

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL

*male population of his village to slave labor, he went into hiding till the end of the war. His letter continues:*

“On our local feast of liberation on the 14 September, 1945, I placed, as President of the Orange Union, in presence of all members, a great wreath . . . we thank God that we are liberated, and that we have got a chance to work free for the restoration of our country, and when we do that we think with great thankfulness to the Americans, who gived their life, and not least the heroes who lie interred in the small and simple cemetery of Est en Opijnen.”



HIRAM TUTTLE FOLSOM, JR.

1940

After graduating from St. Paul's, in 1940, Hiram Folsom studied for a year at a business school in the South and spent the next year at the New England Aircraft School in Boston. He taught for some months during 1942 at the Embry Riddle School in Miami; then he enlisted in the Army Air Forces, was inducted into the Reserve, and released by the Army to Pan-American Airways, under Army Transport Command. He served some months as instructor, and then became flight engineer. At first, he flew principally to various South American destinations, but he had been assigned to the Africa-Orient run, and was on his first flight to Africa, when he was killed in line of duty in an airplane crash at Trinidad, January 9, 1945, at the age of twenty-four.

Folsom entered the First Form in 1934, and spent six years at the School. He played hockey and he rowed bow on the second Halcyon Crew of 1940. That year also, he won the Outdoor Cup, awarded to him as winner of three contests testing knowledge of plants and animals, camping, mapping, snowshoeing, canoeing, and swimming. He was Treasurer of the Forestry Club and took a great interest in its activities, which for several years after 1938 consisted largely in clearing debris caused by the hurricane. At this kind of work Folsom was intelligent and skilful; an excellent companion. He was an unconventional person of real interests and warm feelings, modest, direct and gifted with a quiet humor.