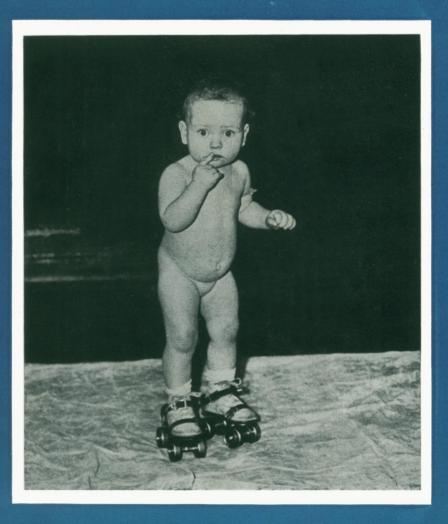
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DO YOU KNOW?

The age of a meteorite can be calculated from its helium and radium contents.

Heavy water, recent chemical discovery, boils at 214.5 degrees Fahrenheit instead of 212.

Bethel, now being excavated by archaeologists, is mentioned more frequently in the Bible than any other town in Palestine, except Jerusalem.

Russian archaeologists are unearthing Sarkela, a ninth century city in Crimea, and the only known town of the Chezar, a Tartar tribe that adopted Judaism.

Egypt may try the "mole" draining system used in Florida's Everglades, to aid in fighting a human disease caused by a worm which infests snails in flooded areas of the Nile Valley.

Demonstration classes on cooking goat and mutton were recently held by Government teachers, to show Navajo Indian girls how to combine modern cookery and nutrition knowledge with their own ancient customs.

Three carloads of science exhibits from the Century of Progress have been acquired by the Buffalo Museum of Sci-

When the Wright brothers made their famous test flight at Kitty Hawk, 1903, they tossed a coin to see which brother would have the privilege of going up first.

Indian children attending boarding schools have been reduced from 22,000 to 13,000 in the Government's new educational policy of sending the children to day schools.

Evidence that long-eared owls do migrate, contrary to belief, was found recently when an owl banded April 22, 1934, in California was shot by a hunter in Ontario, 2,000 miles away, October 9, 1934.

The Federal Food and Drug Administration is spending nearly a third of its time and money protecting the public from danger of poisons used in sprays to combat insect pests and diseases that attack fruits and vegetables.

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