

## Cleveland Architects

# Paul C. Searles

**Birth/Established:** August 27, 1869 **Death/Dissolved:** May 16, 1947

**Affiliation:** Steffens, Searles & Hirsh

### Biography:

Paul C. Searles was born in Wellington, Ohio, the son of a Methodist minister. His first job was with W.H. VanTine Realty Company. According to the 1890 census he was in real estate. His firm built the first modern apartment building in Cleveland at East 17th Street and Euclid Avenue. In 1908 he helped design and later re-built the ill-fated Lake View School in Collinwood after the famous fire. He was a Mason and a member of the Woodward Lodge. In 1918 he resigned from the architectural firm and helped organize the India Tire and Rubber Company in Akron, where he was secretary treasurer until his retirement in 1928. He died in Clearwater, Florida on May 16, 1947.

### Building List

### Sources:

Paul C. Searles, Builder, is Dead; Plain Dealer; May 17, 1947

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