

Thanks to the kind assistance of Sir Edward Hallstrom, a large group of Australian reptiles was added to the collection. Among them are: five Diamond Pythons; Tiger Snakes; the Australian Copperhead; the Death Adder; Australian Blacksnakes; and a Taipan, one of the world's most dangerous snakes.

(Y.D.Z.)

St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A.

On December 26, 1963, a pigmy hippopotamus (*Choeropsis liberiensis*) was born in the St. Louis Zoological Gardens. Born to "Josephine" and "Joey", this was the first pigmy hippo birth in St. Louis.

(Richard J. Reynolds)

St. Paul - Minn. - U.S.A.

Recent births in the Como Zoo include: a female Whitehanded Gibbon and a Himalayan Bear cub.

Mr. Joseph Mayo, son of Charles Mayo of the Mayo Medical Clinic, and former director of the Topeka, Kansas Zoo, is now on an expedition to Pakistan to bring back species of a small race of pigs found in that region. It is hoped that these pigs will be suitable for exhibit and research.

(John A. Fletcher)

Toledo - Ohio - U.S.A.

One of the smallest Indian Elephants ever imported into the United States arrived at the Toledo Zoo from Thailand on 16th July, 1963. She is a beautiful little girl of only 10 months old.

As a new mate to the male Reticulated Giraffe, a young female Masai Giraffe arrived from Cleveland Zoo.

("Safari")

Whipsnade - England

During the second part of 1963 a large number of mammals have been born in the Whipsnade Zoo, including a Grevy's Zebra, an American Bison, Fallow Deer, Formosan Deer and many other ungulates.

② A pair of Black Rhinoceroses have been purchased and are housed in new quarters near the White Rhino House.

("Zoo")

Bochum - Germany

In July 1963 a Common Seal baby (*Phoca vitulina*) was born at the "Bochumer Tierpark".

The baby was born at night and the next morning it was swimming around in the pool. For two days all went well; on the third day the father bit the baby so seriously, that it soon died. (F.d.K.Z.)

Bucharest - Rumania

Experiments are under way at the Bucharest Zoo which, although only four years old, is busily engaged in animal research.

One of the present projects is a comparison between the natural and artificial hatching of ostrich eggs.

At the same time as an ostrich began to sit on nine eggs, eight other eggs were put in an incubator. Latest reports are that the machine is winning, having hatched four to the ostrich's none.

("Animals")

Calgary - Canada

For the first time in some 35 years, a Rocky Mountain Goat (*Oreamnos americanus*) was bred in captivity. A kid was born on 26th May, 1963; both parents came from Montana.

(AAZPA Newsletter)

Chester - England

Latest news from the North of England Zoological Society at Upton-by-Chester includes:

- Twin Black Genet kittens have been born in the Nocturnal House.
- The Wapiti paddock also has two new additions: a male and female calf, both born in the last week of August.
- Another Common Zebra — a female — was born on the 11th of September.
- On 27th September a male Lechwe calf was born.

Presentations include: 12 Prairie Marmots, six American Skunks (a gift from the Calgary Zoo, Canada); two young Spider Monkeys, a Capuchin Monkey, a Coral Snake, a Teguxin and a Tarantula Spider. (C.Z.N.)

Cologne - Germany

Births during July, August and September 1963 include: 1-0 White Yak; 1-0 Oryx Antelope; 2 Hamadryas Baboons; 0-1 Sitatunga Antelope; 1-0 Watussi calf; 2-0 White-bearded Gnu; and 0-1 Wapiti.

On the 4th September two female African Steppe Elephants came to the zoo; they arrived from Arusha, East Africa. Currently, the Cologne Zoo exhibits 2-2 African Elephants.

A Cheetah has arrived from Abyssinia. (F.d.K.Z.)