

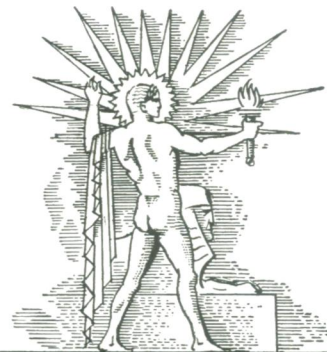
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DO YOU KNOW?

"Fresh" flowers in blocks of ice were recently shipped from Australia to England.

Tiny larvae of the gypsy moth travel on air currents as high as 2,000 feet above ground.

The Philippine Forest Service is manned by 500 trained workers, all but the director being Filipinos.

Five Indian towns of prehistoric times have been discovered in southern Peru by an archaeological expedition.

The battle formation of a solid phalanx protected by shields was used in Mesopotamia over 2000 years before the Macedonians made it famous.

During one cold wave, the Weather Bureau agricultural forecasts enabled citrus fruit growers in California to save fruit worth \$14,000,000.

Disease-bearing mosquitoes are practically unknown in the Florida Everglades.

Two new varieties of almond trees have been developed at the University of California.

Young and rapidly growing cells of the body are more sensitive to radium than old or adult cells.

A meteorite that fell at Hoba in Southwest Africa has an estimated weight of 66 tons.

With a nucleus of 50,000 maps now in its possession, the University of Chicago is planning to develop a great map library for the Middle West.

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