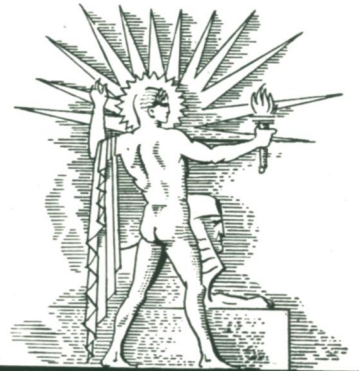
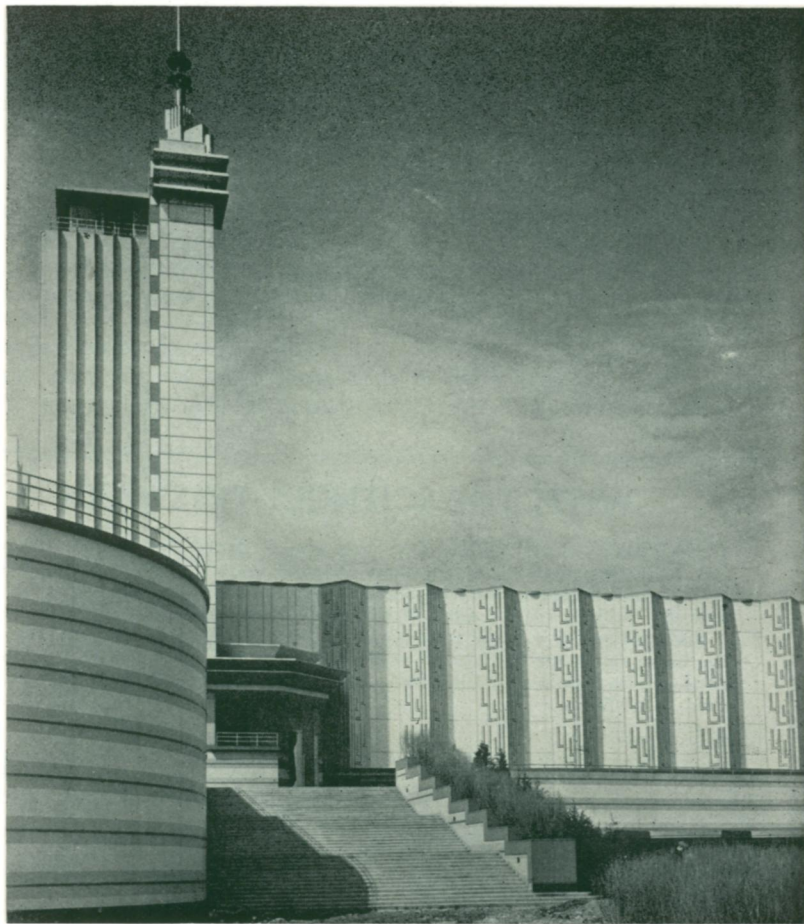


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DO YOU KNOW THAT

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Cone-shaped snowflakes are sometimes observed in snowfall in Vermont.

The last of the heath hens, which for three years has been sighted on Martha's Vineyard, is still alive, according to a recent report.

As summer comes round again, home economics specialists remind the housekeeper that the food compartment in a refrigerator should not get warmer than 50 degrees and the milk compartment not warmer than 45.

A Manta or Blanket Fish recently captured in Florida waters measured over 18 feet long and over 19 feet wide.

The Solomon Islands were named by a sixteenth century Spanish explorer, who fancied that the islands would yield wealth worthy of King Solomon of old.

Deaths from tuberculosis are increasing in some sections of New York State.

Lettuce was used as a salad in the days of ancient Rome.

A blue whale at birth measures 23 feet in length, but on a diet of its mother's milk the baby grows to 58 feet in seven months.

Almost a century ago, in 1837, a professor of zoology at the University of Michigan happened to lay aside a fine breastbone of a passenger pigeon—thousands of the birds were eaten in those days—and today that breastbone is treasured as the only skeletal relic of the passenger pigeon in Michigan.

Policemen in St. Louis get realistic target practice by shooting at the actors on a motion picture screen.

Ireland is the only country in which statistical tables show that males have a longer expectancy of life than females.

The skull of an aurochs found in the ruins of King Minos' Palace in Crete shows the ancient type of bull which was used in arena sports in Crete.

The "Siamese Twins" elms near Ottawa, Ohio, are two trees joined at one point several feet above the ground.

WITH THE SCIENCES THIS WEEK

CURIOSITY-AROUSING questions are prepared concerning the most interesting and important news in each issue. These questions should be a mental stimulant for the adult reader and a boon to the teacher who uses the Science News Letter to add zest to her classroom instruction.

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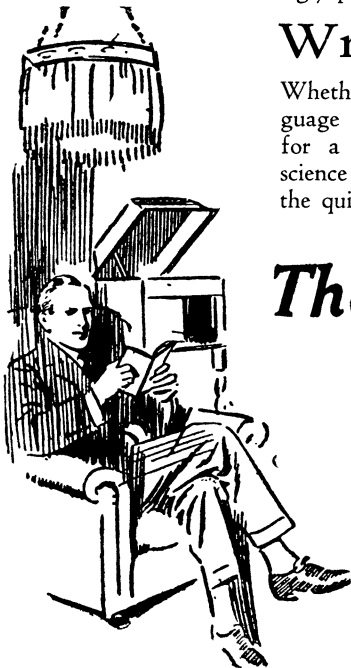
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