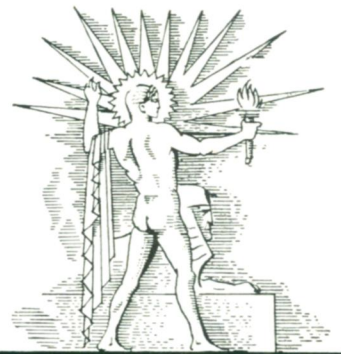
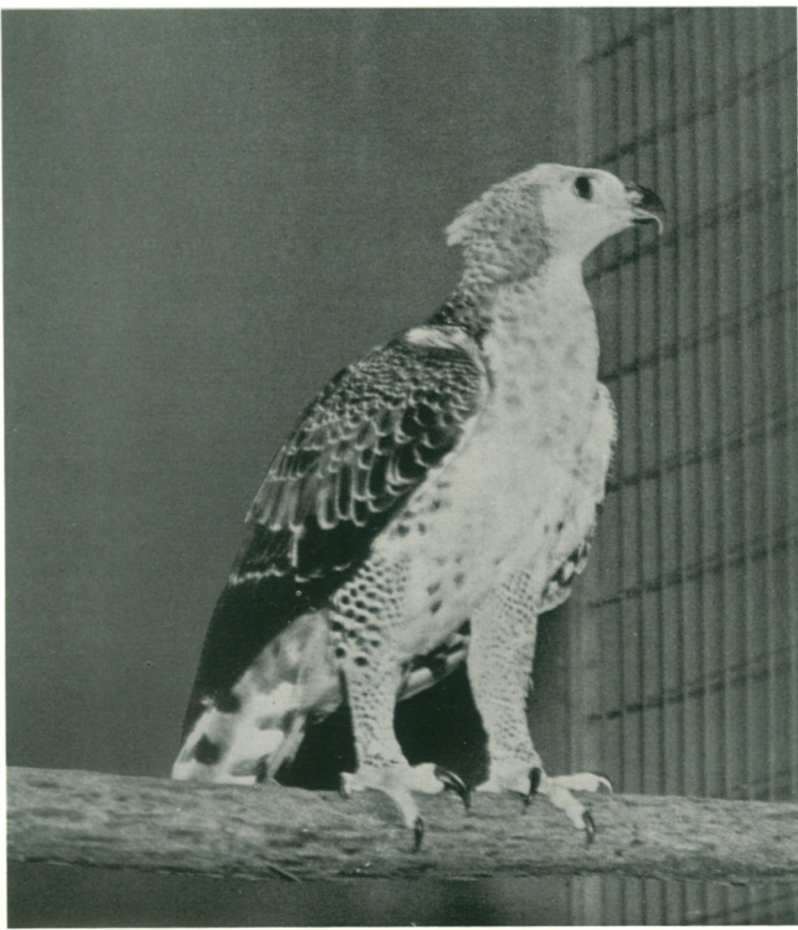


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Do You Know?

More than 2,000 years ago, Egyptians and Chinese knew how to hatch chicks by *artificial* heat.

A Swiss physicist has invented an electric spray gun for spraying extremely *hot metal* for a surface coating.

A very large and complete *wind tunnel* being built at the Lockheed Aircraft factory in Burbank, Calif., will cost \$150,000.

A *water* route from Odessa to Danzig has been completed, enabling barges to carry trade goods between southern Russia and Germany.

The Amur cork tree, introduced from Asia for ornamental purposes, yields a quick-acting insect *poison* which may have commercial use.

Progress in breeding *Notail* sheep which require no docking but retain good mutton and wool qualities is reported by South Dakota agricultural scientists.

The first *Russian* attempt to analyze American folklore scientifically will appear in a history of American literature, undertaken by the USSR Academy of Sciences.

Lions do not cling so rigidly to their jungle behavior as has been popularly supposed, but *change* their habits considerably with environment, studies by University of California psychologists indicate.

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The *damask* rose is a native of Asia Minor.

Muskrats, sometimes rated as silent animals, make chattering and squeaking sounds with their teeth.

A survey of 16 counties in Indiana showed that the children listen to the *radio* on an average of about two hours a day.

Canada's young plastic *casein* industry is now producing rennet casein suitable for plastics.

The farthest that a starfish has been known to travel was less than a mile, and it took *10 months*.

Indians of almost 40 tribes compete in dances, sports, and handicraft at their annual *gathering* in Gallup, N. M.

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