker
- Mrs. Bessie Miles
- Miss Elizabeth Foster
- Mrs. Odell Guy
- Mrs. Grace S. Moore

- \*John Ries
- \*\*William G. Gebhart
- Edward S. Bratton
- Edward S. Bratton
- \*Clifford W. Hyrons
- \*Howard L. Wilhelm
- \*Howard L. Wilhelm
- Frank L. Hewlett
- Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
- Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
- Frank L. Hewlett
- Robert W. Larrimore, P.G.P.
- Frank L. Hewlett
- Robert W. Larrimore, P.G.P.
- Robert H. Harrington, Jr.
- Martin E. Arters
- \*Howard L. Wilhelm
- Howard W. Simpson
- Martin E. Arters
- Robert W. Larrimore, P.G.P.
- J. Albert Kumpel, P.G.P.
- J. Ralph Duling
- Martin E. Arters
- J. Albert Kumpel, P.G.P.
- Wm. Tubbs
- Wm. Tubbs
- Henry E. Williams
- Harley E. Clymer
- J. Albert Kumpel
- Robert W. Larrimore

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. Marcella DeMoss, Georgetown, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron
- Mr. Emerson Keeler, 7 No. King St., Georgetown, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Ruth M. Porter, Harbeson, Del. . . . . Associate Matron
- Mr. John L. LeCompte, Lincoln, Del. . . . . Associate Patron
- Mrs. Edith L. Swain, 9 N. King St., Georgetown, Del. . . . . Secretary

PAST MATRONS

- \*Mrs. Annie V. See
- Mrs. Florence B. Swain
- Mrs. Bessie M. Warrington, P.G.M.
- \*Mrs. Martha Z. Pepper
- \*Mrs. Nellie M. Lynch
- \*Mrs. Bessie N. Hobbs
- Mrs. Olivia C. Wilkins
- Mrs. Mary M. Calhoun
- Mrs. Mary H. Bailey
- Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Olive B. Holson
- Mrs. Minnie C. Hitchens
- Mrs. Mildred H. Minner
- Mrs. Florence S. Brereton
- \*Miss Elizabeth A. Wilkie
- Mrs. Treville M. Lenhart
- Mrs. Helen Calhoun

\*Deceased

\*\*Dropped

PAST PATRONS

- Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
- Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
- \*John F. Kaiser
- \*John F. Kaiser
- Crawford B. Bailey
- Crawford B. Bailey
- Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Lawrence E. Sipple
- Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
- Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Crawford B. Bailey
- Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
- Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.

\*\*\*Demitted

- 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
- Mrs. Frances Warren
- Mrs. Myrtle Stevenson

- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Thomas B. Pepper, P.G.P.
- George S. Buhl
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Geo. S. Buhl
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Frederick H. Warrington, P.G.P.
- John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
- Fred H. Warrington, P.G.P.
- Theodore Jester
- Herbert Von Goerress
- Theodore Jester

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

- Mrs. Eleanor Tyler, R. D. 1, Newark, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron
- Dr. Charles Schultheiss, 403 Capitol Trail, R. D. 3, Newark, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Pauline Sheaffer, 108 Delaplane Ave., Newark, Del. . . . . Associate Matron
- Mr. Michael D'angelo, 1805 Capitol Trail, Newark, Del. . . . . Associate Patron
- Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, 207 E. Justice St., Newport, Del. . . . . Secretary

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Martha W. Krapf, P.G.M.
- \*Mrs. Alice D. Truitt
- Mrs. Arzie P. Lewis
- \*Mrs. Edna R. Wood
- Miss Anne E. Gallaher
- Mrs. Florence E. Fader
- Mrs. Irma I. Hopkins
- Mrs. Esther K. Sheaffer
- Mrs. Anna R. Slack
- Mrs. Lettie P. McMullen
- Mrs. Naomi S. Knauss
- Mrs. Mattie Malcolm
- Mrs. Lydia F. McCloskey
- Mrs. Alice C. Abbott, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Dorothea K. Hickman
- Mrs. Gladys C. Carr
- Mrs. Ida A. Case
- Mrs. Edna S. vanDaalen
- Mrs. Martha C. Davis
- Mrs. Elizabeth Beswick
- Mrs. Elizabeth Correll
- Mrs. Miriam Rittenhouse
- Mrs. Catherine Gibbs
- Mrs. Mary Swan
- Mrs. Dorothy Diehl
- Mrs. Alma F. Long
- Mrs. Sarah B. Howell
- Miss M. Ella Steele
- Mrs. Marian V. Moore

