EDITOR'S PREFACE

This small volume pays tribute to two remarkable women, Muriel Fuller and Margaret Monroe. It contains the second Muriel L. Fuller Memorial Lecture which was part of a day of activities planned in honor of Margaret E. Monroe on the occasion of her retirement. It is fortuitous that Professor Monroe delivered this scholarly highlight of the day, since her own teaching, research, and conceptual advances in adult education and services are so closely entwined with those which motivated Professor Fuller's professional work.

The Muriel L. Fuller Memorial Lecture Series was originated and funded by friends, colleagues, and former students of Professor Fuller's. It is a tribute to a forward looking, humane, and positive woman and is intended to continue her work by bringing to the library community ideas that reflect Professor Fuller's wide-ranging interests. The first lecture, in October of 1979, took the form of "Muriel Fuller Day" at the conference of the Midwest Federation of Library Associations in Milwaukee, during which Nancy Friday spoke on "Changing Women's Roles in a Changing Society." The meeting contained a full day of activities and workshops on continuing education, one of Muriel Fuller's major interests and activities. No publication resulted from the first lecture.

In this second lecture, Professor Monroe provides historical perspective to the concepts of adult learning and library services to adults, and then charts goals for the future. A response by Ronald Gross, consultant and writer on adult and continuing education, concluded the professional part of Margaret E. Monroe Day. Subsequently, the UW—Madison Library School Alumni Association honored Professor Monroe at a Luncheon at which friends and colleagues reflected on this master teacher's influence on their professional lives. In the afternoon, the Library School gave a reception in Professor Monroe's honor. Much of the day's success was due to the untiring efforts of Charles Bunge, then the Library School's Director.
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May this small volume provide a glimmer of the respect and affection in which so many hold Margaret Monroe and the memory of Muriel Fuller.

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