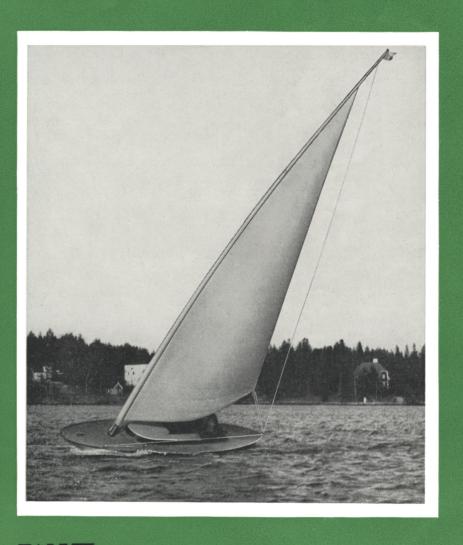
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DO YOU KNOW?

The commercial products of a large walrus are worth less than \$50 as oil, skin and ivory.

Albino Indians were kept in zoological gardens by native Mexican rulers, and sacrificed to the sun at the time of an eclipse.

Millions of gallons of blackstrap molasses from the Philippines, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico are one corn substitute being fed to stock in the United States.

To increase the keeping qualities of Swiss cheese, one company in this country is "veneering" its product, before wrapping, with pasteurized sheets of hole-less cheese.

A "nicofumer" is a new atomizerlike device designed at the University of California Citrus Experimental Station, to apply nicotine sprays to plants, in insect pest control work.

Greek women were the first to raise pot-plants.

The average child acquires 80 per cent. of his education through his eyes, says the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness.

A statue of an armed warrior recently found at Capestrano, Italy, has been pronounced of the sixth century, B.C., and the oldest statue ever found in the country.

Two leaves of second century A.D. papyrus, acquired by the British Museum, are said to be fragments of a newly discovered Gospel, dealing with the life of Christ.

Trachoma is so rare in Switzerland that it has been suggested high altitudes prevent this eye disease; but this is disproved by presence of the disease at various altitudes in the American Rockies.

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