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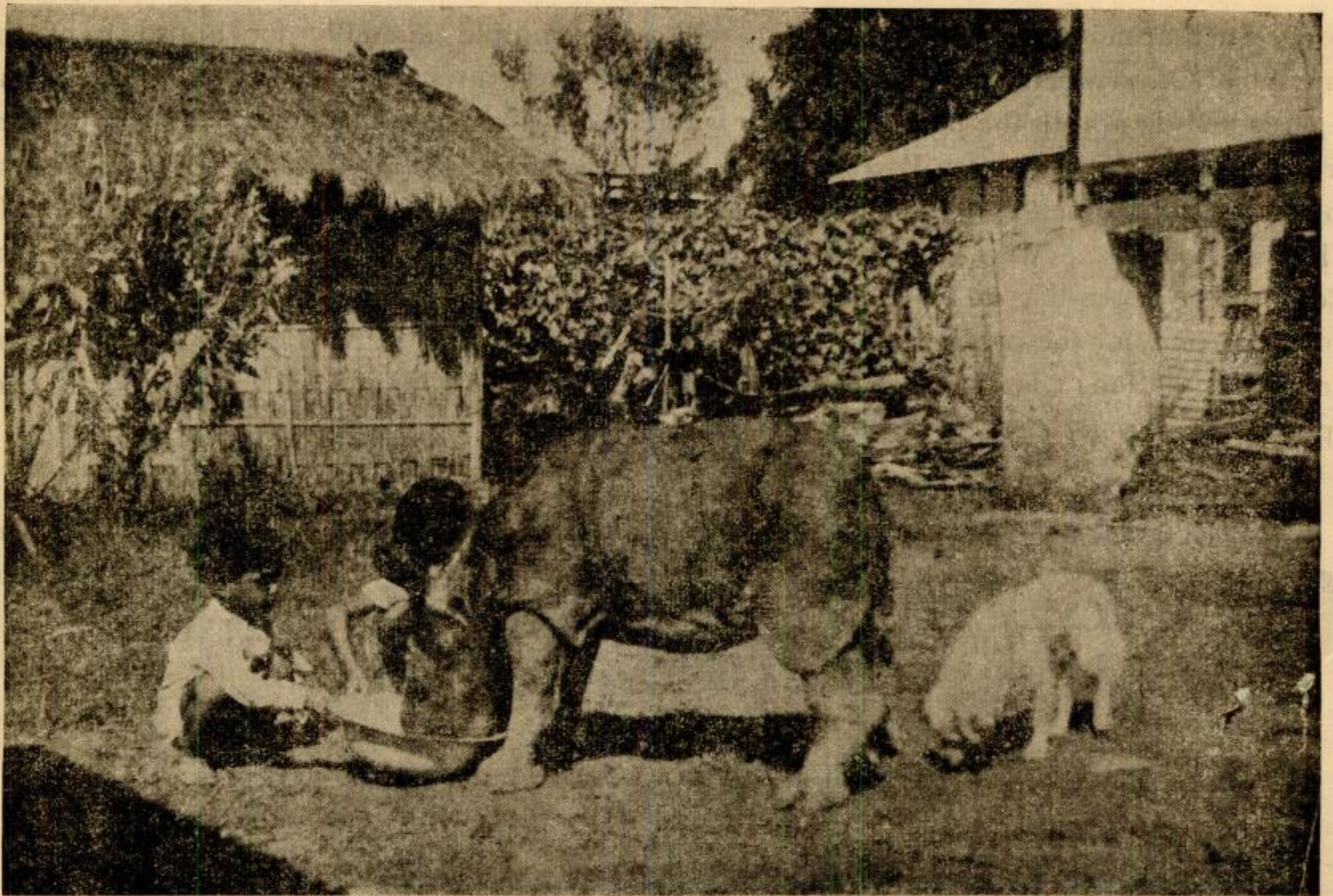
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## OBITUARY.



*Motherless baby rhino enjoying a meal.*

The death occurred recently, as the result of an operation in a Calcutta hospital, of R.C. Das of the Assam Forest Department. Das was a comparatively young man at the time of his death and had risen from the ranks by dint of hard work and efficiency within a comparatively short period. He was intensely interested in wild life and had recently joined the Wild Life Preservation Society of India. For several years in charge of the Kaziranga Sanctuary of Assam, where he developed his interest in wild life and where he had come to be known to a large number of people visiting the sanctuary, he was placed in charge of the Assam Zoo when that project was inaugurated a few years ago. Since then he laboured hard to build up the zoo from scratch, and the rapid progress that has been made is entirely due to his energy and initiative.

Romesh Das will be sadly missed by a large circle of friends and fellow workers, who appreciated his keenness, integrity and hard work as much as they did his good nature and kindly disposition, but most of all he will be missed by the wild life of Assam. At the time of his death he had been expecting to become the first Wild Life Preservation Officer of the State and it will be difficult to find a suitable man in his place. Das has left behind a large family and his admirers are contemplating the launching of an appeal for their assistance. The picture is that of two of his children feeding a baby rhinoceros which Das had rescued from tigers in Kaziranga.

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