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ASWA President's Message

Margaret L. Bailey, CPA Denver, Colorado

Our Society has gained momentum in the past through the leadership of capable and dedicated women. Last year was no exception, and all of us appreciate the outstanding work done by Phyllis Peters and the fine group who assisted her.

Looking forward, I believe firmly that women will be more and more in demand as accountants in private industry, in governmental units, and in public accounting. The special talents which women bring to this profession have opened new doors each year. The opportunity is there for those who are prepared for it.

One of the primary objectives of ASWA is to increase the competence of its members. Technical meetings, study sessions, seminars and conferences are all planned to increase our proficiency and knowledge. Many of us have taken advantage of these programs and have been richly rewarded by them. In today's world we also need to improve our ability to communicate. Most of us, however, have not taken advantage of the opportunity to improve our speaking ability. All chapters need speakers and many are organizing a speakers' bureau. But the response from the members is less than what it should be. Avail yourself of this opportunity to improve yourself by stepping forward when a request for speakers is made. This skill, like others, can be acquired by determination and practice.

The officers and directors you have elected to serve with me for the year are qualified and enthusiastic. I would like to present them to you: Dr. Bernadine Meyer of Pittsburgh assumes the post of President-Elect. The Vice Presidents are Dr. Virginia Huntington of Phoenix, Darthe F. Nay of St. Louis, and Naomi J. Nelson of Portland. Cleo E. Burgess of Denver assumes the duties of Secretary and Antoinette M. Peters of Cincinnati, those of Treasurer. Directors include Marguerite C. Brugh of Richmond; Betty H. Gauvin of Ft. Lauderdale; Mary Louise Hawkins of Chicago; Edrie C. Henry of Atlanta; Julia J. Kaufman of Cleveland; Janet S. Kennedy of Syracuse;



and Jane M. Urich of Flint. Phyllis E. Peters will continue to assist us as Director Ex-Officio.

Our achievement will depend to a great extent on the cooperation of the individual members and chapters. We ask your loyal support and look forward to a year of accomplishment.

Margaret L. Bailey, a native of Nebraska, graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1942. She passed the CPA examination in 1952, after having completed the International Accountants Society course. At the present time, she is the senior partner in the firm of Bailey and Wylie, CPA's, Wheatridge, Colorado.

Mrs. Bailey and her husband, Robert D. Bailey (a consulting engineer) are the parents of two sons, who will both be students in Colorado State University this fall.

Mrs. Bailey is a member of the American Institute and Colorado Society of CPA's, AWSCPA, and the Business and Professional Woman's Club. As a member of the American Society of Women Accountants, she has served as president of the Denver Chapter, as well as National Director and Vice President.