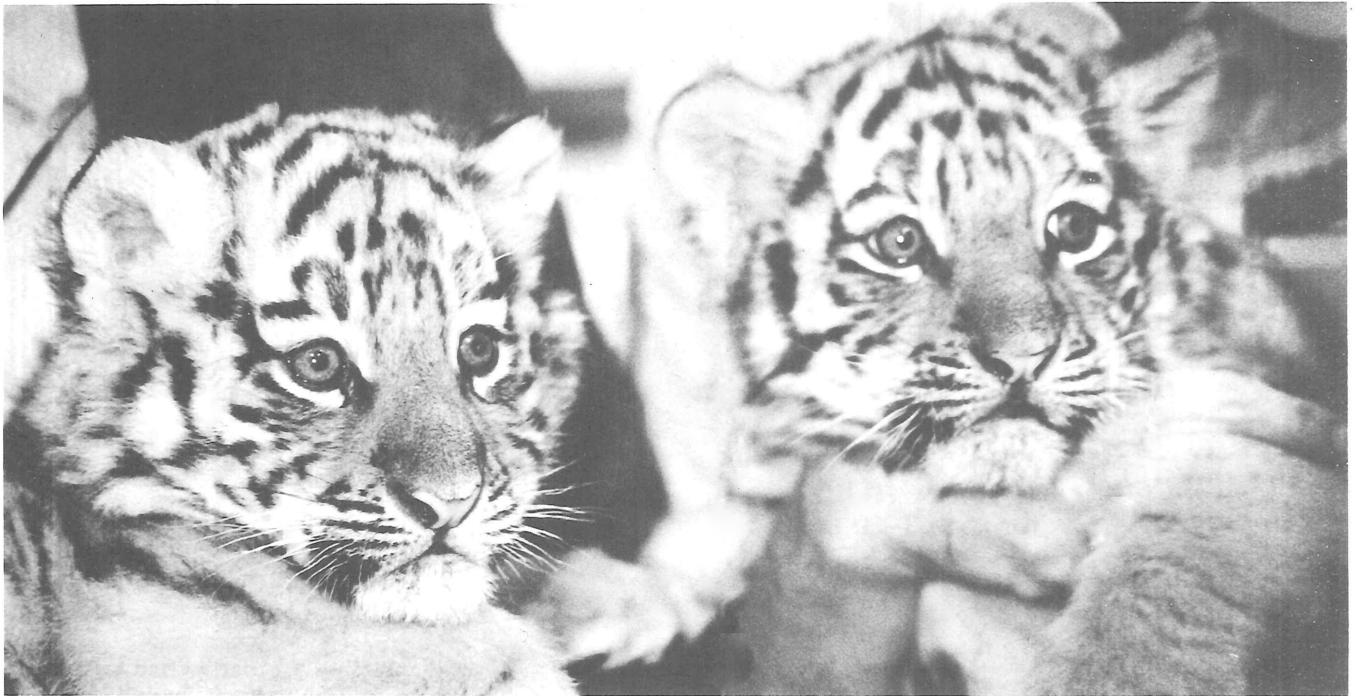

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(Photo by M. Nepper)

ZOO REPORTS SIGNIFICANT BIRTHS

The Milwaukee County Zoological Gardens recently announced the birth of two female Siberian tigers on 3 November 1991--the first births at the zoo since the late 1970s. The five-year-old parents have been at the zoo for four years; the cubs are the mother's first offspring.

(L. Pedriani)

SUMATRAN TIGERS BORN AT LOWRY PARK ZOO

The Lowry Park Zoological Garden, Tampa, Florida, reports the birth of 1.2 Sumatran tigers on 24 August 1991. The average weight of the cubs at two days old was 1.023 kg. The young are the progeny of a sire born at the Rotterdam Zoo and a dam born in West Berlin on loan to Lowry Park from the San Diego Wild Animal Park. The litter is the third for the dam, the previous two consisting of single offspring. The young will be distributed to other zoos per SSP recommendations.

(L. Salisbury)



BLACK RHINO BORN AT ST. LOUIS ZOO

A male black rhino was born at the St. Louis Zoological Park on 21 October. Weighing 74 pounds at birth, he was somewhat weak and required keeper assistance. However, by the third day, he was relying on his mother's milk; and by the fourth day, he had gained 15

pounds. This is the third calf for the mother. Her first offspring was born five years ago. The new baby joins the zoo's adult group of two females and one male.

(J. Powell)