

● Rhinos in London Zoo

The Zoological Society of London has the best collection of Rhinos that has ever been exhibited anywhere:

- a) a Black Rhino—*Diceros bicornis*—an old female that has been living in London for over 10 years.
- b) a couple of young White Rhinos (*Ceratotherium simum*), which arrived in London some years ago. Other specimens of these very rare animals are to be seen in Antwerp Zoo, Belgium, which possesses a couple called Paul and Chloé. The Pretoria Zoo—South Africa—managed by Dr. Bigalke, exhibits three White Rhinos (1—2). All these animals belong to the geographical species *Ceratotherium simum simum*.
- c) a couple of Indian Rhinos or One-horned Rhinos (*Rhinoceros unicornis*), which gave birth to a child on 30th October, 1957. The young female has been named "Mohinija"; this was the first time that such a birth had been recorded in Great Britain.

(Pierre Brouard)

● Whooping Cranes

The world population of the Whooping Crane is now thirty-one—: the highest total since 1950. The latest report from the National Audubon Society says that twenty-six have returned from the wilds of Canada to their winter home at the Aransas refuge on the coast of Texas; including in this number are four young birds.

(Avicultural Magazine)

● New Director

Washington, D.C., March 20, 1958.—Dr. Leonard Carmichael, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, has announced the appointment of Dr. Theodore H. Reed as Director of the National Zoological Park, effective March 12.

Dr. Reed was first appointed to the staff in July 1955 as Chief Veterinarian, a position he held until November 1, 1956, when he became Acting Director upon the retirement of Dr. William Mann.

A graduate of veterinary medicine at Kansas State College, Dr. Reed was Assistant Veterinarian of the State of Oregon, in Portland, for several years and was in private practice in that State, Idaho, and Minnesota. He was also an active participant in organizing the Portland Zoological Commission and the Portland Zoological Society. He is married and has two children.

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