

# CARRERE MEMORIAL PRESENTED TO CITY

**Exedra and Staircase Leading  
from Riverside Drive to Park  
Tribute to Architect.**

**DR. BUTLER THE SPEAKER**

**Representatives of Societies with  
Which Mr. Carrere Was Associated  
Place Wreaths on Memorial.**

The exedra of pink granite, which, with a staircase of the same material leading from Riverside Drive at Ninety-eighth Street, to the park below, has been erected in memory of John Mervin Carrere, by his friends, was formally presented to the city yesterday afternoon. Mr. Carrere was killed in a street accident in 1911. With the exception of the monument to Richard M. Hunt, which stands at Seventieth Street and Fifth Avenue, opposite the Frick mansion, this is the only memorial to an architect ever erected in this country.

The exedra and staircase were designed by Thomas Hastings, Mr. Carrere's partner, who, representing the Society Beau-Arts Architects, as its President, yesterday placed a wreath upon the name tablet which had previously been unveiled by J. H. Freeland, Chairman of the Memorial Committee. As Mr. Freeland called the names of the different societies with which Mr. Carrere had been associated, the President of each placed a tribute above the memorial stone, which is in the centre of the exedra, facing the Hudson. Mr. Hastings was followed by Bert L. Benner of the New York Chapter, Institute of Architects; J. Monroe Hewlett, Architectural League; Arnold W. Brunner, Fine Arts Federation, City of New York; Herbert Adams, President of the National Academy of Design; Frederic Roth, National Sculpture Society, and Edwin Blashfield, Society of Mural Painters.

Park Commissioner Francis A. Gallatin accepted the memorial in the name of the city and a brief address was made by Nicholas Murray, President of Columbia University.

Mr. Freeland said that the memorial work had been a labor of love by friends of Mr. Carrere, their expression of affection and esteem. He did not think, he said, that the world, which knew much of what the architect had done in helpfulness to others, realized how much his own colleagues had leaned upon him. The general esteem in which he was held, he said, was shown by contributions for the memorial which had come from total strangers, who knew him only by reputation. President Butler said that the real history of a city was written in its spiritual achievements and that one which had stopped to record the name of a great artist was on the way to immortality. While the Hudson, with its Pallsades, showed nature's artistic handiwork, he said, this beautiful exedra and staircase would always mark the efforts and creative spirit of a noble man.

Miss Anna Carrere, daughter of the architect, attended the unveiling.

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**A memorial to John Mervyn Carrer, the architect, who was killed in a street car accident in 1911, will be dedicated at Riverside Drive and Ninety-eighth Street on Thursday afternoon. The memorial, of pink Milford granite, will be in the form of an exedra and staircase leading from the path at the level of the drive to the park below. The committee in charge of the erecting of the memorial were Joseph H. Freeland, Donn Barber, William Rutherford Mead, Benjamin W. Morris, H. Van Buren Magonigle and Electus D. Litchfield. Mr. Carrer was a member of the firm of Carrere & Hastings.**

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