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IN MEMORIAM

The Officers, Crew and Regiment of Cadets join with family, relatives and friends in mourning the accidental death of Cadet Richard R. Sachsel, of Garwood, N. J., last Wednesday.

A member of the 17th Battalion, Cadet Sachsel was a graduate of Dayton Regional High School, Springfield, N. J., and attended Rutgers University for two years before enlisting for service in Naval Aviation.

Commendation

March 5, 1943.

From: Commanding Officer.
To: FOLEY, James Kieran, AvCad V-5, USNR.
Subject: Commendation.

1. At about 1340 March 3, 1943, and during regular class swimming drill in Bowman Gray Pool, and when Aviation Cadet Richard R. SACHSEL was observed to be in trouble in the water, you dove in and rapidly brought him to the surface and to the side of the pool.

2. You are hereby commended for your presence of mind and the skill and speed with which you went about your rescue work. Your action reflects much credit upon this Pre-Flight School and the Naval Aviation Physical Training Program.

3. The fact that Cadet SACHSEL failed to revive does not minimize the fine part you played.

4. A copy of this letter will be attached to your Official Service Record.

JOHN P. GRAFF



By LIEUT. ERIC H. ARENDT
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The unforeseen often happens in the Navy. Yes, sometimes surprises come which completely change the chain of events of one's entire life. Last week, while I was writing this column, I just *knew* that it was to be my last for the CLOUDBUSTER. I am happy in one sense that I shall be here for a few more weeks. The chaplain who was to relieve me will not be available for some indefinite time. When he comes, he is going to be very happily surprised at the fine organization and spirit of our School.

Next Wednesday that all-important period of Lent commences for us Christians. It is that period of 40 days, excluding Sundays, preceding Easter Sunday. The period is determined by counting *back* from Easter Sunday.

Easter is always the first Sunday following the full moon which falls on or after March 21.

The earliest possible date for Easter is March 22 and the latest April 25. This year the date of Easter is the *latest* possible date which will not again happen during our life-time.

But there is a deeper significance. To us Christians this period is when our thoughts turn toward the very *hope* of our faith. But for this faith, we would despair; we would lose all that makes life meaningful and glorious; we would turn cowards before the prospect of life; and we would think of death as meaningless and without hope. We Christians believe that if there is hope, it is through Christ, and Lent offers us an opportunity to muster our thoughts and actions toward this belief.

Let each of us meet this period with renewed resignation and determination that the ideals of Christ will live forever.

Bits About Cadets

Originally commissioned an ensign in Naval Intelligence, CADET GEORGE W. DICK, of Defiance, O., served 10 months at Charleston, S. C., before transferring to V-5. . . ALBERT H. TEMPLE, JR., of Wilmington, Del., chalked up approximately 500 hours as flight engineer aboard Navy PBM patrol planes before becoming a cadet to learn to fly the ships himself.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"

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