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EDITORIAL

EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Do you want to be a CPA? Are you trying oh, so hard, to make the grade? Perhaps you have the wrong system. Marguerite Reimers, CPA, Seattle Chapter ASWA, tells us the following unusual stories of two of their members.

Member A, a graduate in accounting at the University of Washington, had been employed in industry for a number of years. Seattle Chapter asked her to report on the CPA examination for one of the chapter programs. To gain first-hand knowledge, she decided to write the examination, passed several parts on her first attempt, and completed the requirements at the second writing.

Member B, although she did not consider herself eligible for membership in ASWA, attended the organizational meeting of Seattle Chapter because she had a friend in another chapter whom she felt would be interested in receiving a first-hand account of the occasion. This led to membership, and she found herself being literally dragged by another member to night school to complete her advanced accounting after a lapse of a number of years. Seattle is proud to add that when she wrote her CPA examination her paper was scored the highest of that particular group, the only time this has been achieved by a woman in the State of Washington.

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A letter from Marguerite Gibb, President, ASWA, tells us that the chapters of American Society of Women Accountants now total 39. Charters were granted to: Baltimore, Maryland, March 25, 1954; Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 18, 1954; and Kalamazoo, Michigan, July 1, 1954.

Professional organizations are growing in other lands, also. Senora Maria de Tor-

res, International Associate member of Grand Rapids Chapter ASWA, has completed the organization of the Mujeres Contadoras de Panama in Panama, R. de P. with 37 charter members and 20 more applications. They already have bylaws, a bulletin, and an advance program for the year.

RANDOM READING

The Illinois Society of AIA conducted a survey of the opinions of a representative sample of practitioners regarding important phases of educational preparation for public accounting. A summary of the results as given in the *AIA Newsletter of May, 1954*, is as follows:

"Beginning junior accountants are in great need of education in areas of technical expression, audit standards and procedures, internal control, preparation of working papers, professional conduct, and basic skills."

Question to ASWA members. Have any of your chapters been giving this subject any consideration lately? If so, you may have on hand, in preparation, or ready to be prepared, a discussion of the subject that might be of interest to our readers. Let us hear from you.

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