PAST PATRONS

- \*Robert S. Gallaher, P.G.P.
- \*Robert S. Gallaher, P.G.P.
- \*Charles J. Krapf
- Conrad K. D. Lewis
- \*William J. Holton
- Leslie T. Truitt
- Henry F. Mote
- Leslie T. Truitt
- \*Charles J. Krapf
- Henry F. Mote
- \*T. Raymond McMullen
- Leslie T. Truitt
- Leslie T. Truitt
- Harman W. Money
- \*T. Raymond McMullen
- Leslie T. Truitt
- J. Nelson Abbott
- Leslie T. Truitt
- Ellsworth Carr
- \*T. Raymond McMullen
- Jacob Correll
- Jacob Correll
- Conrad K. D. Lewis
- Conrad K. D. Lewis
- Samuel L. Diehl
- Wilmer F. Pusey
- Samuel Diehl
- Conrad K. D. Lewis, Jr.
- Robert P. Major

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. Edith W. Harcum, Houston, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron
- Mr. Clifford Raughley, Harrington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Mary F. Sipple, R. F. D. 3, Milford, Del. . . . . Associate Patron
- Mr. Howard L. Sipple, R. F. D. 3, Milford, Del. . . . . Associate Patron
- Mrs. Marie Roberts, 300 Weiner Ave., Harrington, Del. . . . . Secretary

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Marguerite G. Cooper
- Mrs. Sarah E. Riggin, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Lillian M. Harmstead
- Mrs. Mary H. Dolby
- Mrs. Helen F. Taylor
- Mrs. Hester F. Reed
- Mrs. Blanche T. Keys
- Mrs. Marie L. Roberts, P.G.M.
- Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rogers
- Mrs. Sallie E. Satterfield
- Mrs. Elsie R. Simpson
- Mrs. Ruth H. Sapp
- \*Mrs. Helen B. Legar
- Mrs. Alice N. Martin
- Mrs. Kate W. Boyer
- Mrs. Louise S. Emory
- Mrs. Pearl B. Morris
- Mrs. Henrietta Williams
- Mrs. Emma P. Vinyard
- Mrs. Beulah Rodway
- Mrs. Mae T. Ford
- Mrs. Edna M. Williams
- Mrs. Isabelle Sylvester
- Mrs. Mildred Snowberger
- Mrs. Lillian H. Wheeler
- Mrs. Lanah Milbourne
- Mrs. Blanche B. Williams
- Miss M. Catherine Downing

PAST PATRONS

- \*Randolph Graham
- \*Randolph Graham
- \*\*Jacob C. Messner
- \*\*Jacob C. Messner
- \*Sidney B. Do by
- \*Sidney B. Do by
- \*Sidney B. Dolby
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- Archie A. Feagan
- Archie A. Feagan
- Dr. Russell J. Emory
- W. Clifford Raughley
- Archie Feagan
- Archie Feagan
- Thomas Rodway, P.G.P.
- Archie Ford
- Earl K. Williams
- Thomas Rodway, P.G.P.
- Clifford W. Raughley
- Archie C. Ford
- Thomas C. Rodway
- Howard D. Williams
- Fulton J. Downing

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. Mary Cobb, Ocean View, Del. .... Worthy Matron
- Mr. Ebe Quillen, Selbyville, Del. .... Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Viola Burton, Ocean View, Del. .... Associate Matron
- Mr. Albert Derickson, Frankford, R.D., Del. .... Associate Patron
- Mrs. Florence Burbage, Ocean View, Del. .... Secretary

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Levesa 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 Derickson

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- \*\*Topp M. Heath
- \*E. Washington Bryan
- Wm. B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
- Gardner L. Thomas
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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  
 Mrs. Adella Holt  
 Mrs. Hilda Wood

Harley R. Burbage  
 John B. Williams  
 Harley Burbage  
 Albert Derickson  
 Geo. W. Mitchell  
 Robert Derickson  
 Frank Johnson  
 John Williams  
 George Mitchell  
 William B. Derrickson  
 Stephan Evans

### FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13—NEWPORT, DEL.

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.  
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Feb. 6, '30. Date of Charter May 21, '30  
 Meets in Masonic Hall, Newport, Del.

