World's Toughest **Tunneling Job**

ful-high speed drill, interrupted at regular intervals by deafen-ing explasions, has formed the uneary background to the sleeping and waking hours of the townstolk of Chamonix, the French ski resort, for some time now. The deafening blasts shake the country for miles around.

And the residents have resigned themselves to the fact that they will have to live with it until 1963 at least.

That is the estimated time of completion of what experts have called "the toughest job on earth," the drilling of the world's longest road tunnel under the towering, craggy peaks of the mountain that dominates the border of France and Italy —

The purpose of the seven-mile tunnel which can only be rivalled in its successful completion the much-vaunted but notyet-begun Channel Tunnel, is to cut the road distance between France and Italy.

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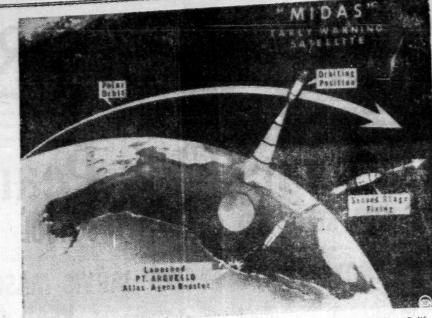
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blood, sweat and tears. Already it has cost the lives of four orkmen and caused more than 600 accidents.

The miners are working under the most arduous conditions possible. The terrific heat inside the tunnel saps a man's endurance as he performs even the least amount of work.

A day's work is tackled in three eight-hour shifts and even with the many modern facilities provided, the tunnel is being cut at the rate of only thirty to forty feet a day.

Fresh air is constantly pumped into the tunnel to the men but even so "sweat pours off us like a waterfall - it's hell itself in there," said one.

After finishing their shift the men have to take lukewarm showers to cool off and then put on thick woolly clothing before emerging into open air againso marked is the difference in temperatures.

But beneath their hard-bitten appearance and continual air of discontent, all the miners share one ambition - to finish the tunnel that is blighting their lives at the moment. To them it presents a challenge, as it has from the day the first explosives created a small dent in the side of

Unable to calculate the tunnel's route by orthodox surveying methods, the engineers have had to take their bearings from onspicuous peaks.

Their estimations have been so good that when the two teams eventually blast open the thin shell of rock that finally separates them, the tunnel will e no more than two inches out of true.

Only the people of Chamonix view the tunnel with misgivings. They fear that the money from winter sports enthusiasts will find a fresh outlet in Italy when that country is only minutes

Up to 380,000 vehicles a year are expected to use the tunnel, the French exit of which emerges several miles away from Chamonix. Not without cause, many residents feel that motorists will drive straight on rather than make a diversion to visit the town.

"Chamonix could well become a ghost town in time," said one



CHRONICLES OF GINGER FARM

as if I had better watch my step

- there is no telling who I am

spersed with plenty of rain, cold

weather and hot news from Par-

liament Hill. The furnace still

shouldn't be too many mosquito-

We still have quite a bit of

summer visiting to do but the

trouble is to find nice days to

take to the road - no sense in

starting out in bad weather. So

far we have been lucky. How-

the trees and shrubs but the gar-

Laughton With A

Southern Accent

more sunshine.

ever, the weather seems to suit

den could do with less rain and

Pudding-faced old trouper

Charles Laughton took on a for-

midable assignment. Converting

British accents into the drowsy

South Carolina tones of Sen Sea-

bright B. Cooley in a forthcoming

tilm adaptation of "Advise and

Consent." Already steeping him-

self in tape-recorded Southern

drawls - including that of for-

ent - Laughton sized up his

prospects of playing a believable Seab Cooley: "I don't know — I

may stink. But it's a great chal-

lenge and a great part." Why cast

a Yorkshireman as a Dixie poli-tician? Producer Otto Preminger

explained: "I just think that

Charles Laughton is the greatest

living actor, and therefore h

mer Tennessee Gov. Frank Clem-

one of the world's best-known

es and black flies anyway.

go down to our local hospital for W.A. meets once a week for that purpose. But my plans had to be changed in a hurry. My nephew Klemi phoned from Malton. He had taken his girl friend there to board a BOAC plane for England. When they got there they were told the flight had been delayed so Klemi wanted to know if I could put them up for the night. I made up a bed for

likely to run into! Next day should have been a spend the night at a motel just quiet day at home but Partner around the corner from here. managed to create a little excite-That, too, had to be changed. ment when he was mowing the When they arrived here it was to tell me that the BOAC had lawn by backing into a low stone wall and falling over it into the arranged accommodation for its driveway. Because arthritis passengers at the Lord Simcoe. So Klemi took Pam to Toronto makes him so stiff and awkward he couldn't get up. Two neighand then came back here himbours saw what had happened self. All next day they were and came along and helped him back and forth, keeping in touch to his feet. I was at the back of with Malton for latest flight rethe house and unaware of the acports. I still don't know what the cident. Now Partner has a nice delay was all about, something sore shoulder to carry around to do with a strike, but it must around for a few days, so strff have been on the other side of the water. Pam finally took off I have to help him get his clothes about eleven o'clock Monday off and on.

