Pumas are large, cat-like animals which are found in America. Paw prints were seen in a number of places and puma fur was found clinging to bushes. However, as the evidence began to accumulate, experts from the Zoo felt obliged to investigate, for the descriptions given by people who claimed to have seen the puma were extraordinarily similar. Several people complained of cat-like noises at night and a businessman on a fishing trip saw the puma up a tree. It immediately ran away when she saw it, and experts confirmed that a puma will not attack a human being unless it is cornered. As no pumas had been reported missing from any zoo in the country, this one must have been in the possession of a .private collector and somehow managed to escape