#### OFFICERS

Mrs. Jane C. Livermore, 405 Tyrone Ave., Woodcrest, Wil., Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Joe Ellis, 512 Essex St., Bellemoor, Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Vera Ellis, 512 Essex St., Bellemoor, Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. Edward A. Pelham, 525 Essex Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Helen Welsh, 400 Junction St., Elsmere, Wilmington, Del. . . . . Secretary

#### PAST MATRONS

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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  
 Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle  
 Mrs. Helen Weldie

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 Theodore W. Work, Jr.  
 \*\*James Duncan, P.G.P.  
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 Lester B. Haislett  
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 \*\*Frederick G. Smith  
 \*Harry E. Maxwell  
 Stevenson E. Hellen  
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 Raymond T. Grubb  
 W. Pierce Laws  
 Paul Fleming  
 Raymond Smith  
 Richard Welsh  
 Henry T. Miller  
 Alvin Rementer  
 Edward F. Livermore  
 Samuel Richeson  
 Gordon Kyle  
 Calvin M. Weldie

### 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. Marjorie S. Ward, 1415 Corbin Dr., Newport, Del. . . . . Worthy Matron  
 Mr. Walter Gehret, 204 Kirk Ave., Liftwood, Wilmington, Del. . . . . Worthy Patron  
 Mrs. Rebecca Hagenbuch, 17 W. 37th St., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Matron  
 Mr. George H. Ostendarp, 406 Lore Ave., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Associate Patron  
 Mrs. Florence Gilbert, 1201 River Rd., Wilmington, Del. . . . . Secretary

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\*\*Dropped

\*\*\*Demitted

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
- Mrs. Ruth C. Layton
- Mrs. Jeanette Gutzke

PAST PATRONS

- Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.
- Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.
- William A. Cottman
- Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P.
- 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
- George Ostendarp
- Cheston McCormick

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. Sue Baynard, 307 No. Bradford St., Dover, Del..... Worthy Matron
- Mr. William R. Chambers, 928 S. Bradford St., Dover, Del..... Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Sara Coverdale, 345 No. Bradford St., Dover, Del..... Associate Patron
- Mr. Paul L. Coverdale, 345 No. Bradford St., Dover, Del..... Associate Patron
- Mrs. Adelle Gibbs, Box 548, Dover, Del..... Secretary

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Myrtle E. Anderson
- Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner
- Mrs. Pauline Davis
- Mrs. Mild ed J. Wilgus
- Mrs. Florence Williams
- \*Mrs. Leonora Watson
- Mrs. Julia Slaughter
- Mrs. Ann B. Cleaves
- Mrs. Mary McWilliams
- Mrs. Katherine Smith
- Mrs. Adelle Gibbs
- Mrs. Mary R. Miller
- Mrs. Jennie Thompson

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
- Joseph Miller
- Richard 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 Presbyterian Church, Lewes, Del.

OFFICERS

- Mrs. Jane D. Brittingham, Lewes, Del..... Worthy Matron
- Mr. Walter O. Bryan, Lewes, Del..... Worthy Patron
- Mrs. Margaret E. Russell, 57 Maryland Ave., Rehoboth, Del. .... Associate Matron
- Mr. Wilbert E. Schmier, 137 Columbia Ave., Rehoboth, Del..... Associate Patron
- Mrs. Gladys Lynch, Lewes, Del..... Secretary

PAST MATRONS

- Mrs. Mary Bevis
- Mrs. Gladys Lynch
- Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore

PAST PATRONS

- H. Edward Maull
- Elwood H. Lynch
- H. Edward Maull

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## PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS

