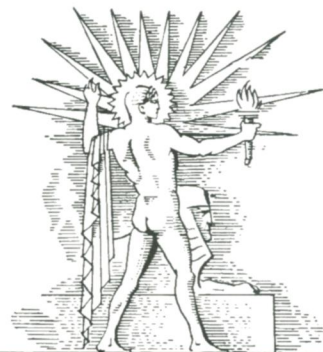
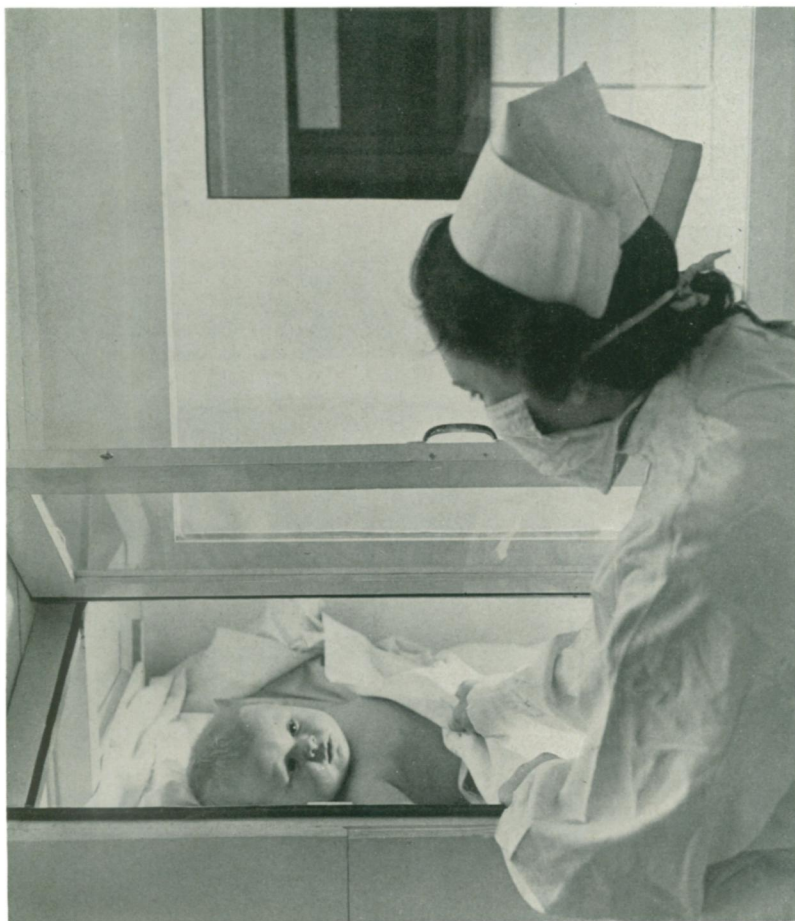


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Do You Know?

Experiments have shown that *why* is one of the richest sources of lactoflavin, or vitamin B₂.

There are more than 100 *crops* in the industry that is ordinarily summed up as "agriculture."

"After babyhood, most children have the right kind of *food* only when the whole family is well fed," government nutritionists declare.

Located in the New Mexican desert, the world's largest *ice cave* has a 30 degree temperature and the floor is solid ice of unknown thickness.

About 15,000 trout were recently planted in glacial lakes in Montana by a flying game warden who *dumped* the fish from overhead out of a tank.

A Chinese physician of the sixth century A.D. concocted a "flying elixir" of gold, cinnabar, azurite, and sulfur in the belief that *drinking* it would cause a man to fly.

By testing fabric under ultraviolet light, cleaners say they can now settle arguments over *holes* blamed on chemicals used in cleaning—holes eaten by chemicals fluoresce.

There is no *scientific* reason for milking a cow from the right side, says a Cornell professor, and no practical reason unless it is that a few cows, used to being milked from the right, make trouble if the usual procedure is changed.

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A "bridge" less than 18 feet long is not a *bridge*, says a railway engineer—properly it is a culvert.

Epidemics of *boils* are unknown, says a physician.

A silkworm *startled* while spinning may jerk a knot in the cocoon thread.

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