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FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

American Institute of Accountants

SEPTEMBER 15–18, 1941

CATALOG

HOTEL STATLER, DETROIT, MICHIGAN
THE UNDERTAKING

EXHIBIT OF HISTORICAL PICTURES

"The committee on meetings is arranging for an exhibit at the annual meeting in Detroit, of pictures taken during the early days of the accounting profession in this country. Members throughout the country undoubtedly have in their offices or know of the existence of individual portraits or group pictures of the early practitioners to whom the profession today owes so much. The committee hopes that these pictures will be sent (or brought) to Detroit for inclusion in this historical exhibit. Arrangements have been made to defray the cost of shipping and insuring pictures that are loaned to the exhibit. To avoid duplication of pictures, kindly write to the secretary of the Institute, informing him of pictures you would be willing to make available for the exhibit in Detroit. It is desirable that all pictures should be labeled and the names of all those who can be identified shown."

PICTURE EXHIBIT

"An extensive exhibit is being arranged of group and single pictures of the men throughout the country who were active in the accounting societies during the profession's formative years. The committee arranging the exhibit is eager to receive from state societies and individual members pictures of historical interest for display. Those possessing such pictures are requested to write to the secretary, so duplication of pictures may be avoided and arrangements may be made for transportation and insurance."

[From the certified public accountant, July and August, 1941]
THE ACCOMPLISHMENT

This exhibit of historical pictures, consisting in all of sixty-three group and single portraits showing the faces of several hundred accountants and covering generally the thirty-five years from 1880 to 1915, has been assembled from many places.

The exhibit was built around the Institute's own collection which was enlarged by securing copies of numerous prints of groups and individuals which had appeared in early accounting publications.

But even with this material the exhibit as here displayed was made possible only by the interested cooperation of many members of the Institute and of a few individuals who are not members. Some loaned or offered to loan pictures, others suggested where pictures might be obtained, and still others assisted in the identification of some of the pictures or of the individuals shown in them.

To all who have contributed to this undertaking and have aided in this accomplishment, the Institute extends its thanks.

This effort is in keeping with the frequently expressed wish of the Institute that state societies of certified public accountants and individual members assist in the accumulation and preservation of historical data relative to the development and progress of the profession in the United States. And this, it seems, is an appropriate time to suggest that members who possess or know of other pictures, which now or later may not be wanted by their owners, arrange for their deposit and preservation in the Library of the American Institute of Accountants.
NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

NO. DATE SUBJECT

INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTS
Incorporated 1882, Merged into A.I.A. 1941

1 1883 Edward C. Cockey, First President, 1882
2 1890 Anson O. Kittredge, Editor, Author, Educator, Practitioner
3 1897 Charles E. Sprague, Editor, Author, Educator, Banker
4 1898 Joseph Hardcastle, Author, Educator, Practitioner
5 ? Frank E. Webner, Author, Lecturer, Practitioner

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
Incorporated 1897, Merged into A.I.A. 1941

6 1906 Franklin Allen, First and only (?) Secretary, 1897
No picture available of Arthur W. Smith, First and only (?) President, 1897

FEDERATION OF SOCIETIES OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS IN THE UNITED STATES
Incorporated 1902, Merged into A.A.P.A. 1905

7 1902 Charles W. Haskins, First President, 1902
8 ? Farquhar J. MacRae, Second President, 1903
9 1904 A. Lowes Dickinson, Third President, 1904
10 1902 George Wilkinson, First Secretary, 1902
11 1904 Robert H. Montgomery, Second Secretary, 1904
12 1903 July—At Washington, Delegation to Commerce Dept.
   Back row—J. R. Sparrow, Max Teichman, W. M. Lybrand
   Front row—G. Wilkinson, F. J. MacRae, R. H. Montgomery
13 1904 September—At Saint Louis, First International Congress,
   Indoors—President Sterrett, Secretary Wilkinson and 74 others
14 1904 September—At Saint Louis, First International Congress,
   Outdoors—President Sterrett, Secretary Wilkinson and 64 others
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American Association of Public Accountants

Incorporated 1887, Reorganized into A.I.A. 1916

17 1896 James Yalden, First and Third President, 1887-1888 and 1891-1892
18 1909 Henry R. M. Cook, Fourth President, 1892-1893
19 1896 W. Sanders Davies, Seventh President, 1897-1898 and First President A.I.A. 1916-1917
20 1908 John R. Loomis, Eleventh President, 1903-1906
21 1904 Elijah W. Sells, Twelfth President, 1906-1908
22 1904 Joseph E. Sterrett, Thirteenth President, 1908-1910
23 1913 Edward L. Suffern, Fourteenth President, 1910-1912
24 1922 Robert H. Montgomery, Fifteenth President, 1912-1914 and Twelfth President A.A.A. 1935-1937
For John Heins, Second President, 1888-1891, see No. 42
For Richard F. Stevens, Fifth President, 1893-1896, see No. 47
For Frank Broaker, Sixth President, 1896-1897, see No. 36
For Leonard H. Conant, Ninth President, 1899-1901, see No. 37
For Ferdinand W. Lafrentz, Tenth President, 1901-1903, see No. 25
No Pictures available of David Rollo, Eighth President, 1898-1899
J. Porter Joplin, Sixteenth President, 1914-1916

