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## **AWSCPA President's Message**

Frances D. Britt, CPA President 1967-1968

1933-1968 Thirty-Five Years of Progress

As the American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants attains thirty-five years of active participation in the field of accounting organizations, let us again survey the objectives set out by the nine farsighted women who founded the organization in Indianapolis in January of 1933. The years behind us have demonstrated the value of these objectives as we have: encouraged women accountants in professional advancement; improved the knowledge within the accounting profession concerning the ability and achievements of women certified public accountants; and, increased the number of women who are members and active participants in programs of other technical accounting organizations.

These objectives have often been studied as we search for methods to advance our progress. Up to the present time it has not been found necessary to modify these objectives in any way, and I would suggest that we proclaim this, our thirty-fifth year, as a year where we shall see these objectives continue in action. The officers and directors you have entrusted at the helm of your Society for the ensuing year have pledged themselves to adhere to the fulfillment of these original objectives as we continue to guide our path with these standards set up by our predecessors.

Serving you will be an outstanding group of officers and directors. I would like to present to you this able group of women and the capacities in which they will serve. The officers are Dr. Marie E. Dubke, Vice President, Publicity Committee, Memphis, Tennessee; Mary E. Ruddy, Vice President, Public Relations Committee, Washington, D. C.; Dorothea Watson, Vice President, Budget and Finance Committee, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Marjorie June, Secretary, Yearbook Committee, Chicago, Illinois; and Dorris Michalske, Treasurer, Cleveland, Ohio. The directors include Vera B. Coulter, Education and Research Committee, El Segundo, California; Mary B. Sommer, Membership Committee, Buffalo, New York; Doris A. Welch, Publications Committee, Sacramento, California; Katherine M. West, Legislation Committee, Brooklyn, New York; and Beth M. Thompson (ex-officio), Policy and Procedure Committee, Miami, Florida. Serving in other capacities will be Dr. Marilynn



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G. Winborne, Award Committee, Tucson, Arizona and Doris J. De Bri, Central Register Committee, Chicago, Illinois.

We deeply appreciate the honor you have bestowed upon us by giving us the privilege of serving you and the Society during this next year. We are cognizant of the responsibilities involved and pledge our very best efforts for the coming year. With the overwhelming cooperation that has been evidenced by the membership we are confident that the aims and purposes of the Society will continue to advance during this year.