



CARL RUMSEY HEUSSY

1922

In his Sixth Form year, Carl Heussy played on the 2nd Isthmian football team and was captain of the 3rd Halcyon crew, which won its race by three lengths. The *Horae* also records "a most entertaining and illuminating speech" that he made at the Library Supper, on the subject of modern poetry. He graduated from St. Paul's *cum laude* a month before his seventeenth birthday. Then after four years at Harvard, he took his law degree at the University of Washington, was admitted to the bar and served several years as deputy prosecutor in the district attorney's office in Seattle before beginning private practice. He was married in 1927 to Loyal Lamont, and they had two sons, Peter Lamont Heussy and William Charles Heussy.

Commissioned Lieutenant (j.g.) in the Coast Guard Reserve, he was assigned to active duty June 25, 1942, as communications officer at the Port Angeles air base. On April 5, 1943, a patrol plane in which he and three other Coast Guard officers were flying, crashed on the side of Blyn Mountain in heavy fog. Two of the men were killed outright. Heussy and one other man were still alive when a rescue party arrived. They were carried out on improvised stretchers through rough country and taken to a Port Angeles hospital where they both died the following day.

Heussy's keen interest in his community was reflected in a variety of helpful, unremunerative activities that he managed to find time for while carrying on a very successful practice of the law. At 37, he was already widely known and respected in Seattle as a man of intelligence, character and public spirit.