

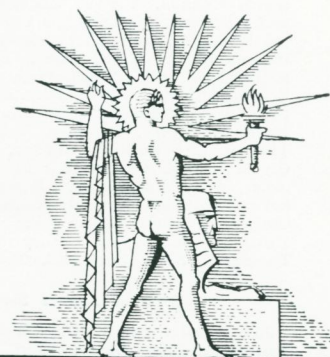
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DO YOU KNOW THAT

Helium, famed for its use as a non-inflammable gas for dirigibles, may be used to heat and to cool the home.

Bas reliefs on an Egyptian temple show that methods of bee keeping in Egypt have not changed appreciably since 2600 B. C.

The American Chemical Society is trying to find out how much chemistry the housewife knows, so that it can plan a suitable course in detecting impure foods.

A New Hampshire agricultural expert points out that the farmer in Holland makes his small acreage yield four times as much produce to an acre as the American farmer produces on his bigger farm.

A German city has a large group of apartment houses laid out in three concentric circles, the inner units being the tallest.

Erosion of soil in a single country in the southeast has turned 91,000 acres of land, formerly cultivated, into land unfit for agriculture.

Danish dairy farmers are selling milk in sheets—the purchaser dissolves the dehydrated sheet in hot water to restore it to a liquid.

Scarlet fever records show that the Japanese are 45 times as susceptible to this disease as Chinese are.

Methods of coloring the hair blonde, henna, or black were all known to the beauty seekers of ancient Rome.

Gas warfare goes back to the war between Athens and Sparta, in the fifth century B. C.

Mexico has been making large reductions in cavalry forces of the army, and has been distributing the horses among the peasants.

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