

Paignton - England

The collection at Paignton continues to increase. During 1959 — 1,622 specimens were exhibited, this figure excluding fish, invertebrates, and certain domestic forms. The collection comprising 133 species or subspecies of mammals with 304 individuals; 279 of birds with 1,091 individuals; 97 of reptiles and amphibia with 227 individuals.

Spectaculair exhibits joining those already at Paignton during 1959 included the Bush Dog (*Speothos venaticus*) Great Greaved Tortoise (*Podocnemis expansa*) Cascavel Rattlesnake (*Crotalus terrificus*), brought back by the second Paignton Zoo collecting expedition to British Guiana.

„ANIMAL WONDERLAND” an exhibit designed principally for the benefit of younger visitors, but having a much wider appeal, was opened in the spring of 1960. Animals common to the British Countryside and exotic species are viewed in appropriate settings and lighting. Cascading water provides added movement and background noise. Barbary Doves (*Streptopelia risoria*), Moholi Bush Babies (*Galago senegalensis moholi*), and Raccoons (*Procyon lotor*), have successfully bred and reared young, creating further pleasure for the visitors to this novel exhibit.

Paris - France

Recent arrivals in the Vincennes Zoo are 1—2 Pronghorned Antelopes.

Among the recent births are two Chinese Waterdeer; a Reindeer and two Chimpanzees.

In the „Jardin des Plantes” Zoo the birth are recorded of the Siberian Ibex and the Markhor; alas the Markhor baby died.

(Marcel Langer)

Rotterdam - Holland

Noteworthy is the birth of two uncommon zoo inhabitants:

* On 29th August 1960 a Black Rhino was born; the little Rhino measured 1,00 metres long and 0,60 metres high at birth; it is a female.

On 15th September 1960 a baby was born to the American Tapir; father „Max” arrived as a gift in 1957 in the Blijdorp Zoo, while a year later mother „Maartje” arrived. Both Tapirs are from Surinam.

Other recent births are 1 Scottish Highland calf; 3 Chinese Waterdeer; 1 Wisent; 1 Banteng; 1 Black Leopard; a Jaguar and 3 Fallow Deer.

New arrivals include a Capuchin Monkey; 3 Gibbons and a striped Hyeana.

Saint Paul - U.S.A.

The Como Park Zoo in this town is one of the few zoos selected by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Fish and Wildlife Service of the United States Department of Interior. A trumpeter swan launching into their Willow Pond, pending completion of the special Crane Valley Exhibit under construction, drew cheers from the press and TV, as Commissioner Frank Loss released the rare birds into the water.

The Como Park Zoo's job is to encourage these vanishing (only 700 left) Trumpeter swans to nest here again, where once they were found in some numbers. Como Lake continues to support the common Mute Swans, and a Whistler and pair of Australian Blacks.

(C.Z.L.)

San Diego - U.S.A.

The bird department of the San Diego Zoo reports the hatchings of a Slender-billed Cockatoo, two King Parrots which are being raised by hand, two Princess Alexandra Parrots, twelve Laysan Island Teal, two Rheas and an Ocellated Turkey.

Received from the Tarpon Springs Zoo in Florida, to be exhibited in the Tropical Rain Forest, are Sclater's Motmot, three Double-collared Aracaris, two Banded Aracaris and an Orange Cock of the Rock.

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Stuttgart - Germany

For the first time since World War II a couple of Saki Monkeys arrived in Germany; they are on exhibit in the Wilhelma Zoo. From Madagascar there arrived 2 Ring-tailed Lemurs (Lemur catta).

The bird collection was enriched by a trio of Abyssinian Ground Hornbills.

Noteworthy is the birth of an Ocelot baby (the fourth baby ever zoo-bred) and — for the first time in the Wilhelma Zoo's history — two Caracal Lynx babies.

Tokyo - Japan

On April 15th the Bactrian Camel in the Tama Zoo gave birth; also a Dwarf Zebu calf was born.

Five Black Swan chicks were hatched on April 17th and up until now have been successfully reared in the Ueno Zoo.

In the Children's Zoo of the Ueno Park a new Otter pond was constructed. Three chicks of the Humboldt's Penguin were hat-