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Representatives refused to attend the fourth conference of World Fellowship of Buddhists.

Letter to the WFB from the Buddhist Association of China.

Taipei—The fourth conference of the World Fellowship of Buddhists held at Katmandu, the capital of Nepal, from the 15th. of Dec. for seven days and the conference closed at Lambini on the 21st. Dec. Ven. Amritananda, the president of the conference, invited the Buddhist Association of China to send representatives. The BAC decided to send six representatives headed by Hutukotu Chang-chia to attend the conference. For the illness of the Hutukotu, BAC changed their mind by send fouring visitors headed by the Ven. Tungchu instead. Later on, it was heard that the communist China was also invited. BAC heard this and considered that since BAC was one of the originators of WFB, had attended the first and second conferences, should be the only representative of Chinese Buddhists. The communist China destroyed the Buddhism in the Chinese mainland and was not the member of WFB. It was illegal for the persident of the conference to invite them. BAC wired to protest against it with the determination of stop sending the visitors. At the same time BAC wired other fellow Buddhist countries to explain the reason for not attending the conference and hope them to debar the representives of red China.

Taipei—The Hutukotu Changchia of BAC sent a radiogram to the Ven. Amritananda, president of the fourth conference of WFB in Nepal, stated, "Referring our cable october, 23, accepting your invitation participating in the fourth conference of WFB, I hereby lodge a strong protest to you regarding the presence of the Chinese communist delegation in the conference. As one of initial members of WFB, ours is the only legitimate organization representing Buddhists of China in WFB. Chinese communists have no right to participate in the conference. Unless you take immediate step to with draw invitation

to Chinese communists, we are compelled not to attend WFB conference."

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The pioneer of the Buddhist world in the Republic of China.

Committee for revising the Chinese Tripitaka (Buddhist Canon) established.

Fortynine strokes of the bells broadcasted to the universe by the Minben Broad-casting Station of Taipei before the commencing of the meeting.

Taipei—Under two year preparation, the Committee for revising the Chinese Tripitaka unvaild the curtain on 11th. Nov. 1946 at the Shantao Temple of Taipei. The Ven. Taichang, Ven. Yinshun, Ven. Poseng, Ven. Tungchu, Mr. Y. J. Yue, Mrs. M. C. Chang, Mr. C. Y. Chang, Mr. C. T. Yun, Mr. H. T. Chao, Mr. P. Y. Chung, Mr. Y. K. Chue and four hundred more others attended. Forty-nine strokes of the bells and the reports were broadcasted to the universe by the Minben Broadcasting Station of Taipei befor the commencing of the meeting. Eighty one person acting committee was elected.

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After the operation in Japan, Hutukotu Chang-chia's illness got better.

Japan—Hutukotu Changchia flew to Japan for operation on 31st. Nov. 1946. The operation was done on 2nd. Dec. The Hutukotu got better after the operation.

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The new hall of the Lotus club of Kaohsung completed.

Buddha images uncurtained.

Kaohsung—The Lotus Club of Kaohsung, precepted by Ven. Taoshuan, built a big hall. It was completed on 25th. Nov. They invited a lot of guests to celebrate the new hall and at the same time the Buddha images were uncurtained.

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Precepts transmitted at the Tungshan Temple in Pingtung.

Pingtung—The précepts were transmitted by the Ven. Yuanjung for one month with Ven. Taoyuan, Ven. Hueishan and Ven. Posheng as their instructors (Acarya.)

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Buddhist Books.

Many books on Buddhism were printed. Some were Buddhist literatures collected from Buddhist magazines. One Buddhist dictionary was also on the press.