

ACQUISITIONS for LINCOLN PARK ZOO

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Dr. Warren D. Thomas, Director of the Lincoln Park Zoo, Oklahoma City, has kindly provided the following list of arrivals and births for his zoo in 1963:

Arrivals

1/1 Mountain Gorillas
0/2 Lowland Gorillas
(One of these is on loan)
1/2 Wanderoo
1/1 Kikuyu Colobus
4/3 European Ferrets
0/1 Siberian Tiger
1/2 Jaguars
1/0 Clouded Leopard
1/0 Snow Leopard
0/3 California Sea Lions
1/1 African Elephants
1/1 White Rhinoceros
1/1 Black Rhinoceros
0/2 Pere David Deer
1/2 Cape Buffalo
0/1 Addax
1/2 Sable Antelope
(Hippo. niger)
1/2 Grant's Gazelle
1/1 Nubian Ibex
1/1 Emu
2 Bald Eagle

1/1 Trumpeter Swan
30 Flamingos

Births

1/0 Grey-cheek Mangabey
3/2 Pig-tail macaque
0/3 Hyenas
1/0 African Lion
1/2 Bengal Tiger
2/0 Black Leopard
4/3 Puma
1/0 Zebra
1/0 Sicilian Donkey
1/0 Wapiti (albino)
1/1 Wapiti (normal color)
0/1 White-tail Deer
0/1 Barasingha Deer
1/1 DeFassa Waterbuck
0/1 Sitatunga
1/1 Gemsbok
1/3 Blackbuck Antelope
1/1 Zebu

Dr. Thomas advises that the zoo has placed order for large and valuable shipments to be delivered in 1964 to what is rapidly becoming one of America's fastest growing zoos. The readers will recall that in the August-September, 1963, issue of this periodical the writer discussed the female Roan antelope (*Hippotragus equinus*) which arrived at Oklahoma City on December 27, 1962. In commenting on the number of these animals in captivity, the writer mentioned two females which were said to have been at Hanover earlier that year, speculating that one of them may have been the Oklahoma City animal. Dr. Thomas has clarified this matter, advising that both females were sent to his zoo, but one was dead on arrival.

ORANG UTAN AND CHIMPANZEE

born in the WEST BERLIN ZOO

On October 9th our pair of Sumatra Orang-utans, BABU and TUAN, which had been imported as adults in 1961, surprised us with a young one. From the very beginning BABU showed correct maternal behaviour, so that it is assumed that this was not her first birth. In contrast to all our other Orangs, TUAN and BABU did not lose their shyness towards their keepers, making it impossible to sex the baby so far.

On November 23rd our 13-year-old female Chimpanzee MOLLY gave birth to her first baby. At first JONNY, the father, who is more than 20 years old, carried the young one around, before the mother took it over after several hours. However she did not know what to make of it, held it with its head downwards, and seemed to have no milk. So hand raising became necessary. Having narcotized the parents with "Sernyl", given by the ounce (4 mg per kg body weight), the baby, a female, was taken away from them and put out to board in the head keeper's family, where it is thriving well. Birth weight was 1960 g.

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"In the August-September 1963 issue of "International Zoo-News", we were surprised to see the article on page 136, under the headline "Washington, D.C., U.S.A.". It is a little misleading in that it does not pertain to the collections of the National Zoological Park. The 56 species of Panamanian bats are all preserved specimens in the Museum of Natural History of the Smithsonian Institution. While the article does not say that the bats are in the zoo, readers might get this impression".

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(I apologize to the National Zoological Park and to the readers for this error, Ed.)