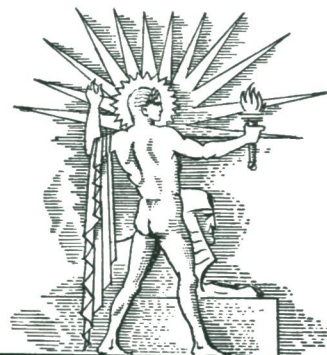
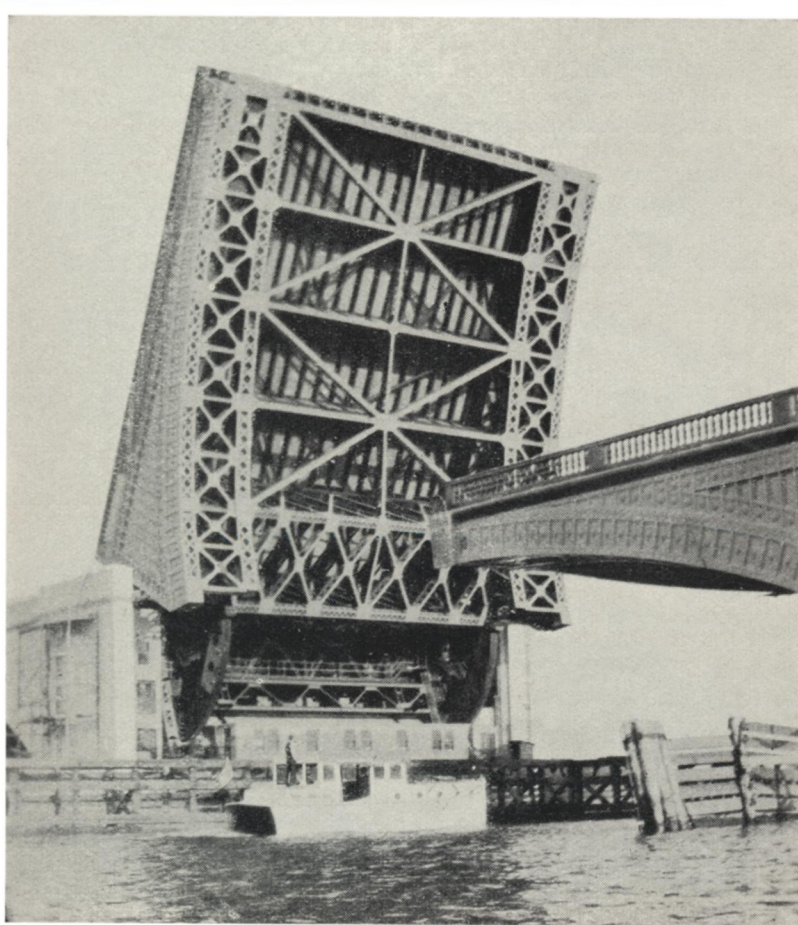


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DO YOU KNOW THAT

The old Roman equivalents of butter and sugar were oil and honey.

The largest Spanish speaking city in the world is not in Spain, but in South America: Buenos Aires.

Juvenile court records in one of our largest cities show that no name of a Boy Scout has ever appeared on the court's books.

Iodine occurs not only in the animal and vegetable kingdoms, but also in minerals, in combination with silver, mercury, lead, and zinc.

An artificial chewing gum is a new production.

Of all the silver-fox pelts now sold on the fur markets today, only two per cent. are from wild foxes.

More than 30,000 chimney swifts have been tagged, in an effort to find out where these birds go in winter.

A structural engineer declares that a steel tower a mile high is quite practicable so far as the engineering problem is concerned.

Chicago has a sunlight beacon, made of mirrors, to guide aviators in the daytime.

Vinegar was used with considerable success in the Civil War to help prevent scurvy among soldiers.

A rain of mud fell in Alberta, Canada, for ten hours one day last summer, presumably as a result of a dust storm combined with rain.

Children were often employed in the mines of Rome and other ancient nations, because they could squeeze through tunnels to drag out the heavy sacks of ore.

Hailstones have killed more people in India than in any other country, according to available figures.

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