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ful occasion."

Frederick T. Hicks, assistant grand secretary, presided and said: "Today is our first day here in our new Temple. It is indeed one we will long remember."

In presenting grand master Daniels, Mr. Hicks pointed out that this is an era of accomplishment by young leaders and noted that the new Grand Master who succeeded Dr. William W. Allen this year is 38 years old.

Mr. Daniels welcomed the Myra Grand Chapter to the new Temple, praised them for contributions of more than $19,000 toward the purchase of the Temple.

He said: "This is the result of our dreams and our work."

Dr. Daniels also cautioned the Myra group against "practicing politics in a sisterhood."

He said: "Let's not become involved in politics in our elections in the group. Let's keep it out of our fraternity."

Let us maintain good relationships by electing to office those who are deserving and those who show merit."

JERRY WILLIAMS, grand historian, also welcomed the Myra Chapter to the Temple and said: "My heart has been lifted up on coming into our new Temple."

Henry U. Ayers, grand lecturer, stated: "I hoped and prayed that this dream would come true.

"Our eyes can be lifted up to the hills from which cometh our help."

Also bringing greetings was assistant grand secretary Charles T. Gilles, who received sustained applause as he disclosed he has been an active Mason 48 years.

Mr. Stanley, a member of more than 40 years, said in his talk: "Coming into this new Temple is one of the happiest moments of my life."

He recalled that the same feeling came when the group moved into the Temple at McCulloh and Mosher Sts. in 1917.

DURING THE impressive ceremonies, Dr. Lillie M. Jackson presented the Myra Grand Chapter the certificate for the fully paid $500 Life Membership in the NAACP, of which she is local president.

The Myra Grand Chapter made the final payment of $250 on the Life Membership Tuesday.

The Myra Chapter also presented to the Masonic officials a check for $2,000 toward the expansion fund.

Highlighting the occasion was the presentation of a sterling silver pendant to Mrs. Bates honoring her as the first grand matron to preside in the New Temple.

The presentation was made by Mrs. Dora Parker, members of the Myra chapter also presented Mrs. Willard W. Allen with gifts and flowers during the ceremonies.

MR. DANIELS states that moving into the new Temple from the old one at Mosher and McCulloh Sts. will take about three months.

The new Temple is now paid for in full, the Grand Lodge has the keys and has taken possession, he states.

Previous payments for the new building were made from lodge funds as was the final cash payment of more than $150,000.

The Masonic lodge in Maryland was established in 1823. Members of the Maryland jurisdiction now total 4,000.

ENTERING THE NEW TEMPLE, a dramatic occasion for local Masons, came Tuesday as officials marched up the steps of the newly purchased building at 1301 Eutaw Pl. where the first session of the Myra Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star was held. Left to right are: Myra Grand Chapter's outgoing Grand Worthy Patron J. Thomas Cooper, incoming Grand Worthy Matron, Mrs. Frances Coates Grand Matron, Emeritus, Mrs. Willard W. Allen, outgoing Grand Worthy Matron, Mrs. Olivia Bates, Grand Master Samuel Daniels and incoming Grand Worthy Patron, James R. Parker.

Myra OES has first session in newly purchased Temple

The 64th annual session of Myra Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, which met here from Nov. 11 through Nov. 15, was marked by many dramatic events.

Headed by Mrs. Olivia Bates, grand worthy matron, the Maryland jurisdiction contributed more than $19,000 to the expansion fund and as Mrs. Bates, in her "money literally poured in" to make the Myra Chapter and a total of more than 19,000 to date.

The Myra chapter also made a payment of $250, the last on its $500 NAACP Life Membership and received the plaque from Dr. Lillie May Jackson, NAACP president.

Highlighting the spectacular occasion was the Tuesday, all day meeting, the first ever to be held in the new purchased Temple, 1301 Eutaw Pl.

The Masons made final arrangements for the purchase Monday. Myra Chapter's last day meetings were immediately moved from the old Temple, McCulloh and Mosher Sts. and convened at 9 a.m. Tuesday at the new Temple.

FOR THE first time in Masonic history, 825 persons were seated in the dining room at one time.

Heretofore the banquet was served in shifts throughout the afternoon due to limited seating capacity of the old Temple.

Attending the session were guests and representatives from seven jurisdictions outside of Maryland including New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Washington, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

Distributed to nearly 1,000 persons were the first copies of the first directory of the Myra Grand Chapter. The booklet contains names, addresses and chapters of past and present officials and members.

It is described as a "new venture."

The occasion also saw Dr. Willard W. Allen, addressing the group for the first time as the first grand master emeritus.

His successor as grand master affiliated and her church, Mace Samuel T. Daniels, also addressed the group for the first time in the new Temple and was pointed out as the youngest grand master ever to take office in the lodge.

PRESENT FOR the session was the Masons assistant grand secretary, Charles T. Gilles, Baltimore, oldest active Mason (58 years) from the standpoint of membership.

Note of sadness came as the Monday evening lodge of Sorrows mourned the past year's 30 deceased members.

Among them was Louis H. Martin, Princess Anne, Md., noted civic and community worker who died in October.

