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## FIRST FOR JAPAN: RHINO BORN

On 16th November, 1963 in the Oji Zoo at Kobe, Japan, a baby Black Rhino was born. It is a healthy male and doing fine. The parents of this baby arrived in Kobe in 1959.

As far as we know this is the first Black Rhino to be born in any Japanese zoo.

(Animals & Zoo)

## SNAKE LONGEVITY RECORD

A Rainbow boa, *Epicrates cenchris maurus*, completed its 27th year in captivity on November 18, 1963, and is one of the oldest inhabitants of the San Diego collection. Having surpassed the previous captive longevity record for its kind held by a Rainbow boa that lived in New York's Bronx Zoo many years ago, it now enjoys the longest life span in captivity for its species.

(Clyde A. Hill)

## PILOT WHALE GIVES BIRTH

A 1,300 pound Pilot Whale, captured in coastal waters only a few days before, gave birth on 28th January last, in a tank at the Sea World Oceanarium — but a few minutes later went into a frenzy and drowned her 100 pound offspring.

Kent Burgess, who is in charge of training at the Oceanarium, said he was in the tank helping the infant to swim when the 13-foot whale suddenly began thrashing about.

Burgess scrambled out of the water and watched the big creature seize the calf by a fin, holding the young whale beneath the surface until it was dead.

(Atlanta Journal)

## COVER PICTURE

"Smile, Dolly, they are taking our picture", whispered Junior. Reticulated Giraffes in the San Diego Zoo, Cal. U.S.A.

(San Diego Zoo Photo)