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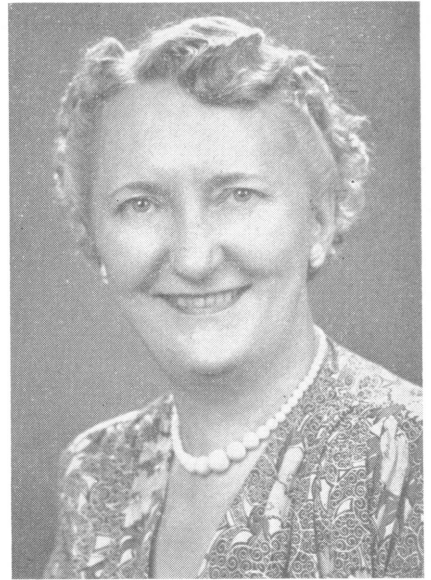
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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



ASWA

It is a great honor and responsibility to direct the activities of the American Society of Women Accountants through its thirteenth year of organization. As your President, I will do all that is in my power to uphold the principles of our Society and to carry out its purpose, "to advance the interests of women in the accounting profession."

During the past twelve years, we have seen many of our members attain their CPA Certificates and it is a great satisfaction to all of us that we as individuals and the Society as a whole have been instrumental in promoting opportunities for these young women to enter their chosen profession. Women are now well established and accepted in the field of public accounting. Women in private accounting have also made much progress. Through taking advantage of our technical programs and study groups they have become more valuable employees, because they are alert, ambitious and anxious to improve themselves.

Our Society fills a definite need in bringing women accountants together and providing them a contact to meet each other, exchange ideas and hold informal discussions. There is no other society which provides these opportunities for women.

Since 1938, we have organized 27 chapters of this Society, embracing approximately 1,500 members and it is our immediate aim to have a chapter in every large city so that all women accountants can enjoy the benefits of association that we now have.

Our rapid growth in membership has added and created many problems in administration. It has been necessary to appoint many committees to carry out the functions of our organization. A central office located in New York City is now maintained for the convenience of all members, and also provides a headquarters for the direction of inquiries regarding our Society.

Your previous officers have made a commendable record and it is my sincere desire, that with the assistance of the officers and directors another year of accomplishment will be added.

Grace A. Dimmer, newly elected president of the American Society of Women Accountants, has been very active in the national organization. Last year, she served the Society as first vice-president. The Detroit Chapter of ASWA was organized under her leadership. She is a past president of the American Women's Society of Certified Public Accountants. She is Michigan's first woman CPA.

She is a resident partner in the public accounting firm of Dimmer, Rose & Co.

While she is an active member of the American Institute of Accountants and the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, she also is devoting much time to club and community work in Detroit.