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The wisest thing you can do right now is to decide that you will use your off-duty time to study. Information and application blanks are available in the Chaplain's office. You may choose Institute correspondence, college correspondence, or self-teaching courses.

DON'T WASTE WATER!

FLIGHT OPERATIONS SAFETY

Safety precautions and safe procedures are vital to each officer and man of the BENNINGTON. Our effectiveness in combat will depend on conserving lives and avoiding injuries. To do this there must be clear thinking and unfailing alertness.

Think through what could happen and see if you know what you would do. It may save your life or the life of a shipmate later.

Here are some flight operations danger practices. Check yourself and see if you belong to our "Dilbert the Dope" class who---

1. Line the island six and eight deep around tractors during take-offs. A locked brake or a blowout would be the last of many of the curious.

2. Still want to strip to the waist or wear sleeveless jerseys, after repeated examples of many men in Pacific actions receiving serious flash burns.

3. Form two or more deep in narrow walkways or aft in the island where they could not retreat a foot if a plane was headed for them.

4. Fail to wear special designation helmets so they can be spotted in an emergency.

5. Walk through the prop circle of a hot engine. Remember, the accidental flick of the switch can kick a hot engine over.

6. Try to observe operations from unauthorized vantage points, and interfere with someone else's job. Your presence may block his escape.

The flight and hangar decks are always "hot" spots during any flight operations. Every plane carries the threat of injury or death. Guns may be accidentally discharged, particularly when the plane is landing. If your job is at flight quarters, be a good player and keep your eyes on the plane.

But if your duty is elsewhere, remember it is just as important as any topside. Stick to your job.

OUR PICTURES

We are indebted to John R. Whiting, Managing Editor of Popular Photography and official photographer for Flying Magazine, for use of the following pictures: Cover page, page 2, page 3, page 4, top of page 6 and page 9.

Mr. Whiting was aboard during our shakedown period in Chesapeake Bay. Several of his pics appeared in a feature article in the February issue of Flying Magazine.

All other pictures used in this issue are by our ship's photographers.

Church Call

CATHOLIC (M. W. Smith, Chaplain)

Daily Mass Crew's Library

Saturday Confessions

Chaplain's State Room, No. 118

1930

Sunday Mass

Place and Time Announced

PROTESTANT (L. A. Weed, Chaplain)

Daily Devotions Crew's Library

Tuesday SMCL Crew's Library

2000

Sunday Service

Place and Time Announced

JERISH

Friday Service

Crew's Library

2000