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Mrs. Emma K. Plank, assistant professor of child development in the Department of Pediatrics,... At present she is director of the program of child life and education at the City Hospital.

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Ten years after retiring and three years since in an impressive playground for children hospitalized here was dedicated in her name, Emma Plank looks to the future with the same gusto and gutsiness that characterized her illustrious 17-year career with Cleveland Metropolitan General Hospital.

A charming woman, Plank joined City Hospital — Metro General's forerunner — in 1955 to start the first formal, university-affiliated child life and education program in the United States. As an assistant professor of child development with Western Reserve University (WRU), Plank worked closely with the Department of Pediatrics and its director, Dr. Frederick Robbins.

It was Dr. Robbins, who later became dean of the WRU Medical School, who persuaded Plank to expand her talents at City Hospital by organizing a...

