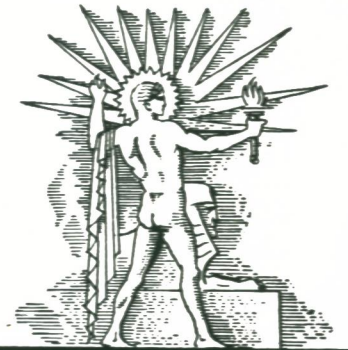


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DO YOU KNOW?

Locomotives are now being equipped with electric speedometers.

Egypt's famous crocodiles and ibises have become extinct along the Nile.

Ancient Romans believed that laurel—a sacred tree—could not be struck by lightning.

The Chinese are credited with having invented more ingenious devices for catching fish than any other people.

Washington City's rose garden in West Potomac Park has nearly 6,000 rose plants, representing 121 varieties.

The new Moscow-Volga canal, which divides Europe from Asia, enables steamships to voyage from Persia to the Arctic Ocean.

Java is credited with having launched one of the best adapted projects in general health education for adult population in the world.

To reproduce the country life of George Washington's time at his birthplace, Wakefield, Virginia, a flock of sheep, a herd of Hereford cattle and a flock of wild turkeys are established there.

A German invention is a small electric fret-saw, operated by an alternating current magnet and a suspended steel membrane.

Scientists from Finland are hunting in Labrador for evidence that North America and Europe were once joined in the Far North.

The world's largest geyser is the Giant Geyser in Yellowstone National Park, which erupts to an average height of 200 to 250 feet.

British archaeologists are digging out the main outlines of England's biggest Stone Age Town, a Neolithic settlement at Maiden Castle.

Magnolias 25 to 30 years old have been transported from North Carolina, to beautify the grounds for new Federal buildings in Washington, D. C.

Aliens in the United States have been decreasing so notably that one immigration official observes that in ten years an alien may be comparatively rare.

Diphtheria once killed over 30 children in every 100,000 of population in this country, but immunizing children has greatly reduced this cause of death.

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