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glean the following information concerning Mr. Jackson from the Pittsburgh Gazette Times:

John Beard Jackson, aged 63, art connoisseur and one of the foremost financiers and philanthropists of Pittsburgh, died at 5 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, in the Pittsburgh hospital, from a fractured skull. His remains were taken to his home at 6842 Penn avenue, East End.

Mr. Jackson was president of the Fidelity Title and Trust Company, trustee of the Carnegie Institute, member of the Carnegie hero fund commission, and a director of several banks, insurance companies, railroad and commercial enterprises. He had been honored also with other positions of high trust, as perhaps few other Pittsburghers have been honored.

John Beard Jackson was born on February 17, 1845, at the home of his parents at 313 Penn avenue. He was a son of George W. and Margaret Townsend Jackson. His father was engaged in the meat packing business.

In 1883 Mr. Jackson's career as one of the foremost financiers and philanthropists of this city began. He succeeded William O'Hara Scully as president of the Fidelity Title & Trust Company, which position he held until his death. Within a short time his business sagacity, energy and integrity won him such a reputation amongst the leading financiers that he was consulted on almost all the important problems in the industrial, financial and philanthropic life of the city.

He was made president of the Western Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, vice president of the Union Fidelity Title Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, vice president and trustee of the Dollar Savings Bank, director of the Pittsburgh Life & Trust Company, director of the Standard Underground Cable Company, director of the Pittsburgh Stove & Range Company, director of the Citizens Traction Company, director of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Company, director of the Bank of Pittsburgh National Association, and director of the Allegheny Valley Railway Company. He was also president of the Archaeological Society of Western Pennsylvania and a director in the International Banking Corporation.

Mr. Jackson took an active part in the progressive work of the Pittsburgh chamber of commerce, and he was president of that organization for one term. He was a friend of Andrew Carnegie, and when the great Pittsburgh philanthropist made known his plan of giving to this city the Carnegie Institute, Carnegie Technical Schools and the Margaret Morrison School for Women, Mr. Jackson was appointed by the steelmaster as a trustee of those institutions.

When the Carnegie Hero Fund commission was organized, Mr. Jackson was asked to serve on the board of commissioners, and he was a member until his death. He was also elected trustee of the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind, and of the St. Margaret's Memorial hospital.

Mr. Jackson's ability and integrity perhaps never was paid a more fitting tribute than when he was asked by a committee of citizens to become treasurer of the relief funds for the victims of the Johnstown flood. During the Spanish American war he was elected treasurer of the American Red Cross Society, and last year, when several hundred miners were killed in the Darr mine, he was made treasurer of the Darr mine relief fund.

In banking circles Mr. Jackson was considered as one of the most conservative financiers in this industrial center. In proof of the regard in which bankers held him, he was unanimously elected president of the Pennsylvania Bankers' Association in 1907, and at his death he was president of the local group No. 4, Pennsylvania Bankers' Association.

Mr. Jackson never was married. He lived with his sister, Miss Mary Louise Jackson, at their parents' old home at 313 Penn avenue, until about 14 years ago. Then he built a mansion at 6845 Penn avenue.

Mr. Jackson always had been a member of the Calvary Episcopal church, of which he was at his death a vestryman. As trustee of the Episcopal Church Home he had made a record for efficient and conservative management, and as president of the board of trustees of the Allegheny cemetery he was associated with many of the leading business men of the East End.

Mr. Jackson is survived by only two sisters, Miss Mary Louise and Mrs. Anna Bissell, wife of Frank S. Bissell, president of the Exchange National Bank, of 6825 Penn avenue.

In addition to the numerous positions of trust and responsibility which the Pittsburgh newspapers tell us Mr. Jackson has filled with great credit to himself and the numerous companies and institutions he was connected with, he was also president of the board of trustees for the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

In conclusion, we can pay the deceased no higher tribute than to say that he was a truly great man, because he was truly good, and useful to a degree so high as to be admired and loved by all who knew him.

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