

## Offhand Observations

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about it for True magazine. He had decided they are propelled by some sort of atomic light. For those of you interested in race results, the disks beat the pants off the V-2. At first they just played around a little in the slipstream of the rocket, then when they got tired of floating along at 1,700 miles an hour they cut out the foolishness and headed back for Mars to make out the morning report.

Even doctors are seeing 'em. In fact, one doctor got such a good look at one while driv-

## Ritin' at Random

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confined their remarks to the question period. Mrs. Robeson herself has great personality and poise, and impressed me with the rapport she established with the group. Though you might disagree with her, I think anyone

ing down a country road he drew a diagram of it for a wire service. Two airline pilots nearly collided with one over Arkansas at night. Their's was a little fancier than some of the others. It emitted a sort of bluish light and the air disturbance it set up rocked the plane.

The prize saucer was the one reputedly found in Mexico that contained a midget. They say he was in pretty bad shape from the crash. Probably just got his license and hadn't been piloting disks very long.

would have to give credit for the sincerity of her belief.

Incidentally, she is for the Constitution, Christianity, the Bill of Rights and against war. Aren't we all?

## University of California Faculty Refuses To Sign Loyalty Oath Against Communism

LOS ANGELES—(UP)—Many "respected and loyal" University of California faculty members will quit rather than sign a loyalty oath demanded by the school's regents, a committee of eight professors said today.

The committee, which said it represented the faculty, branded the oath as a "totalitarian technique" that both violated the academic tradition of free inquiry and threatened a severe deterioration of the school.

All members of the group emphasized their opposition to Communism but said such a special oath, not required of other state employees or elected officials, was

"repugnant to American ideals and values."

A move to withdraw the oath failed to pass Friday when the regents voted 10 to 10 on the question. The Committee said it hoped to influence the board to reconsider.

"Respected and loyal faculty members are making known their intention to leave," Chairman Paul Dodd of the committee said, "and the filling of vacant positions is bogging down because first-class scholars are expressing their disinclination to come here under the special oath."

Unless faculty members sign the loyalty affidavit by Apr. 30, they will be fired.

## Combellack to Travel

F. M. Combellack, professor of classic languages, will represent the University at a meeting Friday of the Classical Association of the Pacific Coast at Lewis and Clark High School, Spokane, Wash.

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## Art Museum Boasts Two Rulers' Thrones

By GENE ROSE

It would be a distinction for any museum to have a throne of one of the world's greatest rulers.

Oregon's Museum of Oriental Art not only has this distinction but more—it has two thrones of Ch'ien Lung, one of China's greatest emperors.

### China Expanded

Ch'ien resigned during the great Manchu dynasty from 1736 to 1796. In this year, China enjoyed some of the most prosperous times that she has seen in centuries. Her boundaries expanded and so did her population.

Missionaries to China during the 18th and 19th centuries describe Ch'ien's empire as one of the greatest China has ever known.

The reasons for the two thrones is that they are but a few of those found in the Peking Summer Palace, where the emperor had a throne in every room "to make ruling more comfortable."

### Part of Collection

The two thrones in the local museum were brought to this country by the late Murray Warner, husband of Gertrude Bass War-

ner. The thrones were only a part of the collection of oriental art that Mrs. Warner donated to the campus museum.

Besides being an able ruler, Ch'ien had a special devotion for his sumptuous thrones and concubines. Of the former, the museum's two can attest for beauty and design. For the later, that is history. He was also a poet, historian, and scholar.

One of his greatest acts, one which affected the entire world, was his rejection of an English petition for the establishment of a trading post in Peking. This act was of importance in that it closed China to foreigners for approximately two centuries.

### Aid Given In Greece

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