In the Spring - the polar bear's fancy lightly turns to....Yes, Brumas
has got a mate. The lucky chap is "Ulla" who came from Whipsnade -
and they expect to hear the patter of tiny paws feet around the place
about December.

A newsreel is often like turning the pages of the family album. This
was Brumas seven Easters ago - when she was the rage of Regent's Park
This year, the attraction at the London Zoo will be the bear cubs -
Nikki and Rusk and Rusk. Now Growing-up fast.

Nikki, of course, was presented to Princess Anne by the Soviet leaders,
Marshal Bulgannin and Mr Krushchev during their visit last year.
Nikki - it seems - is a bit of a swing-fan - he'd be quite
content to rock himself around the clock...

But Rusk decides to apply the veto - and breaks in on an unfinished
symphony.

The Easter news from the Warsaw Zoo features some more lusty infants,
and the problem seems to be feeding them.

For bear cubs, a well-balanced diet is essential - so their foster-
mother is a modern feeding-bottle.

Yes, they're hitting the bottle hard: at an early age, too...

Anyway, they still manage to put a brave face on things

Oh dear! Perhaps he should have taken more milk with it

Now a variation of an old theme: but this time, the young lady is
taking the tiger for a ride - and it happened in Russia...

For a holiday outing, Margarita Nazaróva, an animal trainer, took her
pet tiger, "Pursh" to the local zoo. And the reunion was not
exactly a friendly one.

There were roars and snarls from the caged inmates. After all, who
wants to be stared at by a tame tiger...

But looking at that angry lot all those slink - er - chaps behind bars: "Pursh"
decided that a tame life paid dividends, after all...

Finally, we put the cat among the pigeons, so to speak: but being
Easter-time - they're day-old chicks. These strange bed-fellows
were filmed on a chicken farm, near Berlin. Everyone seems
perfectly happy about it - except Mother hen who squawked
about cats having nine lives too many!

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THEN, OF COURSE, ... everyone wanted to get into the act...