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PROCEEDINGS OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER
OF DELAWARE
ORDER of the EASTERN STAR



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CHURCH SERVICE

Memorial service was held in First and Central Presbyterian Church, Market at 11th Sts. at 7:45 P. M. Sunday, May 12, 1957. The evening message was given by Reverend Willard G. Purdy, D. D.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Banquet in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel duPont, Saturday evening, May 11, 1957 at 6:30 P. M., given in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers by the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware.

Dinner Monday evening, May 13, 1957 for Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons at 5:30 P. M.

Breakfast Tuesday 8:00 A. M. May 14, 1957 in DuBarry Room honoring our Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Helen West.

Dinner for Grand Officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers in the Hunt Room of the Hotel duPont, Tuesday 5:30 P. M.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Mary H. Bevis
Worthy Grand Patron.....	William F. Nutter
Associate Grand Matron.....	Sarah Hoffman
Associate Grand Patron.....	John Conley
Grand Secretary.....	Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer.....	Sylvia Knox
Grand Conductress.....	Mildred Minner
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Eliza Crossland
Grand Lecturer.....	Rita Wilkinson
Grand Marshal.....	Mabel Guthrie
Grand Chaplain.....	Adella Holt
Grand Organist.....	Helen Joseph
Grand Adah.....	Mary Keeler
Grand Ruth.....	Ruth Nutter
Grand Esther.....	Ruth Steele
Grand Martha.....	Eunice Wood
Grand Electa.....	Edith Labour
Grand Sentinel.....	William Hall
(Acting).....	Harold Shaub

ROLL CALL OF CHAPTERS

DELAWARE No. 1	NEWARK No. 10
MIZPAH No. 2	KENT No. 11
JULIA M. STORY No. 3	FRANKFORD No. 12
ST. JOHN'S No. 4	FIVE POINTS No. 13
ADAH No. 5	BRANDYWINE No. 14
RADIANT No. 6	VICTORY No. 15
SUSSEX No. 7	UNITY No. 16
CAESAR RODNEY No. 8	ESTHER No. 17
GEORGETOWN No. 9	LAUREL No. 18

FORMAL OPENING

Monday Morning May 13, 1957, 10:00 A. M.

The 36th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S. was opened in ritualistic form on Monday, May 13th at 10:00 a.m. The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ivah Ostendarp, P. M. of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, presenting Sister Sara MacNamee, P.G.M. and Brother Horace K. Fulmer, P.G.P., who welcomed the W.G.M., Sister Mary H. Bevis and the W.G.P., Brother William F. Nutter.

SISTER MACNAMEE:

Sister Mary, I am proud to greet you as Worthy Grand Matron.

Your best you have given, but once again the sands of time have run out for a Grand Chapter year.

As you give an account of your year's service may we each feel that you have instilled into our hearts a deeper feeling for the teachings of our Order. As I think back on my year, when you served as my Grand Martha, to me you always seemed a little more like Mary at Jesus' feet, than Martha.

Thank you Mary, for the courtesy extended to me in opening your Grand Chapter Session and may God bless you and guide you as you preside over this 36th Annual Session of The Grand Chapter of Delaware.

BROTHER BILL OUR WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

How proud we are to call you Worthy Grand Patron. You have kept in mind the principles of our Order and have shown by your Life and Loyalty that you have truly seen "His Star in the East".

*We now salute our Grand Patron
It has been a wonderful year
His kind and untiring efforts
The memory we hold very dear.*

*We have been proud of our Worthy Grand Patron
And now as he bids us adieu
And make room for his successor,
So good luck for the old and the new.*

They were escorted to the Grand East and given Grand Honors. The Worthy Grand Matron welcomed all officers and members, followed by the Opening Ode, "In The Garden", the Pledge of Allegiance and the first stanza of the National Anthem. Roll call of Grand Officers followed with all present except Grand Sentinel, Brother Harold Shaub acting. Roll Call of chapters—18 represented.



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Partial report of Credentials Committee—

18 Chapters represented—129 voting delegates present.

A motion was made by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, P.G.M., seconded by Sister Alice Abbott, P.G.M., that the reading of the minutes of Grand Chapter of 1956 be dispensed with and be accepted as printed in the proceedings.

Sister Elvira Ziegler brought forth a discussion on page 101 of the Proceedings. She stated that the motion made by P.G.P. Kendall Gibbs, seconded by P.G.M. Jane Zebley regarding the Constitution and By-Laws was in error. She stated that the word "change" be inserted as follows, "any changes in the Constitution and By-Laws shall be sent to voting delegates, 30 days before the session. Sister Elizabeth Pierce amended her motion to read, "that the minutes of the 1956 Grand Chapter meeting be accepted as printed with the exception of this one correction." Motion seconded by Sister Alice Abbott and adopted.

THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON made the following announcement:

Sister Jeanette Legates is Page in place of Sister Pearl Prettyman. There is also a correction in the list of Pages—Sister Jane Jester in place of Elaine Horney. Sister Edna Williams is Chairman of the Nominating Committee with Sister Ruth Walls and Brother Robert Major also on the committee.

Worthy Grand Patron read Article 8, Section 1 & 2 of Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Chapter of Delaware, for clarification of new article, enacted in this Grand Chapter at last session.

Brother George Ostendarp has made and donated a box for the reception of nominations for officers.

The W.G.M. thanked the Most W.G.M. for use of her gavel. THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON made the following Committee Appointments:

Map of Jurisdiction—Brothers George Ostendarp, P.G.P., Walter Bryan, P.P., and Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P.

Brother Paul Coverdale to fill the unexpired term of Sister Jennie Thompson on Sessions.

Sister Arzie Lewis on the Credential Committee to replace Sister Mae Ford for this session only.

Sister Minnie Kyttle on the registration Committee to replace Sister Thirza Hall for this session only.

Sister Edith Shinn to fill the unexpired term of Sister Ella Cleaver, on printing.

Brother George Ostendarp on the Hospitality Committee in place of Brother Horace Allen.

REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON

MARY H. BEVIS

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

*I bring you no message grand
Of wonders I have done,
No great achievements can I show
At this year's set of sun:
But humbly I submit to you
This record of my task,
If it meets with your approval
This is all that I shall ask.*

One short year ago you placed in my keeping a most precious gift; the welfare of our beautiful order in this Grand Jurisdiction. I accepted that trust as a sacred responsibility, which opened many channels of service. Never has it been my desire to selfishly glorify my position in this order; but I did pledge to you my willingness to serve, and a sincere desire to promote the Welfare and Prosperity of our Order.

So now, as I make the final report of my year of service, my heart is filled with gratitude for I realize that Our Heavenly Father has walked beside me all the way, giving me health and strength sufficient for the tasks of the day, and courage to meet each new demand, together with a sense of security as I have traveled our highways.

I extend fraternal greetings and a sincere welcome to every Sister and Brother present. To our distinguished guests who have traveled far to honor us, the doors to our Grand Chapter are opened wide. May you feel the spirit of friendship and fraternalism, and we trust your stay here in Delaware will be a memorable and happy one. To our own members, this Session would not be complete without your presence and we hope you will enjoy every minute of your stay. Welcome to our "UNITY" session.

IN MEMORIAM

In closing the book which holds the story of memories dear, let us tenderly place a flower between the leaves to remind us of those who were with us a year ago, but have entered into the joys of Celestial life.

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

We are deeply grateful that in God's infinite goodness we are permitted to assemble here with our circle of Grand Officers unbroken.

Sorrow has entered into the hearts and homes of some, and to them we offer our deepest sympathy.

The death Angel has entered into the circle of Past Grand Officers. Sister Irene Bauer, Worthy Grand Matron, 1933-1934 was called to her Eternal Home on November 11, 1956.

Death has entered the door of our Grand Chapter Committee Members. On September 10, 1956, Sister Jennie Thompson, member of Sessions Committee; and on November 14, 1956, Sister Ella Cleaver, Assisting Grand Secretary and a member of the Printing Committee were called to their Eternal Homes. We extend our love and sympathy to all who have sad hearts.

We share in the sorrows of the members of the Subordinate Chapters; also our Sister Grand Jurisdictions who mourn the loss of loved ones.

October 21, 1956. Accompanied by our Grand Organist, Sister Helen Joseph, called at the home of Sister Julia Dawson, Worthy Matron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, to express sympathy in the loss of her husband, and Associate Patron, Brother Joseph Dawson.

November 17, 1956. Attended funeral services for Sister Ella Cleaver, wife of Past Grand Patron, and Worthy Patron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, Brother Charles V. Cleaver.

February 17, 1957. Attended funeral services for Sister Ethel Derrickson, past matron of Frankford Chapter No. 12.

March 10, 1957. Attended funeral services for Sister Pauline Maitha, who was Marshal, and wife of Brother Joseph Maitha, Worthy Patron of Adah Chapter No. 5.

Loving tribute will be paid this evening to all Sisters and Brothers who have passed to their Eternal Homes.

OFFICIAL ACTS

One of the most important tasks, and one of the greatest responsibilities was the selection of our Grand Officers, Deputy Grand Lecturers, and Committee Members. There are many who are capable and deserving but so few places to fill. After careful consideration the Worthy Grand Patron and I were very proud to make the following appointments:

GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Chaplain.....	Mrs. Adella Holt (12)
Grand Marshal.....	Mrs. Mabel Guthrie (16)
Grand Organist.....	Mrs. Helen Joseph (16)
Grand Adah.....	Mrs. Mary Keeler (9)
Grand Ruth.....	Mrs. Ruth Nutter (4)

Grand Esther	Mrs. Ruth Steele (8)
Grand Martha	Miss Eunice Wood (6)
Grand Electa	Mrs. Edith Labour (17)
Grand Warder	Mrs. Myrtle Shaub (2)

DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

Delaware No. 1	Mrs. Elsie Conley (1)
Mizpah No. 2	Mrs. Edith Galloway (2)
Julia M. Story No. 3	Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle (13)
St. John's No. 4	Mrs. Alice Minner (4)
Adah No. 5	Mrs. Rita Wilkinson (5)
Radiant No. 6	Mrs. Kathryn Marshall (6)
Sussex No. 7	Mrs. Frances Truitt (7)
Caesar Rodney No. 8	Mrs. Vera Snedeker (8)
Georgetown No. 9	Mrs. Frances Warren (9)
Newark No. 10	Mrs. Helen Weldie (13)
Kent No. 11	Mrs. Mildred Snowberger (11)
Frankford No. 12	Mrs. Edna Johnson (12)
Five Points No. 13	Mrs. Bertha Smith (13)
Brandywine No. 14	Miss Edith Shinn (14)
Victory No. 15	Mrs. Catherine Smith (15)
Unity No. 16	Mrs. Ruth Bryan (16)
Esther No. 17	Mrs. Bessie Miles (8)
Laurel No. 18	Mrs. Minnie Kytte (18)

STANDING COMMITTEES

<i>Credentials:</i>	Mr. Walter O. Bryan (16)
<i>Unfinished Business:</i>	Mrs. Frances Truitt, Chairman (7)
	Mrs. Clemmie West (5)
	Mrs. Edith Harcum (11)
<i>Chapters Under Charters & Dispensations:</i>	Mrs. Dorothy Diehl (10)
<i>Jurisprudence:</i>	Mrs. Ruth M. Laws (13)
<i>Grievance & Appeals:</i>	Mrs. Edna Johnson (12)
<i>Necrology:</i>	Miss Miriam D. Ziegler, Chairman (1)
	Mrs. Lorraine Putzier (13)
	Mrs. Lanah Milbourn (11)
	Mrs. Mildred Bryan (2)
	Mrs. Jeanette Gutzke (14)
	Mrs. Ruth Loveless (1)
	Mr. Ross Lanian (3)
<i>Constitution & By-Laws:</i>	Mr. Norris Tull (7)



GRAND OFFICERS 1956-57

FOURTH Row: Left to right: J. Albert Kumpel, Grand Trustee; Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee; Harold Shaub, Acting Grand Sentinel; J. Nelson Abbott, Grand Trustee. SECOND Row: Ruth Nutter, Grand Ruth; Helen Joseph, Grand Organist; Ruth Steele, Grand Esther; Rita Wilkinson, Grand Lecturer; Adelia Holt, Grand Chaplain; Mabel Guthrie, Grand Marshal; Myrtle Shaub, Grand Warder; Eunice Wood, Grand Martha; Mary Keeler, Grand Electa. FIRST Row: Eliza Crossland, Associate Grand Conductress; Sylvia Knox, Grand Treasurer; John Conley, Associate Grand Patron; Sarah Hoffman, Associate Grand Matron; Mary H. Bevis, Worthy Grand Matron; William F. Nutter, Worthy Grand Patron; Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Secretary; Mildred Mimmer, Grand Conductress.

- Registration:* Mrs. Thirza Hall (18)
- Estarl Fund Committee:* Mrs. Alice Abbott (10)
- Eastern Star Home Fund Committee:* Mrs. Lillian Larrimore (8)
- Printing:* Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher,
Chairman (4)
Mrs. Ella Cleaver (3)
Mrs. Edith McLean (6)
- Job's Daughters:* Mrs. Eleanor Tyler,
Chairman (10)
Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle (13)
Mr. Lloyd Frederick (14)
- Examining:* Mrs. Sara MacNamee,
Chairman (4)
Mrs. Marian Simpson (2)
Mr. Fred Warrington (9)
- Sessions Committee:* Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp,
Chairman (14)
Mrs. Florence Walls (1)
Mr. Harold Shaub (2)
Mrs. Julia Dawson (3)
Mrs. Dorothy Sweeney (4)
Mrs. Doris Truitt (5)
Mrs. Louise Mortlock (6)
- Sessions Committee* Mr. Edgar Bradley (7)
Mrs. Marian Kumpel (8)
Mrs. Minnie Hitchens (9)
Mrs. Mary Swan (10)
Miss Catherine Downing (11)
Mrs. Viola Burton (12)
Mr. Joseph Ellis (13)
Mrs. Ruth Layton (14)
Mrs. Jennie Thompson (15)
Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore (16)
Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds (17)
Mrs. Catherine Ruston (18)
- Hospitality:* Mrs. Sarah Riggan,
Chairman (11)
Mrs. Elvira Ziegler (1)
Mrs. Clara Reuter (1)
Mr. Horace Fulmer (2)
Mr. J. Albert Kumpel (8)
Mr. Horace Allen (3)
- Veterans' Hospital:* Mrs. Sadie Conly,
Chairman (13)

Mr. John Conley,
Co-Chairman (1)
1956 Associate Matrons of each
Chapter

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

<i>Red Cross:</i>	Mrs. Blanche Keys (11)
<i>Masonic Home Church Service:</i>	Mr. I. Kendall Gibbs (15)
<i>Masonic Home Party:</i>	Mrs. Mabel Guthrie, Grand Marshal (16)
<i>Welfare:</i>	Mrs. Elvira Ziegler (1)
<i>International Temple:</i>	Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald (5) 1956 Worthy Matrons of each Chapter
<i>Summer Benefits:</i>	Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, Chairman (13) Mrs. Bessie Miles (8) Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp (14) Mrs. Sadie Conly (13) Mrs. Ruth Laws (13) Mr. Robert Larrimore (8) Mr. George Ostendarp (14) Mr. Norris Tull (7) Mr. William Nutter (4) Mr. John Conley (1)

APPOINTMENTS

Committee appointed to work with Brothers Robert Larrimore, and Joseph Maxwell to complete a map showing the jurisdictional boundaries of each subordinate Chapter: Brothers George Ostendarp, Fred Warrington, and Walter Bryan.

Brother Paul Coverdale to fill the unexpired term of Sister Jennie Thompson on Sessions Committee.

Sister Edith Shinn to fill the unexpired term of Sister Ella Cleaver on Printing Committee.

Sister Arzie Lewis to act on the Credentials Committee for this Session in place of Sister Mae T. Ford.

Sister Minnie Kyttle to act on the Registration Committee for this Session in place of Sister Thirza Hall.

Brother George Ostendarp to act on Hospitality Committee in place of Brother Horace Allen.

Brother Harold Shaub acting Grand Sentinel.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED IN DELAWARE
TO REPRESENT SISTER JURISDICTIONS

British Columbia	Mrs. Mary Ellison
Colorado	Mrs. Ruth Loveless
Idaho	Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp
Illinois	Miss Sue Baynard
Kansas	Mrs. Viola Burton
Kentucky	Mrs. Margaret Holloway
Michigan	Mrs. Sara Coverdale
Minnesota	Mrs. Marilyn Cooper
Nebraska	Mrs. Jane Livermore
New Brunswick	Mrs. Mildred Carlisle
New Mexico	Mrs. Rebecca Hagenbuch
North Carolina	Mrs. Edith Harcum
North Dakota	Mrs. Ruth Porter
Ohio	Mrs. Isabelle Allen
Oklahoma	Mrs. Mary Sipple
Pennsylvania	Mrs. Clemmie West
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Mabel Johnston
South Dakota	Mrs. Catherine Ruston
Virginia	Mrs. Margaret Russell
State of Washington	Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds
Wyoming	Mrs. Ethel Hudson

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPROVED TO REPRESENT
DELAWARE IN SISTER JURISDICTIONS

British Columbia	Mrs. Barbara Murray
Connecticut	Mrs. Lottie Newell
Florida	Mrs. Lorene Frye
Idaho	Mrs. Verne Schofield
Indiana	Mrs. Virginia Padgett
Louisiana	Mrs. Haven Lowery
Michigan	Mrs. Olive A. Davis
Minnesota	Mrs. Ruth Amidon
Missouri	Mrs. Addie Eastwood
Nebraska	Mrs. Rachael Bringleston
New Brunswick	Mrs. Marian Hannah
New Jersey	Mrs. Amelia C. Gurlin
North Dakota	Mrs. Lois Flanders
Ohio	Mrs. Sarah L. Keyser
Oklahoma	Mrs. Marguerite Deer
Pennsylvania	Mrs. Elva Anthony
Scotland	Mrs. Isabelle McCullough
Virginia	Mrs. Edith Dixon

May 21, 1956. Sent my first official letter.

May 31, 1956. Notified the Chairman of General Grand Chapter Educational Committee of the names and addresses of the Estarl Committee Members in this Jurisdiction.

May 31, 1956. Notified the Chairman of General Grand Chapter Welfare Committee of my appointment of Sister Elvira Ziegler, Chairman for this Jurisdiction.

May 31, 1956. Notified the Chairman of General Grand Chapter International Temple Committee of my appointment of Sister Dora Fitzgerald, Chairman for this Jurisdiction.

October 17, 1956. Sent second official letter, also notice of change in official visit to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, from October 22, 1956 to November 12, 1956.

October 19, 1956. Notified the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the Jurisdiction on vacation October 24 and 25, and for her to assume my duties.

March 11, 1957. Notified the Associate Grand Matron that I would be out of the Jurisdiction on vacation March 15 to March 18, and for her to assume my duties.

March 29, 1957. Sent third Official letter.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

May 17, 1956. Met with Grand Lecturer, Sister Rita Wilkinson to go over work and plan school for Deputies.

May 19, 1956. Held school for Deputy Grand Lecturers in Century Club Building, Harrington, Delaware at 7:00 P. M. The Grand Lecturer, Worthy Grand Patron and elected Grand Chapter Officers were present. Mimeographed copies of instructions were distributed.

December 13, 1956. Sent letter to Deputy Grand Lecturers stressing a few irregularities in work, also that the Grand Lecturer gives all examinations to subordinate Chapter Officers.

December 24, 1956. Sent letter to Deputy Grand Lecturers regarding examinations for Grade "B" Certificates.

OFFICIAL VISITS

In my book of memories will be treasures rare, for I shall never forget your beautifully decorated Chapter Rooms, your gracious words of Welcome, and friendly handclasps. A simple but sincere thank you from the bottom of my heart for your lovely gifts, beautiful flowers, and cordial Hospitality.

Thank you Worthy Grand Patron, and Grand Officers, for your wonderful support. I also want to thank the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons and the members who attended these visits.

All visits were made as scheduled except to Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, which was changed from October 22, 1956 to November 12, 1956.

June 7	St. John's Chapter No. 4
June 12	Laurel Chapter No. 18
September 6	Newark Chapter No. 10
September 12	Frankford Chapter No. 12
September 18	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
September 19	Esther Chapter No. 17
September 25	Delaware Chapter No. 1
October 2	Radiant Chapter No. 6
October 5	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
October 8	Victory Chapter No. 15
October 11	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
October 15	Adah Chapter No. 5
October 17	Kent Chapter No. 11
November 1	Sussex Chapter No. 7
November 2	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
November 12	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
November 13	Unity Chapter No. 16

JOB'S DAUGHTERS

It was indeed a pleasure to visit the four Bethels of the International Order of Job's Daughters. The work of these girls is outstanding in their programs of character building and true womanhood. The Sisters and Brothers who are giving their time to these young people are to be commended. I wish for the girls and their Guardians every success. Many thanks to the Honored Queens for the courtesies extended to me and our Grand Officers. Gifts of money from the Grand Officers were presented to each Bethel.

DATES OF VISITS:

November 14, 1956	Bethel No. 3, Newark
November 27, 1956	Bethel No. 2, Newport
February 20, 1957	Bethel No. 1, Gordon Heights
March 28, 1957	Bethel No. 4, Wilmington

INSTALLATIONS

I was honored to be invited to install the following Chapters:

January 2, 1957	Kent Chapter No. 11. All Officers installed.
January 4, 1957	Georgetown Chapter No. 9. All Officers installed.
January 8, 1957	Unity Chapter No. 16. All Officers installed.

- January 10, 1957 Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8. All Officers installed except Chaplain.
 January 14, 1957 Victory Chapter No. 15. All Officers installed.
 January 15, 1957 Brandywine Chapter No. 14. All Officers installed except star point Esther.
 January 17, 1957 St. John's Chapter No. 4. All Officers installed.

I was happy to have the Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers assist me in these installations. Many thanks to the above Chapters for giving me this honor. I was indeed sorry that due to conflicting dates, I was unable to accept invitations to install other Chapters.

MASONIC HOME

I want to extend my appreciation to the members of the subordinate Chapters for their generous Thanksgiving donations; also for the Parties and Divine Services taken to the Home Guests during the past year.

December 17, 1956. Christmas Party sponsored by the Grand Officers, Grand Marshal, Sister Mabel Guthrie was in charge. Refreshments were served, and a gift presented to each guest.

March 31, 1957. Divine Services sponsored by the Grand Officers, with Past Grand Patron, Brother I. Kendall Gibbs, Chairman.

VETERANS' HOSPITAL

Thanks to the Subordinate Chapters for the voluntary contributions the night of our Official Visits for our Hospital work. We are most grateful to Sister Sadie Conly for her untiring work at the V. A. Hospital. My sincere thanks Sister Sadie, for all your efforts.

SUMMER CARNIVAL

Our project for the benefit of handicapped children and the Shriners' Hospital was held on June 23, 1956 at the Shrine Club of Delaware. My deep gratitude to each Chapter for their support, and a real big thank you to Sister Elizabeth Pierce, Chairman and to your Committee. A report will be given by the General Chairman.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

No higher compliment can be bestowed than an "Honorary Membership". It is a priceless gift, and to the Chapters who were so considerate of me, I express my sincere appreciation and love. I trust I shall ever merit the confidence placed in me by the following Chapters:

- St. John's Chapter No. 4
- Adah Chapter No. 5
- Sussex Chapter No. 7

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
 Georgetown Chapter No. 9
 Kent Chapter No. 11
 Frankford Chapter No. 12
 Five Points Chapter No. 13
 Brandywine Chapter No. 14
 Victory Chapter No. 15
 Esther Chapter No. 17
 Laurel Chapter No. 18

Also Wicomico Chapter No. 91, Salisbury, Maryland, each of the four Bethels of Job's Daughters and on April 29, 1957, The Grand Chapter of Maryland.

WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTIONS REQUESTED

October 6, 1956. From the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petitions of

Mrs. Stella N. Davis, 206 Chestnut Street, Delmar, Maryland.

Mrs. Carrie I. Trader, 208 Pine Street, Delmar, Maryland.
 in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware. Granted October 23, 1956.

January 24, 1957. From the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petition of

Mrs. Ann Johnson Orrell, 902 State Street, Delmar, Maryland
 in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware. Granted February 1, 1957.

February 7, 1957. From the Worthy Grand Matron of Pennsylvania over the petition of

Mrs. Anna Mae Revels, Forest Lane, R. D. Glen Mills, Pennsylvania

in favor of St. John's Chapter No. 4, Wilmington, Delaware. Granted by Media Chapter No. 511, Media, Pennsylvania, March 27, 1957.
 February 8, 1957. From the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland over the petition of

Mrs. Edna Mae Taylor, Warwick, Maryland

in favor of Esther Chapter No. 17, Middletown, Delaware. Granted February 12, 1957.

April 23, 1957. From the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania over the petition of

Mrs. Bertha Clark Huber, Kennett Square, R. D. 2, Pennsylvania
 in favor of Delaware Chapter No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware.

WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION GRANTED

June 4, 1956. Over the petition of Mr. Frank Ned Hearn
Seaford-Georgetown Road, Seaford, Delaware

in favor of Nanticoke Chapter No. 64, Federalsburg, Maryland.

June 9, 1956. Over the petition of Mrs. Helen Frances Kinder
53 Lynn Street, Everett, Massachusetts

(who had not established a legal residence in Massachusetts, and had
formerly resided in Milford, Delaware)

in favor of Glendale Chapter No. 83, Everett, Massachusetts.

CHECKS SIGNED

I have signed checks from 1088 to 1192 inclusive.

CONTINGENT FUND

A report of my contingent fund of \$150.00 has been filed with the
Board of Grand Trustees.

CHANGES IN SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS BY-LAWS APPROVED

November 8, 1956. Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Article I. NAME.

SECTION 1. First sentence to read: This Chapter shall be known
as Five Points Chapter No. 13, Order of the Eastern Star of Newport,
Delaware.

SECTION 2. Second paragraph to read: Special meetings may be
held at the discretion of the Worthy Matron, written notice to the
members 10 days prior to the meeting for such purpose as may be
specified in the "call".

Article III. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. Change first paragraph to read: This order of busi-
ness or any part of it may be rearranged at the discretion of the
Worthy Matron.

