

# ZOOS EAST

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Subur, a Sumatran Rhinoceros, *Didermocerus sumatrensis*, enjoys the tidbit offered by Dr. Svend Andersen, director of the Copenhagen Zoo.

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Betty Peach, a reporter who has the Zoo as her beat, recently was a member of the Zoological Society of San Diego group which toured the zoos of Copenhagen, Leningrad, Moscow, Warsaw, Budapest, Prague, Frankfurt-am-Main, and West and East Berlin. A series of feature articles on her journey behind the Iron Curtain appeared in the San Diego Evening Tribune shortly after her return.—Ed.

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THE DELIGHTFUL DANES do things differently. When a rain threatened to interfere with our enjoyment of a visit to the Copenhagen Zoo, Dr. Svend Andersen, director, arranged for

limousines to take us through the grounds. It was the first of many gracious gestures extended to the fifteen members of the San Diego Zoological Society during a tour of Eastern European zoos, plus three in Western Europe.

It began in Copenhagen—our first stop. Dr. Charles R. Schroeder, San Diego Zoo director who headed the Zoo group, had told us in advance about the Copenhagen prize, a gentle giant of a creature named "Subur." She is a Hairy, Sumatran, or Asiatic Two-horned, Rhinoceros. And in her ten years in Copenhagen, she has developed a great curiosity. She lumbered out into her exercise yard to meet the visitors and to eat apples out of Dr. Andersen's