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PREFACE

With the appearance of *MidAmerica VII*, the Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature marks its tenth year of existence, a fact which, as Abraham Lincoln said of his marriage, "to me is matter of profound wonder." It is also to me a matter of deep pleasure. The anniversary will be marked at the Tenth Annual Conference, "The Cultural Heritage of the Midwest," at Michigan State University on May 15, 16, 17, 1980. Membership continues to increase, as does the scholarly and creative work of its members, as the essays and bibliography in this, the seventh *Mid-America*, give ample evidence.

This volume is inscribed to Dr. Walter Havighurst, one of the pioneers in the study of the literature and culture of our region, with the gratitude of the members.

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