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BENGAL TIGER BIRTHS AT CRANDON PARK ZOO

On July 7, 1960 The Crandon Park Zoo, in Miami, Florida, received a fine pair of Bengal tigers (*Panthera tigris tigris*) which were a donation from the Florida Zoological Society. Duke, the male tiger, at this time was six and a half months old while Minnie, the female, was eight months old.

After being at the zoo for three and a half years Minnie gave birth to her first litter of cubs on January 9, 1964. There were four cubs in this litter, three males and one female. Eight months later on October 8 and 9, 1964, the second litter arrived, three cubs (one male and two females). Exactly one year later on October 9, 1965, the third litter was born, four cubs (three males and one female). The fourth litter arrived on November 18, 1966, just thirteen months later. There were two cubs, one male and one female which unfortunately were stillborn. Eight months later the prolific tigress gave birth for the fifth time and presented the zoo with five cubs, all females. The grand total now stands at eighteen offspring.

Minnie, the tigress, has been allowed to raise all of her cubs up to about six months except for one of the five in the last litter, which due to overcrowded conditions is being cared for in the zoo's clinic.

(James H. Amon)

BLACK RHINOS BORN IN KANSAS CITY AND WASHINGTON 360

During the summer of 1967, two African black rhinos (*Diceros bicornis*) were born in American zoos. The first birth took place in July at the Swope Park Zoo in Kansas City, Missouri. Unfortunately, the calf lived for only one day. It was born to the female 'Rosie' and the male 'Jigs'. 'Rosie' was originally imported by the Brookfield zoo, Chicago. She arrived there in May, 1956 as a very young animal and was exhibited for a time in the children's zoo. Around 1963 she was sent to Kansas City. The sire 'Jigs' was obtained by the Swope Park Zoo in 1961 from the Zeehandelaar firm.

The second birth took place at the National Zoo, Washington, D.C. on August 31, 1967. This calf, a male, was born to the female 'Thelma' who has been at the zoo since August 1961. The sire 'Tony' arrived in Washington during the summer of 1960.

(Richard J. Reynolds)