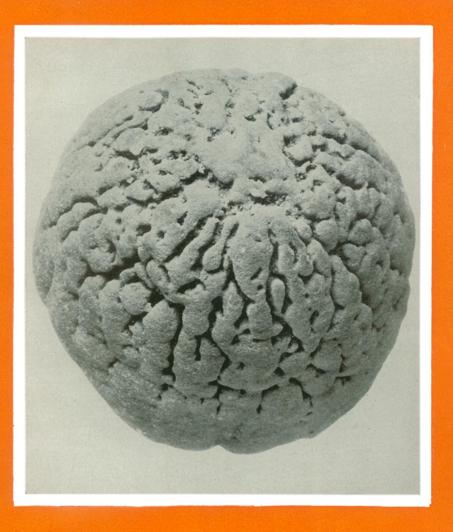
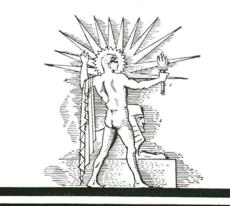
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DO YOU KNOW?

Hospitals in the United States are increasing six times as fast as the population.

Cornstalk board will be used as insulating material in the roof of the new Post Office Department at Washington.

From the weather this spring, it is predicted that army worms will be flourishing in grain fields this summer.

A family garden of a quarter of an acre may produce more than \$100 worth of vegetables.

A new government ruling sets a stringent limit on the amount of lead, used in insect sprays, that may be left on fruit entering interstate commerce.

A new invention is a jacket for a tube of tooth paste or cold cream which pushes up the contents from the bottom of the tube as wanted

There are almost nine million fewer horses and mules in the United States now than there were in 1920, which means that 40 million acres of land are no longer needed for growing feed.

The Oriental Institute in Chicago has acquired an astronomical instrumenta stellar clock-made "with his two hands" by Tutankhamen.

Road construction is so rarely mentioned in writings of the Middle Ages, that engineers believe it may have become almost a lost art.

A little 13-pound portable radio set, which can be used to send and receive voice messages, is being tried out by Forest Service workers.

In some regions stocked with deer, rattlesnakes have disappeared, due to the habit of the deer of jumping on a coiled snake and cutting it to pieces with its sharp hoofs.

A study of the physical condition of 100,000 men shows that the average business man has fewer defects than the professional man, farmer, or skilled trade worker.

The University of Kentucky and Kiwanis Clubs are establishing "listening centers" in the Kentucky mountains, where people can gather to listen to radio programs of educational value.

WITH THE SCIENCES THIS WEEK

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Of what figures is the monument, "The
Unity of Man," composed? p. 356. The Races
of Man—A. C. Haddon—Macmillan, 1925, \$2.50.

ARCHAEOLOGY

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How many kings reigned in Assyria from 2200 to 722 B.C.? p. 361. Mesopotamian Origins, The Basic Population of the Near East—Ephraim A. Speiser—Univ. of Penna., 1930, \$3.

How many pieces of jewelry will be exhibited in Chicago by Mexican archaeologists? p. 357.

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How happy do college students consider themselves? p. 356. How much should baby be amused? p. 358.

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Why would cosmetics be brought under Federal control in the new pure food and drug bill? p. 360. The History of a Crime Against the Food Law—Harvey W. Wiley, 1929, \$2.

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