

Cpl. Enoch Sampson Returns

Home At Cherokee

MIAMI BEACH, FLA., Feb. 2.—Cpl. Enoch Sampson, brother of Mrs. Sarah Arch, Cherokee, N. C., has returned from service outside the continental United States and is now being processed through the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station in Miami Beach, where his next assignment will be determined.

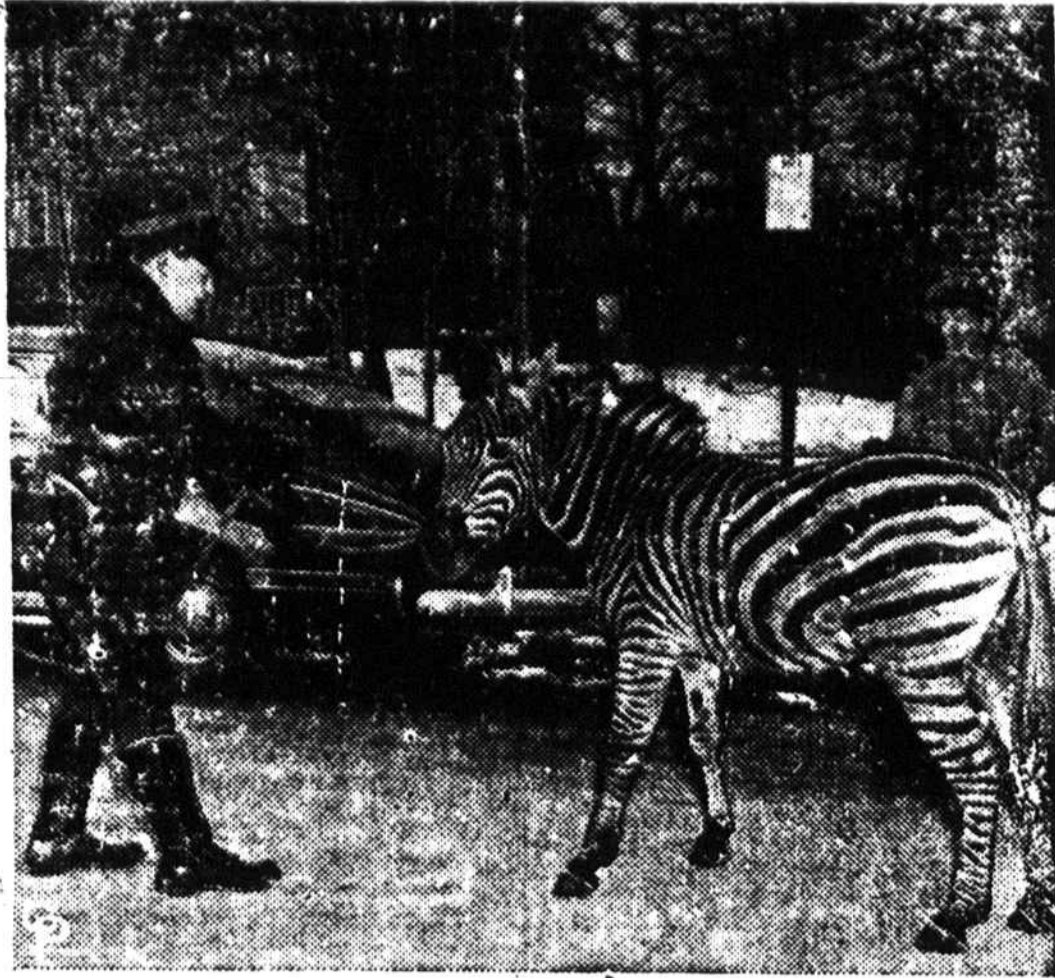
Cpl. Sampson served 33 months as cannoner in the China-Burma-India theater of operations.

Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Stations are located in various parts of the United States. Military personnel returning from overseas are processed through these stations before assignment to military organization and installations within the United States.

During the period that returnees stay at an Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station, they are given a painstaking occupational and physical classification as well as physical and dental reconditioning together with various lectures designed to reorient men recently returned from combat areas. This processing is carried on without haste in pleasant surroundings conducive to mental and physical relaxation.

Cpl. Sampson became a member of the Armed Forces on June 12, 1940.

NATURAL CAMOUFLAGE FAILS



WAVY STRIPES have gone a long way toward hiding many of our ships from the enemy, but the probable originator of such camouflage found it a detriment in the incident portrayed above. Policeman Donald G. D'ager found little difficulty in spotting the zebra shown here after it escaped from the National Zoo in Washington, D. C. A little fancy lasso work followed, and the chase was over. (International)

A waxy starch corn is being grown in Iowa to replace the supplies of tapioca that formerly came from the Dutch East Indies.

Ewes, heavy with lambs, should be separated from the flock. A 4 by 4 lambing pen will often prevent lambs from wandering off and causing the ewes to disown them.

A. V. Thomas, assistant county agent of Craven County, reports the removal of 85 birds in culling three flocks of 290 birds. He suggests that flocks be culled from time to time, and the best birds kept.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to friends and neighbors for the kindness shown us in our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. GRIBBLE



LOOKING AHEAD

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Mortgage Money

National Resources Planning Board, in a booklet by Miles Colean, predicted last January that residential buildings in the United States would approximate a million new dwellings each year for ten years after the war. There was an "it" in the forecast: If the price could be held down to an average of about \$4,000. Well, ten million \$4,000 units represent 40 billion dollars, which is a lot of money.

The vision of a million people plunking down \$4,000 each for a house in a single year is a pipe-dream. People able to make such rash outlays have houses already. These new houses will be sold on credit. Buyers will sign instalment notes. Debts will be protected by mortgages in the hands of life insurance companies, loan associations and certain kinds of banks. Uncle Sam may insure the mortgages.