Article IV. MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. Change to read: No person shall be admitted to
membership in this Chapter by initiation or affiliation except affiliated
Master Masons, their wives, daughters, mothers, widows, sisters,
half-sisters and legally adopted daughters, and foster mothers of
legally adopted sons, who are affiliated Master Masons in good stand-
ing. All petitioners must have attained the age of eighteen years.

Article V. FEES AND DUES.

Section 1. Change to read: The fee for conferring the degrees in this Chapter shall be ten (10) dollars and for affiliation two (2) dollars, which must accompany the petition.

Article VI. PETITIONS.

Section 1. Change to read: All petitions for membership shall be in writing accompanied by the fee, filled in and signed by the petitioner in her or his own handwriting and recommended by two members of this Chapter, which petition shall be read at a stated meeting and referred to a Committee of investigation consisting of two sisters and one brother, and laid over until a subsequent stated meeting, and reported upon.

Article VII. FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1. Add to first paragraph: The membership of a Masonic female relative in the Chapter is not affected by his suspension or expulsion.

Article VIII. POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 4. New section to read: The Office of Secretary and Treasurer shall not be held by any one member longer than five (5) consecutive years.

CHANGE THE NUMBERING OF THE BALANCE OF THE SECTIONS.

SECTION 14. Which will become Section 15. Change to read: The ballot must be secret and no one shall be permitted to examine it but the first four officers.

Article XI. STANDING COMMITTEES.

SECTION 3. Change to read: Visiting: The Worthy Matron shall appoint a committee of three whose duty it shall be to visit all members reported sick and report same to the Chapter.

Article XII. VACANCIES.

SECTION 1. Change to read: If an elective officer refuses to be installed, the Worthy Grand Matron may grant a dispensation to hold an election to fill the office. An elective officer cannot resign after being installed except the Secretary and Treasurer.

November 20, 1956. Unity Chapter No. 16.

Article V. FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 2. Change to read: Each member must pay the sum of five (5) dollars as annual dues, payable in advance in December.

Members initiated or affiliated between regular dates for payment of dues, shall pay on a monthly basis for each full month until the next regular date for payment of dues.

December 27, 1956. Kent Chapter No. 11.

Article I. Name—No change.

Article II. ELIGIBILITY—Formerly Article IV. Membership.

No change in wording.

Article III. PETITIONS—Formerly Article VI.

SECTION 1. All petitions for membership shall be in writing, accompanied by the fee, signed by the Petitioner and recommended by two members of this Chapter, which petition shall be read at a regular meeting and referred to a committee of three for investigation, and laid over until the next regular meeting. Demit must accompany petition for affiliation.

SECTION 2. A Committee of Investigation on petitions must consist of three members, one of whom must be a brother, as he alone can vouch for the Masonic Standing of the applicant.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the investigation committee to make inquiry as to the character and standing of the petitioner if a woman, also that of the Master Mason through whom she claims to be entitled to membership and make a report. No action shall be taken on any petition until such report is made.

SECTION 4. Worded same as former Article VI. Section 4.

SECTION 5. Worded same as former Article VI. Section 5.

SECTION 6. Worded same as former Article VI. Section 6.

SECTION 7. A petitioner for the degrees must not be informed of who constituted the investigating committee, and if rejected the result of the ballot must not be disclosed.

SECTION 8. Worded the same as former Article VI. Section 8.

SECTION 9. Worded same as former Article VI. Section 9.

SECTION 10. Application for a demit must be made in writing signed by sister or brother desiring it. If all dues are paid and no charges pending, it shall be granted. Elected officers who have been installed cannot be granted a demit.

Article IV. OFFICERS—Formerly Article III.

SECTION 1. The elective officers of this Chapter shall consist of Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, Associate Patron, Secretary, Treasurer, Conductress, Associate Conductress, who shall

be elected annually by a majority vote of the members present at the first regular meeting in December.

SECTION 2. There shall also be three Trustees elected for a term of three years, one to be elected each year at the first regular meeting in December.

SECTION 3. The appointed officers are Chaplain, Marshal, Organist, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha, Electa, Warder and Sentinel, who shall be appointed by the Worthy Matron-elect.

SECTION 4. All Officers except Trustees must be installed at the first regular meeting in January or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Article V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS—Formerly Article IX, X, and XI. Now combined under one heading for clearness and easy reference, and changed to read:

SECTION 1. Worthy Matron: It shall be the duty of the Worthy Matron to preside at all meetings of the Chapter, preserve order and harmony, appoint all regular and special committees, unless named by resolution of the Chapter, and perform such other duties as are required by the Constitution, Rules, and Regulations of the Grand Chapter for the Government of Subordinate Chapters.

The decision of the Worthy Matron on any question before the Chapter shall be final and conclusive and there can be no appeal from her decision except to the Worthy Grand Matron or Grand Chapter.

In case of a tie vote on any question, the Worthy Matron shall give the deciding vote, provided she has not voted as a member.

SECTION 2. SECRETARY: The Secretary shall keep a true and faithful record of the proceedings of the Chapter and make the annual report to the Grand Chapter. She shall keep a strict account of all dues and fees between the Chapter and each member respectively, shall collect all moneys due the Chapter and pay over the same immediately to the Treasurer taking her receipt therefor. She shall at the annual meeting in January report in writing all money received and paid to the Treasurer; she shall make out and sign all orders drawn on the Treasurer, and shall deliver to her successor in office all property belonging to the Chapter and perform such other duties as may pertain to her office.

SECTION 3. TREASURER: Worded the same as former Article XI. Section 3.

SECTION 4. In recognition of their services to the Chapter, the following officers shall receive as compensation the amount of the annual dues of the Chapter: Secretary, Treasurer, Marshal, Organist, and Sentinel. The Secretary shall also receive \$10.00 a year for her services.

SECTION 5. Worded the same as former Article X. Section 1.

SECTION 6. Worded the same as former Article X. Section 2, except to add the following sentence: "The Associate Patron fills the office of Worthy Patron".

Article VI. MEETINGS:

SECTION 1. The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Wednesday in each month, September to June inclusive except January 1st, at 8:00 P. M.

SECTION 2. The presence of either the Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Associate Matron, or Associate Patron, and six other members of the Chapter, are necessary to open a Chapter for the transaction of business. They shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 3. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Worthy Matron, due notice having been given the members and only such business transacted as may be specified in the notice.

SECTION 4. Worded the same as former Article 1. Section 3.

Article VII. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

SECTION 1. Same as former Article II. Section 1. Adding Correspondence as No. 5, and Bills as No. 6, and re-numbering the remaining numbers.

SECTION 2. Same as former Article II. Section 2.

Article VIII. FEES AND DUES:

SECTION 1. The fee for conferring the degrees in this Chapter shall be ten dollars and affiliation two dollars which must accompany the petition.

SECTION 2. Each member must pay the sum of Five Dollars as annual dues payable in advance. No membership card for the current year can be issued until the annual dues for that year are paid.

SECTION 3. Same as former Article V. Section 3.

SECTION 4. Same as former Article V. Section 4.

Article IX. COMMITTEES:

SECTION 1. Emergency Welfare Committee: There shall be an Emergency Welfare Committee composed of five members of the Chapter who shall serve a term of five years, one to be appointed each year by the Worthy Matron-elect. The duty of this committee shall be to investigate all cases among the Chapter membership where dire need is known to exist and report the circumstances to the Worthy

Matron. This Committee with the consent of the Worthy Matron shall be authorized to draw upon the Emergency Welfare Fund to meet such pressing needs of any member.

A fund of \$200.00 known as the "Emergency Welfare Fund" shall be set aside for the use of the committee to be taken from the Treasury and replenished from same. The expenditure of any money from this fund shall be made only after a written statement of the case signed by the chairman and two other members of the committee and by the Worthy Matron.

SECTION 2. Such other committees, or chairmen of committees shall be appointed by the Worthy Matron as she deems necessary, or as the Chapter may authorize, or as the Grand Chapter may require.

Article X. AMENDMENTS:

SECTION 1. Worded the same as former Article XII. Section 1.

RULES OF ORDER

Second. When a sister or brother arises to speak she shall respectfully address the chair and if she transgresses the rules of the Chapter in speaking or otherwise, the chair shall call her to order when she shall immediately sit down unless permitted to explain.

All other numbers under Rules of Order to remain the same.

Add: Thirteenth. In all cases and upon all questions unless otherwise provided, a majority vote of all members present shall govern.

Fourteenth. The Worthy Matron, or in her absence the person presiding at the time of the approval of the minutes of the Chapter, shall sign them, whether she be the regularly installed officer or acting pro-tem.

CHANGES IN SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS
BY-LAWS DISAPPROVED

November 8, 1956. Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Article III. OFFICERS:

SECTION 1. To add Sentinel after Associate Conductress.

SECTION 3. To add and before Warder and delete Sentinel.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

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

May 16, 1956. Unity Chapter No. 16, to move paraphernalia to the Lewes Fire Hall for stated meeting (Reception) May 22, 1956.

May 25, 1956. Victory Chapter No. 15, to move paraphernalia to the Grange Hall, South Governors Avenue, Dover, Delaware for stated (Birthday) meeting on May 28, 1956.

May 31, 1956. St. John's Chapter No. 4, to elect and install a Treasurer, and to elect a Trustee to fill a two and one half year term of Trustee resigned.

October 2, 1956. Sussex Chapter No. 7, to move paraphernalia to Mt. Olivet Fellowship Hall, Seaford, Delaware for stated meeting (Official Visit) November 1, 1956.

October 2, 1956. Unity Chapter No. 16, to move paraphernalia to Lewes School Gymnasium, Lewes, Delaware for stated meeting (Official Visit) November 13, 1956.

October 2, 1956. Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, to move paraphernalia to Fellowship Hall in Methodist Church for stated meeting and Official visit October 11, 1956.

December 13, 1956. St. John's Chapter No. 4, to install 1957 Officers on January 17, 1957.

December 15, 1956. Esther Chapter No. 17, to elect a Worthy Patron and an Associate Patron on December 19, 1956.

January 15, 1957. Adah Chapter No. 5, to install Associate Patron on January 21, 1957.

January 17, 1957. Laurel Chapter No. 18, to install Associate Conductress on January 22, 1957.

February 2, 1957. Radiant Chapter No. 6, to install Associate Matron and Warder on February 5, 1957.

February 2, 1957. Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, to install Chaplain on February 14, 1957.

February 12, 1957. Brandywine Chapter No. 14, to install Esther on February 19, 1957.

February 18, 1957. Unity Chapter No. 16, to move paraphernalia to Methodist Church House, Lewes, Delaware for stated meeting and Birthday Party on March 26, 1957. (March 19, 1957 Special permission to hold above meeting in the Lewes Fire Hall, Lewes, Delaware, because the Church House would not be completed).

February 23, 1957. Mizpah Chapter No. 2, to install Martha on March 1, 1957.

February 26, 1957. Esther Chapter No. 17, to elect and install an Associate Conductress on March 20, 1957.

March 1, 1957. Radiant Chapter No. 6, to install Electa on March 5, 1957.

March 11, 1957. Sussex Chapter No. 7, to move paraphernalia to Mt. Olivet Fellowship Hall, for Birthday meeting on April 18, 1957.

March 19, 1957. Five Points Chapter No. 13, to install Worthy Patron on March 28, 1957, or as soon thereafter as possible.

March 27, 1957. Adah Chapter No. 5, to install Marshal on April 1, 1957.

April 16, 1957. Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, to move paraphernalia to New Castle Methodist Church for Birthday Meeting on May 9, 1957.

April 25, 1957. Frankford Chapter No. 12, to move paraphernalia and possessions May 22, 1957—to first floor of Doric Lodge No. 30, Millville, Delaware—which will be permanent meeting place. (Granted with approval of the Associate Grand Matron).

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

May 16, 1956. Attended the Official Visit of Holly Chapter No. 45, Berlin, Maryland, accompanied by our Grand Organist, sister Helen Joseph.

May 20, 1956. Attended dinner meeting in Dover when plans were formulated for our Summer Carnival.

June 2, 1956. Attended Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home. I was pleased to have a small part in the program.

June 8, 1956. Accompanied by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggan and members of Unity Chapter No. 16, attended the Official Visit of Wicomico Chapter No. 91, Salisbury, Maryland.

June 13, 1956. Attended "Chaplain Night" in Frankford Chapter No. 12.

June 23, 1956. Attended our Summer Carnival at the Shrine Club.

October 21, 1956. Accompanied by Grand Officers and members of Subordinate Chapters, visited the Shriners' Hospital, Philadelphia, Penna. It was my happy privilege to present a check for \$1,000.00 from the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware.

November 16, 1956. Accompanied by Grand Officers and members of Subordinate Chapters, visited Glassboro Chapter No. 234, Glassboro, N. J. It was a real pleasure to visit the home Chapter of Sister Martha Doughty, our Grand Representative in New Jersey.

December 3, 1956. Attended a dinner and Official Visit of Penn Chapter No. 16, Chester, Penna.

December 18, 1956. Attended "Martha Night" in Radiant Chapter No. 6.

April 15, 1957. Attended "Deputy Grand Lecturer Night" in Adah Chapter No. 5.

April 22, 1957. Attended "Esther Night" in Victory Chapter No. 15.

April 29, 1957. Attended the Opening of the Grand Chapter Session of Maryland in Baltimore.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS

I was very happy for the privilege of attending many social affairs throughout our Grand Jurisdiction. These were delightful evenings spent with the officers and members, and it is very difficult to put into words my appreciation for the lovely Banquets, Welcomes, Flowers, Gifts, and Courtesies extended to me this year. Thank you most sincerely.

It was my privilege to attend all Birthday Parties of the Subordinate Chapters, and all Banquets except Radiant Chapter No. 6.

May 22, 1956. My home Chapter, Unity No. 16, honored sister Ruth Bryan, Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Helen Joseph, Grand Organist, Sister Mabel Guthrie, Grand Marshal, and me with a lovely reception in the Lewes Fire-Hall, Lewes, Delaware. The presence of so many Grand Officers, Distinguished Guests, and sisters and brothers from all parts of our State and other Jurisdictions made this an occasion that will be long remembered.

May 28, 1956. Attended Birthday Meeting of Victory Chapter No. 15.

June 7, 1956. Reception in St. John's Chapter No. 4, for Grand Officers of that Chapter, Brother William Nutter, Worthy Grand Patron, Sister Elizabeth Fisher, Grand Secretary, Sister Ruth Nutter, Grand Ruth, and Sister Alice Minner, Deputy Grand Lecturer.

June 15, 1956. Attended Birthday Meeting of Georgetown Chapter No. 9.

June 18, 1956. Attended Birthday Meeting of Adah Chapter No. 5.

September 19, 1956. Attended Birthday Meeting of Esther Chapter No. 17, following Official Visit.

September 23, 1956. The Grand Officers were guests at a very delicious dinner given by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah Riggins in her home in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.

October 2, 1956. Attended Birthday Meeting of Radiant Chapter No. 6, following Official Visit.

October 5, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Georgetown Chapter No. 9, before Official Visit.

October 10, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Sussex Chapter No. 7.

October 12, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

October 13, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Newark Chapter No. 10.

October 15, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Adah Chapter No. 5, before Official Visit.

October 17, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Kent Chapter No. 11, before Official Visit.

October 20, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of St. John's Chapter No. 4.

October 27, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

October 30, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

November 10, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Victory Chapter No. 15.

November 15, 1956. Attended Birthday Meeting of St. John's Chapter No. 4.

November 24, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

December 1, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

December 5, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Laurel Chapter No. 18.

December 12, 1956. Attended Annual Banquet of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

December 22, 1956. Attended 50th Anniversary of Past Grand Patron, Brother Victor Carmine, and Sister Carmine in Delmar, Delaware.

January 26, 1957. Attended Past Matrons and Past Patrons Banquet and Annual initiation in Kent Manor Inn, Wilmington, Delaware.

February 14, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

February 15, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Mizpah Chapter No. 2.

March 12, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Delaware Chapter No. 1.

March 25, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.

March 26, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Unity Chapter No. 16.

April 4, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Newark Chapter No. 10.

April 9, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Laurel Chapter No. 18.

April 17, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Kent Chapter No. 11.

April 18, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Sussex Chapter No. 7.

April 24, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Frankford Chapter No. 12.

May 7, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

May 9, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

CORRESPONDENCE

I consider the correspondence one of the most important, and interesting duties that devolves upon the Worthy Grand Matron. It has been a pleasure to answer the many letters I have received, and I will miss them. This correspondence has furnished me an opportunity to assist to the best of my ability in the solutions of your problems. For your many letters of encouragement, good wishes, kind invitations, Christmas Greetings, Birthday and other special messages, from a grateful heart, I sincerely thank you.

May 21, 1956

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

We greet each and every one of you in the spirit of fraternal love and a deep appreciation for the honor you have conferred upon us and our respective Chapters, Unity No. 16, and St. John's No. 4. As your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron we will endeavor to work for the good of the Order and strive to prove ourselves worthy of your trust and confidence. We ask the co-operation of each member.

As we enter upon this new year, let us be ever mindful of our Obligation to one another. Let us be a little kinder, a little more loving and a little less critical. Let us strive to promote the spirit of our

Watchwords: Truth and Love; Unity and Peace—throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. Let us endeavor in our daily living to exemplify our Motto, "The Golden Rule"—"Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them".

Our first consideration in our Chapters, should be our members. Try to contact all your members during the year, especially those who have not been attending regularly. Visit your shut-ins, and let no one feel that he or she is forgotten. Open your meetings on time, so that a social hour can be enjoyed at the close of the meeting.

We recommend a close study of the Ritual, and the Constitution and By-Laws of your own Chapter. For instruction CONSULT YOUR DEPUTY GRAND LECTURER; however, if an answer to a letter or a decision regarding some problem is desired, send all letters under the Seal of your Chapter.

We solicit your wholehearted support of our Summer Benefit, June 23rd for the Handicapped Children of Delaware and the Shriners' Hospital. We also ask that you remember our guests at the Masonic Home. It is also our desire to continue our Veterans' Hospital Project and we ask that a voluntary contribution be placed in Electa's Cup in each Chapter Room on the night of our Official Visit.

Our Most Worthy Grand Matron has several projects for her term of office, three of which we wish to support this year; namely, Eastern Star Awards for Religious Leadership, International Temple Fund, and Overseas Relief for the Needy. You will hear from our Chairmen regarding these projects, and it is our earnest hope that you will co-operate with them.

We have scheduled two Official Visits for June; namely,
St. John's Chapter No. 4 on June 7th.
Laurel Chapter No. 18 on June 12th.

Please do not postpone any of your Chapter business, but we suggest that you dispense with entertainment on the night of our Official Visit to your Chapter. We are looking forward to visiting each Chapter and meeting the members.

Again we thank each of you for the high honor conferred upon us and wish for your Chapter a successful year, knowing that—"If in all our ways we acknowledge Him, He will direct our paths".

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARY H. BEVIS
Worthy Grand Matron

WILLIAM F. NUTTER
Worthy Grand Patron

October 18, 1956

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Once again we are approaching the Thanksgiving Season. Let us take time to Think, and let us take time to Thank our Heavenly Father for our many Blessings during the past year.

For several years it has been the custom to remember the Guests at the Masonic Home with gifts of jams, jellies, and canned goods of any kind. It is our earnest hope that you will be as generous as possible this year.

A card bearing the name and number of your Chapter should be placed in every package, so that Sister and Brother Davis will have no difficulty in acknowledging them.

With sincere thanks for your generous response, and may each member of our Order have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARY H. BEVIS

Worthy Grand Matron

WILLIAM F. NUTTER

Worthy Grand Patron

NOTICE: Secretaries please read and record in minutes:

Due to the sudden death on October 19th of Brother Joseph Dawson, the husband of Sister Julia Dawson, Worthy Matron of Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3, the Official Visit scheduled for October 22, 1956 has been postponed until November 12, 1956.

March 29, 1957

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Time passes swiftly and soon our year together will slip into history, so in this our final message to you, we wish to express our grateful appreciation to all who made it possible for us to serve as your leaders. It is our sincere hope that as you look back upon this year of our service to the Order, you will find our efforts worthy of approval.

We thank you sincerely for the way you supported our Grand Chapter projects; also our General Grand Chapter projects this year.

The thirty-sixth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware will be held in the Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, on Monday and Tuesday May 13th and 14th. Arrangements have been made to have a breakfast honoring our Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Helen West. We hope many of you will plan to attend.

We are expecting to have with us our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer and other General Grand Chapter Officers, and are looking forward with much pleasure to greeting our distinguished guests, and all our members.

The joyous and sacred season of Eastertime is again approaching. As we commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, may we join in a hymn of praise to God for the blessings we have enjoyed and for the hope of immortal life as promised in His Scriptures.

May joy and peace dwell in your hearts, and the blessings of Him whose Star we follow, abide with you always.

Sincerely and fraternally,

MARY H. BEVIS
Worthy Grand Matron

WILLIAM F. NUTTER
Worthy Grand Patron

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Q. May we solicit Ads for Calendars to be sold as a benefit for our Chapter. The Ads would be solicited in the name of the Chapter, and the revenue over a stated amount, plus a profit on each Calendar sold would come to the Chapter?
- A. According to a ruling of our Grand Chapter, Advertising may be solicited if value received is given; however I question whether the merchant would receive the true value of the advertising. We should always keep in mind the Good of the Order and try to uphold its dignity in our respective communities. Answer—No.
- Q. Can our Charter be draped for more than one deceased member, or must the drape remain on for the full 30 days for each deceased member?
- A. The Charter can be draped for more than one member; the Worthy Matron reads the name or names of each departed member.
- Q. Our Charter is now draped, the 30 day period has not expired, two more members have passed away, should the drape remain on for a total of 90 days?
- A. No. The Worthy Matron announces the passing of the two members, and that the Charter will remain draped another 30 concurrent days.

- Q. Would the above ruling apply to draping the Altar?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Can we sell Eastern Star Stamps as a Ways & Means Project?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Can a subordinate Chapter have a dance as a benefit?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Does the Worthy Matron have to pick her colors from the colors we have in our Chapter, or can any color be used?
- A. Our law says that all sister Officers must be dressed in white at all Chapter Meetings. I would say that any color may be selected so long as it is used only for programs or decorations for social affairs, and not as part of any regular Chapter meeting, or Ritualistic Ceremony.
- Q. I am under the impression that we can not sell chances on anything, but can we do as the Firemen, and have the word donation on the tickets?
- A. I refer you to approved recommendations No. 23, and 24. I do not believe we would be upholding the dignity of our Order by merely substituting the word donation for chance.
- Q. Our Chapter has been asked to sell tickets for the benefit of our local Library. Is this permissible?
- A. I would say that this decision should be made by the majority of your members. Approved recommendation states: "That the sale of anything in the Chapter Room be prohibited".
- Q. A member of a Chapter in this jurisdiction has expressed a desire to affiliate with our Chapter. She has paid current dues and holds a 1957 membership card in her present Chapter. How does she go about transferring her membership?
- A. The member notifies her present Chapter in writing that she is making application for membership in your Chapter. When elected your Secretary under the Seal of the Chapter notifies the Secretary of her former Chapter, who will send a Demit to your Chapter. When Demit is received the applicant signs your Chapters' By-Laws—turning over her 1957 membership card, which your Secretary sends to the Secretary of her former Chapter. Your Chapter charges dues on a monthly basis for the remainder of year, and issues a 1957 card. The former Chapter upon receipt of the 1957 dues card, should reimburse the member for dues paid in advance for the balance of 1957.

IRREGULARITIES

1. Members discussing Chapter Business in the presence of non members.
2. Officers and members walking through the Labyrinth while Bible is open.
3. Secretaries making checks for special dispensations payable to Worthy Grand Matron instead of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.
4. Altar being undraped after opening Ceremony instead of just before the closing Ceremony.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

My greatest happiness has been in knowing that the spirit of our watchwords; Truth and Love; Unity and Peace have prevailed throughout the Jurisdiction. I have found the Chapters striving to do excellent work, the Officers performing their respective duties with care, and in most Chapters the meetings well attended.

Let us continue to strive for a closer adherence to our teachings of Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness, so that at the end of each day, each of us will feel in our hearts that sense of well being that comes when we know that we have done our best.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- No. 1. This Grand Chapter has approved Sister Officers wearing white for funeral Ceremonies. I recommend that No Grave Side Ceremonies be conducted in this Jurisdiction.
- No. 2. Showing the dues cards when proving the Chapter causes so much confusion—detracting from the dignity of our work, and since the Conductresses cannot be sure the card shown is the card belonging to the respective member—I recommend that this ruling be discontinued.
- No. 3. Cancer Research and Cancer Dressings are projects of the General Grand Chapter, and as most of our subordinate Chapters donate to the Cancer Drive, in order that our Grand Chapter and General Grand Chapter send a report of any donations of money and time given in this work to the Red Cross Chairman. The Red Cross Chairman shall give this report at the Grand Chapter Session as a separate report and not as part of the Red Cross report.
- No. 4. I believe that we now have approximately \$1200.00 in our ESTARL Fund No. 2. In order that our Committee may have something definite to offer prospective applicants, and that our membership in this Jurisdiction may know more about our ESTARL project: I recommend that this Grand Chapter take action as to the amount of each award.

Since should have said long white was accepted by D. D. as irregularity for Grave Side Ceremonies

I recommend that each chapter

have a record of these donations

IN APPRECIATION

As my year of service draws to a close, first I would give thanks to God for guidance, strength and courage to carry out my duties throughout the year. To the members of this Grand Jurisdiction my expressions can only in part tell you my deep appreciation and gratitude for your Fidelity all along the way. I'll miss you, and in the years to come I'll pause many times and recall this year that has been an adventure in happiness and joy, where I have found those things neither age nor misfortune can snatch away. With a sincere heart, I thank you.

To all Elective Grand Officers: I would like to express my deep gratitude for your loyal support this year.

To our Worthy Grand Patron: Brother Bill, it has been a pleasure and an honor to share with you the joys of this year of service. I shall ever be grateful to our Grand Chapter for selecting you as my co-worker.

*"You have been most faithful to me this year
And to our Order, too;
You have lived up to your Obligation
And have been both kind and true".*

My sincere wish for you and your good wife, Ruth, our Grand Ruth, is that life will bring you good health, and much happiness.

