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I think it is a mistake to cling to a region because it has given you a delightful experience once. You merely accumulate dead possessions. Don't cling to the old because it made you glad once; go on to the next, the next region, the next experience. We have left behind us the most extraordinary succession of delightful dwelling-houses each of which in turn once meant everything to us, but not one of which we now regret having left.

—ALFRED NORTH WHITEHEAD

Foreword

DURING the past ten years we have lived in ten different homes in five states, and I often wished for a book about moving to help me. There was none, so this has been written for other families like ours. It is the result of personal experience, research and innumerable conversations with other moving families. Its suggestions are passed on to you with the hope that you'll find them helpful. If you develop better suggestions during your moving I'd like to hear from you—so other families may benefit from your experiences. We moving families are pioneers in a comparatively new way of life, and our experiences are valuable for those who come after us.

I cannot begin to list the persons who, through the years, have unknowingly contributed to this book by expressing their ideas and opinions in conversations. I am grateful to them—wherever their moves have taken them—and take this means of thanking them.

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Denver, Colorado

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