

mus, 3 Hippopotamus, including a baby born on 30 March 1960, x 2 Reticulated Giraffes, and 2 African Black Rhinos, „Opal” and „Johnny”. A baby rhino was breech born to this pair in April, 1960, but it did not survive. Since then, the pair have bred again. (Richard J. Reynolds)

#### Decin - Czecho-Slovakia

New arrivals include 1—1 European Spoonbill (*Platalea leucorodia*); 1—1 European Egret (*Egretta garzetta*); a Desert Monitor (*Varanus griseus*) and some Lizards (*Lacerta ocellata* and *Lacerta lilfordi*).

(Dr. V. Still)

#### Edinburgh - Scotland

The Jubilee (1909-1959) Annual Report of the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland gives the 1959 breeding results with the Penguins in the Edinburgh Zoo:

„The breeding of the Park's old colony during the year was only partially successful, deaths among chicks hatched being largely due to the prolonged hot summer. Of seven King chicks hatched from eleven eggs only two were fully reared; from six Macaroni eggs laid only two hatched and both chicks succumbed; of the nine Gentoo chicks hatched from ten eggs only four survived.

As usual the young birds were sold or exchanged, thus preventing inbreeding in the colony while supplying other Societies with acclimatized birds reared to hand-feeding.”

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#### Frankfurt am Main - Germany.

Interesting is the arrival of an Aardvark in this Zoo; an animal scarcely seen in zoological collections.

Equally rare are the Lemuroids, *Microcebus murinus*, of which species some nice specimens arrived.

Other newcomers include: some *Birgus latro*; two rare Sea snakes (*Laticauda laticauda*); some Emperor Penguins; three beautiful Fidschi iguanas from South America.

On 21st July last another Orang Outan was born; his mother „Eva” arrived in July 1959, the father „Moritz” has been in this Zoo since 1956.

Another interesting birth is the American Tapir, born on 18th July 1960.

The Frankfurt Zoo has an unique success in breeding the rare Gerenuks (*Lithocranius walleri*): in August another baby was born. With the birth of this baby the old buck became a great-

grandfather: mother and grand-mother are his children; they were all bred in the Frankfurt Zoo.

Each of the three female Eland Antelopes has given birth to a calf.

#### Georgetown - British Guiana

On 29th March Mr. J. Jardim of McDoom Village, gave this Zoo four Arapaima (*Sudis gigas*) about 6 inches in length. Fed on „millions” from the city drains they thrived extraordinarily until two developed a fungus on the back. The addition of acriflavine to their tank did not prevent them dying. The remaining two have reached a length of close on twelve inches. It is hardly likely that they will attain in the aquarium their full adult size of 7—8 feet.

In mid-June one of the large Anacondas (*Eunectes murinus*) produced a litter of sixteen young which at birth averaged 31 inches. Nine were born dead and one was swallowed by a Grey Tree Boa. The remaining six babies are progressing nicely.

#### Jersey-Channel Islands - England

Many interesting and rare animals have been exhibited during the first eighteen months of Jersey Zoo's existence and approximately 200.000 visitors have passed through the turnstiles.

Recent additions include a Black-cheeked White-noosed Monkey (*Cercopithecus ascanius*), a pair of Lion Marmosets, a Geoffroy's Marmoset, and a rare Marmoset which is believed to be *Callithrix santarehensis*. Also new are two Sarus Cranes, a pair of Hawaiian Ducks, two Atlantic Canada Geese, a Corncrake and an American Blue Grosbeak. New reptiles include two Guiana Dragons (*Dracaena guianensis*), two Crocodile Lizards (*Crocodylus lacertinus*), a pair of Gila Monsters, two Black and Yellow Mangrove Snakes from Malaya, and a number of Marsh Frogs from Romney Marsh.

The specimens brought from Argentina by Mr. Gerald Durrell on his most recent expedition have now settled in well. The collection included a Tapir, a pair of Collared Peccaries, a Puma, an Ocelot, a Geoffroy's Cat, and a number of South American Wild Rabbits. Mr. Durrell's bird haul in the Argentine included Crested Screechers, Coscoroba Swans, Black-necked Swans, Great Grebes, Red-gartered Coots, an Oven Bird, two Scarlet-headed Marsh Birds, a Crested Cariama and a Burmeister's Cariama, a Tucuman Amazon Parrot (*Amazona tucumana*) and several specimens of the little Sierra Parakeet (*Amoropsittaca symara*), as well as a pair of handsome Yellow-necked Macaws (*Ara auricollis*). One of the biggest attractions in the Zoo is the young Lowland Gorilla named N'pongo. He has grown tremendously since his