To our Associate Grand Matron, and Associate Grand Patron, Sister Sara and Brother John: In a few short hours, the welfare of this Grand Chapter will be placed in your keeping. May the year ahead be all you have planned and hoped for.

*"I'm wishing for you a golden path
That is long and sunny and wide;
And at each bend, may you find a friend
And countless blessings along each side".*

To our Grand Secretary: Sister Elizabeth. No one can appreciate your true worth until they have served with you. Your knowledge of the work and your willingness to impart any information which may be of help has won for you a love and esteem which you so richly deserve. I am grateful to our Heavenly Father for giving you strength to carry on as Grand Secretary this year.

To our Grand Treasurer: Sister Sylvia. To have the privilege of working with you has added happiness to my year of service. For every kind thought, word and deed, My deepest thanks.

To our Grand Lecturer: Sister Rita. You have been my willing helper, co-worker, and best of all my friend. Your work was well performed and your loyalty most evident in your service to this Grand Chapter.

To our Conductresses: Sister Mildred and Sister Eliza. I am deeply grateful for the assistance you have given me this year, and for your co-operation in all things. As you continue your travels to the Grand East—may your pathways be filled with sunshine.

To our Appointive Grand Officers: Each Worthy Grand Matron thinks her Grand Officers are the very best. This year is no exception, because you are without doubt the very, very best. You have exemplified the teachings of Fidelity, Constancy, Loyalty, Faith and Love in your service to our Order, and no words of mine can convey my appreciation and love for the lovely things you have done to make this an outstanding year in my life. I hope the close tie of friendship which we have enjoyed this year will continue down through the tomorrows of our lives.

To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons: Your devotion and faithfulness to the Order through the years has inspired me to carry on my duties to the best of my ability. Before I join your ranks I wish to thank you for your loyal support during the year. As I come to the end of this Grand Chapter Road, it is my sincere hope that I have measured up to the standards you have set.

To the Deputy Grand Lecturers: Fraternal Service is really a work of Love, and I am sure you have given of your best to your respective Chapters this year. I thank you most sincerely.

To our Grand Chapter Committee Members: Much of the success of this Grand Chapter Session depends on you and the important work you have carried on behind the scenes. Your willingness to serve, proves your love and devotion to our Order.

*"You have had many things to do
And to your duties you've been faithful and true,
Without Folks like you, upon whom we can call
There couldn't be any Grand Chapter at all".*

To my Home Chapter, Unity No. 16: I am fully aware that the home Chapter of a Worthy Grand Matron assumes added responsibilities because of her position, and I am grateful to you for your loyalty, support and many acts of kindness. Whatever honor has come to me, that honor is yours, and I hope my service this year has reflected Glory upon my Chapter.

To my Husband, Brother Bill: Last but by no means least, you are the one who has truly realized the responsibilities which have been mine during the past year. For your encouragement, understanding and cooperation, I give you my Loving gratitude.

IN CONCLUSION

Sisters and Brothers, you have heard my report for the year, submitted with gratitude and humility. Written records never adequately reveal the depth of personal experience. To me, the finest

record of a Worthy Grand Matron is printed upon the hearts of her Sisters and Brothers. I believe my soul has grown and I leave you to judge the results of my year of stewardship.

As I surrender my Office, it is with a prayer in my heart, that God's richest blessings, ever rest on the efforts and accomplishments of this Grand Chapter.

Sincerely and gratefully submitted,
MARY H. BEVIS, *Worthy Grand Matron*

P.G.P. Fred Warrington made motion that the report be received and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee—Motion seconded by P.P. J. Nelson Abbott. Motion adopted.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

May 2, 1957. Attended "Secretary and Ruth Night" in St. John's Chapter No. 4.

May 7, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

May 8, 1957. Special dispensation (with the approval of the Associate Grand Matron) granted to Victory Chapter No. 15, for the purpose of moving paraphernalia and holding stated meeting May 27, 1957 in the Grange Hall, Dover, Delaware.

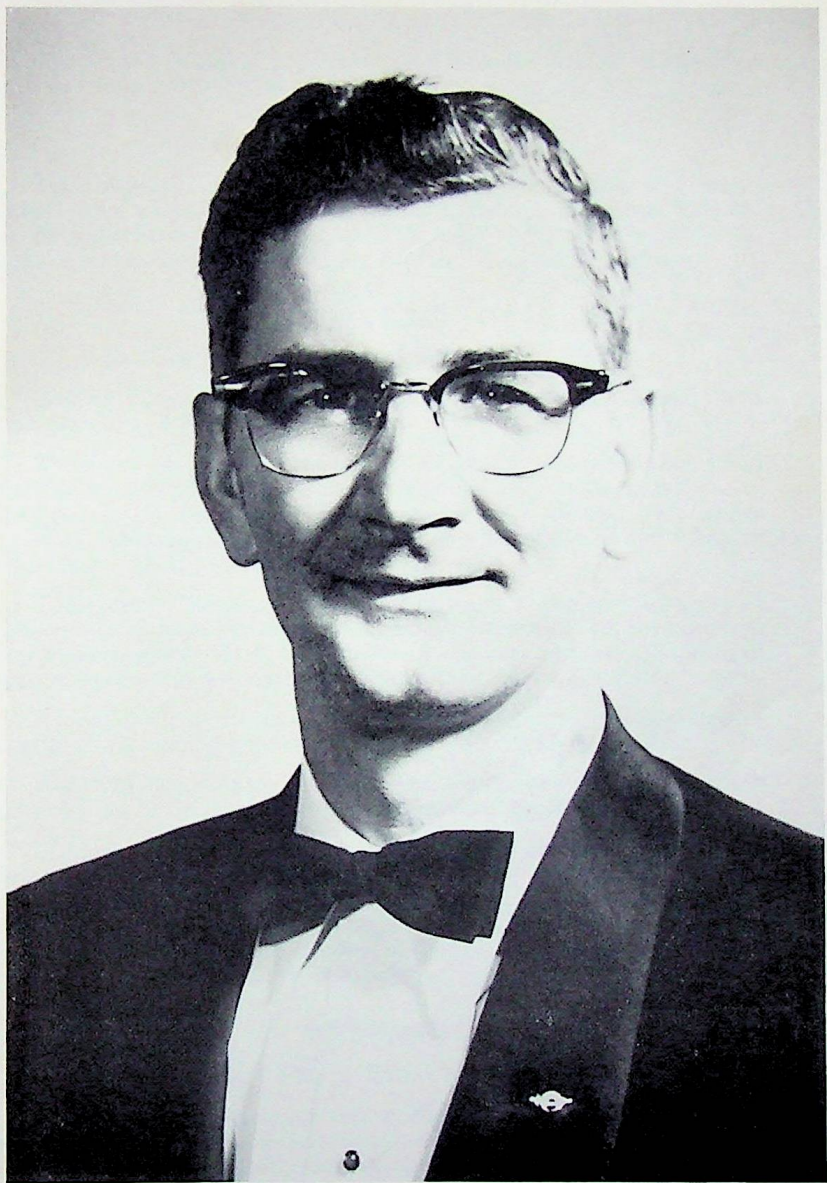
May 9, 1957. Attended Birthday Meeting of Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.

MARY H. BEVIS,
Worthy Grand Matron

A motion was made by Sister Helen West and seconded by Sister Sarah Riffin that the supplementary report be received and referred to Jurisprudence Committee. Motion adopted.

Sister Ivah Ostendarp announced that the reservations for the breakfast must be in by noon today. There were 2 nurses in attendance, and the photographer will be here at 4:00 p. m. for pictures. Rehearsal for the Pages, 1956 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons, and 1957 Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons will be at 4:00 p. m.

There was a discussion regarding the proper use of the word demitted or affiliated. Sister Elvira Ziegler made a motion that Sister Anna M. Harrington, P.M. demitted from Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 and Odell Guy, P.M. demitted from Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8, now affiliated members of Delaware Chapter No. 1, be added to the list of past Matrons at the bottom of the page in the Proceedings. Motion seconded by Horace Fulmer and adopted.



WILLIAM F. NUTTER
Worthy Grand Patron
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The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from labor to recess until 1:30 p. m.

Monday Afternoon—1:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ivah Ostendarp presenting Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, P.G.M. and Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., who welcomed the W.G.M., Sister Mary H. Bevis and W.G.P., Brother William F. Nutter.

WELCOME

by Past Grand Matron ELIZABETH E. PIERCE

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

Through the courtesy of the W.G.M., it is my pleasure and privilege to welcome you all most sincerely, representing as you do every part of our beautiful and historical State of Delaware and other Grand Jurisdictions at this 36th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S., our Unity Session.

The Grand Chapter meetings are always to me like a family of many relatives from distant places gathered together for the common good and happiness of all, to plan for the future, and to gain strength for each other that we may all more fully live our obligation.

We endeavor to live in our lives our W.G.M.'s motto. Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for the privilege of extending this welcome to the guests and members here assembled.

We are especially happy to welcome our Most Worthy Grand Matron and her Grand Officers and a special welcome to Worthy Grand Martha, our own Sister Helen C. West, and wish for both of you, Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Bill, a happy and successful session. May each detail be in complete accord with your fondest hopes.

WELCOME

by Past Grand Patron BRO. FRED WARRINGTON

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary, Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Bill, I appreciate the honor which you have given me this afternoon of opening this, your second session, and I wish for you every success for this Grand Session that God and members will grant.

May I say this, I have traveled up and down the state with you two, I have listened to every message that you have brought to the various chapters and have been inspired by them and the teachings that you have laid before the members of this Order.

Again I want to thank you for this privilege, and when you join the ranks of the Past Grands, we will be happy to have you with us. May God's richest blessing rest on both of you.

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

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

I attended school of Instruction held for the Deputy Grand Lecturers May 19, 1956 at Kent Chapter, Harrington, Delaware.

OFFICIAL VISITS

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

June 7	St. John's Chapter No. 4	.....	Wilmington
June 12	Laurel Chapter No. 18	.....	Laurel
Sept. 6	Newark Chapter No. 10		Newark
Sept. 12	Frankford Chapter No. 12		Millville
Sept. 18	Brandywine Chapter No. 14		Wilmington
Sept. 19	Esther Chapter No. 17	.....	Middletown
Sept. 25	Delaware Chapter No. 1	.....	Wilmington
Oct. 2	Radiant Chapter No. 6	.....	Wilmington
Oct. 5	Georgetown Chapter No. 9	.....	Georgetown
Oct. 8	Victory Chapter No. 15	.....	Dover
Oct. 11	Caesar Rodney No. 8	.....	New Castle
Oct. 15	Adah Chapter No. 5	.....	Delmar
Oct. 17	Kent Chapter No. 11	.....	Harrington
Nov. 1	Sussex Chapter No. 7	.....	Seaford
Nov. 2	Mizpah Chapter No. 2	.....	Wilmington
Nov. 8	Five Points Chapter No. 13	.....	Newport
Nov. 12	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	.....	Wilmington
Nov. 13	Unity Chapter No. 16	.....	Lewes

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

Laurel No. 18	Kent No. 11
Frankford No. 12	Sussex No. 7
Brandywine No. 14	Five Points No. 13
Esther No. 17	Unity No. 16
Georgetown No. 9	Jobs Daughters No. 1
Victory No. 15	Jobs Daughters No. 2
Caesar Rodney No. 8	Jobs Daughters No. 3
Adah No. 5	Jobs Daughters No. 4

INSTALLATIONS

I was highly honored to assist the Worthy Grand Matron and her staff of officers to install the following Chapters.

January 2.....Kent Chapter No. 11

January 8	Unity Chapter No. 16
January 4	Georgetown No. 9
January 10	Caesar Rodney No. 8
January 14	Victory Chapter No. 15
January 15	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
January 17	St. John's No. 4

I will always remember the honor bestowed upon me by personally installing two Patrons.

Harold Harding	Brandywine No. 14
Robert G. Revels	St. John's No. 4

BANQUETS AND BIRTHDAY PARTIES

I attended all of these lovely affairs with the exception of Laurel, Kent and Sussex.

GIFTS

I received many wonderful gifts. I wish to thank everyone for their kindness and thoughtfulness.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S PROJECT

SUMMER BENEFIT

Under the capable and outstanding leadership of P.G.M. Elizabeth E. Pierce, once again the summer benefit topped last year's goal. Only by all the members in the state working together could we obtain this record. I know that the Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Officers and I will be ever grateful for this accomplishment by Sister Elizabeth and her committee.

I would like to thank each Chapter for contributing Electa's Cup for the boys at the Veterans Hospital.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Reception for W. G. M., Unity Chapter #16	May 22, 1956
Masonic Lodge Day, Masonic Home	June 2, 1956
Reception for W. G. P., St. John's Chapter #4	June 7, 1956
Summer Benefit at Shrine Club	June 23, 1956
Delaware Day School	Sept. 13, 1956
Shrine Hospital, Philadelphia	Oct. 21, 1956
Job's Daughter's, Bethel #1	Oct. 24, 1956
Glassboro Official Visit of New Jersey Grand Officers	Nov. 16, 1956
Job's Daughters, Bethel #2	Nov. 27, 1956
Grand Chapter Religious Service, Masonic Home	Nov. 31, 1956
Penn Chapter Banquet, Official Visit	Dec. 3, 1956
Christmas Party, Masonic Home	Dec. 17, 1956
Grand Marshal Night	Dec. 18, 1956

Christmas Party, St. John's Chapter #4.....	Dec. 19, 1956
Fraternal Chapter #249, Coatesville, Pennsylvania.....	Jan 22, 1957
Job's Daughters Bethel #3	Feb. 20, 1957
Job's Daughters Bethel #4	Mar. 28, 1957
Grand Chapter Religious Service, Masonic Home.....	Mar. 31, 1957
Esther Night, Victory Chapter #15.....	Apr. 22, 1957
Grand Secretary & Grand Ruth Night, St. John's Chapter #4.....	May 2, 1957

TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF DELAWARE:

Every one has been so kind and courteous to me this year when I visited your Chapters that I really felt at home and a part of each Chapter.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PATRONS:

You were always ready to help at a minute's call and to give your vast knowledge and advice freely. This means much to anyone serving as Worthy Grand Patron. I appreciate all the help I have received this year.

CONCLUSIONS

The sands of time tell me that in a few short hours this wonderful year will come to its end it has been a year full of excitement and joy and I owe all of this to you members and to my wife, who so faithfully stood behind me and stayed at home with my son when it was not possible for us both to go. The activities of our year are now in the record and it's for you, the members to judge—was it a success or a failure.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM F. NUTTER
Worthy Grand Patron

TO MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER:

Through the opportunity afforded me by my chapter I was able to be in this high office. I will be ever grateful for all their kind thoughts and support, especially those who followed me this year.

TO THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON, SISTER MARY:

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve in the Grand East with you. Through your many letters and calls, I was very well informed of all the activities and events, making my duties very easy. It also permitted Ruth and me a better opportunity to know your fine husband, Bill.

TO SISTER SARAH AND BROTHER JACK:

You both have been very faithful to the Worthy Grand Matron and me. It will be a pleasure to see this high office turned over to ones so capable. I wish for you a very happy and successful year and may all your desires come true.

TO THE GRAND OFFICERS:

I wish to thank you for your many kindnesses and support in the past year.

TO MY WIFE GRAND RUTH:

For the past sixteen years you have been a wonderful wife. In the past year, however, you have had to add to your already crowded schedule the duties of private secretary and valet. It has only been through your self-denial that I have been able to travel and fulfill the duties required of my office.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend the fiscal year of Subordinate Chapters be changed, having election of Officers on the first meeting of March, and the Installation of Officers on First meeting in April. All reports from Subordinate Chapters must be in the hands of Grand Secretary not later than April 15.

Fraternally submitted,
 WILLIAM F. NUTTER
Worthy Grand Patron

I recommend that the State of Delaware be considered an open jurisdiction, that requests for waivers of territorial jurisdiction from sister chapters be discontinued, and that a petition may be received by a subordinate chapter regardless of the residence of the applying petitioner.

A motion was made by Fred Warrington, P.G.P. and withdrawn in favor of a motion made by J. Nelson Abbott, P.P. that the report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Fred Warrington, P.G.P. and adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

ELIZABETH M. FISHER

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

As I write this report for the year May 1956 to May 1957 I am thinking of many things. During this Session I will have finished fifteen years as Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Delaware O. E. S. They have been very busy but very happy years and have been the means of adding many beloved friends to my list.

I feel that it is now time to have someone else enjoy the privilege and the honor of serving our Grand Chapter in that capacity, so (as you have been advised) I will not be a candidate for re-election this year. My very best wishes to our new Grand Secretary.

The detailed routine business of Grand Chapter is the same each year. The responsibilities are many. Immediately after the close of Grand Session arrangements were made with the bank covering the change in the names of officers whose signatures should be honored on our checks.

Stationery for the Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary was ordered printed at once.

All bills of Grand Chapter were paid as soon as presented.

Flowers were sent to Shut-Ins as directed by Grand Chapter. Thank-you letters were written as requested by Necrology Committee and Sessions Committee.

Official Lists of Grand Officers, Committees, Subordinate Chapter Officers, Official Visits, etc., were compiled and sent to Printer and later mailed to all entitled to receive them.

A supply of Bibles, Rituals, Ribbons, Account Books and necessary forms have been kept on hand so that Subordinate Chapters might have them without delay.

Proceedings from Sister Grand Jurisdictions have been acknowledged and mailed to Grand Representatives and a copy of each Proceeding given to our Fraternal Correspondent.

Invitations to Grand Sessions have been acknowledged with fraternal greetings and good wishes.

Sympathy cards have been sent for 42 Past Grand Patrons, 25 Past Grand Matrons, 1 Grand Chaplain, 1 Grand Marshal and 1 Grand Sentinel.

Invitations for this Grand Session were mailed to all Sister Grand Jurisdictions, General Grand Chapter Officers and Honorary Members.

Ribbon Badges were prepared for Visitors and Delegates to this Grand Session.

Proceedings were compiled and mailed to all those entitled to receive them.

Order for Jewels for outgoing Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron was placed immediately after close of Grand Session.

Immediately after the receipt of the Annual Abstract from each Chapter, the membership was totaled and a check covering 10c for each member was sent to General Grand Chapter to be credited on their books to the Estarl Fund and then returned to be deposited in our local Estarl Fund. The check this year was in amount of \$324.30.

This amount is withdrawn from Estarl Fund No. 1 (formerly the Educational Loan Fund) and when returned from General Grand Chapter is deposited in Estarl Fund No. 2, from which the award or awards may be drawn.

A complete list (according to Chapters) of those members holding "A" certificates was prepared and given to the Nomination Committee for checking purposes, in accordance with the New Constitution and By-Laws.

I have prepared and recorded 3 "A" Certificates and 29 "B" Certificates, also fifteen Star Cards.

Copies of the new Secret Work have been given to those entitled to receive them. Receipts have been signed by the recipients and are in Grand Secretary's records. These Officers are aware of the fact that they must be carefully guarded and turned over to the incoming officers at the end of the year. They also know that the loss of one of these copies will cost them \$5.00.

Certificates for Commissions of Grand Representative of Delaware in Other Grand Jurisdictions have been prepared, signed by Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary and duly recorded in Commission Book. There were 20 issued this year.

Certificates for Commission by appointment of our Worthy Grand Matron for Grand Representatives in Delaware of other Grand Jurisdictions have been received, recorded and mailed to each Chapter with a letter. There were twenty of these too.

Membership of each subordinate Chapter was noted and sufficient Due Cards ordered sent to the Secretary of each of our 18 chapters.

Annual Report blanks were mailed to each secretary in November.

Credential Cards for the first four officers of each chapter were mailed to the secretary of the Chapter, also a supply of Preparation Cards to be mailed to the Petitioner when notifying him or her of the fact that they have been elected to receive the Degrees.

IN MEMORIAM

We have all been saddened by the passing of our much-loved friends and members:

*"One by One we miss the voices
That we loved so well to hear
One by one their kindly faces*

*In the darkness disappears,
No one hears the door that opens
Through which they pass beyond recall
Soft as loosened leaves of roses
One by One our loved ones fall*

This little verse does help:

I MUST BELIEVE

*I must believe in God, because there is no other way
That I am able to explain why I am here today
There is no other reason for the mystery of me
The mind that plans, the heart that loves, the soul of memory;
There is no answer in a book or in the changing sky
Except that God created me, and only HE knows why.
I must believe in God because I see so many signs
That indicate my life is just a part of His designs.
So many signs that point the way, to choose the right from wrong
And how to walk in faith and hope and keep my courage strong"*

APPRECIATION

I have been thrilled beyond words when Unity Chapter, No. 16, Georgetown Chapter No. 9 and Kent Chapter No. 11 presented me with honorary membership in their respective Chapters. Also Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

I appreciate the love and friendship of the members of our small but wonderful Jurisdiction. I appreciate the privilege of serving with fifteen Worthy Grand Matrons. Working together we have learned the worth of true friendship and cooperation.

In mentioning real friends, I cannot overlook mentioning Sister Ivah and Brother George Ostendarp and the many nice things they have done for me and their sincere concern as to means of transportation when I wish to attend Eastern Star affairs of our Jurisdiction. They have really spoiled me, but I love being spoiled by them. I know of no way to repay them except to continue loving them always.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE—APRIL 30, 1956.....\$ 5,416.60

RECEIPTS

Per Capita Tax.....	\$4,062.50
Initiation.....	75.00
Summer Benefit.....	3,655.05
Bibles.....	359.65
Rituals.....	568.62
Dispensations.....	23.00

Proceedings	18.92	
Receipt Books	50.70	
Refund Summer Benefit	3,100.00	
Constitution & By-Laws	26.00	
Surety Bond	92.50	
Scarves	3.00	
Estarl Fund	324.30	
P. G. Dinner	154.58	
Supplies, Gifts & Paraphernalia	1,492.23	
		<u>\$13,996.05</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$19,412.65</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER:

Supplies	\$1,464.59	
Summer Benefit	3,100.00	
International		
Temple	258.50	
Estarl Fund	324.30	
Pusan Hospital—		
Korea	50.00	\$5,197.39
Wm. Lehmborg & Sons		
Co., Inc.	97.84	Paraphernalia
Letter Shop	122.25	Mimeograph Const. & By-Laws
Rommels	2.25	Rubber Stamp
Macy Pub. & Supply Co.	86.35	Gifts & Paraphernalia
Kistner Co.	33.40	Gifts
Wick & Wick	128.49	Ribbon
Shriners Hospital	1,000.00	Handicapped
Delaware Day School	2,000.00	Handicapped
C. E. Ward Co.	7.08	Stationery
Hugh George	1.45	Pad & Ink Badges Gr. Sess.
Elizabeth E. Pierce	19.02	Gr. Sess. Exp.
Elizabeth E. Pierce	40.60	Bal. 1955 Summer Benefit
Elizabeth E. Pierce	108.80	Bal. 1956 Summer Benefit
Ruth Laws	14.00	Refund Hotel Reserv.
Norris Tull	21.00	Refund Hotel Reserv.
Elizabeth M. Fisher	14.50	Refund Hotel Reserv.
Sadie Conly	10.00	Contingent Fund
Mary Bevis	150.00	Contingent Fund
Rita Wilkinson	50.00	Contingent Fund
Elizabeth M. Fisher	150.00	Contingent Fund
William F. Nutter	50.00	Contingent Fund
Mildred Lee	7.50	Lunches Gr. Session
Emma Maxwell	50.00	Storage
H. Labour	35.00	Paintings Gr. Session
		<u>\$9,396.92</u>

Brought Forward	\$9,396.92		
Catherine Gibbs	3.36	Necrology	
Heaton	15.00	"	
Newark Post	25.00	"	
Betty' Newark Shop	22.75	"	
E. Putzier	6.62	"	
Culvers' Florist	39.00	Palms	
Hotel DuPont	668.00		
Ella F. Cleaver (Stenographer)	20.00		
Howard Collins	60.50	Diamond	
C. L. Story Co.	2,196.75	Printing	
Edwin Davis	52.22	Summer Benefit	
Geo. T. Tobin & Sons	171.30	"	"
Hearn Bros.	36.80	"	"
Coca-Cola	33.96	"	"
Food Fair	11.48	"	"
Huber Bakery	44.00	"	"
Swift & Co.	12.40	"	"
Reeves Parvin Co.	102.47	"	"
Mundorf Bev. Co.	21.62	"	"
Victory Chapter #15	1.00	Refund on Dispensation	
Highfield & Watkins	100.00	Surety Bond	
O. L. Barden Co.	5.90	Gifts	
T. B. Seals	2.00		
Louis Rastetter & Sons Co.	107.25	Chairs	
R. Cohen	16.73	Christmas Cards	
Sylvia Knox	25.00		
E. M. Fisher	200.00		
Easter Seals (Crippled Children)	10.00		
Gilbert Pub. Co.	3.55	Souvenirs	
R. Typewriter	9.00		
A. H. Lewis	20.00	Sprays	
	<u>\$13,400.58</u>		
Total Receipts			\$19,412.65
Total Disbursements			<u>\$13,400.58</u>
Balance April 30, 1957			\$ 6,012.07

Approved May 5, 1957

J. N. ABBOTT
J. ALBERT KUMPEL
PAULINE DAVIS

VETERANS' HOSPITAL FUND

Balance in Fund May 1956.....	\$ 35.75	
Check June 9th to Sadie Conly.....	10.00	Cont. Fund
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Balance.....	\$ 25.75	
Plus Gov. Bond maturing Oct. 1958		
Maturity Value \$25.00		

EASTERN STAR HOME FUND

Amount of Fund April 30, 1956.....	\$3,436.02
Interest for the year 1956.....	103.08
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Amount of Fund April 30th, 1957.....	\$3,539.10

ESTARL FUND NO. 1

Amount in Fund April 30, 1956.....	\$1,567.20
Interest year 1956.....	48.58
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	\$1,615.78
Withdrawn to be deposited in	
Estarl Fund No. 2, Mar. 11, 1957.....	324.30
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Balance.....	\$1,291.48

ESTARL FUND NO. 2

Amount in Estarl Fund April 30, 1956.....	\$951.52
Interest for year, 1956.....	25.34
Deposited March 16, 1957.....	324.30
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Amount in Fund April 30, 1957.....	\$1,301.16

Approved May 5, 1957

J. N. ABBOTT
 PAULINE DAVIS
 J. ALBERT KUMPEL

A motion was made by Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher that this report having been audited and approved by the Board of Grand Trustees, be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion seconded by W.G.P. William F. Nutter and adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

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

I submit the following report of my Official transactions for the Grand Chapter year ending April 30th, 1957.

