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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I want to thank the membership for providing me with the opportunity to serve the Academy of Accounting Historians as President. With your help, I will work toward the continuing growth and development of the Academy. The Academy work depends tremendously on the officers and the committees. Committees and task forces for 1996 were included in the December 1995 issue of The Notebook. Thank you very much for your willingness to serve on these committees and task forces.

Centennial Celebration of the First CPA Law

The year 1996 is a very important year because it is the 100th anniversary of the first CPA exam and the first CPA law. On April 17, 1896, the Governor of New York signed into law "an act to regulate the profession of Public Accountants." The law prohibited anyone from using the title of "Certified Public Accountant" unless he had a certificate issued by the Regents of New York University.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of this law, the Northeast Region of the AAA combined with the New York Society of CPAs for their regional meeting in New York City, April 17-20, 1996. Many of the Academy members were on the program. The officers, trustees and key members of the Academy held their Spring meeting in conjunction with this meeting in New York. Minutes of this meeting are included in this issue of The Notebook.

100th Anniversary of the First CPA Exam

After the CPA law was passed, the first CPA examination was given on December 15 and 16, 1896, in Buffalo and New York City.