- 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, 437 W. Durham St., Phila. 19, Pa.  
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.  
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- 1933-34—MRS. IRENE BAUER, 914 W. 24th St., Wilmington, Del.  
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- 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, 106 Matthes Ave., Wil. 4, Del.
- 1937-38—MRS. SARAH E. RIGGIN, 37 Brooklyn Ave., Rehoboth, Del.  
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- 1938-39—MRS. MARTHA W. KRAPF, 207 E. Justis St., Newport, Del.  
JOHN L. LeCOMPTE, Lincoln, Del.
- 1939-40—MISS CARRIE L. GEMMILL\*  
FRANK L. HARRAR\*
- 1940-41—MRS. JANE C. ZEBLEY, 912 West St., Wilmington, Del.  
WILLIAM B. DERRICKSON, Selbyville, Del.
- 1941-42—MRS. BERTHA S. WELCH, Cannon, Del.  
ROBERT M. ROGERS, Richardson Park, Wilmington, Del.
- 1942-43—MRS. MYRTLE C. NESBITT\*  
FREDERICK STOUT,\*\* 614 W. 32d St., Wilmington, Del.
- 1943-44—MRS. CLARA A. REÜTER, 1317 Northern Parkway, Baltimore 12, Md.  
ROBERT W. LARRIMORE, 4 Landers Lane Spur, Swanwyck, New Castle, Delaware.
- 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, Box 10, Dagsboro, Delaware.  
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, 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.
- 1953-54—MRS. ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER, 20 Clifton Park Drive, Clifton Park Manor, Wilmington, Delaware.  
MR. I. KENDALL GIBBS, Box 548, Dover Del.
- 1954-55—MRS. LILLIAN M. LARRIMORE, 4 Landers Lane Spur, Swanwyck, New Castle, Del.  
MR. GEORGE H. OSTENDARP, 406 Lore Ave., Wilmington, 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. WILLIAM A. DUVAL (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.

## OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

1952-1955

- Most Worthy Grand Matron, MRS. RUTH A. JONES, 92 Windson St., Waterbury 8, Connecticut.  
 Most Worthy Grand Patron, MR. WILBUR H. CRAMBLET, The Heights, Bethany, West Virginia.  
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 Worthy Grand Martha, MRS. MILDRED K. COLLINS, 189 Park Ave., Auburn, Maine.  
 Worthy Grand Electa, MRS. FRANCES KERR, Oakesdale, Washington.  
 Worthy Grand Warder, MRS. ETHEL S. HILL, Johnson, Vermont.  
 Worthy Grand Sentinel, MR. HUGH J. TAMISIEA, 207 No. 3d St., Missouri Valley, Iowa.  
 Right Worthy Grand Secretary Emeritus, MRS. MINNIE E. KEYES, Olivet, Michigan.

## 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. Pearl Keeton, Box 125, University Sta., Fayetteville, Ark., Nov.  
 BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Hazel Freese, 4767 Collingwood St., Vancouver—June  
 CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Maud McW. Smith, 760 Market St., San Francisco—Oct.  
 COLORADO: Mrs. Lucille Swartz, 305 Masonic Temple, Denver—September  
 CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Pearl W. Neilson, Box 528, Branford, Conn.—April.  
 FLORIDA: Mrs. Mae Donovan, 160 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. Vera Argus, 735 State Life Bldg., 15 East Washington St., Indianapolis 4, Ind.—April.  
 IOWA: Mrs. Gladys Haycock, 512 Savings & Loan Bldg., 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. Gladys Currie, 217 Martin Ave. Winnipeg 5, Manitoba—June.  
 MARYLAND: Miss Mary V. Randall, 2401 St. Paul St., Baltimore 18, Md.—April.  
 MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Alice Wallace, Room 1107, Little Bldg., Boylston St., Boston—May.  
 MICHIGAN: Miss Genevieve M. Nauman, West Branch—October.  
 MINNESOTA: Mrs. Frances Abrahamson, 2312 Greenwood Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.—May.  
 MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Florence F. Williams, Houston—April.  
 MISSOURI: Mrs. Bertha Leu, 3681 Lindell St., St. Louis—October.  
 MONTANA: Mrs. Lucille M. Kennedy, Missoula, Masonic Temple—August.  
 NEBRASKA: Mrs. Wilma Harms, Masonic Temple, Omaha—May.  
 NEVADA: Mrs. Pearl C. Ericson, Box 195 Lovelock—October  
 NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Della Currie, Box 2, Woodstock, Canada—June.  
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 NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Bertha E. Leathem, 880 Bergen Ave., Jersey City—May.  
 NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Frances E. Pino, 804 So. Puerco 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: Miss Helen C. Ross, 203 Richmond St., West Toronto, 2-B, Ontario, Canada—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, 371 Pere Marquette St., Quebec City—October.  
 RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Ethel W. Place, 86 Blackburn St., Hillsgrove, R.I.—October.  
 SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Caroline E. Smith, Box 116, Rosetown—May.  
 SCOTLAND: Mrs. Edna K. Douglas, 10 Burbank Gardens, N. W., Glasgow Scotland—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, Box 278, 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.

