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MEET SOME OF THE FOUNDERS



Ida S. Broo, Founder of ASWA, Ruth Peabody Waschau, Mary Gildea, Georgia E. Davis, Anne M. Lord, charter members of AWSCPA and Anna G. Francis, founding president of AWSCPA. Other founders of AWSCPA not present at the meeting were Grace Schwartz Keats, whose confinement in a hospital prevented her attendance, Josephine A. Kroll, Clara R. Stahl and Adrienne van Kooy. Miss Frances, Mrs. Keats and Mrs. Broo are the three members of AWSCPA who have been elected to honorary membership.

MESSAGES FROM THE FOUNDING PRESIDENTS

AWSCPA

In some ways the Eighteenth Joint Annual Meeting of AWSCPA and ASWA was the greatest I ever attended:

The largest attendance

The first to be greeted and commended by the President of the United States

Extra fine leadership

Procedure necessary to handle a larger group.

In other ways I think it paralleled past conventions.

To me it always was and still is the most wonderful group of women in the whole world.

Anna G. Francis

ASWA

In 1933 a balance sheet of the AWSCPA consisted mostly of deferred assets—plans to interest women in accounting, hope for increased opportunity in the field, and for recognition of the part women could hold in the accounting world. A discussion of mutual problems and hopes covered the activity of the national meeting.

In 1958 our assets include 400 active, interested women CPAs; an affiliated group of 3000 women actively interested in accounting, with 63 chapters in 27 states, the District of Columbia and Hawaii: wide opportunity for women in the profession, and recognition by the public of the place women now hold in accounting.

In 1958 our meeting stressed—not our problems, but the problems of the profession, and the responsibility of the woman CPA as a fully accepted member of an honored profession.

Truly a quarter of a century of progress.

Ida S. Broo

EDITORIAL STAFF CHANGES

S. Madonna Kabbes takes over as literary editor with this issue. She is an associate professor in accounting at the University of Illinois, Navy Pier, Chicago, and will bring to our attention accounting writings of current interest.

Virginia O'Hern takes an assignment on

the editorial board, which reviews manuscripts submitted for publication. She is a senior accountant on the staff of the Los Angeles office of L. H. Penney & Co.

They replace Catherine Miles and Hazel Brooks Scott, who have contributed yeoman service to the publication during the past year.