Unit to Repeat

There is an old bromide about history repeating itself but some history is not good enough to repeat. We told last week why 9.4% of government-insured mortgages defaulted and cost the national treasury more than \$600 million. If that should be repeated on ten million homes to start building soon after the war, government's loss alone would shoot well above half a billion, and that's the small part.

Suppose only 9% of ten million new, post-war homes are lost by foreclosure; that would be 900,000 homes. Hopeful owners usually pay 20% down, which is \$800 on a \$4,000 house. Few buyers, living in such a house a year, could escape a loss of \$1,000 at least. This profitless payment for vain hopes would total 900 million dollars. Worst of all, it would come from frugal, industrious, home-making people.

Need Not Happen

The foregoing simple arithmetic would seem pretty gloomy if it absolutely had to happen, but it does not. It offers an idea of how much tax money will be wasted if pre-war methods are used in financing post-war houses. The danger is real. All the controls affecting the quality of building today existed during the boom that followed World War One. Sorry houses may still be built and sold on payments.

Instalment home-buying is practical economy. Discounting notes is sound banking. Government insurance of loans has been a blessing; saved many a family from calamity and many a lender from ruin. But shoddy construction blights all this. It makes neither good homes nor good security for a bank loan. Lending is the cue. Mortgage money is the key to better building.

Houses Warrantable

Buildings under construction need competent and impartial supervision and rating, somewhat as steamships are rated, or as a business firm's credit is rated. This is to protect lender and borrower both against mortgages far out of line with a building's actual worth. Such an agency exists, Certified Building Registry, relatively little used, but known to leading associations of architects, engineers and general contractors.

Few money lenders are qualified to judge structural fitness. Many a home buyer never sees his house until its inner defects are hidden by decorative enticements. Yet buyer and banker both deserve the protection of a rating that means (1) a home worth its price in a working man's money, and (2) security for the bank that holds the paper.

Protects the Buyer

In the interest of public safety local governments require periodic inspection of passenger elevators and pressure boilers. Stock selling schemes must stand rigid inspection by state authority. It would seem even more important that ready-made residences carry a seal of merit. In the welter of a buying boom it would distinguish a speculative builder to sell impartially rated houses.

WAR QUIZ CORNER

WHO IS HE?
(40 points)



1. He was Hitler's No. 1 stooge in Czechoslovakia. What was his name?
2. Pearl Harbor was attacked Dec. 7, 1941. Were the Philippines attacked same day?
3. Graf Spee was (a) a species of whale, (b) Nazi battleship, (c) Dutch town.
4. True or false: Japs' "knee mortar" is held on the knee.

ANSWERS

Count: Question one, 40; rest, 20 each. Score: 100, perfect; 80, good; 60, fair.

1. Konrad Henlein, the Sudeten.
2. No. It was Dec. 8 in Manila.
3. Nazi ship sunk off South America.
4. False—it would break your knee.

State College Answers

Timely Farm Questions

QUESTION—Should I change to the growing of hybrid corn?

ANSWER—Farmers are not justified in changing from a native variety of corn, with which they are familiar, to a corn hybrid unless the hybrid possesses certain characteristics that make it superior to the native variety," says Dr. R. P. Moore of the Agricultural Experiment Station at State College. "Not only must the hybrid be superior, but its superiority must be sufficiently great so that the extra expenditure for seed will be an investment rather than an expense. Many hybrids are now available that will return 1,000 per cent or more interest on the seed investment when compared side by side varieties of corn now grown. Yes, even with certified varieties."

QUESTION—The windows of my brooder house are on the south side, pull in at the top, and have side shields. Why does the litter get so damp?

ANSWER—T. T. Brown, Extension poultry specialist at State College, suggests that you do not have proper ventilation and that when the cold air meets the warm air, the latter loses a part of its water and keeps the litter damp. He also suggests that you provide air outlets on the south side between the rafters above the plate so as to give good ventilation. You are to be congratulated on having pull-in windows at the top and the shields on each side to prevent a draft reaching the floor. Damp litter encourages coccidiosis and other diseases. Chicks in poorly ventilated houses show a tendency to grow out and feather rather irregularly.

QUESTION—What is the best way of starting kudzu on gullied land?

ANSWER—Enos Blair, Extension agronomist at State College, suggests that you dig holes about 20 feet apart, 18 inches square, and about 15 inches deep. Fill the holes with a mixture

Perfect Wink



PHOTOGRAPHERS of a Hollywood studio in need of a pretty Irish girl who knew how to wink, found that it was almost impossible to get one whose other eye didn't show reaction, too. Finally, they discovered starlet Janis Paige who gives here an example of the perfect wink or monocular control. (International)

of soil, manure, and about 1 pound of superphosphate of mixed fertilizer. Two plants should be set in each hole, using about 2 or 3 year old crowns and setting them before they have started to crown in late winter. Keep the crowns protected after they are dug, so that they will not dry out of freeze.

TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

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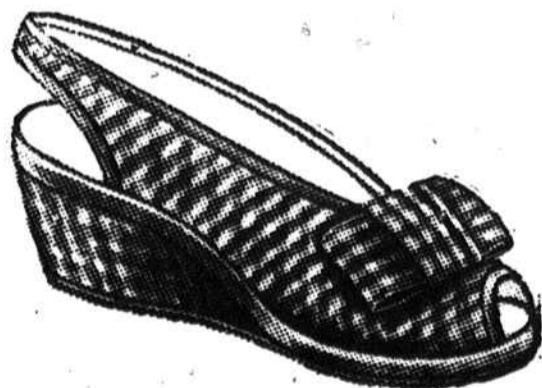
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