Balance on hand April 30th, 1956. \$ 5,416.60

Received from the Grand Secretary:

May 8th, 1956.	\$ 161.37
June 11th, 1956.	108.40
June 25th, 1956.	2,943.80
July 10th, 1956.	596.45
July 20th, 1956.	143.03
Sept. 11th, 1956.	3,275.08
Oct. 11th, 1956.	387.70
Nov. 27th, 1956.	350.13
Jan. 8th, 1957.	489.01
Jan. 28th, 1957.	2,516.22
Mar. 15th, 1957.	2,485.45
April 4th, 1957.	445.81
April 29th, 1957.	93.60

Total Receipts. \$13,996.05 \$13,996.05

Grand Total. 19,412.65

Disbursements. 13,400.58

Balance April 30, 1957. \$ 6,012.07

Bank Balance April 30, 1957. \$ 6,470.96

Less Outstanding checks:

No. 1187.	\$148.25
No. 1188.	233.64
No. 1189.	77.00

458.89

Actual Balance April 30, 1957. \$ 6,012.07

With deepest gratitude for the trust reposed in me, I am,

Sincerely and fraternally,

SYLVIA M. KNOX,
Grand Treasurer

Approved May 5, 1957

J. NELSON ABBOTT

PAULINE DAVIS

J. ALBERT KUMPEL

A motion was made by Sylvia Knox and seconded by Helen West that this report having been audited and approved by the Board of Grand Trustees, be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER
PAST MATRON ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5
SISTER RITA C. WILKINSON

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

At the close of a busy and wonderful year, rich in friendship and loving service, I extend to you my sincere appreciation, and heartfelt thanks for electing me as Grand Lecturer. The cooperation of all officers and Deputy Grand Lecturers has made a most inspiring and wonderful year.

On May 17, 1956, I met with our Worthy Grand Matron and went over the Ritual and the instructions with her in order to become acquainted with the changes in our work.

On May 19, 1956, with the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and several Grand Officers, also all deputies except two, a school of instructions was held in the Chapter room of Kent Chapter No. 11. We had a very instructive evening in the work of our order.

I attended all official visitations and I am pleased to report that the Ritualistic work in each Chapter was exemplified in a commendable manner even though there had been many changes.

The report of my contingent fund has been filed with the Trustees.

I gave Associate Grand Patron, Brother John Conley, an examination on 20 questions in Wilmington, Delaware on October 20, 1956.

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

Louise Brittingham	November 9, 1956	Delmar, Delaware
Sarah Mitchell	December 1, 1956	Delmar Delaware
Dorothy E. Honey	February 14, 1957	Newport, Delaware
Florence Walls	March 31, 1957	Wilmington, Delaware
Pearl Prettyman	April 13, 1957	Delmar, Delaware
Thirza P. Hall	April 24, 1957	Delmar, Delaware
William E. Hall	April 24, 1957	Delmar, Delaware
Sarah M. Tikiob	May 3, 1957	Delmar, Delaware
Catherine Ruston	May 4, 1957	Delmar, Delaware

I examined in the work for Worthy Matron and issued Star Cards to:

Dorothy E. Honey	Delaware No. 1	September 18, 1956
Iris Lyons	Julia M. Story No. 3	December 3, 1956
Gertrude Fleming	St. John's No. 4	January 12, 1957
Pearl Lecates	Adah No. 5	October 22, 1956
Nettie Maharty	Radiant No. 6	November 2, 1956

Elizabeth Tull	Sussex No. 7	December 1, 195
Phyllis A. Howell	Caesar Rodney No. 8	January 5, 1957
Jacqueline D. Johnson	Newark No. 10	November 8, 1956
Jeanette Legates	Kent No. 11	August 23, 1956
Dolores S. Varell	Five Points No. 13	October 2, 1956
Charlotte Outten	Brandywine No. 14	January 5, 1957
Delcie Chambers	Victory No. 15	January 11, 1957
Marguerite L. Yarnall	Unity No. 16	September 13, 1956
Elizabeth Barnes	Esther No. 17	December 29, 1956
Ruth Pollitt	Laurel No. 18	February 7, 1957

I examined and issued "Class B" certificates to the following:

Jeanette Martin	Delaware No. 1	
Carl E. Oliver	Delaware No. 1	February 14, 1957
Dorris K. Gerfin	Mizpah No. 2	March 27, 1957
Edward Ruth	Mizpah No. 2	January 3, 1957
Roxie Wilson	Julia M. Story No. 3	January 12, 1957
Ann Rohrbaugh	St. John's No. 4	January 12, 1957
Robert George Revels	St. John's No. 4	January 12, 1957
Romaine B. Horney	Radiant No. 6	January 5, 1957
George Williams	Radiant No. 6	January 13, 1957
Eunice Marshall	Sussex No. 7	November 9, 1956
Joseph Bostick	Sussex No. 7	December 20, 1956
Norman H. Tull	Sussex No. 7	December 1, 1956
Dortha Kennedy	Caesar Rodney No. 8	August 27, 1956
Alfred W. Mills	Caesar Rodney No. 8	August 27, 1956
Alvin Miles	Caesar Rodney No. 8	January 5, 1957
Marian K. Holson	Georgetown No. 9	October 5, 1956
Arthur Warren Wheatley	Georgetown No. 9	May 5, 1957
Estella Mote	Newark No. 10	February 14, 1957
Wallace Johnson	Newark No. 10	April 5, 1957
Pearl W. Prettyman	Kent No. 11	August 25, 1956
Russell K. Legates	Kent No. 11	April 24, 1957
Lula E. Kempston	Frankford No. 12	October 26, 1956
Delthia Hickman	Frankford No. 12	May 4, 1957
Jean Lutton	Five Points No. 13	November 12, 1956
Elizabeth Jewell	Brandywine No. 14	September 18, 1956
Harold R. Harding	Brandywine No. 14	September 18, 1956
Majorie C. Childester	Victory No. 15	January 11, 1957
Clayton Jenkins	Victory No. 15	January 11, 1957
Rupert O. Hall	Unity No. 16	April 9, 1957
Elizabeth Greene	Unity No. 16	December 16, 1956
Helen A. Baker	Esther No. 17	December 19, 1956
John W. Guessford	Esther No. 17	December 30, 1956
Pearl Johnson	Laurel No. 18	April 1, 1957
Walter Pollitt	Laurel No. 18	May 9, 1957

Fraternally,

RITA C. WILKINSON,
Grand Lecturer

A motion was made by J. Nelson Abbott, P.P. and seconded by Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., that the report of the Grand Lecturer be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Report on Most Worthy Grand Matron's Project (Special Committee—Welfare) Sister Elvira Ziegler, P.G.M., gave her report on the Worthy Grand Matron's project, that of sending good used clothing to the needy in Germany and Korea.

REPORT OF OVERSEAS NEEDY

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

The following is a report of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's project, that of sending good used clothing and non-perishable food to the needy in Germany and Korea.

Grand Chapter of Delaware—\$50.00 which was part of the balance from the summer benefit was sent through the General Grand Chapter to the "Pusan Children's Charity Hospital" in Pusan, Korea. This hospital was started and maintained by Masons who serve or have served in the Armed Forces in Korea.

Delaware Chapter No. 1	—329 pounds of clothing, \$3.16 in food and \$13.00 in cash.
Radiant Chapter No. 6	—200 pounds of clothing.
Sussex Chapter No. 7	—2 boxes of clothing.
Georgetown Chapter No. 9	—150 pounds of clothing, and two \$10.00 care packages.
Newark Chapter No. 10	—64½ pounds of clothing.
Kent Chapter No. 11	—2 boxes of clothing.
Five Points Chapter No. 13	—235 pounds dried fruit and clothing.
Brandywine Chapter No. 14	—90 pounds of clothing.
Unity Chapter No. 16	—2 bundles of clothing.
Esther Chapter No. 17	—1 bundle of clothing.

Respectfully submitted,

Elvira J. Ziegler, P.G.M.

She then made a motion that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. This was seconded by Ruth Laws P.G.M.. After a discussion, she amended her motion to read that the report be accepted with the addition of 70 pounds of clothing from Mizpah Chapter, No 2. This was seconded by Ruth Laws and adopted.

REPORT OF CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION

Past Matron Mizpah Chapter No. 2

Sister Marie Burris, 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, 1956.

Lost by Death.....	39	Gained by Reinstatement...	5
Lost by Demit.....	36	Gained by Initiation.....	160
Lost by Suspension.....	34	Gained by Affiliation.....	17
Total Lost.....	109	Total Gain.....	182
Membership December 31, 1956	3239		
Membership December 31, 1955	3166		
Net Gain.....		73	

Fraternally submitted,
MARIE V. BURRIS, *Chairman*

Motion by Brother J. N. Abbott, seconded by Brother Fred Warrington the report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.

Motion adopted.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Chapters	No. Mem- bers	Initia- tion	Rein- stated	Affil- iated	Died	Demit- ted	Susten- ded
Delaware No. 1.....	336	10	0	1	5	4	8
Mizpah No. 2.....	242	8	0	1	3	3	1
J. M. Story No. 3.....	146	0	0	0	3	0	3
St. John's No. 4.....	157	5	1	0	7	2	0
Adah No. 5.....	157	4	0	1	1	2	0
Radiant No. 6.....	147	8	0	0	2	1	3
Sussex No. 7.....	154	7	0	1	0	1	0
Caesar Rodney No. 8..	167	10	2	3	0	2	6
Georgetown No. 9.....	141	6	0	0	2	0	0
Newark No. 10.....	181	20	0	3	1	0	0
Kent No. 11.....	156	5	0	0	3	5	1
Frankford No. 12.....	216	5	0	0	0	6	0
Five Points No. 13....	379	30	0	0	4	4	2
Brandywine No. 14....	196	11	0	0	2	4	5
Victory No. 15.....	153	12	2	2	2	1	0
Unity No. 16.....	181	12	0	4	4	1	0
Esther No. 17.....	64	2	0	1	0	0	5

Laurel No. 18.....	76	5	0	0	0	0	0
Lost By Death.....	39		Gained By Reinstatement..				5
Lost By Demit.....	36		Gained By Initiation.....				160
Lost By Suspension.....	34		Gained By Affiliation.....				17
		<u>109</u>					<u>182</u>
Membership December 31, 1956.....							3,239
Membership December 31, 1955.....							3,166
Net Gain.....							<u>73</u>

MARIE V. BURRIS, Chairman

Report was given by Elizabeth Fisher in place of Marie Burris. Motion made by Adele Ruth and seconded by W. P. Harold Harding that the report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF PRINTING COMMITTEE

No report to make except that we have received friendly interest and cooperation in all our dealings.

ELIZABETH M. FISHER, *Chairman*
EDITH M. McLEAN
EDITH SHINN

Motion made by Grand Esther Ruth Steele and seconded by Dorothy Corkran W.M. that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS REPORT

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters & Brothers, the committee on Job's Daughters make the following report:

On June 2, 1956, the girls helped serve at the Masonic Home on Grand Master's Day.

June 8, 1956, Mrs. Laura Seher, Supreme Guardian, made an official visit to Delaware. The Associate Grand Guardian, Mr. W. Dalton Bundy, made an official visit at this same time.

August 16, 1956, Miss Betty Denise Granche, Honored Queen of Bethel No. 1, attended the Supreme Session held in Milwaukee. At the Grand Ball she was chosen Supreme Honored Queen.

November 1, 1956, Bethel No. 4, received it's Charter.

The Worthy Grand Matron made official visits to Bethels No.2, and No. 3, in November.

February 14, 1957, the Grand Guardian of Maryland visited Bethel No. 4.

February 20, 1957, Worthy Grand Matron visited Bethel No.1.

March 28, 1957, Worthy Grand Matron visited Bethel No.4.

April 9, 1957, Supreme Guardian, Ruth Levitte, made official visit. On May 10, 1957, Honored Queens of Bethels No. 1, 3, and 4, went to Baltimore to attend the annual Session of the Grand Guardian Council. They took part in escorting, presenting, and paying tribute to the Delaware State Flag.

Honored Queens of Bethels No. 1, 2, 3, and 4, were invited to take part in the Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter Sessions, O. E. S.

Social affairs have included skating parties, bowling parties and swimming. Bethels No. 2, and 4, held Formal Christmas dances. Bethel No. 4, entertained the Golden Age Group of the Harrison St. M. E. Church. Each Bethel held a "Buddy" Night and entertained each of the other Bethels once each term. Parties were taken to the Masonic Home. The girls took part in Christmas caroling. Each Honored Queen attended Church Services at the church of her choice with other members of her Bethel during her term of office. March 29, 1957, there was a De Molay "Mixer" Dance in the Gold Ball-Room.

March 30, 1957, there was a De Molay Dinner Dance in the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

May 4, 1957, a Fair and Baked Ham Supper was held in Newport. All Bethels took part in this affair, the proceeds of which will go to buy necessary equipment for the Delaware Day School for hand-capped children.

April 3, 1957, Bethel No. 3, exemplified the Work for Newark Chapter No. 10, and on another date for Elkton Chapter.

Plans have been made to Institute another Bethel of Job's Daughters on June 8, 1957. This Bethel will be sponsored by Georgetown Chapter No. 9, O. E. S.

Memberships:

Bethel No. 1, Initiated 28, Total 79

Bethel No. 2, Initiated 30, Total 136

Bethel No. 3, Initiated 11, Total 37

Bethel No. 4, Initiated 23, Total 49

Ways and Means:

The members have worked on public and covered-dish suppers, "record hops", rummage sales, hat check jobs for Masonic lodges,

soup sales, calendar parties, and the sale of miscellaneous items. All Bethels have satisfactory reports.

ELEANOR W. TYLER
 JACQUELINE KYLE
 LOYD FREDERICK

Report was read by Jane Livermore. Motion was made by Emily Crossland, P.M. and seconded by Adele Ruth, W. M. that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT ON SUMMER BENEFIT

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

*Lord, help me live the Golden Rule,
 And may I always see
 The needs of others, along the path
 Which Thou has set for me.*

Our Summer Benefit was held at the Shrine Club Building, Saturday, June 23, 1956, and again we were blessed with a beautiful sunshiny day, which afforded us the opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all who attended, but this only increased the sale of our cold drinks accompanied by a delicious hamburg or a hot dog sandwich furnished by the capable hands of our Worthy Grand Patron, and our Past Grand Patron Brother George Ostendarp, and their helpful co-workers.

The dining room as usual was under the supervision of Past Grand Matron Sister Ruth M. Laws, and her fine looking waitresses. Past Matron Sister Bessie Miles had the kitchen under control with her retinue of a few hard working Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, also Past Matrons and Patrons and members of the subordinate chapters. Even the garbage men in the dining room as always, did a perfect job.

Sister Sadie C. Conly and her helpers were ready with pie, and Sister Iva Ostendarp and her associates had iced tea ready at a minutes notice. Also Past Grand Patron Brother Norris Tull was ready and waiting for customers to purchase articles from his grab bag stand.

Our Grand Trustee Brother Abbott, always does a thorough job collecting the money and guards it with an eye of an F. B.I. Agent, and Past Grand Patron Brother Bob Larrimore is always around when you need some special errand to be done, also those faithful members who volunteer to help in many ways too numerous to mention.

The tables under the supervision of the Worthy Matrons of the subordinate Chapters were beautiful, with their fancy work, baked

goods, candy & novelties, and the farm tables looked as though the vegetables had been grown in hot houses, so is it any wonder our Carnival was a big success. For all this, and the untiring efforts of our membership as a whole, your Chairman can only say with a heart full of gratitude, a great big "Thank You".

Our receipts for the day were \$3,864.26, including \$30.00 from 1955.

Our expenditures \$695.46

Leaving a balance clear \$3,168.80

On September 13, 1956 we paid a visit to the Delaware Day School for Handicapped Children and presented them with a gift of \$2,000.00, to be divided between the 3 schools, one in each county.

On October 21, 1956 a Caravan of the members made a visit to the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children in Philadelphia, Pa. and presented them with a check for \$1,000.00.

A request from our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence A. Plummer for a gift to the Korean Hospital was received, and our Worthy Grand Matron instructed the Grand Secretary to send a check for \$50.00 for this project.

A check for \$10.00 was also sent to the Organization for Crippled Children and Adults for a Bond which they sent to us as an interest in this organization.

This leaves a balance of \$108.80.

Our Worthy Grand Patron will purchase lumber and make a collapsible outside stand to be the property of the Grand Chapter, and can be used each year. This will eliminate having to borrow lumber each year for a stand.

We thank our Asso. Grand Patron Brother John Conley (who was called away on business) for his telegram of good wishes for a successful day.

We are greatly indebted to our past Grand Patron, Brother I. Kendall Gibbs for his efforts in securing 10-100 lb. bags of potatoes which were given to us by Mason Brothers, Hallwood, Va. and to Mr. Benjamin Cohen for our tickets and posters which were donated by Story Printing Company. To the Melody Makers who furnished entertainment and music for dancing, and to Victory Chapter for their part in helping to get the school started in Dover, Delaware.

Our Summer Benefit this year will be held on Saturday, June 15, 1957, in the Richardson Park School.

Your Worthy Matron has tickets and will notify your chapter the table she has selected, and I hope you will all do your part to make this affair outstanding.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I thank you sincerely for appointing me Chairman for this Grand Chapter Project, and hope the efforts of your committee and the success of the Summer Benefit has pleased you. I am sure we did our best, and we have a great feeling of satisfaction to know we have brought some sunshine to these children who are less fortunate than our own, and to lighten the burden of their parents.

*When others need our help and care,
Let's not neglect our giving,
And when we make their lives more fair,
Then life is worth the living.*

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE.

Motion was made by Margaret King, P.M. and seconded by Rebecca Hagenbuch, P.M. that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

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

During the past year, I have taken a very pleasant journey throughout the Eastern Star World, the mode of travel being by the proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions.

As I traveled from Maine to California, from Puerto Rico to British Columbia, with a little time out for a side trip to Scotland, I have been permitted to stand in magnificent churches, beautiful temples and auditoriums, decorated with nature's loveliest flowers, each setting bringing to light and life, the watchword, the motto, or favorite Scripture of a Worthy Grand Matron.

The Holy Bible rests on the Altar of all Grand Chapters and Prayer is a vital part of each Session.

Impressive memorials are given in loving tribute to those who have answered the "Good Shepherd's Call".

Our National Emblem is our most honored guest at each meeting. In the Chapters of our States along the Canadian border the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes stand side by side, symbolic of the friendship between the two great nations.

The magnitude of our Order has gone far and beyond any dream of Doctor Robert Morris who in 1850 wove the divine threads of "Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness" into a beautiful pattern and called it the Order of the Eastern Star.

We are today the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both men and women belong, having a membership of over 3,000,000. It is international in scope, comprising four sovereign bodies:

The General Grand Chapter
 Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland
 and the independent Grand Chapters of New York and New Jersey.

The General Grand Chapter has been organized since 1876— with jurisdiction over 58 Grand Chapters including 46 States, the District of Columbia and the Provinces of Canada and Puerto Rico. It also has direct supervision over subordinate Chapters in Alaska, Bermuda, Cuba, Mexico, Philippine Islands, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, China, Japan, Canal Zone, Yukon area and Germany.

Our International Eastern Star Temple, located in Washington, D. C., is the headquarters of General Grand Chapter. The Temple's magnificent interior houses fifty-four rooms, priceless and rare furniture, rugs and treasures as well as valuable O. E. S. records and documents. This Temple is maintained by dividends from a trust fund established from receipts of "One dollar per member in a life time".

The International Peace Garden is a tract of land situated between North Dakota and Canada which was established in 1932 as a memorial to the friendship between the two countries. Plots in this garden have been allotted to the Order of the Eastern Star and it is the hope that in the near future something of beauty will be placed there which is symbolic of our Order.

Since it would be impossible to include in this report all the interesting details of each Grand Jurisdiction, I have selected some of the highlights to share with you.

Arkansas—Worthy Grand Martha attended the Session. Since the Star Point, Martha, was honored, Sister Helen West extended the welcome to the Marthas of Subordinate Chapters.

Colorado—A Mother and her six daughters and a sister-in-law were initiated on the Official Visit of the Worthy Grand Matron. At one Chapter meeting, the Worthy Grand Matron was presented a real live burro.

Michigan is the oldest Grand Chapter.

Ohio has the largest membership.

Illinois has the largest number of Chapters.

Montana—Each member pays one dollar towards Estarl, and over \$12,000 was contributed, enabling a Chair of Religion

to be established at Rocky Mountain College. This jurisdiction has placed a gold piano in the International Temple, in honor of Sister Anna Smalley, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron.

Pennsylvania—To Pennsylvania goes the distinction of being the home of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer. This Grand Jurisdiction supports three homes.

Utah—One Chapter in Utah, the ladies wove their own labyrinth rug.

I would like to thank Sisters Mildred and Eliza, for their able assistance in reviewing with me the proceedings from other Grand Jurisdictions, and we unite in thanking our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth Fisher, for her promptness in forwarding the proceedings.

Worthy Grand Matron, we thank you for the privilege of serving as Fraternal Correspondents.

On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, I extend fraternal greetings to Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Fraternally submitted,

SARAH HOFFMAN, *Chairman*
Associate Grand Matron

MILDRED H. MINNER
Grand Conductress

ELIZA L. CROSSLAND
Associate Grand Conductress

Motion was made by Helen West, W. G. Martha, seconded by Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF O. E. S. BUILDING CORPORATION

Report was given by P.G.P. CHARLES CLEAVER

December 8, 1956

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

May I report to you on the meeting of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation which was held on November 30, 1956 at its office 912, West Street.

At the present time there are only three bodies retaining stock in this corporation. They are Grand Chapter of Delaware with two (2)

shares; Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 with eighty-five shares and Radiant Chapter No. 6 with sixty (60) shares.

The present members appointed to represent the above bodies are Mrs. Pauline Davis, Mr. Chas. V. Cleaver and Mrs. Jane Zebley respectively.

We three voted for the new officers of the corporation with the following result. President, Mrs. Jane Zebley; Secretary, Mr. Charles V. Cleaver and Treasurer, Mrs. Pauline Davis.

Mrs. Davis read the treasurer's report which showed income from interest amounted to \$78.90 and expenses of corporation file fee and safe deposit box rent for \$11.60 leaving net gain of \$67.30.

The corporation had two (2) U. S. Bonds that matured and it was decided to cash these bonds and place the \$2000.00 in the Wilmington Savings Fund account at 3% interest.

The total worth of the 147 shares as of November 30th, 1956 amounts to \$4,845.85 or a book value of a little over \$33.00 per share.

We are most anxious that this corporation shall fulfill its mission and be able to secure a building for the five Wilmington chapters. Your suggestions will be greatly appreciated.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES V. CLEAVER,
Secretary

Motion was made by P.G.P. Charles Cleaver and seconded by P.G.P. Fred Warrington that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

P.P. Nelson Abbott made a motion that Sister Pauline Davis be appointed for another year Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Building Corp. Motion seconded by P.G.P. Charles V. Cleaver. Motion adopted.

RED CROSS REPORT

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

I herewith submit report of Red Cross work done by subordinate Chapters from May 1, 1956 to April 30, 1957:

Delaware Chapter

No. 1 —No report

Mizpah No. 2 —2 pints blood, 154 hrs. sewing

Julia M. Story No. 3 —

St. John's No. 4 —No report

\$10.00

Adah No. 5	—No report	
Radiant No. 6	—1 home nursing course, 16 Unit hours 101 hours sewing	
Sussex No. 7	—5 home nursing courses	\$ 5.00
Caesar Rodney No. 8	—30 Unit hours	\$ 5.00
Georgetown No. 9	—143 Unit hours, 2 pints blood	\$10.00
Newark No. 10	—36 Unit hours	\$ 5.00
Kent No. 11	—72 hours sewing	
Frankford No. 12	—64 Unit hours, 8 pints blood	
Five Points No. 13	—391½ Unit hours	
Brandywine No. 14	—76 hours, sewing, 2 pints blood	
Victory No. 15	—No report	
Unity No. 16	—38 hrs. nursing, 4 Unit hours	\$10.00
Esther No. 17	—No report	
Laurel No. 18	—	\$10.00

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCHE T. KEYS,
Chairman of Red Cross

The following reports were received after the above report was compiled:

Delaware No. 1	—820 Unit hours 895 hours Home Nursing 89 night shirts for Bacon Health Center. 4 boxes clothing for Bacon Health Center. 1 pint blood 1 Patch work quilt to Africa.	
Sussex No. 7	—45 Unit hours	
Esther No. 17	—Donation Bacon Health Center 150 Magazines 3 large boxes clothing 1 large box (children's clothing (new) and 5 hours solicitation	\$ 5.00

Report read by:

JULIA H. DAWSON, Past Matron

Report was given by Julia Dawson, P. M. There were some additions. Motion was made by Sister Grace Hall, W.M. and seconded by Sister Adele Ruth that the report plus addition of 130 hours

Mobile Service for Mizpah Chapter, \$5.00 Newark Chapter, and 25 hours Gray Ladies Service at the Dover Air Force Hospital, be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

W.G.M. thanked Sister Ivah Ostendarp for filling the station of the Grand Chaplain during the afternoon Session.

P.G.M. Sister Amy Meyer questioned the legality of changes made in the Constitution and By-Laws at the 1956 Annual Session. P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth Pierce reported that they had the first reading on the 1st day and the second reading on the 2nd day and everyone voted that it should be complied with. A discussion followed and P.G.M. Amy Meyer suggested that it be voted on tomorrow to be made legal.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter called from labor to reconvene at 7:00 P. M.

MONDAY EVENING, May 13, 1957

INFORMAL OPENING 7 P. M.

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware was called to order by the Session Chairman, Past Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 14, Sister Ivah B. Ostendarp in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel DuPont at 7:00 P. M., Monday evening, May 13th, 1957.

