



CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT  
TOLEDO PUBLIC LIBRARY

## *“The Kind of Book Ethel C. Wright Would Like”*

In recognition of the long service of Ethel C. Wright to the Toledo Public Library and to the people of Toledo, as coordinator of the library's work with children (1918-1955), the Board of Trustees adopted the following resolution:

That the Toledo Public Library shall designate in its annual book purchase funds an amount up to \$1,000 per year to be used for purchase of one or more copies of books chosen by the children's librarians as representing Miss Wright's well-known standards of selection, those books to be marked by a special bookplate bearing a likeness of Ethel Wright and words to the effect that the book is especially recommended as good reading for children.

A hand-lettered and illuminated scroll bearing this resolution, made by Neita Livingston of the Toledo Library, was presented to Miss Wright when she left Toledo in 1955 for La Jolla, California. She did not wish to have her picture on the bookplate, so Robert D. Franklin, director of the library, requested Lois Lenski to make a suitable design for such a plate, which she did, most charmingly, as shown in the accompanying illustration. Each year Mary Elizabeth Ledlie (who succeeded Miss Wright as coordinator of work with children) has sent her a list of the books selected. Miss Wright has written that she feels greatly honored by this recognition.