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Brice McBride, hydraulic engineer of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, was one of the victims of the La Salle Hotel fire in Chicago on June 5, Albert M. Day, Director of the Service, announced today.

Mr. McBride, whose home is in Provo, Utah, had arrived on Monday, June 3, for a conference with officials at the Service headquarters in Chicago. He lost his life by suffocation.

"Brice McBride was one of our foremost hydraulic engineers," Mr. Day said.

"He has performed outstanding work in connection with the Service's program for the development of migratory waterfowl refuges, having been associated with this project since 1934."

Mr. McBride was born in Salt Lake City on October 7, 1894 and was graduated from the Utah State Agricultural College in 1914 with a B. S. degree in irrigation engineering. He served in World War I from 1917 to 1919 as a member of the 23rd Engineer Corps in France. From 1920 to 1934 he was State Engineer for the State of Utah.