

APRIL 27, 1951 MEETING

Earl M. McBride was born in Sharon, Pa., in 1885, and came to Youngstown at the age of sixteen. He worked at various occupations to earn sufficient to enable him to attend law school at Ohio Northern University, from which he was graduated in 1909. He was admitted to the bar the same year and practiced for a short time, before joining the staff of the Realty Trust Company. From there on he was intimately connected with the territorial expansion of Youngstown for a period of forty years. The names of the residential areas with which he was identified, in one capacity or another, are the symbols of Youngstown's growth: Highland, Crandall Park, Shadyside, Utopia, Realty Development, Westward Ho. At the same time he was active in the utilization of commercial property and from this proceeded to a career as an appraiser of real estate values.

The development of professional standards and associations for those engaged in real estate activity led him to responsibilities of national scope and offered opportunities for service which he accepted gladly.

In the third decade of this century he became aware of the changing viewpoint as to what constitutes the most effectuate and reverent ministry to the remains and memory of the deceased. He therefore determined to bring to this community a resting place for the dead which would evidence not the vanity of the survivors but the promise of those who have gone before. The very name was symbolic, not a mere "burying ground", nor "cemetery" or sleeping place, but a Memorial Park.

In a sense, this memorial tribute is but a guidepost to the true memorials of his life. Every minute page of this Association, every physical structure within sight of this meeting,

every aim of this enterprise is a memorial to Earl M. McBride, and a guage of the achievement of his aim.

To attempt to encompass with the word the emotions which his daily conduct exemplified is to compress them almost beyond recognition. Enthusiastic, optimistic, affectionate; he communicated his own sentiments to others and awakened them in those in whom they were dormant. Though always engaged in matters of weight and substance he himself was not austere, but amiable.

He was married in 1911 to Gertrude Wagstaff, and this union was suspended only by his passing. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McBride, also survive.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: this Memorial Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of this Association, and that a copy thereof be given to Mrs. Gertrude McBride.

The Motion as given by Mr. Ross Diser was seconded by by Ross Rosenberger and unanimously carried.