

NEWS FLASHES.

The new Cary Tree Stumper went into action in Rhodesia, to demonstrate how it can clear wooded land for crop-growing in shortest time possible. First, it's raised off its wheels, to give it firm hold. Then the engine power gives hydraulic thrust to the pusher-arms, each one exerting forty-tons against the trunk. No trees of this size can stand up to the treatment. The big spade-like attachment gets underneath, and out comes the root. All in a matter of seconds. Big trees take a bit longer, but they all come out. Now he's off to find another wood.

French fishing vessels off Dakar got busy at the opening of the tunny fishing season, which in these waters lasts four months. Tunny are among the biggest fish in the world, but the first job was to land a netful of small stuff, for use as bait. Then they were all set for the rod-and-line real sport. Americans pay big money to hire boats and catch tunny; here, the Frenchmen were getting all the fun and being paid for it. It's too early for the really big ones, which can weigh three-quarters of a ton, but there's enough here to keep the freezing plants busy for sometime.

A spire built in another town was transported to Harlow, to be fixed to the church of Our Lady of Fatima, the first Roman Catholic Church to be built in the New Town. And it's the first church to get a spire in this way, instead of having it built on the spot. As the spire weighs one-and-three-quarter tons and is seventy-five feet long, it was no small operation, either to transport it from Rainham or to get it into position. The church is surmounts will seat 500 worshippers.