

## LOOK TO THIS DAY

(Installation of International President 1980-81, Ellen Bachelder)

We are tonight on the threshold of another year for Credit Professionals International. As we prepare for the future, let us with praise and thankfulness look at the accomplishments of the past year. We wish to thank \_\_\_\_\_ for her year of leadership with enthusiasm and excitement. To her officers and chairman we say thank you for your cooperation and work well done on our behalf. As I call, please stand and be recognized. \_\_\_\_\_ (Name each, give city, state and office) Even though you've been absent from places of special responsibility, we are counting on you to continue to serve with us faithfully as in the past. We commend you for performing your duties as dictated by our bylaws. This organization will continue to reap the harvest from the seeds you have planted to achieve our goals.

Your theme, "Enriching, Enlarging and Extending" Credit Professionals International was a very appropriate title for the goals that were set and the projects that were completed. On behalf of all the members of CPI, accept our sincere appreciation.

(Applause)

We view with mixed emotions gladness and sadness as the reins of the year are passed on to the officers that were elected today. With the echo of Enriching, Enlarging and Extending Credit Professionals International still ringing in our ears we shall peer into the future with "A Look to This Day" which is the theme chosen by \_\_\_\_\_, our newly elected president for the coming year. Her theme reflects deep thought and meaning and thus we have a greater awareness of the depth of our new president.

Look to this day is already a dream  
and tomorrow is only a vision,  
But today, well lived, makes every yesterday  
a dream of happiness, and every tomorrow  
a vision of hope.

We shall now move forward setting our goals with our dreams and hopes supported with strong goals for making the \_\_\_\_\_ year one of the best for CPI.

With the lighthouse as the symbol for "Look To This Day," we see this symbol not only as a guide for all our tomorrows, but also as a symbol of security. During the night the lighthouse with its constant watchfulness and beam of light gives hope to all who look to it for guidance. At daybreak its welcome sight gives assurance that it is constantly there ready to lead a helping hand when called upon and at sunset it is a promise to give guidance throughout the night. The rising sun sets a golden pattern of happiness and the setting sun reflects the beautiful pattern of peace and contentment. This then is the summary of the hope for this day.

As we stand on the shore and look toward the lighthouse we see the blue of the ocean meeting and blending with the blue of the heavens stretching far into the horizon so to the future. This, too, is the vision of hope for everyone.

Credit Professionals International can closely be related to the lighthouse because Credit Professionals International and what it stands for is the beacon of hope for our purposes and objectives. We all look to Credit Professionals International and its educational programs for guidance, confidence and leadership plus self-improvement and fellowship. Credit Professionals International beckons to all who want and need what the light that is offered through education can supply. Cast upon the stormy sea of uncertainty in our troubled economy we look to our Credit Professionals International lighthouse that cares and shares its guidance and security. Therefore, we will now place our confidence and hope in the new officers who will man the lighthouse this coming year.

Will the District Presidents please stand? (Name and District) You are the lighthouses situated throughout the country to lend lights of leadership to give assurance and security to all members in you areas. Your responsibility is great



and as one lighthouse can not adequately shed light to so vast an area your lights are especially needed in every area. But no lights or beacons would be needed if it were not for the most important section of our great organization - the individual members. It is for you and through you that we can thrive and grow.

Will the newly elected officers please stand?

\_\_\_\_\_ our new Treasurer in whom we shall place the responsibility of honesty and watchfulness over the financial affairs of Credit Professionals International. It is your duty to give guidance and instructions to your counterparts. Do you accept this responsibility?

Next, the Secretary, \_\_\_\_\_. To you is given the responsibility and honor of recording history. The chain of continuity is important to the proper functioning of any organization. You will be responsible for the minutes of the executive board meeting. To all other secretaries please set the example of accuracy and promptness. Do you accept this responsibility?

\_\_\_\_\_, the Third Vice President contributes to our group the symbol of friendship and sincerity and with these qualities will bring a keen asset toward our growth by enlarging our membership. Your responsibility is to encourage the retention of all present members and enlist their help in securing new members. Selling Credit Professionals International enthusiasm and its many advantages to all local club chairman, and your District Chairman is the message you will send out from your lighthouse. Do you accept this responsibility?

Our Second Vice President \_\_\_\_\_ has a most important obligation. From your lighthouse your beam shall constantly remind all your chairman plus every member that education is our primary purpose. You shall encourage the use of the educational programs to give interest and purpose to all meetings. You shall also, with the help of your committee, secure

chapters for our next study manual. Do you accept this responsibility?

\_\_\_\_\_, our newly elected First Vice President and her committee members have the challenge of organizing new clubs and giving assistance to the clubs that have problems. Your beacon tells all that we have an organization that is beneficial to all persons. Your responsibility to follow through on every prospective area that needs and wants our advantages. \_\_\_\_\_, this will also be a year of learning and preparation for you. Our president will look to you for constant help and lending strength that must come from the second in command. Your advise and counsel will be most valuable to the success of the coming year. Do you accept this responsibility?

And now our new President \_\_\_\_\_. Your responsibility is to see that your lighthouse beacon does not falter or grow dim, but constantly remind all that Credit Professionals International is a leading and worthwhile organization that can give guidance and security to each and every member and to all prospective members. We shall look to your leadership for trust and confidence for this coming year. This challenge offers you the privilege and joy of service. The members have indicated their trust and gratitude to you for the faithful services you have already rendered. We shall look to you for this day with the assurance that you will illuminate with confidence the purposes and objectives of Credit Professionals International. Do you accept this responsibility?

The combination of talents, experiences and insights that lies within each of you may be the key to unlock doors that have never been opened, to explore ideas that have not been known, to achieve beyond that which has ever been perceived. The contribution you can make, the influence you can have on the members of this organization are far-reaching. This is the place, and now is the time, to broaden your perspective, to deepen your sensitivity, to strengthen your commitment. There is not limit to the extent of your personal growth - if you allow yourself the opportunity.

With the blue of the sea - the blue of the skies and our guardian lighthouse, we

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Ladies and Gentlemen, I present to you your duly installed officers and Board for the \_\_\_\_\_ year for CPI and your new President, \_\_\_\_\_.