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Term Expires

ALABAMA: Ruth Layton . . . . .	4-20-57
ALBERTA: Evelyn Holden . . . . .	12-31-57
ARKANSAS: Minnie Kytte . . . . .	4-31-56
ARIZONA: Catherine Downing . . . . .	12-31-57
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Thirza Hall . . . . .	12-31-56
CALIFORNIA: Virginia Newth . . . . .	12-31-55
COLORADO: Mary Swan . . . . .	6-22-56
CONNECTICUT: Eliza Crossland . . . . .	12-31-55
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Catherine Schroeder . . . . .	12-31-55
FLORIDA: Grace Moore . . . . .	12-31-57
GEORGIA: Sophronia Harmon . . . . .	8- 1-55
IDAHO: Grace Allen . . . . .	12-31-56
INDIANA: Hilda Wood . . . . .	12-31-57
IOWA: Eleanor Smith . . . . .	9- 1-55
ILLINOIS: Virginia Moore . . . . .	12-31-55
KANSAS: Mary R. Miller . . . . .	12-31-56
KENTUCKY: Jennie Thompson . . . . .	12-31-56
LOUISIANA: Ruth Bryan . . . . .	5- 1-57
MAINE: Lanah Milbourn . . . . .	3- 1-58
MANITOBA: Olivia Enright . . . . .	6-30-55
MARYLAND: Mary Woerner . . . . .	5- 1-57
MASSACHUSETTS: Sarah M. Cordrey . . . . .	12-31-55
MICHIGAN: Sarah Mitchell . . . . .	12-31-56
MINNESOTA: Edith McLennan . . . . .	12-31-56
MISSISSIPPI: Myrtle Stevenson . . . . .	12-31-57
MISSOURI: Lorraine Putzier . . . . .	12-31-57
MONTANA: Helen Joseph . . . . .	12-31-57
NEBRASKA: Blanche Williams . . . . .	12-31-56
NEVADA: Mary Garton . . . . .	12-31-55
NEW BRUNSWICK: Margaret Wickes . . . . .	12-31-56
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Jeanette Gutzke . . . . .	12-31-57
NEW JERSEY: C. Linda Sammons . . . . .	12-31-55
NEW MEXICO: Mary McWilliams . . . . .	12-31-56
NEW YORK: Elizabeth Foster . . . . .	12-31-55
NORTH CAROLINA: Frances Warren . . . . .	12-31-56
NORTH DAKOTA: Sarah B. Howell . . . . .	12-31-55
NOVA SCOTIA: Edith Zeyher . . . . .	12-31-55
OHIO: Callie Wood . . . . .	12-31-55
OKLAHOMA: Marian Moore . . . . .	12-31-55
ONTARIO: Margaret King . . . . .	12-31-57
OREGON: Cordella Rodenheiser . . . . .	12-31-55
PENNSYLVANIA: Ella Cleaver . . . . .	3-15-57
PUERTO RICO: Florence Mannering . . . . .	12-31-55
QUEBEC: Margaret Wilkinson . . . . .	12-31-55
RHODE ISLAND: Dorothy Quillen . . . . .	12-31-55
SASKATCHEWAN: Sylvia Knox . . . . .	12-31-56
SCOTLAND: Edith McLean . . . . .	12-31-57
SOUTH CAROLINA: Eugenia Hall . . . . .	12-31-55
SOUTH DAKOTA: M. Ella Steele . . . . .	12-31-56
TENNESSEE: Fannie Brown . . . . .	3- 1-57
TEXAS: Patricia Mears . . . . .	12-31-57
UTAH: Doris Truitt . . . . .	12-31-57
VERMONT: Ruth Nutter . . . . .	12-31-57
VIRGINIA: Jacqueline Kyle . . . . .	12-31-56
WASHINGTON: Marjorie Montgomery . . . . .	12-31-56
WEST VIRGINIA: Helen Weldie . . . . .	12-31-57
WISCONSIN: Ida Case . . . . .	12-31-57
WYOMING: Florence Walls . . . . .	12-31-56

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF DELAWARE IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

