



ROWLAND GIBSON HAZARD

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At St. Paul's, Rowland Hazard played center on the Isthmian football team, rowed No. 5 in the Halcyon crew, and was a Supervisor in the Lower School. One of his friends wrote: "Without ever seeking popularity, Rowlie was one of those rare people everyone liked and admired."

Hazard went from St. Paul's to Princeton, worked a year in the National Broadcasting Company and entered the Army in March, 1941. Commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth, April 10, 1942, he was, after further training, appointed aide to Brigadier General Sherrill who was in command of the Aircraft Warning Unit Training Center at Drew Field in Florida. "Twice he came to me," wrote General Sherrill, "and asked for assignment to a company destined for early movement overseas. I was glad to accede to his wishes because he had demonstrated that he had the ability to command." On April 29, 1944, two months after his promotion to Captain and assignment as company commander, Rowland Hazard was killed in line of duty in an accident at Seffner, Florida.

Unambitious and easy-going as a boy, his charm and good humor had largely concealed his latent force. He was deeply roused by the emergency of war. He won the respect and the liking both of his superior officers and of the men he commanded. One of the latter wrote: "This company will not go into combat without Rowley. It will always be *his* company and all it does in the months ahead will be the direct result of Rowley's personal attention to every detail."

Hazard was married in 1940 to Mary Foster Pitney. Their daughter, Candace Hazard, was one year old when he was killed.