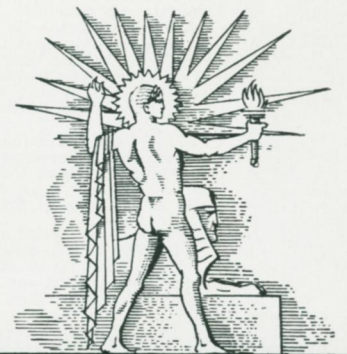
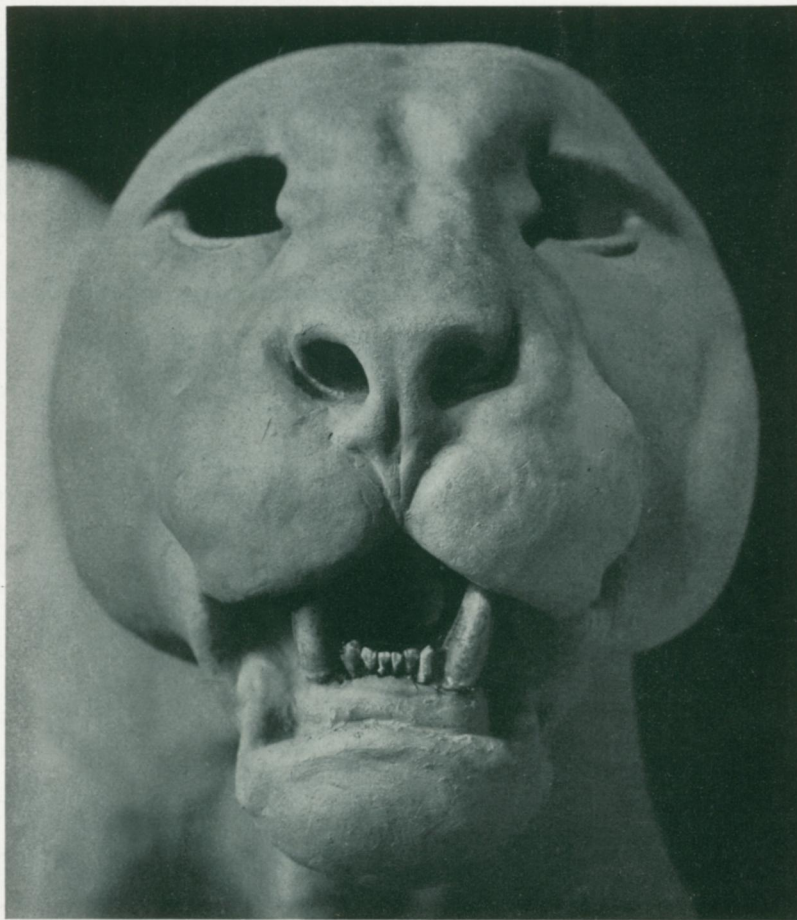


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## DO YOU KNOW?

The City of London has a five-year plan for improving its transportation system.

Fossil remains show that there were frogs on earth at least 200 million years ago.

Salt is now used in a compound preventing ice formation on highway surfaces.

The potato owes its popularity, says one nutrition specialist, to the fact that it has no pronounced flavor.

Rabbits were introduced into Australia for hunters' sport less than a century ago; but the animals increased so alarmingly that it became necessary to pay men to kill them off as pests.

Puerto Rico may decide to eliminate cotton, cultivated and wild, from its fields, in order to reduce insect pests that infest cotton and other plants.

Pumpkins and squashes cannot be crossed with melons.

The Egyptians made tools of meteoric iron as early as 3000 B.C.

Heavy duty tires for army trucks have sponge rubber fillers instead of inner tubes.

Night traffic accidents indicate that the hazard per car is four times as great by night as by day.

The gondola of Prof. Piccard's balloon in which he rose over 10 miles, in 1932, has been presented to the Science Museum at South Kensington, England.

An almost forgotten episode in bicycle history is an invention of a bicycle by a Russian serf named Artamonov, who displayed his bicycle by command on the coronation day of Alexander the First, in 1801, and was rewarded by being freed from serfdom.

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