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## Letters to the Editor

### Where in the World is Majorca?

To the Editor:

Majorca an *Italian* island! Not since Roman days, unless you count the time Insurgent forces seized the island during the Spanish Civil War and it became a base for the Italian fleet. (*Ceramic Glazes*, Dec. 1993, p. 66)

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#### **Additional Eiffel Legacy**

#### To the Editor:

In an interesting Historical Note on Alexandre Gustave Eiffel in the January 1994 MRS Bulletin, Kevin J. Anderson describes two of the great iron design engineer's projects in the Western Hemisphere: his ill fated participation in the French attempt to build a Panama Canal, and his design of the internal support structure for the Statue of Liberty. One additional legacy from Eiffel exists in the Western Hemisphere and, unlike the two examples, is both in use and visible.

A prefabricated church made largely of sheets of galvanized iron was designed by Eiffel and displayed in the 1898 Paris World's Fair. Later, it was shipped in sections around Cape Horn and was reconstructed on the town square in Santa Rosalia, then a mining town on the eastern side of Mexico's Baja California peninsula. The town was established in the 1880s by a French copper mining and smelting company. The French mining company closed in 1953, but the church still serves the town.

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