pected to concern you at all can end up by disrupting all your prearranged plans. Just as a pebble thrown into calm water

creates ever widening circles. farm - the home of an aged couple in semi-retirement. Their ing creek running through the ravine. Once it was a dairy farm still plenty of livestock around - two cows, two calves, three pedigreed dogs, about a dozen and chickens and twenty-one

convenient level for milking. any horns but he sure had the longest beard I'd ever seen. The farm is only a few miles from the centre of a residential and industrial development and vet it is so quiet and peaceful. It would appear there are still occasional unspoilt beauty spots if can play anything." one knows where to look for

Tombstone inscription: Here From there we went on to visit hes an atheist all dressed up and Bob and Joy - and of course the no where to go.

Modern Etiquette

O. If one wishes to give a very good woman friend an engage-ment gift, should this be some-thing for her personally or for her future home?

A. Either is correct. Q Should the used silverware be gathered up before removing the plates from the dinner table? A. No; the silver should be left on the plates, and all renoved from the table together.

Q. Will you please mention some of the duties of the best man at a wedding? A. The best man looks after the bridegroom, generally driving him to the church, he takes
care of the ring, giving it to the
is diminishing, oridegroom at the proper moment in the ceremony. He gives the clergyman his fee, and takes care of any tips incidental to the going-away, being of course reimursed by the bridegroom at a

convenient time. Q. Is it considered proper to furnish paper napkins to guests at meals in one's home? A. Although this was at one time considered out-of-the-ques-

tion, nowadays for all informal

entertaining, paper napkins are not only perfectly proper, but very practical as well. Q. When placing the chairs for dinner, just how far under the table should they be pushed? A. The front edge of the chair should be in a perpendicular line with the edge of the table. Q. We have just recently mov-

ed into a new neighborhood, and some of our neighbors have been kind enough to call on us How soon should these calls he returned? A. Within two weeks, or thereabouts. Failure to return these calls would indicate to your neighbors that their frierdship means nothing.

Who's To Blame? Maybe, Ourselves!

With food, it is hard to decide whether we've progressed forwards or backwards. Biologists have discovered how

to breed strains of wheat that will flourish under almost any conditions. They understand the complex changes that take place when wheat is made into flour heart attack. Staying with her and bread. was a friend from Powassan who But the only noticeable result is a reader of this column. Locks is that it is almost impossible to

> good crust. Fishery experts working in the icy fishing grounds within the Arctic circle have discovered what governs the quality of sea They have found that a single

buy a crisp, tasty loaf with a

microbe on a dead fish multiplies 64,000 times within eight hours, and affects the flavour. But who can remember the last time he tasted a fish which had the sharp, clean tang of the And the world has bungled its system of food distribution.

Long years of painstaking research have shown us how to grow crops on hitherto barren land. And the yield of food from a given area of fertile land has been multiplied many times in the last sixty years. There is every indication that soon even the desert will be

comes on at night. One night we saw Northern Lights. What kind turned into good, crop-bearing of weather they indicate I don't know. Art had a letter from Dee It seems, sometimes, that we giving him a long list of things have too much food. In Amerishe wanted at the cottage, inca, wheat and coffee are burncluding a bag of coal! There ed because the price drops so



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FEATHER DANCER - The fellow with the feathers of Jose Mendez. The 12-year-old descendant of the ancie Indians of Mitla, Mexico, takes part in the fam dance of his ancestors. The students make the cost part of the curriculum of the Oaxaca public school sy gigantic feather headpiece and costure data back to

Should Stick To oning, Maybe

Capp, like pal Joe Btfspik, is befollowed around by a small

Six months after the 51-year-d founder of Dogpatch, U.S.A., de his debut as a columnist for the New York Herald Tribune ndicate, only about 30 papers reprinting his thrice-weekly fort (compared with nearly 00 carrying his Abner, which distributed by United Featdistributed by onto the s). The Tribune had not run in four weeks and wer had carried more than one

version of Abner himself, seems breezily confident of ability as a columnist, but he frankly puzzled at his failure wow editors with words alone "For instance," he said over nch at New York's Overseas ress Club, "I created a whole untry in the column. Nothing ppened. Gee, it was deadly. I'd done the same thing in her, every editor in the bner, every editor in the

