# OKLAHOMA - OKL. - U.S.A.

A male Gaur (Bos gaurus) was born at the Oklahoma City Zoo February 17. 1968. This is the second, both males, produced by the zoo's adult pair. The zoo now exhibits 3/1 Gaur. The calf is being reared by the mother, as was the first offspring.

A new species of Crane arrived on 31st January, 1968 at the Oklahoma City Zoo: a pair of the rare Wattled Cranes.

(Wes Benson)

# **ORSAINVILLE - QUEBEC - CANADA**

During 1967 the following mammals were born at the 'Jardin Zoologique de Québec: a female Chapman Zebra, 1-1 Llama, a male Llama x Guanaco hybrid, a female Elk. 1-1 Caribou (Rangifer tarandus), 1-1 Wapiti calves, 3-3 Virginian Deer, 2-1 Sika Deer, a Thar, 1-1 Brown bear cubs, a Coypu, 2-1 European Genets. and 1-1 Jaguar.

(Les Carnets)

## **PAIGNTON - ENGLAND**

PAIGNTON ZOO has recently released forty Quaker Parakeets in the grounds of the Zoo and they now make a most distincitive feature. Flying about the 75 acres in flights of four or six they make a splash of green and they chatter all the time as they fly around proving most entertaining to the visitors.

It is remarkable how they gather twigs from all over the Zoo and return to their original aviary, which is open at the top, to build a communal nest.

Also at Paignton Zoo the baby Lemur, whose mother died at its birth, has responded well to the hand feeding by the Zoo Superintendent, Mr. Richard Skerten, and has now grown sufficiently to be put in a cage and fend for itself, and it is hoped a second colony will soon be formed.

Two baby Red Lories (Eos bornea) have recently been hatched in Paignton Zoo and we believe this is the first time this has been achieved in Great Britain.

(W. E. Francis)

#### **PARIS - FRANCE**

On 27th December, 1967, a male Scimitar-horned Oryx (Oryx tao) was born at the Vincennes Zoo; on 9th December a male Chimpanzee baby was born; another baby Chimp is expected in May 1968.

A male Pigmy Hippo was born at the beginning of November; this is the second baby born in Paris and the second calf from this pair.

Unfortunately one of the two Tigons died at the end of June 1967. It had been in the zoo for 23 years (born in the Menagerie of the King of Morocco).

In the large mixed group of Flamingoes 12 eggs were hatched and 6 chicks were raised. Of these, 2 are pure Pink Flamingo (Phoenicopterus antiquarum), 2 are pure Red Flamingo (P. ruber), one a Pink x Red hybrid, and one a Pink x Chilean (P. chilensis) hybrid.

The Vincennes Zoo group of Giraffes now numbers 9 (3 males and 6 females);

the last calf — a male — was born on 16th December 1967.

Of the three adult female Okapis (Paris has one of the largest breeding groups, with two males and three females) one produced a female calf in May 1967, one produced a calf in June, 1967, which died in July, and the third female is now

Valuable new-comers are 1-1 Sable Antelopes (Hippotragus niger) and 1-2 Gemsboks (Orvx gazella). (Dr. P. L. Florio)

#### PHILADELPHIA - PA. - U.S.A.

Recent births include: a male and female Nilghaie twins, an Aoudad, a Yak, and a Guanaco.

New comers are a second Aardvark, a Giant Ant-eater, a Capybara, and three Sea lions.

"Goliath", the nine-year-old Southern Elephant Seal is dead; he died on 30th September 1967 from a combination heart ailmentkidney infection.

(A.F.Z.)

#### PRETORIA - SOUTH AFRICA

Exciting news came from the Pretoria Zoo: a baby was born to the couple of White Rhinos.

(L. Noordermeer)

#### **RHENEN - HOLLAND**

On 14th December 1967 the Burgomaster of Rhenen laid the first stone for the new Giraffe House. When it is finished (about Easter) this new building will house a pair of Giraffes, Zebras, Watussi cattle, Antelopes and Ostriches. Recent births at the Ouwehand Zoo are an Alpaca and two Chapman's Zebras.

#### **ROME - ITALY**

Important is the arrival of three White Rheas in the Rome Zoo. They really belong to Dr. Clarke, but for the present they are on view in this Zoo.

(Dr. P. L. Florio)

### **ROTTERDAM - HOLLAND**

Bliidorp Zoo reports the following births and hatchings: a female Giraffe (number 12!), a female Banteng, two Bisons, a male and female Wisent calf, three Siberian Tiger cubs, a Nilghaie Antelope, an Orang Utan, some Dingo pups, a Llama, and a Sclaters Crowned Pigeon (Goura scheepmakeri). A female White Camel arrived.

#### ST. LOUIS - U.S.A.

On 7th December, 1967, a female Orang Utan baby was born, the sixth baby of the couple that came to the zoo in 1962.

Other births are a male Eland, a Llama and a Gelada Baboon.

On 9th January 1968, the female Spectacled Bear gave birth to two female offspring, one stillborn. The baby taken to the Zoo Nursery survived until 12th January.

(Bonnie Wittke)

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