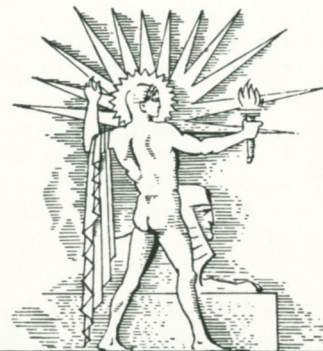
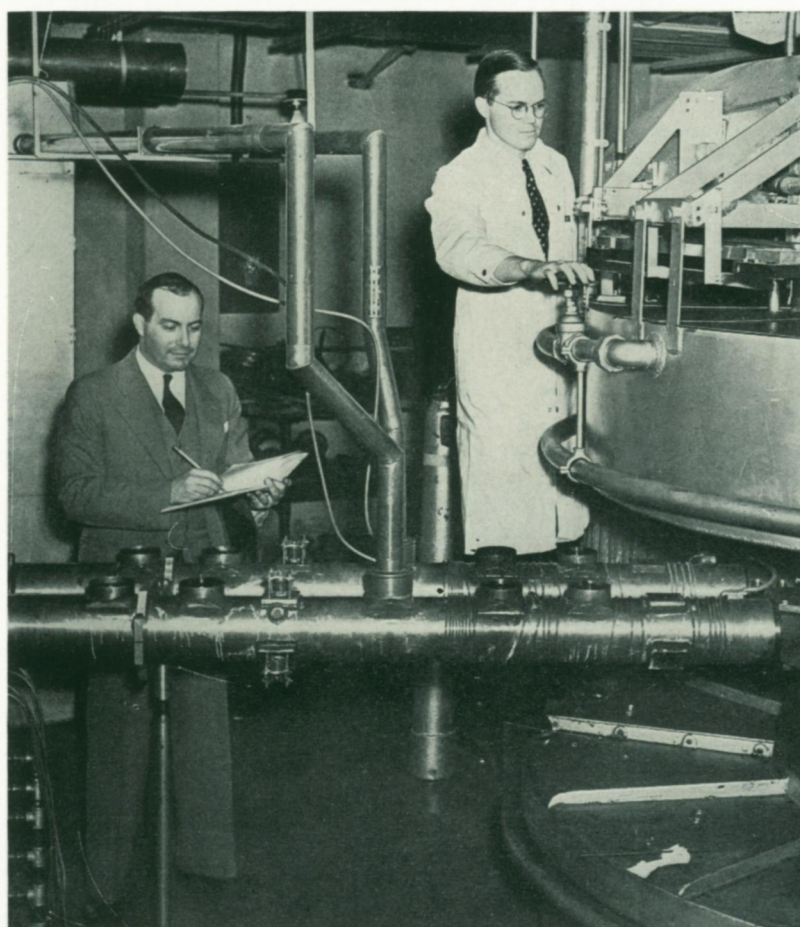


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About 45 per cent. of the deaths from burns occur in children under six years old.

Italians report favorable results with experiments in growing wheat in Ethiopia at an experimental farm.

Sixteenth century armor sometimes had fantastic touches, such as a helmet shaped like a lion's head now treasured at the Metropolitan Museum in New York City.

Archaeologists in England have unearthed ruins of a town mansion of the Roman era which degenerated into a slum dwelling and was abandoned by 400 A. D.

A British writer says that when two-year-old horses are made to race, the neural spines of the withers become malformed, because the animal is not yet mature enough to carry a jockey's weight.

By filling tree cavities with sterilized wax, forced in by steam pressure, and surfacing the cavities with specially prepared rubber blocks, it is reported that the fillings can sway and give with the trees, without cracking.

An Indian chief who played a big role in diplomatic intrigues, when Spain, England and the United States maneuvered to control the Southeast, was Alexander McGillivray, son of a Scottish adventurer and a Creek Indian woman.

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An author of a book on shade trees has worked out a table for appraising value of shade trees, according to species, size, condition and location.

European scientists have produced a book describing voices of animals, plus gramophone records, in what is said to be the "first mammal sound book in the English language."

About a million people visited Norris Dam in 1938.

Orange groves are replacing vineyards in some sections of Palestine.

More than 23,000 old Armenian manuscripts kept in libraries in Armenia, India, Persia and other countries, are being catalogued by Armenian scientists.

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