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FOR
CLEAN
AIR

Air pollution causes 7 million
premature deaths a year.
But we can fix it.



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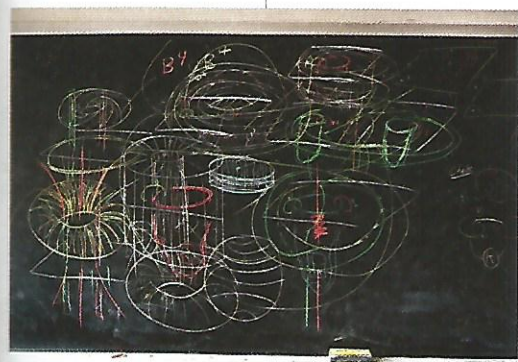
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The air in Ulaanbaatar, the capital of Mongolia, is polluted in part by burning fossil fuels, as from this coal-fired power plant near the edge of the city.

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Mathematicians and Their Chalkboards

With the rise of screens and whiteboards, are chalkboards obsolete? No, say the calculating souls who solve complex problems on them.

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The Legacy of Land

To Black American families, soil has never been simple. It represents dreams, loss, injustice, self-reliance.

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My Everest Photo

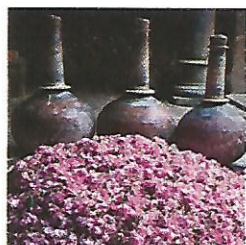
I had a dim view of Everest ascents—until I made one. What I found surprised me.

BY MARK SYNNOTT



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