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Introducing ffPS's New Chairman

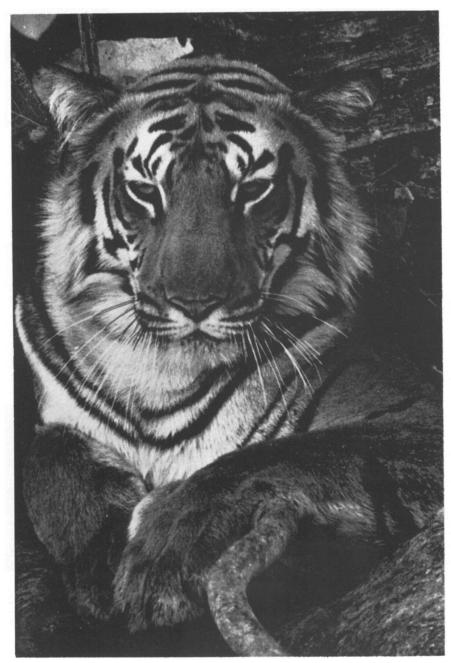


Conservation is 90 per cent politics - biopolitics, one distinguished conservationist calls it - and the ffPS can count itself fortunate in having as its new Chairman a very able political figure and former Government minister. Lord Craigton. Charitable bodies may not enter into party political controversies, but they are allowed to make representations about matters of direct concern to their aims, as the Wildlife and the Countryside Bill, currently passing through Parliament, is to ffPS. To have as our head so wise and experienced a man as Lord Craigton is an immeasurable advantage in this situation. Since being Minister of State at the Scottish Office, he has taken a deep interest in wildlife conservation, and has been increasingly closely concerned with many wildlife bodies; he has introduced, defended and piloted several important wildlife measures in Parliament. He is Chairman of CoEnCo, the Federation of Zoological Gardens and the Parliamentary All-Party Conservation Committee, a Vice-President of WWF/UK, and a Trustee of the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust. Since joining the FPS Council in 1965, and becoming Vice-Chairman in 1970, he has performed innumerable important but unobtrusive services for conservation in general and the Society in particular on the parliamentary and government scene.



Honour for Sir Peter Scott

Sir Peter Scott, Vice-President of ffPS and former Chairman, has been awarded the John C. Phillips Medal for his services to world conservation by the Council of the International Union for Conservation of Nature. The Medal is a memorial to a famous American naturalist and is IUCN's most prestigious award. Sir Peter is the third Englishman to receive the medal – Max Nicholson and Sir Frank Fraser Darling were previous recipients – and the third ffPS Vice-President, following Sir Frank and Dr Harold J. Coolidge.



SIESTA in the Himalayan foothills M. Krishnan