The room was decorated in accordance with the wish of Worthy Grand Matron using the colors Green and White. The back drop of shirred White satin made by the session committee was very beautiful with 6 Cibotium Palms on either side, a sign of white and green letters reading Unity Session placed at top of back drop was very impressive. Across the Grand East were flower boxes of White Roses and Ivy.

Distinguished guests were escorted to the Grand East by members of the Hospitality Committee.

The Flag bearers and Guards entered, approached the Grand East, facing West, and stood while pages wearing green taffeta capes over long white dresses, carrying green taffeta bags and wearing a white rose in their hair formed a Star. The Matrons of '56 and '57 entered carrying white rose buds and green fern forming the two sides of a triangle. Honor Queens from the four Bethels of Jobs Daughters wearing gold crowns and long purple capes over white satin gowns entered two by two, standing four abreast inside the triangle. The Patrons of '56 and '57 entered, forming the base of the triangle and holding a green taffeta banner with white satin letters spelling the word Welcome. Flag bearers placed flags in the standards, and as Shaub a member of Sessions Committee sang "Our Delaware". As Matrons and Past Matrons marched out each placed a rose or fern in



HELEN C. WEST
Worthy Grand Martha

tall silver vases, which were presented to the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

The invocation was given by Reverend Harold H. McConnell of Calvary Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Mabel Dukes accompanied by Mrs. Dorothy Murray, daughters of Mrs. Adella Holt, Grand Chaplain sang "My God and I".

A welcome was extended by His Excellency J. Caleb Boggs, Governor of the State of Delaware, and by His Honor Alexander Abrams, Mayor of the City of Wilmington.

Remarks were given by Dr. Clifford Bauer, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, whose mother was a Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S., also by Dr. Clinton Gasper from the staff of the Veterans' Hospital.

Mr. Thomas Brand, President of the Delaware Day School for Handicapped Children was introduced by Mrs. Elizabeth Pierce, P.G.M. Mr. Brand expressed his appreciation to the members of the Order in Delaware for their interest and financial assistance on behalf of the Handicapped Children.

Clinton B. Harris, Potentate of Nur Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. was not present due to fact he was attending a Shriners' meeting in Cleveland, Ohio.

The speaker of the evening, Mr. John G. Leach, talked on service to others especially children.

The Reverend Harold H. McConnell pronounced the benediction after which the Guests who were not members of the Order were escorted from the room.

MONDAY EVENING 8:00 P. M.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ivah Ostendarp, P. M., presenting P.G.M. Ruth Laws and P.G.P., Norris Tull who welcomed the W.G.M., Sister Mary H. Bevis and the W.G.P., Brother William F. Nutter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Bill, it is indeed an honor and a great privilege to open this your Monday evening Session.

Another Eastern Star year is quickly drawing to a close—One of Truth and Love, Unity and Peace, as well as one with work well done.

I have enjoyed so much being one of your "trailers", and will be very happy to welcome you both and make room for you in the line of Past Grands between Brother Norris and myself.

Again may I thank you most sincerely for the privilege of welcoming you, Sister Mary and Brother Bill.

Worthy Grand Matron thanked Sister Ruth and Brother Norris for opening the evening Session.

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS:

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

TRIBUTE TO FLAGS:

Grand Marshal, Mrs. Mabel Guthrie.

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

I am indeed grateful to the Worthy Grand Matron for conferring upon me the honor of paying tribute to the Flag.

AMERICAN

We pause at the beginning of this Grand Chapter Session to pay tribute to the Flag of the United States of America.

Remember as you look at your Flag, which is the symbol of your nation, that it is red because of human sacrifice. It has blue in it because of the true blue loyalty of its defenders. George Washington described the white in the Flag as symbolizing liberty—our land of the free. The stars are symbols of the united efforts and hope in the hearts of many people striving for a greater, nobler America. Let us guard and respect this Flag at all times, for it is the symbol of every high ideal in the American way of life.

CHRISTIAN FLAG

With humility we pay tribute to the Christian Flag, and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands. Uniting all mankind in Service and Love.

*By it the power of war will cease,
And give to the world a lasting Peace.*

DELAWARE FLAG

Let us keep our eyes and hearts steadily fixed upon the flag of Delaware, that symbolizes a people with a great pride in their small domain.

Let us who live in the hills and vales of New Castle, the woodlands of Kent and the Gardens of Sussex ever pledge our Faith to the Flag of Delaware.

EASTERN STAR FLAG

It is fitting that we should pause in our deliberations to pay tribute to our Eastern Star Flag.

Let us strive to make our Star bring into our lives, truth, beauty, and fine qualities symbolized by the five Heroines of our Order, so that we may become broader in our judgment and more tolerant of others.

So long as the Sun may shine, may the four of these flags continue to occupy their places in this Grand Chapter, unhampered, untrampled and unsoiled.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME:

Mrs. Grace Hall, W. M. of Unity Chapter, No. 16.

*Welcome, Members assembled here,
We greet you all from far and near.
Our members old, and members new,
Just feel at home, as we want you to.*

The presence of our Members and Guests denote the interest they feel in the progress and welfare of our Order.

We are honored by the presence of our Distinguished Guests who have traveled many miles to be with us.

Life is a building and may each lesson we learn lay a block in our lives and instill in our hearts to give Service to our Sisters and Brothers so that our Life's building may be found acceptable in His sight. Welcome to our Grand Chapter.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME OF HOSTESS CHAPTER

By Associate Grand Matron—SARAH HOFFMAN

Next to the pleasure of extending a welcome is the joy of responding to one. On behalf of the delegates and members, I wish to thank Sister Grace Hall, Worthy Matron of Unity Chapter No. 16, for her sincere and cordial welcome so graciously expressed.

We have come from the different parts of the State to legislate for to-day and plan for the future.

It is our sincere hope and prayer that we as individuals, as well as a group, may perform some task that will make this Grand Chapter a success.

Worthy Grand Matron, thank you for this courtesy, and I wish for you and our Worthy Grand Patron, a most inspiring session filled with fraternal fellowship.

WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer—No greater privilege could come to a Worthy Grand Matron than that of welcoming you, the Illustrious leader of our beloved Order. This Grand Chapter is honored and blessed by your presence, and I want to take this opportunity to publicly express our deep appreciation for the honor you have bestowed on our Jurisdiction by selecting our own Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen West, a member of your Official Family.

Sister Florence, we are delighted to receive you as our brightest Star of Stars.

*May each kindly deed you've done
return to you to bless
Your life, and you, and all you do
With perfect happiness!*

The Most Worthy Grand Matron was then escorted to the Grand East and accorded the Grand Honors.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS:

Distinguished Guests, one of the happiest occasions in my year is this, when I am privileged to welcome General Grand Chapter Officers.

Sister Helen—Worthy Grand Martha—OUR OWN—Past Grand Matron—I affectionately welcome you back to Delaware. We know that perhaps due to the position you now hold, that you will no doubt be away from our Jurisdiction many times; but we trust that it will not be for as long a time as you spent in Florida this past year. We are very proud of the high honor you have brought to our Grand Jurisdiction, and wish for you much happiness—not only throughout the remainder of your term of Office; but ALWAYS.

Sister Mildred—Grand Esther: You have heard many times that we in Delaware feel that you belong to us. A few weeks ago you were telling me some of the Guests who were expected to attend your Grand Session, and as you called it "Our Grand Session", I thought you were speaking of Our Delaware Grand Session. I think this proves just how much I personally think of you. It has been a real pleasure to have you visit many of our subordinate Chapters during the past year, and please come to Delaware just as often as possible.

To the Worthy Grand Marshal, Sister Ann Thomas: We deeply appreciate your presence, and trust you will enjoy your visit with us so much that you will want to come back again. My Sisters, I extend a most cordial welcome to each of you.

General Grand Chapter Officers were escorted East and accorded Grand Honors.

Response by Sister Helen West, Worthy Grand Martha.

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

We, the General Grand Chapter Officers deeply appreciate the very gracious welcome you have extended to us this evening.

I am sure I voice the sentiments of each when I say we are happy to be here.

I have looked forward to this evening for a long time, when we would have our Most Worthy Grand Matron and other General Grand Chapter officers with us. We are so *very pleased* and *grateful* you could be here and do hope your visit will be so pleasant that you will return again.

Sister Mary and Brother Bill, I know that your efforts have not failed to promote *Truth and Love, Unity and Peace* throughout this Grand Jurisdiction and I wish to congratulate both of you on a very successful year now drawing to a close.

Thank you so much for giving me the privilege and honor of responding to the Most cordial welcome accorded us.

We wish for you a harmonious and successful Grand Chapter Session. May you be given the wisdom and guidance of our Heavenly Father in all your deliberations.

General Grand Committee Member, Sister Beulah Allbright: I welcome you most heartily, and offer praise for your achievements. Happy are those who are chosen, for they have been proved Worthy. I'm sure you have been proved Worthy in your Grand Jurisdiction. May our welcome be so sincere, that in the years to come, you will kindly remember the hours you spent with us. Sister Allbright was escorted to the Grand East and accorded Grand Honors.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Sister Edith E. Care and Brother Robert Ridgeway:

We have been sharing the same experience in our respective Grand Jurisdictions. I know with so many demands on your time, you have made sacrifices to be with us. We're so happy to have you, and trust you will be able to stay throughout the Sessions, and will enjoy it so much that you'll want to come back again.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF DELAWARE:

My Sisters and Brothers, one of the greatest pleasures this Session will hold for me is that of welcoming you, our own Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. We work and live in the present; we dream of the Future; but our great wealth of Wisdom comes from the Past. You have not only lovingly built our Grand Chapter, but each of you has left for those who are privileged to follow you, a challenging record of noble and worthy accomplishments. Your experiences and your willingness to give council have been and will be

of value to all who follow, and we are grateful that we have such splendid Past Grands on whom we may call. We realize that your presence here indicates your interest in our Order, and we trust that it will continue through the years. I extend to each of you a sincere welcome.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME TO PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS

Given by Sister ALICE C. ABBOTT, P.G.M.

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

It is a real pleasure, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, to have the privilege of responding to your beautiful words of welcome, and on behalf of the Past Grand Matrons, I thank you most sincerely.

We are extremely happy to be present at your Unity Session, not only to help legislate for the good of our Order in this State, but to hear the reports of your and Brother Bill's accomplishments and successes during the past year and to clasp hands with our Eastern Star friends and guests.

I shall always be grateful for the opportunity accorded me and my Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Percy C. Cotty, when in 1947 we constituted your home chapter, Unity No. 16, and you, Worthy Grand Matron, had the honor of serving as the first Worthy Matron.

We, who have served in the past, are eagerly waiting to welcome you and Brother Bill into our ranks. We wish for you both a most happy and harmonious session, for as the Psalmist has said, "It is good and pleasant for brethren to dwell together in *UNITY*".

GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS:

Our friends from other Grand Jurisdictions, we are so pleased to have you present at our Grand Chapter Session. You come to us from our sister Grand Jurisdictions not as strangers; but as co-workers, following the same great Star of the East. May you have cherished memories of your visit with us. On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware I welcome you.

GRAND TRUSTEES:

It is an honor and a pleasure to welcome you to our "Unity Session". You have served our Grand Chapter well, and may you reap the reward that always comes from service freely given.

Response by BRO. J. NELSON ABBOTT.

DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS:

*We've come again to the end of a year
When our labors in the Grand East are through
We've not labored in vain, We've labored in Love
Because of wonderful helpers like you.*

Thank you for coming and for the countless hours of time and energy given freely in service to our beloved Order.

Response by BESSIE MILES, Deputy Grand Lecturer

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

On behalf of the Deputy Grand Lecturers, I am honored to respond to your kind words of welcome. We have been a small part of your Grand Chapter year, and have tried to be faithful to these duties, ever mindful of our love and willingness to be of service to our beautiful Order.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron—this year you have traveled far in our State for Eastern Star. Yes, you really have been busy and you had a wonderful year. Off to banquets, meetings, parties and the rest. So we know if we should ask you, emphatically you'd say, That the memories of this year will be the best.

JUNIOR PAST MATRONS AND JUNIOR PAST PATRONS:

It is a pleasure for me to have the opportunity of returning the friendly and cordial welcome you have extended to me this past year. I shall never forget your many courtesies and kindnesses. Please accept my sincere thanks for being successful leaders in your Chapters, and for your loyal support and devotion to our Order.

RESPONSE FOR WORTHY MATRONS

by Sister MARGARET RUSSELL, P. M., Unity No. 16

May I express to you Worthy Grand Matron, on behalf of the Worthy Matrons of 1956, our thanks for your warm words of welcome. I deem it a privilege and great pleasure to reply to the most gracious welcome just received.

In accepting your position last May, you asked for Wisdom, Courage and Understanding, to be fair and just in performing your duties. Your prayer has surely been answered, for you have planted the Seeds of Truth and Loving Kindness and promoted Goodwill everywhere you have traveled.

Ours has been a pleasant task of helping promulgate the Principles of our wonderful Order and of serving under your leadership.

I sincerely hope that when this Grand Chapter Session is over it will have been in every way, everything that you have hoped and

dreamed, and that it will be worthy of your many years of service to the Order.

Again, thank you.

Response for Patrons of 1956 by Paul L. Coverdale.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests:

On behalf of the Worthy Patrons of 1956, may I say, thank you for your most cordial words of welcome.

You, our chosen leaders for this past year, have given us Truth and Love; Unity and Peace, understanding, and, above all, inspiration. Through your tireless efforts and deeds, you have shown us a brighter Star to follow. We hope that we, in turn, have helped to make your year one that will always remain a happy memory. Our association with you has been one of sincere happiness.

I wish to thank you for the honor and privilege of responding to your welcome.

WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS OF 1957:

I extend to each of you a most cordial welcome. This is your Grand Session and we want you to join in all our deliberations. On behalf of the Grand Chapter Officers, thank you so much for the lovely Banquet Saturday Night.

*May this year to you be the happiest and best
May the good accomplishments stand out from the rest;
May the teachings of our Order be felt throughout the land
May all your acts be guided by God's unfailing hand.*

Response for Worthy Matrons by Florence Kent, Worthy Matron of Kent Chapter No. 11.

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

For the Worthy Matrons of 1957, it is a great pleasure to respond to your gracious words of welcome.

Since we were installed most of us have had an opportunity to see you many times in your travels and greet you in our respective Chapters. Your dignity, warmth, friendliness and cooperation uphold the true tradition of our order and will be fitting adjectives to describe your year in the annals of our history. Wherever you have been, you have made friends that we hope will last forever and have shown the true Eastern Star spirit always in all ways.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we are sure that your Unity Session will be full of Unity and peace as we all want it to be. Thank you humbly and sincerely for the honor and privilege of responding to your welcome.

Response for Patrons by John Guessford, Esther Chapter #17.

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

I am indeed happy to welcome the Committee Members of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, and trust you will enjoy your stay with us. Sister Olive Shontz, member of the Welfare Committee, I am especially pleased to welcome you. In 1946, you attended the Institution of my home Chapter, Unity No. 16, in Lewes, and I'm happy to welcome you now to our Unity Session.

TO OUR OWN GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

We are aware of the fact that the Grand Chapter Committee Members give much time, thought and effort to their work, but we do not always stop to think that upon the performance of their duties rests a great share of the success of our Order. Please accept my gratitude for your loyalty, and for your work so efficiently rendered. To YOU ALL I say Thrice Welcome!

Response to the Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's welcome to the Grand Chapter Committee Members.

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

I am proud to have been chosen to respond to your kind and gracious welcome to the Grand Chapter Committee Members.

If, in the performance of our duties, we have helped you both to realize some of your ambitions this year, then our efforts have been amply rewarded.

We have tried to be faithful to the trust you have placed in us, always remembering that God estimates us not by the size of the task but how cheerfully and willingly we meet each duty.

You have served us graciously and competently and we are proud to have had a small part in your year in the Grand East.

We, the Grand Chapter Committee Members, wish for you both a pleasant Unity Session and many, many more years of faithful service to our Radiant Star.

Thank you again for the honor of responding.

CATHERINE RUSTON

WELCOME TO SECRETARIES OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS
ORDER EASTERN STAR

ELIZABETH M. FISHER, *Grand Secretary*

Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron, it is once more my happy privilege to extend a welcome to the secretaries of our subordinate chapters in Delaware.

To the secretaries who have served for the last several years, I wish to express my appreciation for your friendship and cooperation and I trust our friendship will continue throughout the years.

To the secretaries who are serving for the first year, I would remind you that you hold a very responsible office in your Chapter. You can be a great help to your Worthy Matron and to your Chapter by careful attention to your duties.

I know from experience it will be a source of much satisfaction and pleasure to you.

May this session be an enjoyable one for each of you.

*In my Garden of Remembrance
There is a tiny sheltered spot
Fragrant with the blooms of beauty
Of the sweet For-Get-Me-Nots.*

*No brighter, fairer flowers
In my garden ever grew
Than the tiny ones that whisper
It's been a joy to work with you.*

Response by Pauline M. Scheaffer, Secretary Newark Chapter No. 10.

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

Sister Elizabeth, it is an honor and a pleasure that I have been given this opportunity to respond to your gracious words of welcome.

In behalf of the Secretaries of the subordinate Chapters, I wish to extend to you our appreciation for the many kindnesses and support you have given to each of us.

We secretaries realize only a part of what goes into a Grand Secretary's office. You have served your Grand Chapter in this capacity for many years and we are proud to be associated with you.

Now that you are retiring from this high office and you will have more time on your hands, we extend to you a most cordial welcome to visit with our various Chapters whenever you feel you can. Our wholehearted thanks again.

Worthy Grand Matron, I wish to thank you for giving me this opportunity.

NOTE: a \$25.00 Bond, a gift from the secretaries of the Subordinate Chapters was presented to sister Fisher, Grand Secretary by sister Elizabeth Pierce, P.G.M., Secretary of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF DELAWARE NEAR OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS:

It is always a pleasure to welcome guests, and you are heartily welcome to our "Unity Session". Your presence here proves your deep interest in your appointment and your loyalty to us. Will you please carry Greetings and our Fraternal Love to your Jurisdictions? And thank you for coming.

Escorted East and accorded Grand Honors.

Visiting Grand Representatives you are heartily welcome, and I sincerely hope you will enjoy your visit with us. On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware I extend a most cordial welcome. Thank you for coming!

Escorted East, and accorded Grand Honors.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS NEAR THE GRAND JURISDICTION OF DELAWARE ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

ALABAMA	Ruth Layton
ARIZONA	Catherine Downing
ARKANSAS	Katherine Bradley
ALBERTA	Evelyn Holden
BRITISH COLUMBIA	Mary Ellison
CALIFORNIA	Phoebe Sharpley
COLORADO	Ruth Loveless
CONNECTICUT	Ida Lowe
DIST. OF COLUMBIA	Katie Boyer
FLORIDA	Grace Moore
GEORGIA	Gordon Kyle
IDAHO	Ivah Ostendarp
INDIANA	Hilda Wood
IOWA	Mabel Davis
ILLINOIS	Sue Baynard
KANSAS	Viola Burton
KENTUCKY	Margaret Holloway
LOUISIANA	Ruth Bryan
MAINE	Lanah Milbourn
MANITOBA	Madeline Litchfield
MARYLAND	Mary Woerner
MASSACHUSETTS	Sue Cardwell
MICHIGAN	Sarah Coverdale
MINNESOTA	Marilyn Cooper
MISSISSIPPI	Myrtle Stevenson
MISSOURI	Lorraine Putzier
MONTANA	Helen Joseph
NEBRASKA	Jane Livermore
NEVADA	Jane Brittingham
NEW BRUNSWICK	Mildred Carlisle
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Jeanette Gutzke
NEW JERSEY	Beulah Rodway
NEW MEXICO	Rebecca Hagenbuch
NEW YORK	Miriam Ziegler
NORTH CAROLINA	Edith Harcum

NORTH DAKOTA.....	Ruth Porter
NOVA SCOTIA.....	Ruth Stiggins
OHIO.....	Isabella Allen
OKLAHOMA.....	Mary Sipple
ONTARIO.....	Margaret King
OREGON.....	Anna Hudson
PENNSYLVANIA.....	Clemmie West
PUERTO RICO.....	Dorothy Werner
QUEBEC.....	Margaret Wooten
RHODE ISLAND.....	Edith McLennan
SASKATCHEWAN.....	Mabel Johnston
SCOTLAND.....	Edith McLean
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	Ida Kapp
SOUTH DAKOTA.....	Catherine Ruston
TENNESSEE.....	Fannie Brown
TEXAS.....	Patricia Mears
UTAH.....	Doris Truitt
VERMONT.....	Ruth Nutter
VIRGINIA.....	Margaret Russell
WASHINGTON.....	Evelyn Reynolds
WEST VIRGINIA.....	Helen Weldie
WISCONSIN.....	Ida Case
WYOMING.....	Ethel Hudson

Welcomed by the Associate Grand Patron, Brother John Conley.

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

It becomes my great privilege and pleasure at this time to bid you all a hearty welcome. No doubt you are aware that you enjoy a privilege and distinction that cannot be accorded to every member of the Order. To you is entrusted the ambassadorship of friendship and good will which serves to unite this Grand Jurisdiction with other Grand Jurisdictions the world over. You are charged with the responsibility of informing us of those activities which are especially unusual or laudable thereby promoting a richer and more abundant understanding between this Grand Chapter and other Grand Chapters. We trust that your love for our Order coupled with your zealous and enthusiastic support may lead you to experiences heretofore unthought of that may react to the enlightenment of us all.

This Session is called Unity Session. A most appropriate name, as unity stands for singleness and harmony, a state of being one, and as Grand Representatives I am sure you realize this unity through your contact with your sister representatives. May your attendance at this Grand Session be most pleasant and when it is over, remain among your most pleasant memories.

Worthy Grand Matron, I thank you for the privilege of welcoming these Grand Representatives.

Response to Welcome to Grand Representatives—P. M. Rebecca Hagenbuch. Brandywine Chapter #14

Escorted East, and accorded the Grand Honors.



GRAND PAGES

I am happy to welcome you to this Annual Grand Chapter Session. You are a lovely group in our colors of Green and White.

*May this Grand Chapter impart
Joy and Happiness to fill your heart.
We will truly appreciate too,
All the things you have to do.*

Response by Sister ANNE ROHRBAUGH—St. John's Chapter No. 4

We are greatly honored and very happy to be serving as Grand Pages this year.

We hope our assistance has been satisfactory, and shall continue so through-out the remainder of the session and your wishes fulfilled.

There is much to acquire while being here, but it is more than "Grand" just knowing you.

SUPREME DEPUTY OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS AND
GUARDIANS AND ASSOCIATE GUARDIANS

I am happy to welcome you Sister Gertrude and your co-workers. I'm sure I express the feeling of all members of our Order, when I say we deeply appreciate the time and effort you are rendering to Job's Daughters. Thank you for coming!

Response to Grand Matron's Welcome to Job's Daughters:

Again, it is my happy privilege to respond to your most cordial welcome.

As you know, Job's Daughters is very close to the hearts of my entire family and also to these Guardians & Associate Guardians here with me.

We are most happy to announce the formation of another Bethel of Job's Daughters in Georgetown on June 8 at 2:00 P. M. We hope that all Chapters will be represented at this institution.

We are glad to have the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron as "Members of Honor" in each of our Bethels and so happy to have welcomed them to each of our four Bethels.

Thanks so much for all your courtesies.

GERTRUDE R. GRUBB,
Supreme Deputy to Delaware

WELCOME TO THE SUPERINTENDENT AND MATRON OF THE MASONIC
HOME OF DELAWARE

Brother and Sister Davis: I have looked forward to this privilege of welcoming you to our Grand Session, and I trust you will enjoy your visit with us. I extend a most sincere welcome, and thank you for coming.

Response: Brother Robert Davis.

SPEECH OF MOST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sister FLORENCE PLUMMER

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, my co-workers in General Grand Chapter, Distinguished East, Officers and members of our Order:

Truly, looking at my watch, I would have begged off if I had been going to be here to speak tomorrow because I don't want to spoil your Session by making of it an endurance test. Now up here on this platform they have a clock—it isn't set but it is used for the limitation of speeches. So you folks don't know what you're in for.

First, I'd like to say a very glad thank you for the free atmosphere which I have again found in this Grand Chapter. I have been coming to Delaware for many years and the Past Grands have heard me say that I rate Delaware and Maryland close to my heart because in General Grand Chapter they stood with my own Jurisdiction, when I was elected, and that is my outstanding picture of this triangle of three states. So there is really a big place in my heart for the members of this and the Maryland Jurisdictions.

I have many thanks to offer. I would like to say thank you first to the Worthy Grand Matron for her corsage, for her using my gavel, for having her reports read when I was awake enough to enjoy them and digest them and then I would like to say that I am grateful to this Jurisdiction because they have given to me the privilege of having my Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Helen. It has meant a great deal to me to have Sister Helen as one of our five star points and I am very sure that Delaware is pleased to be represented by her in that office.

I noticed when a report was read—I think it was Sister Elvira that read it—she said the project of the Most Worthy Grand Matron. I would like to tell you that I have no new projects. There are plenty of projects that have been set forth and it was more sensible to finish up a few instead of starting new ones, and so I have put forth an effort for our Temple Fund. I know the opportunity for new members to give \$1.00 a lifetime will always be before them, but I went before the Grand Trustees before installation and said I would like to have something definite to tell the people. I would like to have a permanent

scroll put in the Temple and on it the name of every Grand Jurisdiction that is 100 percent, and I have been promised that this will be done. Now I am cooperating with them, because even though this costs money, they have set aside \$1,800 for a mid-triennial and since I am not having that I know they have that much money. We are dependent entirely upon the sale of rituals, etc. in order to carry on.

Now they spoke of this orphanage as being a new project of mine. That letter came into General Grand Chapter while I was in the Far East. It was a plea which I am very glad was answered and I was very glad we had money available to tide them over. In the *Temple* is a book showing the beginning of this project up to the present. Little children were taking food from manure piles, and our Masonic Brothers got together and *saved* them. Now these children are healthy children. They are being brought up to have a belief in a Supreme Being, to know that there is an all loving father and so I think that we are very fortunate that in our funds we have a bit of money that we can use for charitable purposes and that has not been used for other purposes and so this was used for that, after the Masons started that project. The officer who started this hospital is now stationed in Fort Meade, many of you know how they rotate them. Perhaps some of the men who are not nearly so interested now will be so later and we are glad as members of the Eastern Star to be able to tide them over.

