New York - N.Y. - U.S.A.

Certainly one of the most interesting and engaging births of this year is the Chevrotain, or Small Malayan Mouse Deer (Tragulus javanicus) born in the Bronx' Small Mammal House on January 8th, 1962. It is a perfect miniature replica of its diminutive parents — which is to say that it is very small indeed. It stands about five inches high — when it stands.

After 17 months and 2 days in the collection, the long-lived Bushmaster (Lachesis muta) suddenly died of unknown causes on December 23rd, 1961. During its stay in the Bronx, the Bushmaster had fed voluntary 15 times on mice, rats and hamsters. It had shed its skin in normal fashion eight times. Although it had already broken all records of longevity in any one zoological park, the Bronx men had also hoped to break the 20-month record of Prof. Urich of Trinidad and the old Reptile House in 1935. (A.K.)

Rangoon, Burma

In January 1962 a young female Great Indian Rhinoceros arrived in the Rangoon Zoo as a gift from Nepal.

(Richard J. Reynolds)

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Rhenen - Holland

New in the collection of the Ouwehand Zoo are three young Californian Sea lions, two Caracals, two European Wild cats, four Lampong Monkeys, a couple of South American Tapirs and some Sarus Cranes.

Saint Paul - Minn. - U.S.A.

At the end of 1961 Como Zoo had 178 specimens of 68 species of mammals: 104 specimens of 48 species of birds: 25 specimens of 12 species of reptiles: 1 amphibian; and 6 specimens of 2 species of fish. In total 314 specimens of 131 species.

In comparison, the 1960 report indicated 320 specimens of 107 species. The number of different species is the best index of a zoo's growth in display value. (C.Z.L.)

San Diego - U.S.A.

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The two young Siberian Ibex, recently added to the San Diego Zoo's collection, have settled down very nicely: these rare wild goats occur in the mountainous regions of Central Asia.

A trio (1-2) of Fringe-eared Oryx and a male Eland successfully concluded 60 days quarantine in Mombasa, Kenya, and 30 days in Clifton, New Jersey: since October 1961 they have been exhibited on the Hoofed Stock Mesa.

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RHINO CHRISTENING—Rangoon; Burma, Jan. 27—Burma's Prime Minister U Nu squats as he joins in christening ceremony here of a baby female rhinoceros. The rhino, a gift from Nepal, was named Khin Way Way (Miss Affection).

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