

# Genera of Recent Mammals of the World

The research and writing project "Genera of Recent Mammals of the World", which is financed by the U.S. National Institutes of Health and sponsored by the New York Zoological Society, is progressing nicely and nearing completion. It is designed to be published in three volumes. Two of the volumes will contain basic information regarding all the genera of recent mammals and one or more pictures of representative species of each genus. The third volume will contain bibliographic citations classified by subjects. However, many pictures are still needed, especially of small marsupials, small rodents and bats of most parts of the world other than North America and Europe. Better pictures are also desired of many of the Madagascar mammals. Pictures might be acceptable as late as January 1, 1962, or possibly later, but those received late may not be needed because others have been received in the meantime.

Persons who have black and white pictures which they are willing to sell and which may be suitable for the project are invited to communicate with the Principal Investigator, Mr. Ernest P. Walker, 3016 Tilden Street, N.W., Washington 8, D.C., U.S.A.

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## INTERNATIONAL ZOO-NEWS

### Amsterdam - Holland

From Brazil a collection of twenty Hummingbirds arrived for the recently rebuilt Artis Bird House.

### Berlin (East) - Germany

New in the collection of the Berlin-Friedrichsfelde Zoo in East Germany is a young male Orang Utan from Sumatra, so that at present two Great Ape species are on exhibit. Another valuable newcomer is a male African rhino.

Recent births include some Virginia deer; a Dybowski deer; Fallow deer; and an Altai Maral (*Cervus canadensis songaricus*), a central Asiatic race of the Wapiti.

### Berlin (West) - Germany

During the months September and October the following births took place in the West Berlin Zoo: a female Wisent; a male Java Banteng; a Yak; a male Guanaco; a Zebu; a Watussi calf; a Beisa Antelope and a Black Leopard.

In the Bird section were hatched: Eider ducks; *Netta rufina*; and Wood Ducks (*Aix sponso*).

Newcomers include: Red-breasted Geese (*Branta ruficollis*); Ruddy-headed Geese (*Chloephaga rubidiceps*); Cinnamon Teals (*Anas cyanoptera*); Redbilled Teals (*Anas erythrorhyncha*); African Yellowbills (*Anas undulata*); Brazilian Teals (*Amazonetta brasiliensis*); a couple of Onagers and an African Elephant (bringing the Elephant population to 3 African and 4 Indian).

At the first of January, 1960, the West Berlin Zoo's collection consisted of:

1037 mammals in 226 species

1446 birds in 386 species.

And in the Aquarium:

488 reptiles in 221 species

151 amphibians in 52 species

2144 fishes in 429 species

2980 vertebrates in 220 species.

(Dr. Heinz-Georg Klös)

### Bochum - Germany

New in the collection of the Tierpark Bochum are some Wolves and Dingos that were recently born in the Zoo at Hamm, Germany.  
(Joachim Benzien)