I have a jumble of notes here and I hope you will bear with me as I speak of them. I was *astonished* when I heard of Sister Elizabeth's plan to retire. I know the Grand Chapter of Delaware has had a very good friend in Sister Fisher and wherever she is and whatever she does, she has my best wishes that whatever she does will bring her happiness and contentment. And may you never lose a friend, Sister Elizabeth.

I think most of you know how proud I was tonight when my own Worthy Grand Matron and Patron were presented and then Sister Care's corps of Grand Officers. There has been a close tie between the two of us. In 1955 when I served in Pennsylvania, Sister Edith Care was my Grand Marshal and now she is Grand Matron and never was a mother hen more proud than I am. And then sister Ann Thomas in '34-'35, now the Worthy Grand Marshal, was one of my Worthy Matrons. So they must be good material for quite a number of those who served at that time are now in Grand Chapter and it is always with a sense of pride that as they are presented, to know, others realize the fine people we have. I had joy here tonight that I didn't expect to have. In 1926 I served as Worthy Matron of my own chapter and who should I find here tonight but my *Esther*. Won't you stand up here tonight. I'm very happy to see you haven't lost your interest in Star.

Now back to the Project—I have spoken about the Temple and the orphanage. I don't have to make you folks aware of ESTARL. I am very sure that you have seen the reason for a project such as this. We have young people who are willing to go out, but haven't the means and if you will pay a little bit of earning to them they are willing to go

forth and teach the Master's work at the completion of their studies. It is truly a joy to be able to say today we are beginning to feel the effects of Estarl. There is a Japanese girl studying in New York making six years in two and then going on to Japan to teach.

I saw two girls from Korea given an award—one is going back as a medical missionary and one as a teacher in the school where she first saw the light. Such teachings as these, going on in far off places must of necessity bring some results. At most they will help bring about some understanding and with understanding comes peace, and isn't that what we're all laboring for?

I have just returned from a trip around the world. I have seen the evidence of bombing. I have seen the evidence in the cemeteries of the dear ones who died and in every National Cemetery I placed a wreath in memory of those sons whose mothers or sisters could not be there to place them.

On that which is still above water of the Arizona, I floated a lei, thinking and saying, "Dear God, let not their sacrifice be in vain."

Sisters and Brothers, through Estarl you are doing your best to bring about understanding and to bring about peace in this world. So I congratulate you in having made it a part of your program.

Sister Plummer spoke of the bandages being made in British Columbia which are never marked British Columbia, but always marked O. E. S. They are for the sufferers of cancer from the smallest to the largest.

Sisters and Brothers, it is a privilege to belong to an organization such as this. It is a privilege to do your bit, to bring joy into the lives of others. We couldn't begin to do what we are doing "but inasmuch as ye have done it for the least of these my children ye have done it unto me," is the word of our Master.

May I, and what I have said to you plant a seed in your heart that will bring forth fruits and may you feel richly rewarded for the part in which you have taken in furthering His work.

Again, my deepest appreciation for the courtesies extended to me and my time hasn't yet run out on the clock. Good-night.

PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO MOST WORTHY GRAND
MATRON, SISTER FLORENCE PLUMMER,

By Brother J. NELSON ABBOTT, *Grand Trustee*

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence, it is my happy privilege to present to you this little gift from this Grand Chapter of Delaware, and with it goes the love and esteem of all of our members.

In selecting this gift, our thoughts turned to the close relationship between the State of Pennsylvania and the State of Delaware and of

the many friends you have in this Grand Jurisdiction. We felt it was only fitting that you should have a little ship, all of your own, so that all you need do is say—"Anchors Aweigh" and sail down the Delaware River to see us.

The W.G.M., Sister Mary H. Bevis, announced the death of Brother Robert Wyatt, Worthy Patron of Five Points Chapter No. 13. She stated that he was at the morning session.

Altar was draped in memory of departed Sisters and Brothers.
Grand Secretary read the names of deceased members.

DECEASED MEMBERS DURING 1956

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

Mrs. Sarah G. Gallo	Apr. 4, 1956
Mrs. Alice S. Pierson	Apr. 6, 1956
Mrs. Margaret Bennett	June 18, 1956
Mrs. Blanche L. Tyre	July 12, 1956
Mrs. Inda Simpson	Dec. 8, 1956

MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 2

Mrs. Mildred V. Roberts	Apr. 6, 1956
Mrs. Martha R. Wingate	Oct. 19, 1956
Mrs. Irene W. M. Bauer, P.G.M.	Nov. 13, 1956

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER NO. 3

Ella F. Cleaver, P.M.	Nov. 14, 1956
Joseph F. Dawson	Oct. 19, 1956
Susan S. Joslyn	Nov. 16, 1956

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

Edgar Q. Holloway, P.P.	Feb. 23, 1956
Mrs. Lillian Clark	Mar. 21, 1956
Mrs. Margaret Moore	Apr. 20, 1956
Mrs. Elsie Walker	Aug. 1, 1956
Mrs. Bessie Rutherford	Sept. 6, 1956
Mrs. Agnes McMullen	Sept. 12, 1956
Mrs. Helen Stewart	Dec. 6, 1956

ADAH CHAPTER NO. 5

Mrs. Blonn West	Jan. 24, 1956
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RADIANT CHAPTER NO. 6

Mrs. Laura B. Hastings	Nov. 10, 1956
Mrs. Elizabeth J. Meginnis	Apr. 25, 1956

SUSSEX CHAPTER NO. 7

None

CAESAR RODNEY CHAPTER NO. 8

None

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER NO. 9

Mrs. Lizzie I. Green	June 26, 1956
Mrs. Naamah L. Wilson	July 20, 1956

NEWARK CHAPTER NO. 10
Mrs. Florence E. Fader, P. M. Sept. 7, 1956

KENT CHAPTER NO. 11
Mrs. Hester B. Bailey Mar. 18, 1956
Mrs. Emma P. Downing Jan. 24, 1956
Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rapp Feb. 18, 1956

FRANKFORD CHAPTER NO. 12
None

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER NO. 13
Mrs. Louella Cooke July 22, 1956
Mrs. Anne S. Harris Sept. 2, 1956
Mrs. E. Jane White, P. M. May 4, 1956
J. Fred Blankenhone Dec. 22, 1956

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 14
Mrs. Ellen Smith May 27, 1956
Mrs. Lilla V. Rogers Sept. 4, 1956

VICTORY CHAPTER NO. 15
Mrs. Nettie Atwell July 3, 1956
Mrs. Jennie Thompson, P. M. Sept. 10, 1956

UNITY CHAPTER NO. 16
Miss Clara May Donovan June 27, 1956
Mrs. Winifred A. Rickards Sept. 20, 1956
Mrs. Ida Spooner Sept. 25, 1956
Mrs. Minnie E. Steele

ESTHER CHAPTER NO. 17
None

LAUREL CHAPTER NO. 18
None

In paying tribute to the memory of our Sisters and Brothers, let us recall the good deeds they wrought, and the lessons they taught while they were with us, and let us emulate in our lives the virtues exemplified in theirs.

*We say a farewell, but not a goodbye,
For Hope glows bright all the way,
And even though earth has for us less of joy,
Yet Heaven grows richer each day.
And so we fare on, oft weary and worn
Our hearts filled with longing and love;
Content just to know, that soon we shall meet
Our dear ones in Heaven above.*

DUET: "Whispering Hope"—Mrs. Effie Marvonek and Mrs. Edith Galloway, accompanied by Mrs. Anna Ellis.

A motion was made by P.G.P., J. Albert Kumpel and seconded by Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Helen C. West, that all our distinguished guests in the East be made Honorary Members. Motion adopted.

Sister Ivah Ostendarp, Session Chairman, reminded everyone about the breakfast tomorrow morning at 8:00 a. m.

Sister Sarah Riggin, P.G.M., made a motion that the program of the Session and a note be sent to each of our Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons who were unable to be here for this session. Motion seconded by P.G.M. Ruth Laws and adopted.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from labor to recess to reconvene Tuesday, May 14th, at 10:00 a. m.

The Grand Chapter was called to order on Tuesday, May 14th, at 10:00 a. m. by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ivah Ostendarp, P.M., presenting P.G.M. Lillian Larrimore and P.G.P. George Ostendarp, who welcomed the W.G.M., Sister Mary H. Bevis and the W.G.P., Brother William F. Nutter.

GRAND MATRON SISTER MARY AND GRAND PATRON BROTHER BILL:

On behalf of my Past Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Lillian and myself I wish to thank you for the privilege of opening this morning session.

This is the day when the Scythe of Time ends your wonderful year, for you will deliver your badge to your successor.

In Essentials Unity, In non-Essentials Liberty, and these U. S. of ours is a Unity of many United as one. You have faithfully exemplified your Motto throughout the year. In essentials "Unity", in non-essentials—"Liberty".

Our glorious United States is an example of many united as one. ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS—The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from recess to labor.

PRAYER: By Sister Adella Holt, Grand Chaplain.

OPENING ODE: "Love Divine"

The Worthy Grand Matron asked all voting delegates to sit on the North side, and the non-voting delegates and visitors to sit on the South side.

Sister Sarah Riggin, P.G.M., made a motion that this Grand Chapter adopt the changes in the Constitution and By-Laws as printed, as the second reading, so that there and will not be any question as to the legality of them. Motion seconded by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, P.P. and adopted.

Minutes of Monday morning and Monday afternoon sessions were read by Jeanette Legates. After several additions and corrections,

a motion was made by Sister Sarah Riggin, P.G.M., and seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., that the minutes be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Sister Marie Roberts, P.G.M., asked that all give a hand of thanks to the acting stenographer, Jeanette Legates.

Sister Sarah Riggin, P.G.M., made a motion to rescind the motion made last year by Brother I. Kendall Gibbs, and moved that in the future any changes in the Constitution and By-Laws be printed and sent to the voting delegates thirty days preceding the Grand Session. This motion was seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, P. G. P., and adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND TRUSTEES

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 find them correct.

Following is a statement covering the period from April 30, 1956 to April 30, 1957:

Cash balance on hand April 30, 1956.....	\$ 5,416.60	
Receipts for the year.....	13,996.05	
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TOTAL.....	\$19,412.65	
Disbursements from April 30, 1956 to		
April 30, 1957.....	13,400.58	
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BALANCE—April 30, 1957.....	\$ 6,012.07	
Bank Balance April 30, 1957.....	\$6,470.96	
Less Outstanding Checks:		
No. 1187.....	\$148.25	
" 1188.....	233.64	
" 1189.....	77.00	
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	\$ 458.89	458.89
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ACTUAL BALANCE:.....	\$6,012.07	

ASSETS OF GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE

- Grand Officers Badges
- 2 Traveling badges in possession of presiding Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.
- 1 Steel Safe
- 1 Steel Filing Cabinet
- 3 Utility Cabinets
- 1 Brief Case

- 1 O. E. S. Seal of Delaware
- 1 Typewriter
- 1 Wooden Gavel
- 1 Metal Gavel (in possession of presiding Worthy Grand Patron)
- 1 Charter
- 1 Altar Bible
- 2 Small Bibles
- 1 Christian Flag
- 1 State Flag
- 1 O. E. S. Flag
- 1 American Flag

} in charge of Grand Trustees

- Worthy Grand Matron's Pedestal (kept by Julia M. Story Chapter)
- 2 Shares O. E. S. Building Corp. Stock
- 2 Sets of Bound Proceedings from year 1922 to date—one set in possession of Worthy Grand Matron and one set in Grand Secretary's office.
- 1 Baton (in possession of Grand Marshal)
- Grand Chapter Records
- Subordinate Chapter Supplies
- 1 Past Grand Patron's Jewel

The Grand Trustees have received from the estate of Sister Ella F. Cleaver, the Past Grand Patron's jewel which belonged to her father—John Frederick.

RECOMMENDATION No. 1.

We recommend that the above mentioned jewel be presented to some future Worthy Grand Patron who may desire it in preference to a new jewel.

RECOMMENDATION No. 2.

We recommend that a registration fee of \$1.00 be collected from each member and visitor (except out-of-State visitors) attending Grand Chapter Session. This fee to be collected by the Credential and Registration Committee at the time of registration.

J. N. ABBOTT, *Chairman*

PAULINE DAVIS

J. ALBERT KUMPEL

A motion was made by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, P.P., and seconded by Sister Sarah Riffin, P.G.M., that the report be accepted, the recommendations be complied with and the report to be printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

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

We your Necrology Committee, submit the following report, and wish to thank Sister Mary Bevis, our Worthy Grand Matron, for the opportunity of serving on this committee.

We wish to acknowledge the valuable assistance of each secretary of the subordinate chapters.

The Memorial Service for our departed sisters and brothers was held in First and Central Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware on Sunday evening, May 12, 1957 at 7:45 o'clock. The Rev. Willard Glenn Purdy, D.D. took as his theme "The Christian Home", using as his text "—but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"—Joshua 24:15.

Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William F. Nutter gave the tribute, followed by the Twenty-third Psalm, sung by Sister Effie Marvonek—a request of the Worthy Grand Matron.

A prayer was offered by Sister Adella Holt, Grand Chaplain, after which the meditation was given by the chairman.

White carnations were given in memory of Past Grand Matron Sister Irene W. M. Bauer, by the Worthy Grand Matron and by Worthy Matrons of thirteen subordinate chapters for their deceased members. Red carnations were given in thankfulness of no deaths in the General Grand Chapter by the Worthy Grand Patron and Worthy Matrons of five subordinate chapters.

The Broken Column was formed by the Worthy Matrons around which the Worthy Patrons made the Triangle.

Invitations to the services were extended to the relatives of each deceased member.

The committee wishes to express it's appreciation to those who so graciously assisted. To Dr. Purdy, for his wonderful message, to the Organist, Mr. Harold Adams and to Mr. Arthur Griffin, Sexton.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of these 39 deceased members, to the subordinate chapters and all sister jurisdictions.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED BRYAN
 JEANETTE GUTZKE
 ROSS LANIUS
 RUTH LOVELESS
 LANAH MILBOURN
 LORRAINE PUTZIER
 MIRIAM ZIEGLER, *Chairman*

Report was given by Sister Jeanette Gutzke. Motion was made by Sister Gutzke, P.M., that the report be accepted and printed in the

proceedings and letters of thanks sent to Dr. Purdy and Mr. Adams. Seconded by Sister Jane Zebley, P.G.M., and adopted.

REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

We your committee on unfinished business submit the following report:

A reference book will be compiled for the use of the Worthy Matrons and Deputy Lecturers.

Brother Larrimore has in his possession a map, which was prepared by him and Brother Joseph Maxwell, showing the boundary of each subordinate chapter's jurisdiction. So that each subordinate chapter's boundary line will be clear.

I recommend that the incoming Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee of three (3) to work with Brother Larrimore and Brother Maxwell to complete this map, and procure copies to be purchased by and in possession of, each subordinate chapter as of September 1, 1956

Fraternally submitted,

EDITH HARCUM
CLEMIE H. WEST
FRANCES TRUITT, *Chairman*

REPORT ON VETERANS' HOSPITAL REHABILITATION

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Each year seems to go by more swiftly as we grow older, and once again it is time to make our report to you.

Due to illness and an operation, your V. A. Hospital Chairman has been less active at the Veterans Hospital on a weekly work basis, but our Chapters have not "fallen down" on their part.

We have taken parties to the 6-E, 7-E and W, and to the 8th floor patients on a one-night-a-month schedule, and the patients and staff at the hospital have enjoyed and appreciated them. Letters were received from Dr. W. Major Gasper, Manager of the V. A. Hospital, and copies were sent to each Chapter chairman. Delaware Chapter No. 1 took one of the parties on July 9th, a hot dog roast with all the trimmings. This was to have been an outdoor affair but due to weather conditions it was held indoors. On October 8th, a few members of Delaware Chapter took a similar party to the same floor, the 7th.

The patients enjoy the friendliness of our members at these parties as well as the prizes and refreshments which are always in good taste. We are permitted to play bingo as there is no money involved and it is just a game for those attending.

Your chairman, and Sister Helen M. Welsh who is a member of Five Points Chapter No. 13, and an oriented volunteer at the V. A. Hospital served again as pages for the doctors at the New Castle County Medical Society meeting which is held once a year at the Veterans Hospital. This is the eighth year your chairman has served in this capacity, which she considers an honor.

"Hospital Day" was observed on Friday, May 10th, and your chairman was again treasurer for the booklet, and again made more than 200 "dogwood" boutonnieres for the women guests. The cost for these is assumed by the Veterans Administration Volunteer Service committee.

At the request of our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, contributions were made at the time of the Grand Visitation to each chapter and the proceeds of Electa's Cup were given to your chairman who, in turn, purchased hobby materials which were used by bed patients to help wile away long tedious hours. Each Chapter's contribution and the total are listed in this report.

The Third Annual Banquet of the V.A.V.S. is to be held on June 6th at the dining room of the New Castle Airport and Brother John Conley and your chairman are in charge of tickets.

It has been a wonderful privilege to have Brother John Conley as co-chairman of the V. A. Hospital Rehabilitation Committee. He has been so helpful and has attended all of the meetings since his appointment, and we have enjoyed working together. We wish him every good wish as he assumes his station as Worthy Grand Patron of the Order in Delaware.

Copies of the monthly V.A.V.S. meeting-minutes were sent to the Worthy Grand Matron each month as well as other items of importance.

Approximately 600 hours of service were given to our Veterans Hospital this past year. This month is the 10th anniversary of Sister Helen Welsh and your chairman as volunteers at the hospital.

Thank you, sisters and brothers, individually and as chapters, for your wonderful cooperation. You surely know the meaning of His commandment, "That we love one another." May we always remember to "Let our light so shine before men, that they may see our good works and glorify our Father which is in Heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

CHAPTER CONTRIBUTIONS

1	Delaware #1.....	\$ 14.50
2	Mizpah #2.....	14.22

3	Julia M. Story #3.....	5.00
4	St. John's #4.....	12.00
5	Adah #5.....	17.38
6	Radiant #6.....	19.82
7	Sussex #7.....	17.00
8	Caesar Rodney #8.....	15.50
9	Georgetown #9.....	21.69
11	Kent #11.....	20.56
12	Frankford #12.....	13.44
13	Five Points #13.....	25.00
14	Brandywine #14.....	20.79
15	Victory #15.....	12.70
16	Unity #16.....	25.00
17	Esther #17.....	18.01
18	Laurel #18.....	19.59
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		292.20
	Newark Chapter #10 sent check of to Dr. Gasper at V. A. Hospital This amount was put in a fund for patients at the hospital.	22.75
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	Total.....	\$314.95

My contingent fund report and supplies on hand are in the hands of the Grand Secretary and will be printed in the proceedings.

I wish to thank several members of my own chapter, "Five Points" #13, and especially Sister Vera Ellis, P. M., who was so helpful to me in carrying out my duties this past year.

CONTINGENT FUND

Balance on hand as of May 12, 1956.....	\$ 5.62
Check for year.....	10.00
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	\$15.62
Expenses for period May 1956 to May 1957:	
50 stamped envelopes.....	\$ 1.87
Writing tablet.....	.50
Transportation.....	1.50
Refill for pen.....	.49
2 tickets for V. A. banquet.....	7.00
(2 oriented workers @ \$3.50 each)	
Total.....	11.36
Fund as of May 1956.....	15.62
Expenses for year.....	11.36
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Balance as of May 14, 1957.....	\$ 4.26
Supplies on hand as of May 14, 1957:	

1800 paper cups
 1500 paper napkins
 1 O. E. S. cloth
 2 trays (tin)
 2 towels

We supply cups and napkins for
 V. A. Hospital parties.

Fraternally submitted,

SADIE C. CONLY, P. M., *Chairman*
 JOHN CONLEY, P. P., *Co-Chairman*

February 1, 1957

Mrs. Florence Plummer
 Most Worthy Grand Matron
 Order of Eastern Star
 Fairview Village, Penn.

Dear Mrs. Plummer:

During the life span of any person perhaps it is fair to say, as individuals, the trend seems to indicate we receive more criticism than compliments.

During the life span of an organization, I suppose the trend may run similar to that of our individual lives—. Such is not the case with the Order of Eastern Star as a participant in the Wilmington Veterans Administration Hospital Voluntary Service Program.

It is my pleasure to inform you that your organization is performing in a manner that directly effects benefit to the veteran patients of this hospital.

Your Wilmington V.A.V.S. organizational counter-part is consistently focusing attention toward our hospitalized veterans and directing great effort in their behalf.

Therefore, it is my intention that you consider this correspondence as a share on the complimentary side of your organizational score board.

Sincerely yours,

J. J. CROWE,
Chief, Special Service

Copy to:
 Mrs. Sadie Conly
 23 Reamer Avenue
 Richardson Park
 Wilmington, Delaware

A motion was made by Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Sister Ruth Steele, Grand Esther, and motion adopted.

Sister Sadie Conly then asked for the Grand Chapter to give her a check for \$2.00 to cover expenses for hospital booklet and for a check of \$10.00 to defray expenses for a carnival to be held on June 10th. A motion was made by Sister Sarah Riggin, P.G.M., and seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., that we grant a check for \$12.00.

Motion adopted.

Sister Bessie Warrington, P.G.M., made a motion that we make our Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth Fisher, Grand Secretary Emeritus. This was seconded by Brother Thomas Rodway, P.G.P., and the motion was adopted by a unanimous standing vote.

Sister Fisher then said:

"It's almost impossible to say the proper words to express the feelings that are in my heart. It is just more than I am capable of. My emotions have been very much mixed up all during this session. They *were mixed* but *now* they are *scrambled* and the best I can do without having a shower up here is to say I am deeply grateful for everything. That is the best I can do right now."

Sister Elizabeth Pierce, P.G.M., then read Section 12 in the Constitution and then made a motion that \$30 be sent to the Heart Fund in memory of Sister Ella Cleaver, who was the Assistant to the Grand Secretary. Motion seconded by Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., and adopted.

Sister Bessie Warrington, P.G.M., then made a motion that all bills be paid by this Grand Chapter. Seconded by Sister Helen West, Worthy Grand Martha. Motion adopted.

Sister Marie Roberts, P.G.M., then read Page 39 of Proceedings of 1955, regarding the discontinuance of mailing programs to members not present. She then made the motion in view of the increased revenue, that this motion be rescinded and programs be procured in sufficient quantities and mailed to each voting member of our Grand Body. Seconded by Brother Norris Tull, P.G.P. Motion adopted.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on Registration, submit the following report:

8 States registered 184 visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

ALMA F. LONG, *Chairman*
BENETA I. MEENAN
MINNIE S. KYTTLE

Motion was made by Sister Elvira Ziegler, P.G.M., that the report on Registration be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion seconded by Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., and adopted.

Sister Bessie Warrington, P.G.M., read a report on a reference book. She then made a motion to accept this reference book and that the Trustees be authorized to have a supply printed. Motion seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., and adopted.

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

We have reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron and commend him for his loyal service and congratulate him on his year's work which has done much to promote the ideals of Eastern Star in this jurisdiction. We also approve his recommendations.

RUTH M. LAWS

BESSIE M. WARRINGTON

CHAS. V. CLEAVER, *Chairman*

Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., then made a motion that the Recommendation #1 regarding changing the fiscal year of the subordinate chapters and the installation of officers of subordinate chapters be adopted. Motion seconded by Brother George Ostendarp, P.G.P. After much discussion, motion lost. Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., made a motion that the recommendation read that the "election shall be held the first meeting in February and the installation the first meeting in March, and reports be in the Grand Secretary's Office by April 1st. (*This change of dates was done with the approval of the W.G.P. who made the original recommendation.*) Seconded by Brother George Ostendarp, P.G.P. Motion lost. (*After further discussion Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., withdrew his second motion.*)

The W.G.P. then changed his recommendation to read that the fiscal year of the subordinate chapters be changed from June 1st to May 31st, having election of officers the first meeting in May and the installation of officers the first meeting of June, with all reports to be in the office of the Grand Secretary by June 30th. Sister Sarah Riggins, P.G.M., made a motion to adopt this recommendation. Seconded by Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M. This motion was accepted for the first reading.

Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., then read the second recommendation of the W.G.P., regarding the waivers of territorial jurisdiction. Brother Cleaver, P.G.P., made a motion that this recommendation be adopted. Motion was seconded by Brother George Ostendarp, P.G.P., and the motion was accepted for the first reading.

Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., then made a motion that the report of the Jurisprudence Committee on the report of the Worthy Grand Patron be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Sister Ruth Laws, P.G.M., and adopted.

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

We have examined the report of the Worthy Grand Matron and congratulate her on her fine report and the evidence shown in it of the efficient and loyal manner with which she has conducted her year of service.

We approve all dispensations granted and all questions and answers.

We do not approve RECOMMENDATION #1 regarding the prohibiting of grave-side funeral ceremonies.

We approve RECOMMENDATION #2 regarding discontinuing showing of due cards when proving chapters.

We approve RECOMMENDATION #3 regarding reporting work done by chapters in behalf of the cancer cause through the Red Cross chairman.

We approve RECOMMENDATION #4 regarding the clarification of the working of our ESTARL FUND. *But did not include it be decided by Sr. M. G. P. and Sr. Trustees -*

RUTH M. LAWS
BESSIE WARRINGTON
CHAS. V. CLEAVER, *Chairman*

Motion made by Charles Cleaver, P.G.P. seconded by Sister Bessie Warrington that this report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings and recommendations be acted on seriatim. Motion adopted.

Sister Elvira Ziegler, P.G.M., made a motion that the Past Matrons affiliated with Delaware Chapter get their credentials from the Grand Chapter this year. Motion seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., and adopted.

The Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter called from labor to recess until 1:30 p. m.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The Grand Chapter was called to order by the Session Chairman, Sister Ivah Ostendarp, P. M., presenting P.G.M. Elvira Ziegler, and P.G.P. I. Kendall Gibbs, who welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary H. Bevis and the Worthy Grand Patron Brother William F. Nutter.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Bevis and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Nutter, no honor could have been conferred upon us equal to the one that you have accorded Brother Gibbs and me this afternoon, that of giving us the privilege of opening this Tuesday afternoon session, when by our individual and free choice we select our future

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand officers. And to have the opportunity to extend greetings to you as our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

This year you have both been thinking with wider thought of each of us, you have seen with kindlier eye and loved with warmer heart. It was in this spirit that you have served our order and today I am happy to bid you welcome to your own Grand Chapter Session, and on behalf of all the members to express our sincere appreciation for your valued leadership and example during the year.