Despite his troubles, Capp de-ared that "I am now a colum-at irrevocably." Then he ated that he might change syn

unk Hollow, Pineapple June-in, and Lower Slobbovia

ned: "There's no doubt that nat comics presumably are

s sooner or later somebody s: "How about Carl Hubbell the 1934 All-Star Game at Polo Grounds?" And what better time than

ry of baseball? Inicknamed the "Meal Ticket" cause of his importance to the ew York Giants of the early 's, Carl Hubbell — presently e farm director of the San rancisco club - was the startg National League pitcher on at July day in '34, opposed by town rival, Vernon (Lef-Gomez of the Yankees. Though Hubbell and his famLeague, there were those who I ned Gehrig. And then Foxx swung and missed. It was drama, but Hubbell was just beginning.

Jimmy Foxx, and Al Simmons, among others. Would this fine southpaw be able to stop such powerhouse swingers from pulling balls down the left and right field foul lines at the Polo Grounds, and into the stands for home runs? Could any pitcher successfully

stop the recognized extra-base strength of American League But Hubbell could-and didin a manner unequalled before since—a manner which, as much as any single factor, rush-

ed him into the Baseball Hall of Fame at Cooperstown. off the first inning with a single and Heinie Manush walked, American Leaguers were all

But then, suddenly, some of the most memorable and colour-

"screwball" were highly re-ected throughout the National strikes. He fanned Ruth. He fan-

Things To Do Before You Leave For Vacation











KNOCKING THE ROCK - It may never achieve the popularity of the revived rocking chair but this Porter's Chair displayed

at a home furnishings show has its points. The enclosed, curved

back, something like a sedan chair's, protected occupants from

drafts for centuries. The one photographed is as modern as model Irene Simonaitis' costume, even to foam rubber cushions.

doubted that the slim lefthander - once turned down by the Detroit Tigers — would be any match for the great sluggers of In the second inning, Simmons and Joe Cronin were the first two hitters. Al and Joe would the American League, which had men like Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, stop this nonsense, thought American Leaguers.

But the great Giants' southpaw was the master. He struck out Simmons with the screwball; he added Cronin. Bill Dickey interrupted the parade for the moment, hitting a single. But Hubbell then fanned Gomez to end the inning.

The five men Hubbell fanned in succession had these lifetime .302 figure. Hubbell, more than any other

When Charley Gehringer led smiles, convinced that Hubbell's National League "magic" was not going to work here.

ful drama in a baseball history began to unfold. The "Meal Ticket" took hitch at his belt, got set on the

Murder Fans According to the rules

occasion. He was, indeed, the

NL "Meal Ticket."

Strictly For

whodunitry, it is a violation of the credible for a mystery writer to close his case by saying the butler did it. Real life, however, is a less exacting form. Back in 1929, Charles Houghton, butler to the Misses Woodhouse in one of the stately homes of En murdered both mistresses with a sporting rifle when they gave him the sack for serving dinner while drunk. Later, Houghton inexpertly cut his throat and lived to be hanged. Such is the kind of lore now alphabetically available in this peculiar work of reference, "A Companion to Murder."

Of what purpose, one may ask, is a formal dictionary of British murder? Easily answered — to read. Although there may be graver reasons for looking up John George Haigh—a dapper, friendly little man who would "melt one down in a bath of sulphuric acid, if one possessed any loose capital"—the pure fas-cination of his story is reason enough. Haigh, who poured six people in a liquid state down a manhole in his cellar, sought to aid his plea of insanity by con-fessing that he customarily drans a glass of his victim's blood. It lidn't work; they hanged him in

Although E. Spencer Shew, former British crime reporter, limits his compendium to the years 1900-50, he makes this period seem a golden age of vil-lainy. Near the start of it, a lady named Amelia Sach was making a living exterminating unwanted babies, under pretense of putting them out for adoption. At the era's end, ex-policeman John Christie was telling the judge he honestly couldn't remember whether he had killed a friend's wife. Since the earth under Christie's ground-floor room was at that moment full of female bodies, his absent-mindedne was understandable.

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And Their Charm



SPACEMAN'S FLOWERS -Carrying a bouquet and waving, Yuri Gagarin walks down a street in Turku, Finland. dur-

appeared and the houses that were scattered along them may be nothing but cellar holes, but the roads themselves persist. So far from being merely discarded and forgotten relics of the past, they are very busy places, with no suggestion that they mourn their vanished builders and the human traffic that once moved along them. The creatures of the woods resort to an old road for the strip of sun-light it offers. On ledges of rock and on the old walls at the roadside snakes like to bask. By day, partridges use a barc patch of gravel for dusting, and whippoor-wills come by night. On

the road, as on the fields of the deserted farms along it, berry bushes are quick to encroach. Birds come to eat their fruits, and rabbits for shelter amid their thorn-set canes. The strong light brings butterflies.

