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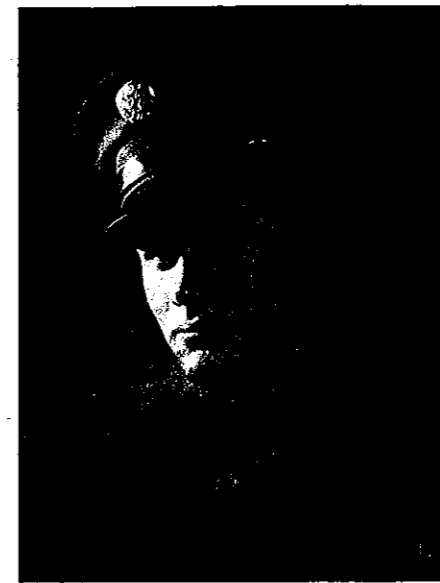
Ingersoll reached his objective, three disabled American tanks at the foot of hill 85 which needed to have the mines around them removed so that they could be salvaged and returned to action. Enemy artillery and mortar fire were so intense that Ingersoll sent back part of the squad and finished the job with four men. The five were on their way back, walking up a little mule trail, when a shell burst caught them. Ingersoll, in the lead, was instantly killed. Another man, mortally wounded, died while being carried in.

Of these Americans fighting in Italy, the *New York Times* said in an editorial May 30:

"Two draft divisions, the 85th and the 88th, have been fighting their way with the Fifth Army's Second Corps through Santa Maria Infante, Itri, Fondi, Terracina. From now on, as long as this war is remembered, the blue clover leaf of the 88th and the 'C.D.' of the 85th or Custer Division will be badges of honor. These boys never intended to be soldiers, never wanted to be. Nevertheless, when they were needed for soldier's work they were found to have the soldier's qualities. They voted, on the Italian front, wordlessly or with words that will never get into the history books, for liberty, for righteousness, for all the things and people that they had loved at home.

"Words will never repay those who fell. There is not, and cannot be, any payment. All we can do is to give honor, in inner remembrance, in thoughtful and unselfish devotion to our country's good, to those who have passed beyond the reach of honors. . . ."

The news that he had been killed in action reached the School on Race Day, 1944. Many at Long Pond that afternoon thought with sadness and with pride of Jared Ingersoll, Halcyon captain, Sergeant of Engineers.



SAMUEL JOHNSON WALKER

1942

On graduating from St. Paul's in 1942, Samuel Walker entered Yale. He left college the following March and was inducted at Fort Custer in April, 1943. After he had received his basic training at Greensboro, North Carolina, he was ordered to A.S.T.P. at the University of Illinois to resume the study of engineering, which he had begun at Yale. In January, 1944, he applied for the position of gunner on a bomber, but was turned down on account of near-sightedness. He was then given an overseas basic training course at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. In March, he was ordered to Scott Field, Illinois, and was on duty there in the Airways Communications System, when he was fatally injured in an automobile accident. He died May 29, 1944.

Samuel Walker had entered St. Paul's as a Second Former in 1937. In his five years there he took an active part in sports, which he keenly enjoyed, playing football and hockey on club teams and rowing on the second Shattuck crew in his Sixth Form year.