

INTERNATIONAL ZOO-NEWS

Brookfield - U.S.A.

The ever-popular children's zoo is now open. In addition to a large collection of farm stock, the centre of attraction is a new baby African elephant only three feet high. Other babies include a gorilla, an orang-utan, 3 chimpanzees, lions, leopards, cheetahs and a rhino. Harbour seals have replaced the flamingos. The Shetland ponies are kept busy giving rides to the children.

In addition to giving the money to create the Children's Zoo the ever-generous Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ward Seabury have given the Brookfield Zoo its third baby elephant. Needless to say the Zoological Society is most grateful to these patrons whose gifts have thrilled so many thousands of young visitors.

Births include a male reticulated giraffe and a reindeer.

(Alexander Lindsay.)

Colorado Springs - U.S.A.

The Cheyenne Mountain Zoo is enjoying a record-breaking number of visitors this year and the visitors are enjoying the many new animals on display.

Prominent among the new arrivals are two male Reticulated Giraffes born March 15th and June 7th respectively. A baby Hippo born March 12th is doing very well and a male Grevy's Zebra was born April 17th.

Other animals born at the zoo this year included: 1 African Lion, 3 Tigers, 2 Spotted Leopards, 2 Black Leopards, 1 Jaguar, 2 Great Red Kangaroos, several Llamas, Spotted Fallow Deer, Bison, Himalayan Tahrs and Basilisk Lizards.

The collection was further enlarged through purchases by The Zoological Society. These included: a mate for the male Snow Leopard, a fine male Clouded Leopard, bringing our total to three (one breeding pair). A pair of Black Rhinos, a mate for the male Black-Crested Mangabey, 6 Squirrel Monkeys, 2 Great Birds of Paradise, 4 Bronze Sunbirds, 6 Flamingos, 1 Scarlet Cock-of-the-Rock, 3 Quetzales and a variety of other small birds, mammals and reptiles.

(Don G. Davis)

San Diego - U.S.A.

A double-wattled Cassowary chick (*Casuarius c aruensis*) was hatched on the 30th April, 1957 in this Zoo — the first cassowary chick to be hatched in its history of forty-one years. Few records of cassowary chicks hatched in captivity are known. An incubation period of fifty-four days was recorded. The male bird and father of this baby was received in April, 1926, now over 31 years old.

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BIRTH OF OKAPI



The Vincennes Zoo is to be highly congratulated on the birth of an Okapi! The news of this very important event was only released when the baby (born 6th June) was a month old. It is the first to be born and to thrive in captivity outside of the Belgian Congo. The parents of this youngster (the female Ebola) are "Irmu" — the mother who entered the Zoo in 1955 and "Dolo" the father, who came in the Vincennes Zoo at 1948. We are proud to show you herewith this little Okapi — this is the first photograph and taken by the well-known Swiss animal-photographer and co-worker of this magazine Marcel Langer.



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