25 1905 Assembled Portraits
  President Loomis, Secretary Roberts, and 91 others
26 1906 At Columbus, 19th Meeting, Arlington Country Club
  President Sells, Secretary Roberts, and 61 others
27 1907 At Saint Paul, 20th Meeting, Town & Country Club
  President Sells, Secretary Roberts, and 51 others
28 1907 At Saint Paul, 20th Meeting, Minneapolis City Hall
   President SELLS, Secretary ROBERTS, and 43 others
29 1908 At Atlantic City, 21st Meeting, Marlborough-Blenheim
   President STERRETT, Secretary ROBERTS, and 162 others
30 1913 At Boston, 26th Meeting, Copley-Plaza
   President MONTGOMERY, Secretary RICHARDSON, and
   152 others
31 1914 At Annapolis, 27th Meeting, New Willard
   President JOPLIN, Secretary RICHARDSON, and others

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANTS
32 1929 At Washington, Meeting of Council
   President HURDMAN, Secretary RICHARDSON, and others
33 1937 At New York, 50th Anniversary Banquet,
   Waldorf Astoria
   President COLLINS, Secretary CAREY, and others

THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS
34 1929 At New York, Banquet, Hotel Commodore
   President MONTGOMERY, Secretary COURTNEY,
   and others
35 1929 At New York, Closing Session, Hotel Commodore
   President MONTGOMERY, Secretary COURTNEY,
   and others

STATE ORGANIZATIONS
NEW YORK — C.P.A. Law enacted 1896
36 1896 First Board of C.P.A. Examiners
   C. E. SPRAGUE, F. BROAKER, and C. W. HASKINS, and
   Sponsors of Bill in Senate and Assembly
37 1905 Assembled Portraits
   President MACRAE, Secretary BRUMMER, and 70 others
38 1907 Tenth Anniversary Banquet, Hotel Astor
   President ALLEN, Secretary BRUMMER, and others
39 ? HAMILTON S. CORWIN, First Secretary, 1897-1898, and
   Eighth President, 1914-1917
40 ? William F. Weiss, Sixth President, 1912-1913
41 ? John R. Sparrow, Ninth President, 1917-1919

Pennsylvania — C.P.A. Law enacted 1899

42 1927 Assembled Portraits
Founders and Officers (25) 1897-1927

Maryland — C.P.A. Law Enacted 1900

43 1901 Max Teichman, First President, 1901-1904

Illinois — C.P.A. Law enacted 1903

44 1904 Ernest Reckitt, First Vice President, 1897
45 1904 A. Lowes Dickinson
46 1904 Henry W. Wilmott

New Jersey — C.P.A. Law enacted 1904

47 1907 Assembled Portraits
President DuBois, Secretary Hartkorn, and 31 others

Michigan — C.P.A. Law enacted 1905

48 1906 Assembled Portraits
First C.P.A. Board and First 13 Certified Public Accountants

49 1904 Frank H. Macpherson
50 1936 Thirtieth Anniversary Banquet
51 1938 Durand W. Springer

Ohio — C.P.A. Law enacted 1908

52 1924 J. S. Morris Goodloe, President, 1906

Massachusetts — C.P.A. Law enacted 1909

53 1904 Harvey S. Chase, First President

Minnesota — C.P.A. Law enacted 1909

54 ? Herbert M. Temple, First President, 1904

Missouri — C.P.A. Law enacted 1909

55 1904 Benjamin Franklin, Jr.
56 1904 George O. May
MISCELLANEOUS—

To accountants the most important picture is

57 C1650

The Accountant by the Dutch painter Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn who was born in Leyden in 1606 and died in Amsterdam in 1669.

Only an art critic may judge its quality, but accountants may be proud that in the middle of the seventeenth century he selected this subject.

Until a few years ago the original was in the collection of the late Charles M. Schwab. Then, it is understood, it was purchased by the Government of the Netherlands and taken to Rotterdam. Whether it was saved in the destruction of that city in 1939 is not known.

But its relation to our occupation and the eminence of its creator warrant this inclusion in this exhibit of this print even though it is small and unsatisfactory.

ADDENDA

INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTS

58 1897 Frederick W. Child
59 1897 Charles Dutton
60 1897 Wm. Bainbridge Jaudon

NEW YORK

61 1902 Edward Owen, Commissioner of Accounts, New York City
62 1902 Christine Ross (Barber), First Woman Certified Public Accountant, 1898

PENNSYLVANIA

63 1907 Board of Examiners
     C. N. Vollum, J. E. Sterrett, L. E. Brown
64 ? James T. Anyon, First Secretary, American Association of Public Accountants