

BUDDHIST NEWS

The Choir of Buddha Reciters Club in Ilan Went to villages to spread Buddha Darma

Ilan—There are many educated young people in The Buddha Reciters Club of Ilan which is directed by Ven. Hsingyuen. They established a Buddhist Choir. The soprano, Miss Y. L. Chang, was the best singer in Lanyang Girls Middle School and is now the singing queen in Ilan. Last month Ven. Hsingyuen invited Ven. Chuyuen, The president of Lotas Club in Fengshan, Ven. Kuangchih, The President of Buddhist Society of Penghu and Mr. F. Chu, our chief editor to go to have a sight. Ven. Kungchih came from Makung Island together with five chorus girls of Penghu came with two students of the Darma Class of Lotus Club of Fengshan. Our editor was late and lost the welcome meeting. It was an exciting meeting. Sings sung by the choir Ilan and Penghu lasted three days in memoration. Our editor followed the



procedure of family visitting. In a family of Darma friend, the visitors gave prayer, Darma preach, chorus and epidiascope showing. All members had a mountain climbing the next day for Yuanming Temple and had a week end Buddha. recitation meeting that night. After the recitation Ven. Hsingyuen invited the guests to give Darma speeches. Firstly Ven. Chuyuen gave an half hour speech translated by Miss Y. H. Chang, student of Fengshan Lotus Club. Then Ven. Kuanchih led the choir to give a chorus

on "Sila Samadi incense song". And lastly our editor showed "The story of Hsuan-chuang". The third day was the full moon day. They lent a truck and began the travelling on Darma spreading with music to all the villages as far as Suao. That night they gave a propagating show at Luotung with solo, chorus, picture show, speech, and epidiascope show. The attendance was about eight hundred in number. They came back to Ilan at eleven O'clock P. M. with pleasure.

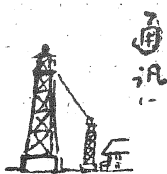
Our Lord Buddha said, "The Satvas of This World are very sensitive in hearing. We ought to spread Darma by acoustic method." Yes, modern young people are fond of music. The method of propagation adopted there was surely able to absorbe a lot of youth to come to Buddha to increase the brillianey of Buddhism.

The Chinese Buddhist Association held a memorial service for the spirit of the heros in Ichiangshan Taipei special—Sacrificed heros for fighting of freedom, the seven hundred and twenty brave fighters, wrote a line on the glorious history of China.

The Chinese Buddhist Association held a memorial service for the spirit the heros in Ichiangshan at Shihpu Temple, Taipei on 20th. Feb. Changchia Hutokoto, the president of C. B. A. together with more than two hundred Bhiksus and lay Buddhists attended. In the fornoon Maha Meta Prayer was recited by the members of Maha Meta Society. The service which began in the afternoon, led by Ven. Changchia and accompanied by Ven. Nanting, Ven. Taoan, Mrs. C. Y. C. Sun (Wife of general L. J. Sun), Mrs. Y. T. W. Huang, etc. Then the story was told by general H. M. Chang, in place of the defending general L. Y. Liu. Lastly thanks was given by the representative of the surviving families. Those families were sent back full of tears by C. B. A. with Supper and presents. which were collected by Miss Y. C. Wu, a people representative.

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**Boarding Lotus Vihara of
Leprosy Hospital Collecting
high price drugs** Hsinchung,

Taipei—At Hsinchung there is a Leprosy Hospital with more than three hundred Buddhist patients. They built a vihara and shrine and led a diligent and peace life. But they are lacking of drugs which are expensive. Our president Mr. Li had written in this number to call for contributions. Please stretch your sympathetic hands to send some money or drugs directly to Mr. Yichen Tzin of that Vihara or to our magazine publishing office for forwarding. Their address is "Mr. Yichen Tzin, Boarding Lotus Vihara, Loseng Leprosy Hospital, Hsinchuan, Taipei, Taiwan, (Formosa),".

Buddha reciting friend passed to the pure land and got two hard relics after cremation Taichung—The mother of Mr. C. T. Chen, a member of The Buddhist Lotus Club and a seventy eight year old pure land devotee, knew that she shall go to the pure land and bade his son to prepare for the death with Dana. She was gone in the sounds of Buddha reciting by friends. After cremation there appeared two hard relics of the size of a bean which is the proof of the birth into the pure land. Buddhists are very delight upon this.

Shihpu Temple shall give Sila to four disciples Taipei—Our Lord Sakya Buddha told us before his Nirvana to rely upon Sila as the teacher. This told us how important the Sila is! Formerly we followed this in our country and give Sila every year by the Vinaya Sect. But in Taiwan the Sila giving was stopped under fifty years of Japanese control. After the recovery we had Sila giving

for two times at Tahsan Temple in Tainan and Yuan kuang Temple at the Lion Head Mountain. But for the reason of the time, location and finance a large number of those who desired to receive Sila were left unsatisfied. Then Ven. Posheng of Shihpu Temple, Taipei, determined to give Sila from 24th. March for one month to Bhiksus, Bhiksunis, Upasakas and Upasikas. The lecture of Sila and performances of every respect will be given everyday. The editor's opinion is that the time would be too short and suggested to prolong the term to Ven. Posheng.

We are told that in the performance Ven. Posheng will be the Acharya, Ven. Taoyan will be the convention Acharya, and the other seven will be the evidence Archarya. They are all famous Bodhisatvas.

**The Kaohsung Buddhist Church Com-
menced Darma propagation in the basement**

Kaohsung—The Kaohsung Buddhist Church, which we stated in the last issue, completed her basement of the grand building. Young Buddhist there to express their zeal, began their Darma propagation in the basement on the time being, That was a very good spirit. Dear brethern, how about help them to complete the whole building quickly.

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