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Commissioned First Lieutenant in the U.S.A.A.F. April 24, 1942, Allen Geissler was attached to the Interceptor Command at Mitchel Field until his death in line of duty, September 5, 1942.

At St. Paul's, where he spent five years, Geissler was Delphian football captain. "Handicapped by a most painful shoulder injury," wrote the *Horae*, "he led his club team by means of his quiet courage, and even when forced to retire from the game, his personality remained with the team." He also won his S.P.S. in football twice and his club letter in hockey, baseball and squash racquets.

After two years at Harvard, Geissler went into business, at first with Albert E. Ashforth and Company in New York. He became manager of the Household Finance Corporation's Brooklyn office, and later, in 1937, President of the White Star Petroleum Corporation.

At Mitchel Field, Geissler's duties were primarily administrative, but he also made many operational flights. On September 5, 1942, he was accompanying a pilot about to flight-test a reconditioned plane. The plane crashed just after the take-off and both men were killed.