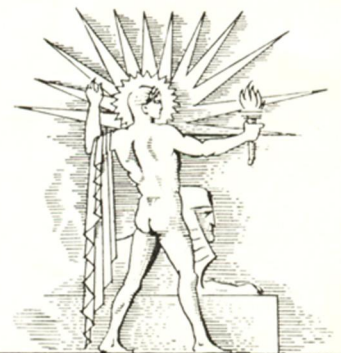


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A new form of magnesium carbonate produces a greater transparency in rubber.

Nineteen states have adopted the American Standard for safety glass in automobiles.

The fastest clipper ships sailed from New York to San Francisco around the Horn in 89 days.

In tornado country, some of the filling stations are being equipped with cyclone cellar hotels.

Germany is trying to make felt hats out of milk wool, that is, wool made chiefly out of casein.

Harps, horns, and trumpets made music in old Mesopotamian cities, but the violin type of instrument was devised in India later.

It takes over 100,000,000 pounds of insecticides every year to keep insect pests from overwhelming United States crops and homes.

An ox cart used in transporting sacred animals to sacrifice in 225 B. C. was found in a vault of a temple on the Nile, and is now in the United States.

At the Leipzig Spring Fair, remedies exhibited this year included a variety of raw juices, including onion, peppermint, dandelion, birch leaf, and black radish.

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North Dakota is trying to cross varieties of watermelon to produce a superior kind.

A large oak tree may have enough leaves to cover two acres, if spread in a carpet.

Bird's-eye pattern of maple is the result of buds forming under the bark, and unable to break through.

Holland dried out 48,000 acres of the Zuider Zee in 1930, and began reclaiming another 110,000 acres in 1936.

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