May we all return this attitude and esteem to you both by showing calmness and fairness of mind in all our deliberations this afternoon.

You have brought to our minds that the veil of Adah represents the blue of Heaven, the yellow ray of Ruth the golden hue of friendship, the Jewish damsel in pure white, our loyalty to kindred and friends, green representing nature's life and beauty, and the red of our Star a heart full of love which we extend to you. How beautiful and inspiring are they all. Riches take wings, comforts vanish, hope withers away, but love stays with us for God is Love.

This year you both have accomplishments which were good, better, best, you never let them rest, until your good was better and your better best.

BROTHER GIBBS:

Worthy Grand Matron I present to you the gavel, the emblem of your office, happy in the knowledge that you will wield it wisely and well.

Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., Chairman of Jurisprudence stated that the Committee recommended that Recommendation #1 of the W.G.M. regarding grave-side ceremonies be left to the discretion of individual chapters. Brother Robert Revels, W.P. made a motion that the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee be complied with. Seconded by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, P.G.M. Motion adopted.

On Recommendation #2 of the W.G.M., the Jurisprudence Committee recommends the discontinuing of showing of dues cards and that each subordinate chapter secure member and visitor slips which should be given to each qualified person when entering the chapter room and collected when the chapter is proved. Motion was made by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., to adopt the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee. Seconded by Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., motion adopted.

On Recommendation #3 of the W.G.M., regarding cancer dressings, etc. Recommendations approved by the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion made by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., to adopt this recommendation. Seconded by Brother Thomas Rodway, P.G.P., motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we the members of your committee on Nominations submit the following report:

We have checked with the Grand Secretary's records and find all names listed below hold an "A" certificate as required by our Constitution.

ASSOCIATE GRAND PATRON
William Hall

GRAND SECRETARY
Sylvia Knox

GRAND TREASURER
Margaret King
Sylvia Knox
Lillian Larrimore

ASSOCIATE GRAND CONDUCTRESS
Rita C. Wilkinson

GRAND LECTURER
Katherine Marshall
Bessie Miles.
Arzie Lewis
Edith Shinn

GRAND SENTINEL
Mike DeAngelo
Ebe Quillen
Jos. H. Ellis
Walter O. Bryan

GRAND TRUSTEE
Nelson Abbott

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*

RUTH E. O. WALLS

ROBERT P. MAJOR

Motion made by Brother Robert Larrimore, P.G.P., and seconded by Brother William F. Nutter, W.G.P., that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Matron asked all voting delegates to sit on the North side and all non-voting delegates to sit on the South side.

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

199 delegates (After a recount, it was found that the
 8 proxys correct number should be 209 total votes)

207 Total Votes

Motion was made by Brother Ebe Quillen, P.P., and seconded by Sister Jane Zebley, P.G.M., that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Patron read Article 8, Section 1 and Section 2 regarding the method of voting for officers.

Brother Norris Tull, P.G.P., made a motion that Sister Hagenbuch be allowed to leave this room. Seconded by Sister Edith Shinn. (This came during the election of officers.)

The Worthy Grand Patron appointed Brother Emerson Keeler to serve as judge on the left at the table and Brother Robert Revels to serve as judge on the right side. He asked for four volunteers as tellers and the following volunteered: Brother Bryan Walls, Brother Charles Schultheiss, Sister Adele Ruth and Sister Mildred Miles.

The Worthy Grand Patron asked all pages to carry boxes for the reception of the ballots.

There was an election of officers and the following were elected:

Worthy Grand Matron.....	Sarah Hoffman
Worthy Grand Patron.....	John Conley
Associate Grand Matron.....	Mildred Minner
Associate Grand Patron.....	William Hall
Grand Secretary.....	Sylvia Knox
Grand Treasurer.....	Margaret King
Grand Conductress.....	Eliza Crossland
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Rita Wilkinson
Grand Lecturer.....	Kathryn Marshall
Grand Trustee.....	Nelson Abbott
Grand Sentinel.....	Joseph Ellis

REPORT OF ESTARL FUND COMMITTEE

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

Financial statements of Estarl Funds No. 1 and No. 2 are incorporated in the Grand Secretary's report. They have been audited by the Grand Trustees and will be printed in the proceedings.

In as much as we have had no request for awards, we have no further report to make.

Fraternally submitted,

HELEN C. WEST
ALICE C. ABBOTT
BESSIE WARRINGTON
JOHN L. LECOMPTE
Chairman

Sister Sarah E. Riggan, P.G.M., then made a few remarks on applicants for Estarl.

Motion made by Sister Warrington, P.G.M. and seconded by Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., that this report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE

May 13-14, 1957

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

A meeting of the session committee was held at the home of chairman, February 26th, 1957, to formulate plans for the 36th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O. E. S., namely Unity Session.

To be held in the Gold Ball Room of Hotel DuPont on May 13 and 14th.

Ten committee members and five guests attended this meeting. After lunch we than started to plan and work for the coming Session.

Another meeting, April 6th held at chairman's home. We made flowers that day for the long boxes in front of Treasurer's and Secretary's desks, wrist bands of green and white to be worn by Grand Officers were made by Sister Edith Shinn. Many thanks to Sister Shinn who was not on committee but was right there to help and worked faithfully.

The signs were made by Brother Waters, Sentinel of Five Point's Chapter—To him we give thanks. The sign made to hang in Foyer was made by Brother Edward Sharpley, Past Patron of Julia M. Story Chapter and thanks to him for a job well done. Many thanks to Hospitality Committee for their attention given to distinguished guests. Thanks to all Marthas of subordinate chapters for making reservations for breakfast in honor of our Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Helen West. The breakfast was a success. Many thanks to Worthy Patron of St. John's Chapter, Brother Robert Revels for seeing St. John's Paraphernalia was moved from their meeting room to the Gold Ball Room for our 36th Session and also from Gold Ball Room

back to chapter room. Thanks to Unity Chapter for the use of their Pedestal Scarves and Altar drape.

I thank all of my committee for lovely decorations. Letter of thanks to Edward F. Lewis, florist for flowers, also thanks to our Associate Grand Patron Brother John Conley for bringing flowers to me, given him by a very fine man, Mr. George Annand. Last but not least thanks so much to Brother William Bevis and Brother George Ostendarp who backed me in all my undertakings. Thanks for all things that helped to make our Grand Chapter Room more beautiful. The satin back drop was made by some of the committee. Sister Elizabeth Fisher made all the bags carried throughout the session by our pages. I am grateful to her for being such a wonderful helper as always. The capes were made by Sister Dorothy Larrimore and chairman of sessions, Sister Ivah Ostendarp.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron for asking me to be chairman of your Session. No higher honor has ever been conferred upon me and you selected a fine committee to work with me, and if we have pleased you, we are happy. You both have shown me every courtesy. Again I thank you both.

Fraternally submitted,

IVAH B. OSTENDARP,
Session Chairman

Motion was made by Sister Emily Crossland, P. M., and seconded by Sister Grace Hall, W. M., to accept the report and have it printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

The Worthy Grand Patron then thanked the Committee for their lovely work for this Grand Chapter Session.

Sister Sarah Riggin, P. G. M., made a motion that we express our sympathy to Brother Hall on the death of his father, to Sister Wyatt on the death of her husband and to Sister Allbrittain on the death of her husband. Brother Robert Larrimore, P.G.P., seconded the motion and suggested we send flowers. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Report was given by Sister Sarah Riggin, P.G.M. Motion was made by Sister Elvira Ziegler, P.G.M., and seconded by Brother Norris Tull, P.G.P., that this report be accepted. Motion adopted.

EASTERN STAR HOME FUND COMMITTEE REPORT

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 the EASTERN STAR HOME FUND, submit the following report as to the standing of this fund as of April 30th, 1957.

Balance in bank, April 30, 1956.....	\$3,436.02
Interest for the year 1956.....	103.08
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Amount in Eastern Star Home Fund as of April 30th, 1957.....	\$3,539.10

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY QUILLEN, *Chairman*
 JOHN A. KENNEDY
 DORA FITZGERALD
 MARION CRAIG
 LILLIAN LARRIMORE

Motion was made by Sister Helen West, Worthy Grand Martha, that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Sister Louise Green, P.G.M. Motion adopted.

TEMPLE FUND COMMITTEE REPORT

Report was given by Sister Ethel Hudson. Motion was made by Sister Helen West to accept the partial report and have the full report printed in the Proceedings. Motion seconded by Brother Cheston R. McCormick, P.G.P., and adopted. Sister Mary H. Bevis, W.G.M., made the announcement that this Temple Fund does not have to be 100% until December.

Temple Fund Report submitted in full by P. G. Matron, Sister Dora Fitzgerald.

We, the International Eastern Star Maintenance Fund Committee for Delaware, submit the following report of our accomplishment during the past year and thank all for their assistance in helping us reach our goal.

On October 1, 1956, I sent my first letter to Committee Members with the request that it be read in each chapter.

Following is a list of the subordinate chapters and the amount contributed:

Delaware Chapter No. 1.....	\$39.50	100%
Mizpah Chapter No. 2.....	18.75	100%
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.....	8.00	100%
St. John's Chapter No. 4.....	18.75	100%
Adah Chapter No. 5.....	21.00	100%
Radiant Chapter No. 6.....	34.75	100%
Sussex Chapter No. 7.....	39.00	100%
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.....	18.75	100%
Georgetown Chapter No. 9.....	26.00	100%

Newark Chapter No. 10.....	45.00	100%
Kent Chapter No. 11.....	32.00	100%
Frankford Chapter No. 12.....	18.00	100%
Five Points Chapter No. 13.....	75.00	100%
Brandywine Chapter No. 14.....	37.50	100%
Victory Chapter No. 15.....	12.00	100%
Unity Chapter No. 16.....	22.00	100%
Esther Chapter No. 17.....	22.00	100%
Laurel Chapter No. 18.....	41.50	100%

We thank you for the privilege and pleasure of serving you and the Grand Chapter and trust we have merited the confidence you placed in us. Our Jurisdiction is now 100%.

Fraternally submitted,
 DORA FITZGERALD, P.G.M.
Chairman and 1956 Worthy Matrons

MASONIC HOME REPORT

Divine Service was held on March 31st at the Masonic Home. Rev. Wm. D. Gibson, Pastor of our Worthy Grand Matron's Church, Presbyterian Church in Rehoboth, Delaware gave a very inspiring message.

KENDALL GIBBS, *Past Grand Patron*

Motion was made by Sister Jane Zebley, P.G.M., that we accept this report and have it printed in the Proceedings. Motion seconded by Sister Louise Green. Motion adopted.

Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., continued the report of the Jurisprudence Committee on the Recommendations of the W.G.M. in regards to the Estarl Fund. The Committee made the recommendation that a committee composed of the W.G.M., W.G.P., and the Trustees, prepare and submit to this Grand Chapter a set of rules governing the augmenting and dispersal of these funds. Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., made the motion that the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee be accepted. Motion seconded by Brother Kendall Gibbs, P.G.P. Motion adopted.

The Jurisprudence Committee Report having been completed, Brother Charles Cleaver then made a motion that the report as a whole be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Brother Robert Larrimore, P.G.P. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF MAP SHOWING JURISDICTIONAL TERRITORY LINES

Report given by Brother Robert Larrimore, P.G.P. He stated that he had a report, but inasmuch as this Grand Body has already adopted recommendation that we discontinue boundary lines with jurisdictions within this state, nothing is to be reported.

A motion was made by Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., and seconded by Sister Elizabeth Pierce, P.G.M., that this report be printed in the Proceedings. Motion adopted.

Sister Rebecca Hagenbuch reported that Sister Eunice Marshall is still in the hospital and that Sister Dora Fitzgerald is to go home today.

Sister Elvira Ziegler, P.G.M., made a motion that affiliated Past Matrons and Past Patrons be registered in the chapter with which they have affiliated and receive their credentials from the same chapter. Motion seconded by Sister Mildred Lee, P.M., and passed for the first reading this year.

Sister Elizabeth Fisher read the minutes of Monday night's Session. Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., made a motion that the minutes be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. Seconded by Brother William Nutter. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Report was given by Brother Robert Larrimore, P.G.P. Recommendation was made by this committee that Article 3 Section 1 in the Constitution be changed so that the subordinate chapters may elect or appoint a Sentinel. Motion was made by W.G.P., William F. Nutter and seconded by Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., that this report be accepted and the recommendation complied with. Motion passed for the first reading. Brother Robert Larrimore expressed his pleasure in working on this committee.

Reading of minutes of Tuesday morning's session by Jeanette Legates. Motion by Brother Fred Warrington, P.G.P., and seconded by Sister Katie Boyer, that the minutes be approved and printed in the Proceedings. Motion approved.

Sister Elizabeth Pierce made the motion that Jeanette Legates receive \$20 for acting stenographer. Seconded by Ruth Steele, Grand Esther and motion approved.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter called from labor to recess to reconvene at 8:00 p. m.

TUESDAY NIGHT 8:00 P. M.

Grand Chapter was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Sister Ivah Ostendarp, presenting Sister Sarah Riffin, P.G.M., and Brother Charles Cleaver, P.G.P., who welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary H. Bevis, and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother William F. Nutter.

REPORT OF GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

Report was presented by Sister Marie Roberts. No Grievances No Appeals. Motion was made by Sister Helen West, P.G.M., and seconded by Sister Ruth Laws, P.G.M., that the report be received and printed in the Proceedings.

Sister Evelyn Reynolds requested that an addition be made to the Red Cross Report by Esther Chapter and incorporated in the report for the Proceedings. Motion made by Brother Wm. F. Nutter, W.G.P., seconded by Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M. that this request be granted. Motion adopted.

Reading of minutes of afternoon session by Jeanette Legates. Motion was made by Sister Jane Zebley, P.G.M., and seconded by Sister Elvira Ziegler that the minutes be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Motion adopted.

Sister Elizabeth Fisher reported that she had received greetings from each of our sister jurisdictions, and regrets from the Past Most Worthy Grand Matron Ruth Jones and Most Worthy Grand Patron, Mr. Lloyd K. McRae.

Brother J. Nelson Abbott, Grand Trustee presented Sister Elizabeth Fisher with a gift from the members of the Grand Chapter saying Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

It has been my privilege to serve this Grand Chapter for several years, and one of the most important duties of the Grand Trustees is to work very closely with the Grand Secretary, and we feel that our Grand Secretary is one of the very best in all the Eastern Star.

Her pleasant smile, congeniality and wonderful personality have endeared her to all the members of this Grand Chapter, and her records and accounts have been faultless.

Sister Elizabeth, of her own choosing, decided not to run again for this office, and tonight she is very graciously stepping out as our Grand Secretary. We are going to miss her in the office she so faithfully filled for fifteen years, but I am sure—and I certainly pray—that she will grace us with her presence for many years to come.

Before she steps down, it is my very happy privilege to present to Sister Elizabeth, a little gift from this Grand Chapter which carries with it the love and esteem of all the members of this Grand Body. He then placed an affectionate kiss on her cheek.

Sister Elizabeth Fisher made the following remarks:

"I wonder if Sister Abbott saw that kiss. Well, once more I shall try to say "thank you" but I never will be able to repay what you

have done for me and you'll never know what your love and kindness during this session has done to my heart. I thank you very, very much."

Sister Jane Zebley, P.G.M., made a motion that we send flowers to Sister M. Etta Keys, Sister Mary Clower and Sister Edna Gifford, all Past Grand Matrons. Motion was seconded by Sister Alice Abbott. Since Sister Keys cannot receive flowers, Sister Zebley changed her motion to read flowers to the other two and fruit or candy to Sister Keys. Motion adopted.

Sister Ruth Steele made a motion that new ribbons be purchased for the incoming Grand Officers and that all of them be made the same length. Motion seconded by Sister Elvira J. Ziegler. Motion adopted. Sister Fisher informed the W.G.M. that the ribbon is on hand in Grand Secretary's office and will be given to Grand Officers.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary Bevis once again thanked Sister Ivah Ostendarp, the Sessions Chairman, for all the hard work she has done. She also included Brother George and all members of the Sessions Committee and all members of the Order who helped.

The W.G.M. asked if there was any further business to come before the Grand Session. She then made her Farewell Address.

FAREWELL ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON

Sister MARY BEVIS

Sisters and Brothers, with a heart overflowing with memories, I come to the end of my year. It has been a year I shall never forget.

If in any way I have merited your approval, I ask no greater reward than that I shall have a continuation of your love and friendship.

Sister Sarah and Brother John, Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron: as I retire from this Office, I welcome you, our incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron. May your year in the Grand East be blessed with good health, happiness and success.

And now, in closing may I say, just another thanks to each and everyone for the privilege of serving Our Grand Chapter.

FAREWELL ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Brother WILLIAM F. NUTTER

To the Members of St. Johns Chapter:

Through the opportunity afforded me by my chapter I was able to be in this high office. I will be ever grateful for all their kind thoughts and support, especially those who followed me this year.

To the Worthy Grand Matron Sister Mary:

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve in the Grand East with you. Through your many letters and calls, I was very well informed of all the activities and events, making my duties very easy. It also permitted Ruth and me a better opportunity to know your fine husband, Bill.

To Sister Sarah and Brother Jack:

You both have been very faithful to the Worthy Grand Matron and me. It will be a pleasure to see this high office turned over to ones so capable. I wish for you a very happy and successful year and may all your desires come true.

To the Grand Officers:

I wish to thank you for your many kindnesses and support in the past year.

To My Wife Grand Ruth:

For the past sixteen years you have been a wonderful wife. In the past year, however, you have had to add to your already crowded schedule the duties of private secretary and valet. It has only been through your self-denial that I have been able to travel and fulfill the duties required of my office.

To All the Members of Delaware:

Every one has been so kind and courteous to me this year when I visited your Chapters that I really felt at home and a part of each chapter.

Past Grand Matrons and Patrons:

You were always ready to help at a minutes call and to give your vast knowledge and advice freely. This means much to anyone serving as Worthy Grand Patron. I appreciate all the help I have received this year.

The sands of time tell me that in a few short hours this wonderful year will come to its end. It has been a year full of excitement and joy and I owe all of this to you members, and to my wife, who so faithfully stood behind me and stayed at home with my son when it was not possible for us both to go. The activities of our year are now in the record and it's for you the members to judge, was it successful or a failure.

As the mantle of authority is passed on to another, and as we start a new year under splendid leadership, may we go forth with new vigor, new confidence, and a full realization of our responsibilities.

This year has been one of the happiest I have ever experienced. I sincerely hope that I have accomplished something worthwhile for the good of our beautiful Order. May the record of this year prove that your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron have

brought to their high offices complete devotion to the principles to which our great Order is dedicated: Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness. The final record, however, will live in the hearts and in the memories of those who have had a part in all its glorious experiences.

To our incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

As you assume your stations in the Grand East, you know that you have my best wishes and loyal support at all times. I shall rejoice in your success and in your work for the upbuilding of our beautiful Order.

We know not what the future holds in store for each of us, but let us face each day with the same spirit of hope, faith and love that has guided us throughout this year of service, with luck thrown in for good measure.

In Choosing our pathway of service and Using our abilities and means for the uplifting of humanity and the establishment of world peace, may we realize these words of Victor Hugo: "It is through fraternity that liberty is saved."

May God bless each of you, for you have been a blessing to me.

*"If I have given a smile or bit of sunshine
Or have spoken the kindly words just when I should—
If I have had the joy when came the evening
Of knowing I have done the best I could—
If I have given each day my best service
To help make someone happy at his task—
Then God has given me Hope, Faith and Love
To do His will—and this is all I ask."*

The Altar was undraped. Sister Jacqueline Kyle sang "The Lord's Prayer".

W.G.M. Sister Bevis presented W.G.M. Sister Ruth M. Laws, the Installing Grand Officer.

Assisting Grand Installing Officers were:

Worthy Grand Patron	Norris Tull
Grand Marshal	Mabel Guthrie
Grand Chaplain	Adella Holt
Grand Warder	Myrtle Schaub
Grand Sentinel	Harold Schaub
Grand Organist	Helen Joseph

GRAND OFFICERS INSTALLED

Worthy Grand Matron	Sarah Hoffman
Worthy Grand Patron	John Conley
Associate Grand Matron	Mildred Minner

Associate Grand Patron.....	William Hall
Grand Secretary.....	Sylvia M. Knox
Grand Treasurer.....	Margaret King
Grand Conductress.....	Eliza Crossland
Associate Grand Conductress.....	Rita Wilkinson
Grand Trustee.....	Nelson Abbott
Grand Lecturer.....	Kathryn Marshall
Grand Chaplain.....	Elsie Conley
Grand Marshal.....	Jeanette Gutzke
Grand Organist.....	Marian Kumpel
Grand Adah.....	Pauline Shaeffer
Grand Ruth.....	Ruth Stiggins
Grand Esther.....	Vera Ellis
Grand Martha.....	Blanche Williams
Grand Electa.....	Ruth Walls
Grand Warder.....	Minnie Kyttle
Grand Sentinel.....	Joseph Ellis

Sister Ruth Laws thanked the W.G.M. for the privilege of installing the new officers. A sister-in-law of Sister Sarah Hoffman, W.G.M., (Sister Henrietta Jenison from N. J.) presented a gavel to the new W.G.M. with the following words: "Sister Sarah, Worthy Grand Matron, it is an honor and a pleasure to present to you this gavel from your daughter, Dorothy, and her husband, John. With it comes their best wishes and prayers that God will be with you every mile you travel this year as W.G.M. of the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

SARAH HOFFMAN, Worthy Grand Matron

Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

The Great Clock that never stops has pushed the hands around again and marked another year. Father Time has closed the door upon a year of splendid achievement and work well done, and as to-day converges into to-morrow we approach another year of service to our Grand Chapter.

I shall pass through this door but once, so the good deeds that I can do, I will not defer nor neglect, but always remember that I will pass this way but once.

I promise no deeds of brilliancy, nor do I promise things beyond my power to give, but I do pledge the very best that is within me to this Grand Chapter.

With your continued loyalty, cooperation and prayers, and with the help of Him from whom cometh all wisdom and strength, I will endeavor to bring this Grand Chapter through a successful and happy year.

Sister Ruth, Installing Grand Matron, and all others who assisted at this beautiful Installation, my thanks to you for making it an occasion I shall long remember.

I am grateful to this Grand Chapter for having elected to serve with me, one whom I know will be efficient and understanding, Brother John Conley. Brother Jack, it will be a privilege to share with you the honors and duties of this Grand Chapter. I shall look to you for counsel many times during the year, and whatever the accomplishments, we'll share them together. For you and your lovely wife, Elsie, may this be a year of outstanding happiness.

To our Grand Officers both elected and appointed, my sincere congratulations. This year is not mine, but ours and it holds a wonderful opportunity for us all to share our work and pleasures together.

To my own Chapter, Brandywine No. 14, (please stand). These are the kind hearts and gentle people who belong to my home Chapter. There is nothing that thrills me more than the loyalty of my own Chapter. I want you to feel that any honor I have received is yours as well as mine. Thank you for coming to be with me this evening.

To my relatives and friends from New Jersey who are present to-night, I appreciate your presence here and hope you have enjoyed your visit. A special greeting, too, to the relatives and friends of all Grand Officers. We are happy to have you with us.

This year will be dedicated to all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of this Grand Jurisdiction. You were the builders of yesteryears and the guiding hand of this Grand Chapter. Because of your presence here, our light shines much brighter.

Thus we are entering the "Starlight Year", with the motto, "Let your light so shine".

Watchword	—	Sharing
Flowers	—	Emblematic
Colors	—	The Five Colors of Our Central Star
Scripture	—	Micah 7:8—To do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God.

Our projects for the year, Crippled Children of Delaware and the Shriners' Hospital, Veterans' Hospital, the guests of the Masonic Home and the Most Worthy Grand Matron's Projects.

I know that as we walk this pathway of Light together we will share Friendship and Service with the finest group of people we can find anywhere, the members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Now I am happy to present your Worthy Grand Patron, Brother John Conley.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

JOHN CONLEY, Worthy Grand Patron

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

In accepting the leadership to which you have elected me I am not unmindful of the great responsibility accompanying it, but strengthened by my belief in the mission of our wonderful order, with confidence in your unfaltering loyalty to its teachings, believing I will have the sincere cooperation of the members of each and every chapter throughout the state and with a prayer for divine guidance, I assume this responsibility with the hope that I may merit the honor, prove worthy of your confidence and measure up to the expectations of you whom I serve.

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Sarah, I know that it will be a pleasure to serve with you in the Grand East and I sincerely hope that this year will be one that will live in your memory not only as a year of service and hard work, but also one of pleasant memories and deep satisfaction. I now pledge to you my whole-hearted support in an effort to help you accomplish your plans.

The fine growth and progress of our order in the past has been brought about by the fine leadership that we have had. The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and other Grand Officers have done a wonderful job in promoting good fellowship and brotherly love throughout the state and elsewhere.

Each year has been a stepping stone into the years ahead, thus they are to be remembered for the untiring efforts they have put forth on our behalf. They alone know what confronts me and I know that when I need advice and counsel that it will be forthcoming.

Junior Past Grand Matron and Junior Past Grand Patron, I have enjoyed travelling up and down the state with you. Your enlightening messages have been fully appreciated and enjoyed by everyone, and as you join the ranks of the past Grands may you enjoy all of the honors you so richly deserve.

To the members of my own chapter, Delaware No. 1, I am indebted beyond my capacity to pay. I feel that any honor conferred upon me rightfully belongs to you, your support and your encouragement have been priceless beyond words. I appreciate your presence here tonight and I hope that you shall be as proud of me when this year is over as I am proud of you.

To our new Grand Family, both elective and appointive, go my best wishes. This year ahead will be a busy one for all of us and I hope a happy one, and I am quite certain that you will prove to be, to me at least, the Grandest Family yet.

