

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. MARY PEACOCK DOUGLAS

February 8, 1903 - January 29, 1970

Early in the second year of a retirement she was enjoying as fully and thoroughly as any active year of her career, Mrs. Douglas was stricken with a terminal illness which brought the end so swiftly that family, friends, and professional associates are still stunned. Her going leaves a void no one dares try to fill.

During her lifetime Mrs. Douglas received many honors in recognition of her contributions to the development of school libraries and reading—the Grolier Award, the Mary Peacock Douglas Award of North Carolina Association of School Librarians, the Mary Peacock Douglas School in Raleigh, and a *North Carolina Libraries* tribute. Perhaps she was best known nationally and internationally for her work and writings concerning school libraries, but those who knew her well will remember longest her personal and professional integrity, her inspiring encouragement and example, and her love of beauty—beauty in the written word, in art and music, in nature, and above all, in people.

Mrs. Douglas is survived by her husband, C. D. Douglas, who has requested that any memorial given be a book to a library.

MARY PEACOCK DOUGLAS

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Association of School Librarians has received contributions toward a scholarship fund in memory of Mrs. Mary Peacock Douglas. Any further contributions to a memorial fund may be sent to the chairman of the N. C. A. S. L. Awards and Scholarship Committee, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Storie, 514 Lakeside Drive, Statesville, North Carolina 28677.