An old road invites to reflection as a new and busy road never does. That it has been abandoned may seem a proof of the vanity of human effort. But in fact it proves that no check need be final, that beyond Vermont there is always Ohio. What immortal about any road is the quality of hope and endea vour that first cut it through the woods. So long as these persist, what happens to the pnysical road matters very little.
At its best, it could never be more than a crude translation of the dream and the purpose that shaped it. All roads worthy of the name lead somewhere beyond meeting, mill and market, and even an abandored road is one stage on that onger journey. - From "Speak to the Earth," by William A Brey

fogle. They who are of the opinion that Money will do everything. may very well be suspected to do everything for Money.

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How Can I? By Roberta Lee

Q How can I get rid of silver flight by using a five-per-cent DDT water or oil spray, or dust 10-per-cent DDT powder in their days. The spray may be wiped on fioors and shelves with a cloth, preferred, or applied with a

Q. How can I remove old linoleum from the floor? A. Try placing a burlap bag tilled with dry ice on the lin-oleum. The dry ice makes the linoleum brittle, so that it will slip up and come off in large chunks - saving you lots of time

and labor. Acting Really Dangerous Then!

As a slapstick star of the '20s and 30s, goggle - eyed comedian Harold Lloyd blundered his way in and out of some of the funniest escapades ever filmed. Last month, 67-year-old Lloyd announced plans for reissung one of his silent classics - "The Freshman" - as well as choice excerpts from his other films, to be strung together as 'Harold Lloyd's World of Comedy." "The Freshman" will be spruced up with sound effects and a musical spoken by Lloyd himself. Among the scenes in "World of Comedy": The hair-raising window ledge sequence in "Safety Last' dur-ing which Lloyd hung from the einth floor of a building in downtown Los Angeles. His only safeguard. A mattress-piled platform projecting from a lower fioor, out of camera range Lloyd recalled: "We had to take chances



TRAINING TRAIN - One of Japan's top runners works out in Tokyo beside a remote controlled pace-maker. The motorized device contains a walkie-talkie system that advises the athlete as he jogs along.

by Guendoline P. Clarke Well, when I finished this col- 1 two little fellows. There was plenty of activity going on there! umn last week I was all set to I think there were at least ten or twelve youngsters playing around in the back yard when we went a day's sewing and mending. The in to supper. I asked Joy how she could stand it. "I sometimes wonder!" was the answer. From there we went to visit an old lady of 86, convalescing from a

Pam but arranged for Klemi to

night. Klemi came back here, returning to Peterborough Tuesday morning. He couldn't stay longer as he had his passage booked on a boat leaving Montreal Friday morning. It was all very confusing. By the time they had gone I felt as if I had been put through a wringer. It just shows how things you never ex-

> Thursday we did a little visiting ourselves. One call was to a ages 82 and 83!! The farm is a lovely spot, on top of a hill, well wooded and with an ever-flowbut now most of the land is down in pasutre. However, there is cats, a number of bantam hens goats!. The calves milk the cows but six of the goats are milked by hand - standing on a platform that brings them up to a The nannies and their daughters were in one pasture field, the males in another. In a stable penned up by himself, was the old billy goat, father and grand-father to them all. He didn't have

By Anne Ashley

paying freight charges to me

thirds of the world's people a perpetually living on the san

And it would not be differ to find convincing excuss he all the muddling that goes a But, quite simply, the tailies with human nature, with That is why the countries is diminishing, why most of a

starvation. While we talk with lafty a and pure motives about things we can do nothing to when something affects sonally, especially same

or so, we-the butnan no

Fun to Crochet

cates if he can't get a New York owcase for his efforts.

At The Trib, his editors had no mment on this point. But it peared that the bitter truth ob!) was that cartoonist Capp, wever he might persuade himif that he feels at home at a
pewriter, simply isn't as funny
a single act as he is with the
pporting cast from Dogpatch,

Along with his other troubles, pp's penchant for bosomy lles prompted two papers to op "Abner" recently The Buto Evening News canceled both ily and Sunday strips, and The troit News eliminated the mday panels temporarily (una luscious bikini-clad Lower obbovian disappears from the ry line). Editor Martin Hayden goes too far. We go on the

is Was It!

present to recall one of the mound feats in the his-

designs to crochet, l bazaar hits. Plus FREEtions for six smart veil