There is one debt above all others which I will never be able to repay, that I owe to my wife, whose understanding, whose self-sacrifice

and devotion has been responsible for whatever good I may have done. Sister Sarah, I am grateful to you for appointing Sister Elsie to the Station of Grand Chaplain. Sister Elsie, will you please rise.

In closing, may I say that we look forward to the year ahead with confidence and are ready to accept the challenge which it brings. With God's help, through our prayers for you, and your prayers for us, we will strive to do our utmost for the good of the Eastern Star.

To the Installing Officers, I wish to say thank you. It is nice to have folks whom you like and admire share moments that are meaningful and precious to you. This you have done this evening. I shall always be grateful.

Sister Mary Bevis presented traveling jewel to W. G. M.

Sister Sarah, Worthy Grand Matron, I am pleased to address you as Worthy Grand Matron. This Jewel that I hold in my hand accompanies the title you have just received. I am pleased to present it to you with the best wishes of the members of this Grand Jurisdiction.

I am sure that during this year of Service, you will enjoy wearing this Jewel, and it will be an inspiration to you. May you and your Official Family have a year of rich experience and happy associations.

Brother William F. Nutter presented traveling jewel to W.G.P. (Also the gavel, seal, and other equipment.)

Brother Bevis presented pin to Sister Mary Bevis:

Grand Chapter of Delaware, I thank you very much for the privilege and honor of presenting this pin to my wife.

SISTER BEVIS:

Thank you, Brother Bill, and I want to thank the Grand Trustees and the Grand Chapter for this Jewel and for giving my husband the honor and privilege of presenting it. There is no one I'd rather have had present this pin to me than you. Thank you.

Sister RUTH NUTTER presented pin to Brother Wm. F. Nutter:

Jr. Past Grand Patron, I thought when this time came I would know just what to say, but at this time I look for someone higher up to guide my way. One year ago when you were installed as W.G.P. in front of the Altar, I was sitting in the West and I silently prayed, "Oh, Dear God, let him ever be mindful of his obligation, let him be square and on the level with all his fellow men", and in my heart I feel he has done this, this year. I know that every thought, every action, and every decision he has ever made was done with this thought. I know he first realized his allegiance to this Grand Body and was always mindful of the All-Seeing Eye and after all in the end, that is who we must please. I know his mother, my mother, and of course, myself, and all his adopted mothers here tonight, must be very proud

presenting to you a gift from your Grand Officers, Grand Trustees, Grand Lecturers, and Committee chairmen. We all want you to know that we are proud and happy to serve with you this year and we will do all within our power to make your year in the Grand East the best year in your lives.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON:

I want to thank the Grand Officers, Trustees and the Grand Lecturer for this gift.

WORTHY GRAND PATRON:

I, too, would like to say thanks. It seems like this is passing the buck all around.

BROTHER REVELS: (To P.G.P. William Nutter)

Junior Past Grand Patron, I have been very honored tonight by being asked by the Chapter to present you this gift. Whether they got such a large one because of my size or because of the affection they feel for you I am not sure. I do know that what we feel at St. John's in regards to you cannot be shown by anything material. Your interest through the years has meant a great deal. We welcome you home. We know you will continue your interest and I am looking forward to seeing you Thursday night, but now I wish to actually present this to you. Whether you know what this is or not, I don't know, but I assure you, you better watch out for Sister Ruth because she knows what it is. Use it in good health and remember St. John's for we will remember you for many years.

WM. F. NUTTER P.G.P.:

To my chapter, I appreciate this kind thought, this gift, here again I say it was not necessary because they gave me the opportunity to be in the Grand East by giving me their vote. I am deeply indebted to my chapter. Brother Bob, I am very proud to have you present this gift to me.

SISTER CORKRAN: (To Sister Elizabeth Fisher)

Sister Elizabeth, it gives me great pleasure to present you with this gift from St. John's Chapter, your own Chapter.

*Lift the cover and look within
And there you will find at the rainbow's end
The same priceless treasures
As were there before
But you'll also see, we have added one more
This treasure was put there just for you
Because you're special and we love you
All over Delaware it has been told
Why all the members love you so
The sweetness of your smile*

*Makes pleasure doubly worth while
And cuts sorrow right in two
That's why we all love you like we do.*

SISTER FISHER:

Thank you very much, Worthy Matron, and I also thank the Chapter.

SISTER SCHULTHEISS to Brother Charles Cleaver:

Past Grand Patron, but rather, Patron of Julia M. Story, No. 3, in a month you are traveling south and leaving us all and on behalf of the Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of the Subordinate Chapters of Delaware of 1957, it is my pleasure to present this gift to you. We hope you will remember us and come back as soon as you can. Good luck to you and Sister Helen.

BROTHER CLEAVER:

Thank you. I am clearly overboard. I do appreciate this but I needed nothing in the way of a gift to remember you folks here in Delaware. It is my intention to come back frequently as my time allows and I trust if any of you come around Tampa, you will find us home.

BROTHER NUTTER:

I would like at this time to express my appreciation to my chapter for allowing us to have furniture from our Chapter here tonight.

Deputy Grand Lecturers were presented.

Worthy Grand Matron announced that today is the birthday of Brother J. Nelson Abbott and everyone sang Happy Birthday.

Worthy Grand Matron read an announcement that a pink coat was lost.

Announced school for deputies on Saturday, May 25th.

Worthy Grand Matron announced that on May 18th at 2:00 p.m. the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons is holding Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home.

Worthy Grand Matron asked all members to remember June 15th, when we will be having our summer benefit at the Richardson Park School. She asked Sister Elizabeth Pierce for any comments on this.

SISTER ELIZABETH PIERCE:

The Worthy Matrons drew their tables last night and they all have their tickets and we hope they will sell them all.

Sister Sarah Riggin announced that since this summer benefit was started we have given \$11,682.50 to the various organizations.

Grand Secretary read standing committees.

Announced dates of Grand Visitations.

STANDING COMMITTEES

<i>Credentials</i>	
Mrs. May Payne.....	3 Years (13)
<i>Jurisprudence</i>	
Mr. William Nutter.....	3 Years (4)
<i>Constitution and Laws</i>	
Mrs. Mary Bevis.....	3 Years (16)
<i>Chapters under Charter and Dispensation</i>	
Mrs. Margaret Holloway.....	3 Years (4)
<i>Estarl Committee</i>	
Mr. George Ostendarp.....	5 Years (14)
<i>Eastern Star Home Fund</i>	
Mrs. Marion Simpson.....	5 Years (2)
<i>Grievance and Appeals</i>	
Mrs. Julia Dawson.....	3 Years (3)
<i>Registration</i>	
Mrs. Edith Labour.....	3 Years (17)
<i>Unfinished Business</i>	
Miss Emily Crossland, Chairman.....	(2)
Mrs. Ethel Hudson.....	(5)
Mrs. Beatrice Gilbert.....	(7)
<i>Necrology</i>	
Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp, Chairman.....	(14)
Mrs. Myrtle Shaub.....	(2)
Mrs. Mary Ellison.....	(6)
Mrs. Margaret Wicks.....	(1)
Mrs. Mildred Carlisle.....	(8)
Mrs. Marilyn Cooper.....	(18)
Mr. Edward Pelham.....	(13)
<i>Printing</i>	
Sylvia Knox, Chairman.....	(3)
Edith McLean.....	(6)
Mrs. Mabel Stirlith.....	(3)
<i>Job's Daughters</i>	
Mrs. Gertrude Grubb, Chairman.....	(13)
Mrs. Alice Frederick.....	(14)
Mrs. Adelaide Martin.....	(1)
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Mrs. Marie Roberts, Chairman.....	(11)
Mrs. Bessie Miles.....	(8)
Mr. Joseph Ellis.....	(13)

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Mr. Robert Larrimore, Co-Chairman	(8)
Miss Miriam Ziegler	(1)
Mrs. Margaret King	(2)
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Mrs. Anna Hudson	(5)
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Mrs. Katherine Bradley	(7)
Mrs. Ruth Steele	(8)
Mrs. Ruth Porter	(9)
Mrs. Euretta Schultheiss	(10)
Mrs. Beulah Rodway	(11)
Mrs. Laura Hickman	(12)
Miss Edith Shinn	(14)
Mrs. Florence Williams	(15)
Mrs. Ruth Bryan	(16)
Mrs. Mabel Guessford	(17)
Mrs. Catherine Ruston	(18)

Hospitality

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Mrs. Alice Abbott	(10)
Mrs. Sarah Riffin	(11)
Mrs. Ruth Laws	(13)
Mr. Cheston McCormick	(14)
Mr. Percy Cotty	(1)
Mr. Thomas Rodway	(11)

Veterans' Hospital

Mrs. Sadie Conly, Chairman	(13)
Mr. William Nutter	(4)
1957 Associate Matrons of each Chapter.	

Special Committees

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Masonic Home Church Service—Mr. Fred Warrington	(9)
Masonic Home Party—	
Mrs. Jeannette Gutzke, Grand Marshal	(14)
Welfare—Mrs. Elvira Ziegler	(1)
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Summer Benefit

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Mrs. Bessie Miles	(8)
Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp	(14)
Mrs. Sadie Conly	(13)
Mrs. Ruth Laws	(13)
Mr. Robert Larrimore	(8)
Mr. George Ostendarp	(14)

Mr. Norris Tull	(7)
Mr. William Nutter	(4)
Mr. John Conley	(1)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

by SARAH HOFFMAN, Worthy Grand Matron

Will the newly appointed Deputy Grand Lecturers, please assemble in the West.

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Esther Chapter No. 17

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Laurel Chapter No. 18

MRS. CATHERINE RUSTON 219 8th Street, Laurel, Del.

A school of instruction for Deputy Grand Lecturers and Elected Grand Chapter Officers will be held on Saturday, May 25, promptly at 7:30 P. M. in Kent Chapter Room, Harrington, Del.

At 2:00 P. M. on May 18th the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons is holding a Grand Lodge 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 June 15th, when we will have our Summer Benefit at the Richardson Park School.

Sister Grand Secretary, please read the Standing Committees.

Thank you.

OFFICIAL VISITS

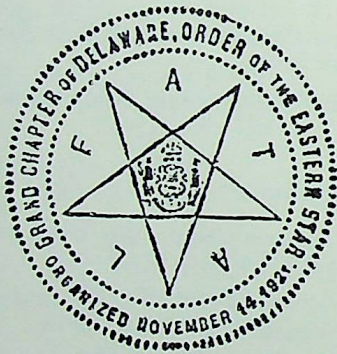
May 28th	Delaware Chapter No. 1
June 6th	Sussex Chapter No. 7
June 10th	Victory Chapter No. 15
June 20th	Newark Chapter No. 10
June 25th	Laurel Chapter No. 18
September 10th	Unity Chapter No. 16
September 12th	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
September 23rd	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
September 25th	Frankford Chapter No. 12
October 2nd	Kent Chapter No. 11
October 4th	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
October 15th	Radiant Chapter No. 6
October 16th	Esther Chapter No. 17
October 18th	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
October 21st	Adah Chapter No. 5
November 7th	St. John's Chapter No. 4
November 14th	Five Points Chapter No. 13
November 19th	Brandywine Chapter No. 14

When I make my Official Visit to your Chapter, if it has been your custom to present flowers on this occasion, if it meets with your approval, I would like to ask that you please forego this expense and instead, give the money you would spend to what we will call "The Flower Fund". This fund will go to the aid of the Handicapped Children of Delaware. If just one helpless child should smile, you'd count your helping hand worthwhile.

Due to the conflicting time element, in some localities, I would like all Chapters to open on the prevailing Time, Daylight Saving Time. Thank you.

I will be pleased to answer all questions, if they are submitted in writing, so that each may be given due consideration.

The Thirty-Seventh Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star will be held in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel DuPont on May 26th and 27th, 1958.



MARY H. BEVIS
Worthy Grand Matron

WILLIAM F. NUTTER
Worthy Grand Patron

Attest:
ELIZABETH M. FISHER
Grand Secretary

This Page is Lovingly Dedicated to

The Memory of

SISTER IRENE BAUER

PAST WORTHY GRAND MATRON

1933-1934

*"One by one we miss the voices
That we love so well to hear,
One by one their kindly faces
In the darkness disappear
No one hears the door that opens,
Through which they pass beyond recall,
Soft as loosened leaves of roses
One by one our loved ones fall.*

In Memory of

THE BELOVED DEAD

of

SISTER JURISDICTIONS

*"As leaves upon the passing stream
Are wafted on and on
As gentle dews of summertime
Disperse with coming dawn,
And as the Sun in Golden Sheen
Sinks nightly in the west,
So has our dear departed one,
Gone silently to rest."*

This page is dedicated to

The Memory of

OUR BELOVED DEAD

of the

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

*"Those who bring beauty to the lives of men
Need no tribute from the recording pen
Their deeds are graven in a place apart
On the enduring tablet of the human heart"*

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

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Mrs. Anna M. Harrington, Demitted from Caesar Rodney No. 8.

Mrs. Odell Guy, Demitted from Caesar Rodney No. 8.

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***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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JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 11, 1918. Date of Charter July 22, 1918
 Meets in Odd Fellows Building, 10th and King Sts., Wilmington, Del.

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ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July & August & First Thursday in Sept.)
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Nov. 18, 1918. Date of Charter Mar. 28, 1919
 Meets in Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall St.

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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.

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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.

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 Mrs. Lillian I. Arters
 Mrs. Lillian M. Larrimore, P.G.M.
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 Mrs. Mary N. Banks
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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. Phyllis Lenhart, Millsboro, Delaware. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Emerson Keeler, 7 No. King St., Georgetown, Delaware. Worthy Patron
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 Mrs. Florence B. Swain
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 *Mrs. Bessie N. Hobbs
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 Mrs. Mary M. Calhoun
 Mrs. Mary H. Bailey
 Mrs. Irma O. LeCompte, P.G.M.

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Mrs. Olive B. Holson
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 Mrs. Mildred H. Minner
 Mrs. Florence S. Brereton
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 Mrs. Ida Coy Kapp
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 *Mrs. Florence Pusey
 Mrs. Lovey J. Stemples
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 Mrs. Frances Warren
 Mrs. Myrtle Stevenson
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 Geo. S. Buhl
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 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.
 Fred H. Warrington, P.G.P.
 Theodore Jester
 Herbert Von Goeress
 Theodore Jester
 Emerson Keeler
 John L. LeCompte, P.G.P.

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.

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 Dr. Charles Schultheiss, 403 Capital Trail, Newark, Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Jacqueline Johnson, 255 E. Main St., Newark, Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. Wallace J. Johnson, 255 E. Main St., Newark, Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Pauline Sheaffer, 108 Delaplaine Ave., Newark, Del. Secretary

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 *Mrs. Edna R. Wood
 Miss Anne E. Gallaher
 *Mrs. Florence E. Fader
 Mrs. Irma L. Hopkins
 Mrs. Esther K. Sheaffer
 Mrs. Anna R. Slack
 Mrs. Lettie P. McMullen
 Mrs. Naomi S. Knauss
 Mrs. Mattie Malcolm
 Mrs. Lydia F. McCloskey
 Mrs. Alice C. Abbott, P.G.M.
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 Mrs. Ida A. Case
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 Mrs. Miriam Battersby
 Mrs. Catherine Gibbs
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KENT CHAPTER No. 11—HARRINGTON

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 17, '26. Date of Charter Apr. 16, '27
 Meets in Century Club Bldg., Harrington, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Florence Kent, Harrington, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Thomas C. Rodway, 44 So. Governors Ave., Dover, Del. Worthy Patron
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 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
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 Mrs. Louise S. Emory
 Mrs. Pearl B. Morris
 Mrs. Henrietta Williams
 Mrs. Emma P. Vinyard
 Mrs. Beulah Rodway
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 Mrs. Mildred Snowberger
 Mrs. Lillian H. Wheeler
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 Mrs. Blanche B. Williams
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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 Doric Lodge, Millville, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Laura Hickman, Dagsboro, Del. Worthy Matron
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 Mrs. Pearl W. McCabe
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 Albert Derickson
 Geo. W. Mitchell
 Robert Derickson
 Frank Johnson
 John Williams
 George Mitchell
 William B. Derrickson, P.G.P.
 Stephen Evans
 Ebe C. Quillen
 Albert Derrickson

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

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 Mrs. Dolores Varrell, 17 Champlain Ave., Wilmington, Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. David C. Wiberg, 407 Garland Rd., Northwood, Wil., Del. . . . Associate Patron
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 ***Mrs. Mae P. Smith
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 Mrs. Edith Work
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 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
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 Mrs. Sadie C. Conly
 Mrs. Gertrude R. Grubb
 Mrs. Lorraine T. Putzier
 Mrs. Ruth Laws

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 Lester B. Haislett
 *George Walker
 **Frederick G. Smith
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 *George D. Baldwin
 **Harold L. Emory
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 Lee E. Nicols
 Stevenson E. Hellen
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 W. Pierce Laws
 Paul Fleming
 Raymond Smith

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 *Mrs. Jane White
 Mrs. Vera Hughes
 Mrs. Bertha Smith
 Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson
 Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle
 Mrs. Helen Weldie
 Mrs. Jane Livermore
 Mrs. Vera Ellis

Richard Welsh
 Henry T. Miller, P.G.P.
 Alvin Rementer
 Edward F. Livermore
 Samuel Richeson
 Gordon Kyle
 Calvin M. Weldie
 Joseph Ellis
 Edward A. Pelham

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

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 Mr. Harold Harding, 903 Haines Ave., Gordon Heights, Wilm., Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Charlotte Outten, 7 Orchard Lane, Wilmington 3, Del. Associate Matron
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 *Mrs. Mildred Hickey
 ***Mrs. Ruby D. Porter
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 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
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 Andrew Nowell
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 Paul W. Hughes
 G. Lloyd Frederick
 George Ostendarp, P.G.P.
 **James H. Fulks
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 *Walter A. Gehret
 Raynard Jensen
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 *Walter Gehret
 George H. Ostendarp, P.G.P.

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. Margaret D. Tomlinson, 541 So. State St., Dover, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Russell Chidester, Parkway Terrace Court, Dover, Del. R.D. . . . Worthy Patron
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 Mrs. Margaret E. Gardner
 Mrs. Pauline Davis
 Mrs. Mildred J. Wilgus
 Mrs. Florence Williams

PAST PATRONS

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 M. Eugene Gardner
 John A. Kennedy, Jr.
 M. Eugene Gardner
 Walter J. Williams

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 Mrs. Julia Slaughter
 Mrs. Ann B. Cleaves
 Mrs. Mary McWilliams
 Mrs. Katherine Smith
 Mrs. Adelle Gibbs
 Mrs. Mary R. Miller
 *Mrs. Jennie Thompson
 Mrs. Sue Baynard
 Mrs. Sara Coverdale

James A. McWilliams
 Robert Slaughter
 John Saxton
 I. Kendall Gibbs, P.G.P.
 Earl D. Smith
 *Robert E. Chambers
 Joseph Miller
 Richard E. Chambers
 William R. Chambers
 Paul Coverdale

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. Grace Hall, 121 Dewey Ave., Lewes, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Clarence Rickards, 123 McFee St., Lewes, Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Marguerite Yarnall, 208 Hickman St., Rehoboth, Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. Rupert O. Hall, 123 McFee St., Lewes, Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Ruth J. Bryan, 119 Washington St., Lewes, Del. Secretary

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 Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore
 Mrs. Ruth Roberts
 Mrs. Goldia Palmer
 Mrs. Claire Andress
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 Mrs. Margaret E. Russell

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ESTHER CHAPTER No. 17—MIDDLETOWN

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sept. 27, '50. Date of Charter May 2, '51
 Meet in Bethesda Hall, Bethesda Methodist Church, E. Main St., Middletown, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Mabel Guesford, Townsend, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. John Guesford, Townsend, Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Elizabeth C. Barnes, Smyrna, Del. Associate Matron
 Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall, 101 Hoeffcker St., Middletown, Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall, 101 Hoeffcker St., Middletown, Del. Secretary

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Mrs. Eugenia G. Hall
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 Mrs. Patricia Mears
 Mrs. Edith Labour
 Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds

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 Samuel Carpenter
 Winfield Cochran
 Groome Mears
 E. Martin Mitchell
 Howard L. Dovonan

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**Dropped

***Demitted

LAUREL CHAPTER No. 18—LAUREL

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Meets in Friendship Hall of Centenary Methodist Church, Laurel, Delaware

Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 4, '52. Constituted January 18, '53

OFFICERS

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Mr. Walter W. Pollitt, Laurel, Del.....	Associate Patron
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 Albert E. Quillen
 E. Pratt Ingersoll

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—November.
 BRITISH COLUMBIA: Mrs. Hazel Freeze, 4767 Collingwood St., Vancouver—June
 CALIFORNIA: Mrs. Maud MCW. Smith, 870 Flood Bldg., San Francisco—October.
 COLORADO: Mrs. Lucille Swartz, 305 Masonic Temple, Denver—September.
 DELAWARE: Mrs. Sylvia M. Knox, 3110 Pennsylvania Ave., Wil., Del.—May.
 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Mrs. Hazel Englebrecht, Masonic Temple, Wash-
 ington—January.
 FLORIDA: Mrs. Mae Donovan, 160 Broadway, Daytona Beach—April.
 GEORGIA: Mrs. Claudia B. Singletary, Box 422 Thomasville—June.
 IDAHO: Mrs. Loula T. Carpenter, Salmon—June.
 ILLINOIS: Mrs. Lillian G. Burchby, 52 W. Randolph St., Chicago—October.
 INDIANA: Mrs. Vera Argus, 735 State Life Bldg., Indianapolis—April.
 IOWA: Mrs. Gladys Haycock, 512 Savings & Loan Bldg., Des Moines—October.
 KANSAS: Mrs. Gertrude V. Gough, 1109 Topeka Blvd. Topeka—April.
 KENTUCKY: Miss Ella M. Mount, 923 Cherokee Rd., Louisville, Ky.—October.
 LOUISIANA: Mrs. Gertrude S. Davis, Box 375 LeCompte, La.—March.
 MAINE: Mrs. Mildred K. Collins, 189 Park Ave., Auburn, Maine—May
 MANITOBA: Mrs. Gladys Currie, 217 Martin Ave., Winnipeg, 5 Manitoba, Canada
 —June.
 MARYLAND: Miss Mary V. Randall, 2401 St. Paul St., Baltimore 18, Md.—April.
 MASSACHUSETTS: Mrs. Alice Wallace, Room 1107 Little Bldg., Boston—May.
 MICHIGAN: Miss Genevieve Nauman, West Branch—October.
 MINNESOTA: Mrs. Frances Abrahamson, 2312 Glenwood Ave., Minneapolis—May
 MISSISSIPPI: Mrs. Florence F. Williams, Houston—April
 MISSOURI: Mrs. Fern Braig, Rt. 1 Box 441, Crewe Coeur, Mo.—October.
 MONTANA: Mrs. Lucille M. Kennedy, Masonic Temple, Missoula—August.
 NEBRASKA: Mrs. Wilma Harms, Masonic Temple, Omaha—May.
 NEVADA: Mrs. Pearl C. Erickson, Box 195 Lovelock—October.
 NEW BRUNSWICK: Mrs. Della Currie, Box 2, Woodstock, N. B., Canada—June.
 NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mrs. Alice K. Simons, 71 Whipple Ave., Laconia—September.
 NEW JERSEY: Mrs. Bertha E. Leathem, 880 Bergen Ave., Jersey City—May.
 NEW MEXICO: Mrs. Frances E. Pino, 804 So. Puerco Dr., Gallup—October.
 NEW YORK: Mrs. Annie M. Pond, 71 West 23rd St., New York City—October.
 NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Bessie R. Mangum, Rocky Mount, Box 1227—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 Maeder, 3615 Euclid Ave., Cleveland—October.
 OKLAHOMA: Mrs. Ethel Johnson, Box 391, Perry, Okla.—April
 ONTARIO: Miss Helen C. Ross, 203 Richmond St., West Toronto, 2-B—October.
 OREGON: Mrs. Laura Bretscher, 7311 Masonic Temple, Portland—June.
 PENNSYLVANIA: Mrs. Anna K. Schofield, 12 So. 12th St., Phila.—June.
 PUERTO RICO: Mrs. Jacobina R. deToro, Box 82 Arecibo—December.
 QUEBEC: Mrs. Esther B. West, 223 LeMoine Bldg., Montreal 23—October.
 RHODE ISLAND: Mrs. Ethel W. Place, 86 Blackburn St., Hillsgrove—October.
 SASKATCHEWAN: Mrs. Ethel S. Carss, Box 436 Kamsack, Canada—May.
 SCOTLAND: Mrs. Edna K. Douglas, 10 Burbank Gardens, N. W., Glasgow—
 March and October.
 SOUTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Nellie M. Alley, Glendale—June.
 SOUTH DAKOTA: Mrs. Lillian Olson, Box 54, 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 Atzrodt, Box 1488 Clarksburg—October.
 WISCONSIN: Mrs. Eleanor Rubow, 207 E. Michigan St., Milwaukee—October.
 WYOMING: Mrs. Ruth E. Gowdy, 119 W. 1st St., Cheyenne—August.
 WASHINGTON: Mrs. Frances B. Waggoner, Grosvenor House, Fifth Ave. at
 Wall St., Seattle 1—June.

PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF DELAWARE

- 1921-22—MRS. JULIA M. STORY*
HARRY F. NEWLIN*
- 1922-23—MRS. AMY E. MEYER, 616 N. Broom St., Wilmington, Del.
HARRY T. HICKEY*
- 1923-24—MRS. LILLIE SCHOFIELD RILEY*
ALFRED M. CLOWER*
- 1924-25—MRS. CORRINE W. TIMMONS, Berlin, Md.
WILLIAM H. REDMILE*
- 1925-26—MRS. LOUISE W. GREEN, 1612 Woodlawn Ave., Wilmington, Del.
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- 1926-27—ELIZABETH LEECH*
WALTER WOODS**
- 1927-28—MRS. ROSE E. NEWLIN*
THOMAS B. PEPPER, Georgetown, Del.
- 1928-29—MRS. JEAN H. CAUFMAN*
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- 1929-30—MRS. MATTIE PYLE HORN, 437 W. Durham St., Phila. 19, Pa.
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- 1930-31—MRS. IRMA BAKER BARR, Delmar, Del.
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