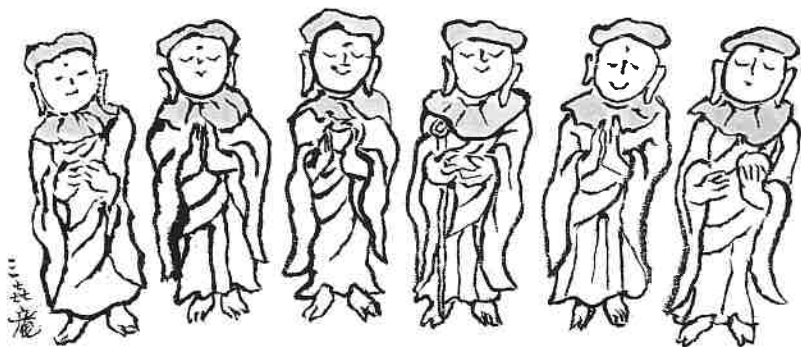


episode moved the audience immensely.

At the National Taiwan University, the University staff including the President Shen Sun warmly welcomed us, showed their deep appreciation of the projects of our Scholarship Society active for the contribution to the peace and progress of the world through the development of Buddhism, and promised to support us.

We ask you, every one of the supporters of the Temple, to keep helping us promote the operations of this significant Scholarship Society for Priestly Study Abroad.



Taeg—Su Chae, a protagonist in the Korean Buddhist society, about the interchange of priests for study between Japan and Korea. In December, we visited Taiwan, where we visited Kiyomizugan Temple in Changhua Prefecture which is a sister temple of Fukujin at Hakone Yumoto Kannon, a branch of Zenkoji, and held a Buddhist service for the dead jointly with Taiwanese priests; and we then visited National Taiwan University and arranged to have Professor Yo Agetsu, philosophy, as our consultant. To take the opportunity of our visit, Professor Yo had arranged to hold a lecture meeting, at which our councilor Abe delivered a lecture on primitive Buddhism, and then Rev. Sato, Managing Director, gave an address under the title of "At the Centennial of the Publication of Shoshugi", in which he emphasized that the teachings of the great Zen priest Dogen are the very guides for us to survive into the 21st century. Rev. Sato concluded his speech with a touching episode of his own experiences with a Chinese who treated him with considerate care and affection during the War. The

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The last year was memorably significant for us Soto-shu. It fell on a centennial of the publication of the “Shushogi” which you must be familiar with through your reading and chanting from time to time. Since last spring, therefore, many celebrations were held in many parts of the country, the greatest and the final of which took place at Makuhari Messe on October 27.

The celebrations are certainly gratifying, but we must not leave them to end in mere events. Every one of us in the priesthood of the Buddhist sect must be keenly aware of how to propagate and realize the teachings of Shushogi.

In the year of the memorable centennial, and from such a viewpoint, the Zenkoji Scholarship Society for Priestly Study Abroad decided to make attempts to deepen friendly relations with neighbouring countries with whom Japan has had close and friendly relations. As the first step, we visited Korea in April, as reported in the previous issue, and discussed with Dr.D.