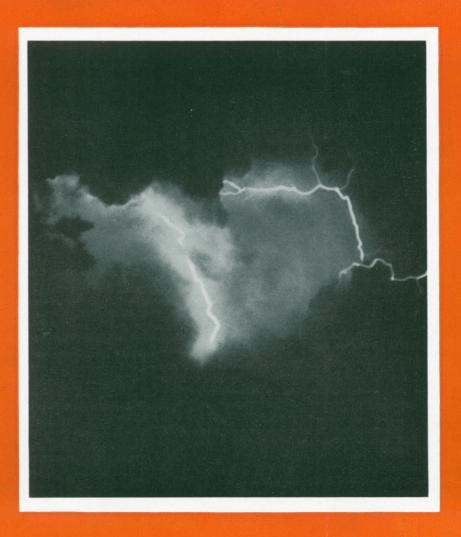
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DO YOU KNOW?

The mallard duck feeds mainly at night, discovering its food by touch.

Bushmen of Africa are said to have the world's flattest and broadest noses.

Rhubarb juice blends well with most fruit juices and is a good base for fruit punch.

Petrified oysters 30 inches in diameter have been found in the Big Bend section of Texas.

In a recent re-surveying of Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, about 100 new and unnamed lakes were discovered.

Why leprosy has become uncommon in Europe, while China continues to have a million lepers, is one of the mysteries of the disease.

A new treatment to prevent decay of oranges consists of introducing nitrogen trichloride gas into storage room or refrigerator car and circulating it by means of electric fans.

New-born opossums are no bigger than bumblebees.

The diet of Mayan Indians in Yucatan is over three-fourths corn.

The Cape penguin makes a braying noise, very much like a jackass.

Buenos Aires is making plans for a waterfront airport with facilities for land and sea planes.

A bust of the astronomer Simon Newcomb has been added to the Hall of Fame at New York University.

A skin outfit for Arctic exploration includes such items as sealskin boots, sheepskin stockings, and bearskin overshoes.

A manual of "First Aid for Flooded Homes," published at Cornell University and recently reprinted by the American Red Cross, answers questions about such matters as cleaning water-soaked pillows, removing mildew and mud stains, and removing odors from basements.

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