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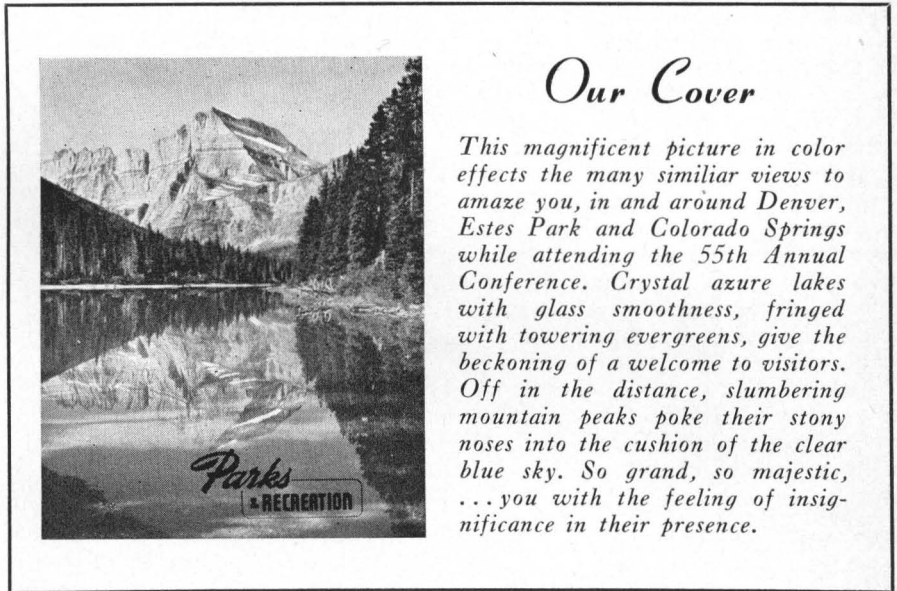
Mr. Dearborn will tell you what you need to know to go home and sell your board on the value of an intelligently planned, integrated and co-ordinated safety program in your department, or in fact in all of the departments of your community.

No-one can deliver this message more forcefully and cogently than Ned Dearborn, the builder of the National Safety Council.

Conny Wirth — we call him Conny because there have been Wirths in our organization from its inception — will carry on the family tradition of always being in the forefront of

thinking in the park field. He will tell you of the need to create a feeling of "oneness" among all those engaged in the planning and administration of park areas at every level of government; that we are all part of a single whole. That whole is a provision of a fair opportunity of everybody — regardless of age, wealth, color, or religion or any other differentiation — to enjoy fresh air, sunshine, landscape that possesses beauty and character and the kind of physical activity that tones up the muscles and sweeps the cobwebs out of our thinking apparatus.

Be sure to get Denver early so that you will be all settled in time to give your undivided attention to these two vital messages.



Our Cover

This magnificent picture in color effects the many similiar views to amaze you, in and around Denver, Estes Park and Colorado Springs while attending the 55th Annual Conference. Crystal azure lakes with glass smoothness, fringed with towering evergreens, give the beckoning of a welcome to visitors. Off in the distance, slumbering mountain peaks poke their stony noses into the cushion of the clear blue sky. So grand, so majestic, . . . you with the feeling of insignificance in their presence.

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Zoological Parks and Aquariums

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Rare Rhinoceros Added to Zoo

A fine young Indian Rhinoceros, one of the rarest of large mammals, has just arrived at the Philadelphia Zoological Garden.

Fewer than 300 Indian Rhinos remain alive today. The new arrival is from the Kaziranga Sanctuary in the Indian Province of Assam. Her name, Kanaklata (Golden Girl) was bestowed upon her by the Governor of Assam who is very much interested in those wonderful beasts. A special permit was issued so that Kanaklata could be captured and removed from the Sanctuary expressly for the Philadelphia Zoo. She was caught by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ryhiner, wild animal collectors of Basle, Switzerland, who also accompanied her to Philadelphia

aboard the "S. S. City of Capetown."

"The acquisition of this wonderful animal fulfills a dream we have long held," according to Freeman M. Shelly, Director of the Zoo. "Her arrival gives us one of the finest collections of Rhinos in existence." The Philadelphia Zoo has a fine pair of African Black Rhinoceroses, Kenya and Kifaru, which were presented by Frank Palumbo in 1948. Mr. Shelly has been working on arrangements for the capture and importation of Kanaklata for more than a year.

The new Rhino is the most expensive animal the zoo has ever purchased. Her price is \$10,000. The money was raised by subscription by friends of the Zoo. The previous rec-

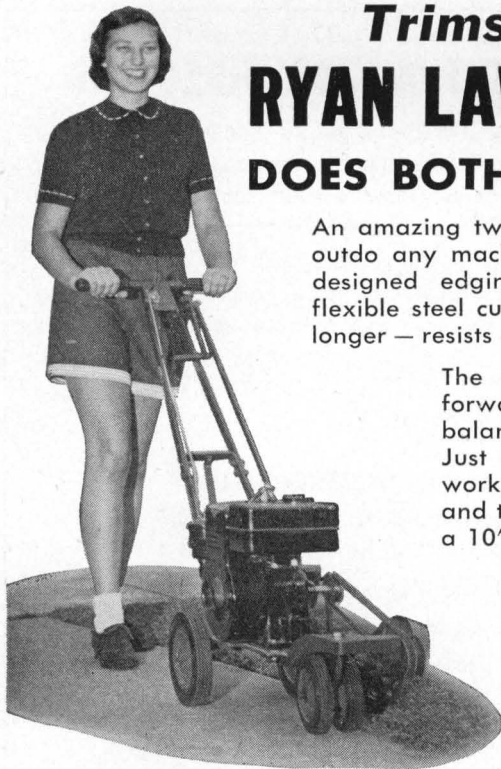
ord-holder was Peggy, another Indian Rhino, who was bought from Frank Buck in 1923 for \$8,000. Peggy lived at the Garden for twenty years.

Kanaklata weighs 2,000 pounds and is about four or five years old. She was captured when she fell unharmed into a pit dug in a trail through the giant elephant grass country that was her home. From the pit she was transferred to a cage on wheels which was hauled by elephants to a stockade where she was kept for several weeks. Then she traveled by boat down the Brahmaputra River to Calcutta, from which city she sailed for Philadelphia on May 11.

The Indian Rhinoceros is one of the largest of living land animals, ranking next to the elephant in size. According to Fred Ulmer, the Zoo's Curator of Mammals, males may stand as much as six feet at the shoulder and measure thirteen feet from the tip of the nose to tip of tail. Estimates of maximum weight go as high as four tons. Females are smaller. Both sexes bear a single horn on the front of the head. Many Oriental peoples believe that Rhino horn is an extremely powerful medicine, and even small fragments bring fabulous prices. Great numbers of the animals have been slaughtered for this purpose alone.

The hide of the Indian Rhinoceros has several great folds in it and there are also numerous small rounded bumps of skin that give the beast an armor-plated appearance.

An interesting side-light to the arrival of the new Rhino is the marriage of Jimmy, the Zoo's sometimes belligerent Hippo. If Jimmy hadn't gotten married there wouldn't have been room for Kanaklata. In the autumn of 1950, the Zoo acquired a young lady Hippo, named Marie, as a mate for Jimmy, but she was quite small at the time. Fortunately, Marie is now of age and the newly-weds seem to have settled down to a life of married bliss. Kanaklata will occupy the quarters vacated by Marie.



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