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### **Breeding Endangered Species**

The FPS and the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust are jointly holding a conference on the breeding of endangered species as an aid to survival at the Jersey Zoo on May 1–3, 1972. The aim is to examine the essential requirements and optimum conditions in which endangered species should be kept in captivity in order to ensure the establishment of permanent breeding stocks. Mr Peter Scott, as Chairman of the FPS, will chair the conference. A leaflet giving full details is circulated with this issue of *Oryx*.

### **Zambia-Botswana Tour**

The next *Oryx* tour will be in Zambia and Botswana, from July 23 to August 12, and led by Dr David Jenkins. This will include the Kafue National Park, Blue Lagoon, Victoria Falls, the splendid Chobe park in Botswana and a walking safari (optional) on the wilderness trail in the Luangwa Valley, with two nights camping on the river bank. Enquiries to Miss Giles.

### **London Film Shows**

The last two of the winter film shows at the New Gallery Cinema in Regent Street, London, will be on February 1 and March 7, at 7.0 p.m. Four films will be shown on February 1: *Birds of the Grey Wind*, *The Numbat*, *The Great Barrier Reef*, and *Winged Aristocrats*; March 7 will be devoted to *The Last of the Wild*. Tickets at the cinema or in advance from the FPS office; prices 30p, 50p, 70p; under 17 half price. Please enclose stamped addressed envelope with post orders.