At the time of his death, Mr. Martin was 1957-58 past grand worthy patron of the Myra chapter, past worthy patron, Starlight Chapter 44 and past master of the Princess Anne Masonic Lodge.

NEW GRAND worthy matron who succeeds Mrs. Bates is Mrs. Frances Coe of Catonsville.

Succeeding J. Thomas Cooper as Grand Worthy Patron James R. Parker.

Associate grand matron is Mrs. Alice T. Carroll, while Anton Schmidt is slated for electing grand associate patron.

Madeleine Williams is grand conducter, Mrs. Jessie Wells, grand assistant conducter.

Other grand officers are Mrs. Carrie L. Gross, grand financial secretary, Mrs. Margaret Dyer, grand recording secretary, Mrs. Corrine Carsley, grand treasurer.

Newly elected trustee is Mrs. Ruth Hill. Other trustees are Mrs. Mildred Cooper and Mrs. Virginia Smith.

grand patron.

THE NEW grand worthy matron, Mrs. Coe, 15 Shipley Ave., Catonsville, has been a member of OES more than 40 years.

A member of the Martha Chapter No. 32, she has held many offices in the lodge.

At Grace AME Church, Catonsville, she is active in all departments of the church. Her husband has been a lifelong member.

Also an active Elks lodge member, she is a past dominick ruler, past loyal daughter ruler and international secretary.

Her husband is Llewlyn Coe. Their daughters are Mrs. Flora Williams, Mrs. Ethel Nelson, Baltimore, and Miss Dorothy Coe, Trappe, Md.

IN THE ADDRESS to the Myra Grand Chapter, Grand Master Daniels commended Mrs. Bates for one of the most successful terms of office ever witnessed in the organization's 64 year history.

At the Tuesday meeting, Mrs. Bates also was praised by Grand Master Emeritus Allen, and other officials including Alvan S. Stanley, grand secretary; Frederick T. Hicks, assistant grand secretary; Charles T. Gilles, assistant grand secretary; Henry U. Ayers, grand lecturer; John H. Jones Jr., D. D. G. M. at large, E. Jerome Williams, grand historian, and Thomas F. Johnson, grand tiler.

Present for the occasion were Mrs. Bates' mother, Mrs. Ella Carter; her daughter, Miss Ovella Dorsey, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Carter, New York, all members of the organization.

Noteworthy among gifts received by the outgoing grand matron were a set of 18 candles from Past Grand Patron William Kidd, a silver benjamin dish from Past Grand Matron of preside in the new Temple from Mrs. Dora Parker, grand worthy matron, a one-year subscription to a crown from her mother and daughter.

CONGRATULATIONS, gifts, telegrams were also received from her school associates, organizations with which she is affiliated & Eastern Star.

Among those present were: Bessie C. Wilson, New York; Alberta Mae Clark, Washington; Massachusetts; Adelle A. Rose, Julia H. Sodos.

Washington: Alice C. Jackson, Vera S. Hawkins, Etta Richardson, Louise Webster, Melville Webb, Alice J. Williams, Alberta Phillips.

Delaware: Audrey Harmon, Clinton Harmon, Edna Young, Elizabeth Scott, Elsie Brittingham, Christine Dodd, Charlotte Coston, Ethel Brittingham, Hattie Blackwell, Sara Jones, Willie Williams, Helene Clark, Ethel Young, M. M. Johnson, Mary Fennell, Edith Lloyd, Ethel Young, Catherine Jones, Della Mae, Edyline Bryant, Elizabeth Thomas, Madelyn Warren, Clara B. Harris, Ella Jones, Bra. P. J. Brooks, Sister P. J. Brooks, Bro. E. E. McMillan, Sister E. E. McMillan, Laura M. Hayward, Bro. Jenkins, Brook Jenkins, Mary Dorsey, Mary Dorsey, Cordelia White, Ethel Green, Genevieve Stevens, Mary L. Turner, Ethel Jones, Myrtle Lomax, Mary Jones, Jim Evans, Ella Evans, Agnes Thompson, Agnie Burton, Mary Jones, Mary Jones, Lucille Jones, Laura Jones, Carmenia Jones, Hogan Ford, Willard W. Allen, Cora Woodford, Beatrice Cornish, Estelle Fye, Annie S. Thomas, Beulah Anderson, John Anderson, Irene Mouldin, Katherine Coles, Alice Perrell, Florence Douglas, Victoria Tyler, Elizabeth Tyler, Viola Jeffery, Bertie Dickson, Madeline Long, Mary Smith, Bertie Miller, Rhoda Stowell, Gertrude Brewer, Annie Brewington, Adele Carr, Henrietta G. White, Viola Allen, Viola Gaston, Bertha Dockins, Viola Allen, Ethel Spencer, Genevieve Stevens, Mary L. Turner, Evelyn Fisher, Myrtle Lomax, Jim Evans, Agnie Thompson, Agnie Burton, Mary Jones, Sarah Grier, Ethel Jones, Bro. Jenkins, Bro. P. J. Brooks, Sister P. J. Brooks, Bro. E. E. McMillan, Sister E. E. McMillan, Laura M. Hayward