

The Bodhedrum English Section
Buddhist News

The radio broadcasting materials on Buddhism wanted

Taipei.....The radio broadcasting on Buddhism, which is supported by the Chinese Buddhist Association, is on the air every morning at six radio broadcasting stations. They are the Minpen of Taipei, the Shengli of Tainan, the Fengming of Kaohsiung, the Kuosheng of Changhua, the Neng-min of Fengyuan and the Taisheng of Hsinchu. The programme goes fifteen minutes in the Chinese National language and fifteen minutes in the Local Dialect.

The old papers were read over and over again and the new materials are wanted for reinforcement. Any kind of short address on propagating Buddhism of the length of about two thousand five hundred words is welcomed. Please send in to Ven. Nanting, No. 44, 2, Chinan Road, Taipei and the paper will be read all over the six radio broadcasting stations.

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The Sutra explanation in Kilung

Kilung.....Ven. Lungchuan was requested by the Buddhist Forum at Kilung to explain the Sutra of Bodhisattva Ksitigarbha (Titsang Ching) for one month.

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Our editor went south to visit two painstaking Bhiksus

Takangshan.....In the Takangshan of south Taiwan there live two Vinaya observing Bhiksus. One is called Ven. Chanyuen and another is called Ven. Taohsuan. The former is forty-one years old and the latter is less than thirty. Formerly on the mainland of China they had followed Ven. Chihchou, the famous Maha Thera of Vinaya Sect. When they came to Taiwan they built two simple sheds there to carry out their painstaking trainings. Ven. Chanyuen's appearance is very magnificent. His walking, stopping, sitting, leaning and even one movement are all well done according to Vinaya. He is respected by everyone and is called a teacher of teaching by doing. Ven. Taohsuan is a pain forbearable one, who wears a poor robe all year round. He is a very good Darma preacher. He has many thousand disciples irrespecting of his young age. He has built a Lotus Club in Kaohsiung.

The two Bhiksus are now living their tranquil life in summer for three months according to Buddha's teachings. Our chief editor visited them on ninth last month accompanied by Mr. C. J. Wang, our editor on pictorial section. They lived in the Lungyan Vihara (the House of Dragon Stone) of Ven. Chanyuen which is a little larger than Ven. Taohsuan's hut. Our chief editor joined the tranquil life for five days by rising early, salute the Buddha image, meditating Buddha and observing the eight Silas. The two Bhiksus eat once in the noon everyday. They are all in good health and happy. That time was the productive period of longan and our chief editor ate very many of the nutritious fruit.

Ven. Chanyuen is a learned one and he can make very good printings of the Buddha's image which was seldom made because of lack of time.

Our chief editor got a lot of teachings from the two Venerable Bhiksus who are the Naga (dragon elephant) of the Free China.

The Animal Protecting Club of Taichung recruiting new members

Taichung.....The Animal Protecting Club got the permission to formulate and is now recruiting new members.

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First wedding in Buddhist ceremony held at the Lotus Club in Taichung

Taichung.....Miss T. L. Lin married with Mr. T. S. Chen, the son of Mrs. C. H. L. Chen of the Lotus Club. They are Upasika and Upasaka respectively. The wedding programme was arranged according to Buddhist ceremony at the Lotus Club. They invited Mr. P. N. Li to be the witness of the ceremony, which was accompanied by Buddhist music and songs.

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The choir of the Buddha Meditating Club in Ilan invited to join the graduation ceremony of the Officer Training Class

Ilan.....The choir of the Buddha Meditating Club in Ilan was invited to join the graduation ceremony of the Officer Training Class of the Signal Corps. More than twenty members of the choir was led by Mr. T. C. Te and directed by Miss C. L. Chang. Mr. Y. P. Yang was at the piano. They sang "the march of Buddhist youth", "song of Darma preaching", "convert to Buddhist at once", and "the Buddha praising". Their show was very welcomed and praised by the listeners.