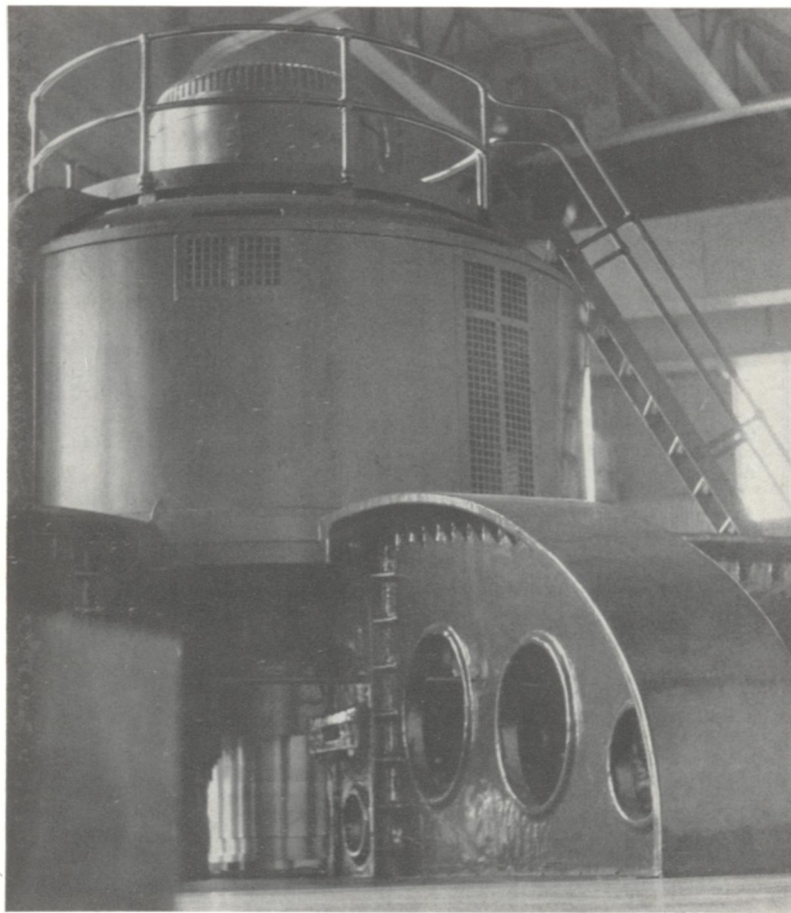


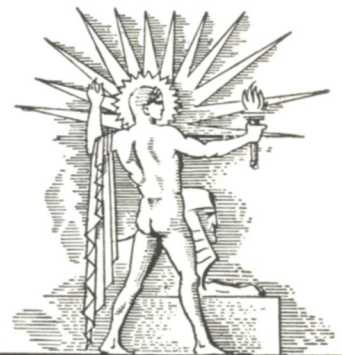
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## DO YOU KNOW THAT

Conditions for radio reception are good in Alaska.

Boys are more likely to be left-handed than girls are.

A three-color moving picture film that has been produced in England is said to be adaptable for use in regular moving picture cameras.

Rainfall in the United States has been below normal every month except three during the past 17 months.

In the past 40 years, more than 1700 new cities of over 2,500 population have come into existence in the United States.

Mayan Indians of Yucatan invented a symbol for zero, centuries before the Hindus introduced this useful mathematical device in the Old World.

Because iron meteorites fell from the sky, some Egyptian astronomers thought that the sky might be a plate of iron.

There are 10,000 head this year in a single herd of caribou in Mount McKinley National Park, Alaska, and there are other herds in the vicinity.

The Indians of pre-Columbian America had no beasts of burden except the llama which carried light loads and the dog which could be used to drag sledge-like conveyances.

Centuries before modern knowledge of food values in citrus fruits, a Chinese writer declared that the peel of the orange was a good tonic.

An Australian anthropologist says that the world is so nearly explored that there are only a few small areas of the earth where natives have never seen a white man.

Because of the fact that tiny fish cannot protect themselves against their natural enemies, fish culturists have found that planting 100,000 six-inch trout, raised in rearing ponds, gives results equal to planting 1,000,000 small fry directly in streams.

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