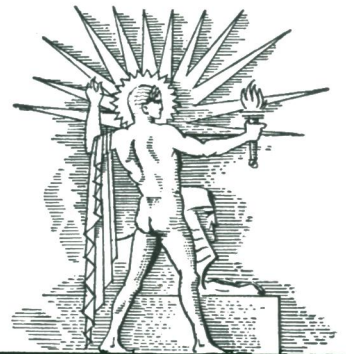
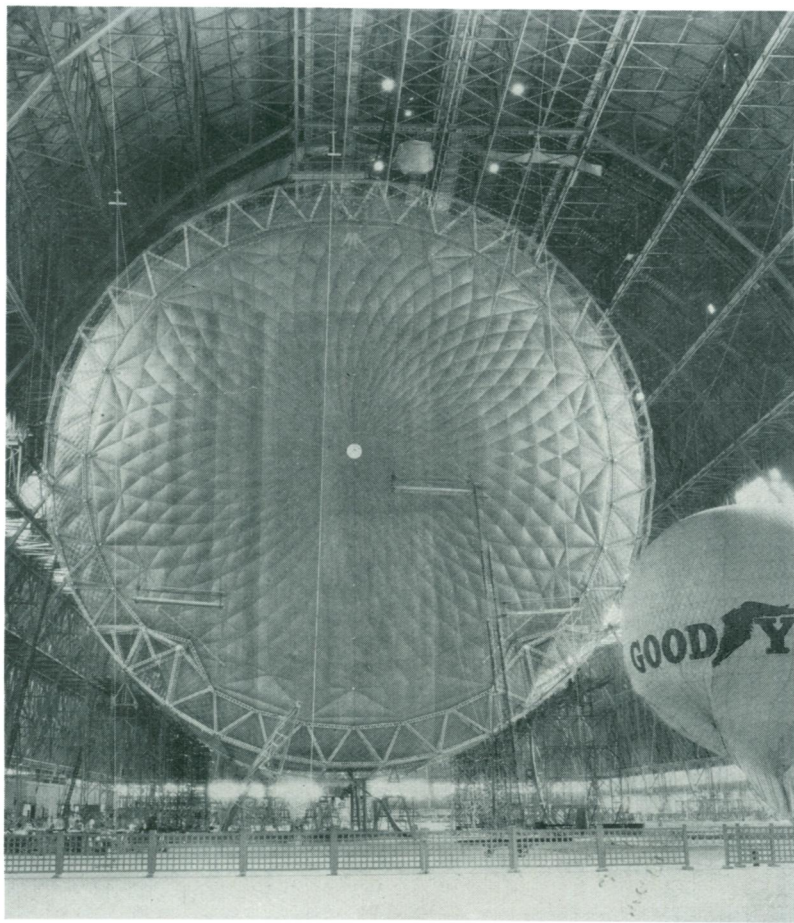


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## DO YOU KNOW THAT

The drought has so seriously affected waterfowl in the United States and Canada that some observers estimate the season's hatch to be 50 per cent. below last year's.

A British quarrying firm employs an airplane to carry samples of stone to distant customers.

There is more oxygen in Atlantic Ocean water than in Pacific water, why, science does not yet know.

When a flapping scarecrow failed to keep the birds from robbing his orchard, an English farmer gave his scarecrow a radio "voice," and the noise from the radio loudspeaker quickly banished the bird invaders.

The arms of an orang-utan are so long that when one of these apes stands erect its hands hang at its ankles.

A new variety of sugarcane that yields an extra ton of sugar to the acre has been bred by Federal scientists at Canal Point, Fla.

Natural gas is used to make half a million tons of ice each year.

An Eskimo hut, heated by seal-oil lamps, has a temperature of 70 to 80 degrees.

As late as the seventeenth century, butter was sold in drug shops of Spain as an ointment.

"Islands" of land in the inland ice of Greenland have been found by Dr. Lauge Koch, Danish explorer.

A new jelly has been derived from sea moss on the Pacific coast by a modernized process featuring artificial refrigeration.

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