	Term Expires
ALABAMA: Mrs. Lovella Parris . . . . .	12-31-57
ALBERTA: Mrs. Clara Johnson . . . . .	12-31-57
ARIZONA: Mrs. Irene Taylor . . . . .	12-31-57
ARKANSAS: Mrs. Verna McGaughey . . . . .	12-31-57
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mr Anne Knowles . . . . .	12-31-65
CALIFORNIA: _____ . . . . .	00-00-00
COLORADO: Mrs. Sophie McKinney . . . . .	21-31-57
CONNECTICUT: Mrs. Elizabeth Leland . . . . .	12-31-56
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Virginia Morton . . . . .	12-31-55
FLORIDA: Mrs. Margaret Carlton . . . . .	12-31-56
GEORGIA: Mrs. Eula Wright . . . . .	12-31-55
IDAHO: Mrs. Georgia Hamilton . . . . .	12-31-56
INDIANA: Mrs. Betty Lamb . . . . .	12-31-56
IOWA: Mrs. Christine Peterson . . . . .	12-31-57
ILLINOIS: Mrs. Elaine Franknecht . . . . .	12-31-55
KANSAS: Mrs. Gertrude McKain . . . . .	12-31-57
KENTUCKY: Mrs. Elizabeth Brand . . . . .	12-31-55
LOUISIANA: Mrs. Marie F. Case . . . . .	12-31-55
MAINE: Mrs. Evelyn F. Hersey . . . . .	12-31-57
MANITOBA: Mrs. Laura Otlbey . . . . .	12-31-57
MARYLAND: Mrs. Mary Remberg . . . . .	12-31-57
MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Norma L. Hastings . . . . .	12-31-57
MICHIGAN: Mrs. Viberta Martin . . . . .	12-31-56
MINNESOTA: Mrs. Francis King . . . . .	12-31-56
MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Lucy Edwards . . . . .	12-31-56
MISSOURI: Mrs. Anna Bugart . . . . .	12-31-56
MONTANA: Mrs. Pearl Phillips . . . . .	12-31-57
NEBRASKA: Mrs. Ruthine Solomon . . . . .	12-31-56
NEVADA: Mrs. Edith Lague . . . . .	12-31-55
NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Mary Ojala . . . . .	12-31-57
NEW BRUNSWICK: *Mrs. Lucille Northrup . . . . .	12-31-56
NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Martha Doughty . . . . .	12-31-56
NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Mildred Sipe . . . . .	12-31-56
NEW YORK: Mrs. Alberta Clauss . . . . .	12-31-55
NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Grace Crabtree Lupton . . . . .	12-31-55
NORTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Hazel Casemont . . . . .	12-31-56
NOVA SCOTIA: Mrs. Janet Lawley . . . . .	12-31-55
OHIO: Mrs. Margaret Carmean . . . . .	12-31-56
OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Edith Grout . . . . .	12-31-56
ONTARIO: _____ . . . . .	00-00-00
OREGON: Mrs. Mildred Whipple . . . . .	12-31-55
PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Christy Nellis . . . . .	12-31-55
PUERTO RICO: _____ . . . . .	00-00-00
QUEBEC: Mrs. Jessie Bruce . . . . .	12-31-57
RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Doris Pendleton . . . . .	12-31-57
SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Bernice Buchan . . . . .	12-31-55
SCOTLAND: Mrs. Isabelle McCullough . . . . .	12-31-56
SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Mildred Matthews . . . . .	12-31-55
SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Lola Merkel . . . . .	12-31-57
TENNESSEE: Mrs. Ruth Berryhill . . . . .	12-31-57
TEXAS: Mrs. Mollie Rosenberg . . . . .	12-31-55
UTAH: Mrs. LaVerne Madson . . . . .	12-31-57
VERMONT: Mrs. Ellen Keyser . . . . .	12-31-55
VIRGINIA: Mrs. Blanche Butler . . . . .	12-31-55
WASHINGTON: Mrs. Pearl Cornell . . . . .	12-31-57
WEST VIRGINIA: Mrs. Betty Stipe . . . . .	12-31-57
WISCONSIN: Mrs. Beverly Sager . . . . .	12-31-57
WYOMING: Mrs. Eunice Burris . . . . .	12-31-57

## 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 revised copy of the By-Laws of each Subordinate Chapter be kept on file in the Grand Secretary's office.—1928

27. That a special dispensation be required to install officers who are not installed at the regular installations.—1928.

28. 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.

29. 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.

30. That the election of a petitioner, against whom objection has been made, shall be considered void, of 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.

31. 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.

32. 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.

33. 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.

34. 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.

35. 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.

36. 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.

37. That no member of a Chapter shall furnish a list of the membership to anyone for the purpose of circularizing members, or soliciting for any purpose other than the Eastern Star.—1931.

38. That a space be provided for the signature of the installing officer on the list of officers installed.—1931.

39. 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.

40. 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.

41. 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.

42. 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.

