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On our cover this month is a rare view of the Olive Walk, taken from the upper reaches of the student houses, looking toward the Athenaeum. What else is rare about this view is that we're running it on our cover at all. Unlike most college publications, ours usually hypasses campus views in favor of scientists and engineers as cover subjects. Here, then, to show what a well-rounded publication this is, is a campus view—and a reminder that we still have a full complement of natural beauty in these parts.

President DuBridge's article on page 13 of this issue, "Things We Do Not Know," has been adapted from a talk given on February 10 to the Los Angeles Rotary Club.

Margaret and Geoffrey Burbidge, who wrote "Cosmical Alchemy" on page 17, are at Caltech this year — she as a research fellow at the Kellogg Radiation Laboratory, and he as a Carnegie Fellow of the Mount Wilson and Palomar Observatories.

An observational astronomer, Mrs. Burbidge got her PhD from the University of London in 1943, has served as assistant director and acting director of the Observatory there. A theoretical astrophysicist, Dr. Burbidge got his PhD in applied mathematics from the University of London in 1951. The Burhidges began a collaboration with Dr. W. A. Fowler last year (when he was a Fulbright professor at Cambridge University) on research which is now continuing at Caltech — and which the Burbidges describe in their article.

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