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ASWA Officers 1958-59



CAROLYN J. ABERNETHY New York, N. Y. President

Miss Abernethy has served the society as vicepresident, treasurer, director and chairman of the program and new chapter development committees. She is a charter member and past president of the New York Chapter, and has not missed an annual meeting since 1946.

A graduate of New York University, she is employed by the Pearson Advertising Agency, Inc. She is a member of Commerce Alumni of New York University, of the American Woman's Party, and of the Presbyterian Women's Organization.

The President's Message

To serve in the highest office of our fine organization is indeed a privilege which I value highly. You have selected a well-qualified board of directors to serve with me, and I believe I speak for each of them when I say we are honored to serve you for the coming year. Each of us recognizes her responsibility and will do her utmost for the American Society of Women Accountants. We look to you for your cooperation to help us fulfill our duty of leadership.

Perhaps 20 years ago, when the American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants dared to

dream of an auxiliary group, they did not anticipate the many changes in business and world economic conditions which would come as a challenge to us. Yet it is these opportunities which have strengthened our organization and helped it to grow. We are grateful to those women who had the foresight to plan for us and always have been an inspiration. As we embark on the third decade of this society, may we ever be a credit to them. Let us look ahead and extend the privileges we have enjoyed to those who are yet to follow.



ELEANOR E. BECKER Roselle Park, N. J. Secretary

Miss Becker is an accounting supervisor for the Ruberoid Co. at the central accounting office in South Bound Brook, New Jersey. She holds a degree in accounting from Rutgers University and has completed graduate work in economics at New York University and special classes in taxation at the Seidman School in New York City.

In addition to serving as a director of the New York Chapter of ASWA, she holds membership in the National Association of Accountants and serves on the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce Social Security Committee and the Finance Committee of the Washington Rock New Jersey Girl Scout Council.

GENEVIVE A. MICHEL SEATTLE, WASHINGTON First Vice-President

Miss Michel has served ASWA as publicity chairman and as president of the Seattle Chapter. She is office manager in the comptroller's division of the University of Washington, the school from which she holds a B. A. degree in accounting.

A certified public accountant in the State of Washington, she has served AWSCPA as director, treasurer, and chairman of the finance committee. She is a member of the Washington Society of CPA's and of the National Office Management Association.



E. VIRGINIA BARNETT HOUSTON, TEXAS Second Vice-President

Miss Barnett has served as a member of the editorial advisory board of The Woman C.P.A. She holds a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting from South Texas School of Commerce, a bachelor of science degree in economics and a master of business administration degree in management from the University of Houston. She practices as a registered public accountant in Houston, and until October, 1957, served as assistant registrar, University of Houston, downtown school.

She holds membership in the following national honor fraternities: Phi Kappa Phi, Sigma Iota Epsilon and Kappa Delta Pi; is a member of the National Association of Accountants, National Association of Parliamentarians, National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, and serves the following civic organizations: Houston Symphony Society Maintenance Fund Campaign, Houston Grand Opera Association, and Houston Y. W. C. A. Finance Committee.



ERMA A. SEMBACH CINCINNATI, OHIO Treasurer

Miss Sembach has served the Cincinnati Chapter as president and in many other capacities. She received a certificate in accounting from the Evening College, University of Cincinnati; is vice-president and treasurer of the Cin-Made Corporation, and holds membership in Zonta, International.