43. 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.

44. 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.

45. 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.

46. 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.

**47. That no practice meetings be held on Sunday.—1933.**

**48. 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.**

49. 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.

50. That the names of all Past Matrons and Past Patrons be printed in the Proceedings after the names of the Officers.—1934.

51. 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.

52. 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.

53. 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.

54. That no Life Membership shall be granted by Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction. (This not to affect those now holding such memberships.)—1935.

55. 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.

56. 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.

57. 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.

58. 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.

59. 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.

60. 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.

61. 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

62. That all Grand Representative Commissions expire the same Month, December 31st. —1936.

63. That our proceedings be bound in book form with stiff backs, four or five in one volume. —1936.

64. That Job's Daughters be added to our mailing list. —1936.

65. That Chapters urge their committees on applications to be more particular in their investigation. This is the most important committee in your Chapter.

66. That the Associate Matron march to her station when the Worthy Matron says: "The Officers will take their respective stations". —1937.

67. That a Membership Committee shall be appointed each year by the Worthy Matrons. —1937.

68. 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.

69. 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.

70. That the Associate Matron be required to pass an examination in the opening and closing ceremony before she is installed as Worthy Matron. —1938.

71. 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.

72. 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.

73. 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.

74. I recommend that all Chapters requesting Dispensations shall accompany their request by check drawn on Treasury of Chapter requesting same.—1941.

75. That the compensation to the Fraternal Correspondent be eliminated for the time being.—1941.

76. 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.

77. That the Grand Lecturer's contingent fund be increased to \$50.00.—1943.

78. 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.

79. 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.

80. 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.

81. 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.

82. That the Conductress drape the Charter immediately after the Flag Ceremony in all Chapters. This to be incorporated in the Book of instructions.—1944.

83. 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.

84. That the incoming Deputy Grand Lecturers receive a copy of the Proceedings. —1944.

85. That the Worthy Grand Patron read Article 8, Sec. 1, of the Constitution, on balloting, before the election of officers each year.—1944.

86. 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.

87. 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 Grand Conductress, each to review and report same to Associate Grand Matron to be included in her report to this Grand Chapter.—1944.

88. That the Diamond used in future for Past Grand Matron's jewel be a fine point .18 white stone.

89. **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.**

90. **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).**

91. **Deputy Grand Lecturer is authorized to give examinations in Grade "B" but the certificates be issued by the Grand Lecturer.**

92. **Candidates may be seated during lecture by the Worthy Patron, in initiatory work.—1947.**

93. **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.)**

94. **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.**

95. **Members should not sign a petition unless they are acquainted with the petitioner.—1948.**

96. Price of Proceedings shall be \$1.80 each.—1948.

97. 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.

98. **That all examinations for Grade "B" Certificates and Star cards, be taken immediately after election of officers.**

99. 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. Therafter 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.

100. **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.**

101. Secretaries must put Seal of Chapter on all requests to Worthy Grand Matron.

102. No notices shall be sent out on Post Cards.

103. Worthy Patron must give secretary a receipt for Secret Work and Diagram. Associate Patron must give secretary a receipt for Secret Work.

104. 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.

105. 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:**

106. Art. V, Sec. 1 Change 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.

107. Art. V, Sec. 2. That our Delegate to Triennial Assembly be allowed \$10.00 per day while triennial is in session and 4c per mile traveling charges.

108. 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.

109. 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 election. That the status of such person be that of a rejected petitioner over whom the chapter shall have jurisdiction for one year thereafter.—1945. Page 76. (Constitution & By-Laws Committee).

110. To avoid any question of legality, election of officers be confined to stated meetings (Not Special Meetings).—1947.

111. Secretaries do not read the names of rejected candidates in other chapters with concurrent jurisdiction.—1948. (Jurisprudence Committee)

112. One member of Board of Grand Trustees be responsible for the flags, staffs and standards belonging to Grand Chapter. (Grand Trustees).—1949.

113. Grand Representatives be acknowledged and welcomed at each of our meetings; asked to stand, name the state they represent.—1953.

114. Worthy Patron, Associate Patron sign a receipt for Secret work placed in their keeping and that these receipts be kept in file by the secretary of each subordinate chapter.

### 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. Is it 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 a Grand Instructor be required to pass the examination to secure a Grade A Certificate not less than two months after being elected.—1933.

27. 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.

28. 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.



29. 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.

30. 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 days 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** It is 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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