

THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Sunday, 12 Oct, 1997)

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YANGON, 12 Oct Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Majesty King Juan Carlos I of Spain, on the occasion of the Anniversary of the National Day of Spain which falls on 12 October 1997.

- (2) president Ramos of the Philippines to visit Myanmar**

YANGON, 12 Oct-At the invitation of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council of the Union of Myanmar His Excellency Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing, His Excellency Fidel V Ramos, President of the Republic of the Philippines and Madame Amelita M Ramos will pay a State Visit to the Union of Myanmar in the near future.

- (3) The Special Refresher Course No 29 for Basic Education Teachers opened**

YANGON, 11 Oct - The Special Refresher Course No 29 for Basic Education Teachers opened at the Central Institute of Civil Service in Hlegu Township today with an address by Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt. The opening ceremony was also attended by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint, member of the Security and Management Committee Lt-Gen Aye Thoung, Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Chief Justice U Aung Toe, Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Maung Maung Gyi, Minister . for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, Minister at the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Brig-Gen Myo Thant, Minister at the Office of

the Prime Minister U Than Shwe, Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung, Minister for Labour Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Minister for Health U Saw Tun, Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung, senior officers of Ministry of Defence, deputy ministers, Director-General of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Pe Nyein and officials, departmental heads, Rector of CICS U Tin Tun and trainee teachers. _____

(4) Secretary-1 attends events of Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions

YANGON, 11 Oct - Patron of the Leading Committee for Organizing Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt enjoyed the events of tenth day competitions this afternoon.

On arrival at the National Museum on Pyay Road at 1.30 pm, the Secretary- 1 was welcomed by Minister at the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Brig-Gen Myo Thant, Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, Chairman of Work Committee Col Tin Soe and officials. Then, the Secretary-1 enjoyed the classical song contest in the girl's 5-15 age group basic education level.

The Secretary- 1 and party proceeded to National Theatre and viewed the dobat contest in professional level.

(5) Nun Education School (Women) opens

YANGON, 11 Oct- Nun Education School (Women), first of its kind in Myanmar, was opened at Dhammaythaka Nunnery in Ward 5, Mayangon Township this morning.

Present were Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo and wife Daw Khin Than Nwe, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs U Aung Khin, member of Yangon City Development Committee Col Thaung Wai, Director-General of General Administration Department U Aung Thein, Director-General of Religious Affairs U Arnt Maung, Director-General of Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana U Sann Lwin, Director-General of Basic Education Department U Bo Win and officials.

Member of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Presiding Sayadaw of Kalaywa Tawya Sarthintaik Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Zagarabhivamsa delivered ovaakatha on opening of the school.

Next, Nun Daw Dhammaythi (Dhammacariya) supplicated on objectives of the school and efforts to open it.

Deputy Minister U Aung Khin supplicated on religious affairs. U Bo Win reported

on monastic and nun education schools.

In his supplication, the Secretary-2 expressed pleasure for opening of nun education school in Myanmar and said the school would contribute toward uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation, one of the social objectives of the State Law and Order Restoration Council.

Monastic and nun education systems were introduced in coordination with Myanmar Education Committed Ministry of Education and Ministry of Religious Affairs with the guidance of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, he said.

The 47-member Eighth Plenary Meeting of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee has approved the opening of nun education school. The Secretary-2 elaborated on six objectives of nun education school.

He spoke of the need for nuns and teachers to teach prescribed subjects in accord with the curriculum and urged pupils to learn their lessons well.

The Secretary-2 also spoke of fulfilling the requirements for success of the schools by members of the Sangha, nuns, the Ministries of Religious Affairs and Education.

Next, the Secretary-2 and members presented offertories to the Sayadaws. In memory of late Col Khin Maung Soe, wife Daw Hta Hta Nyunt and family presented K 10,000 for the nun education school.

Sayadaw Zagarabhivamsa then delivered a sermon and merits were shared.

Daw Khin Than Nwe and Nun Daw Dhammaythi (Dhammacariya) formally unveiled the signboard of the school.

Altogether 77 nuns from various regions will attend classes from Kindergarten to tenth standard at the school.

(6) Families of Tatmadaw, wellwishers offer dry rations to Sarthintaiks

YANGON, 11 Oct -Families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy, Air) and wellwishers donated dry rations and edible oil to lotikayon Dhamesaka Sarthintaik at Ward-5, Mayangon Township, at Dhamesaka Nunnery Sarthintaik this morning. Present were Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chief of Bureau of Special Operations Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein, Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs U Aung Khin, heads of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council and departments concerned, donors and guests.

(7) Basic Education Department opens new building of No 24 Basic Education Primary School in Mayangon Township

YANGON, 11 Oct -The inauguration ceremony of a two-storey new building of Mayangon No 24 Basic Education Primary School was held in front of the school in Ward S in Mayangon Township this morning, attended by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

Present also were Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein, Officer on Special Duty at the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Than Tint, directors-general, officials of Yangon West District and Townships, donors, parents, teachers and students.

Director-General of Basic Education Department U Bo Win and Headmistress of the School Daw Khin Khin Thant formally opened the school.

Minister Col Pe Thein delivered an address.

Director-General U Bo Win, Chairman of Township Law and Order Restoration Council U Myint Than, U San Aung and a parent also spoke of efforts for new school building.

Then, wellwishers donated cash over K 600,000 for the school to the Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo and officials.

Today's donations were: K 200,000 by Bayintnaung Brokerage families, K 100,000 by U San Aung and Daw Yi Yi Mya and family, K 50,000 by Chairman of Myanmar May Flower Bank U Kyaw Win and family and K 20,000 by Tharaphu Company.

The Secretary-2 then gave instructions to officials on teaching their pupils, tree planting, supply of drinking water and fulfilment of furniture in the school.

After the ceremony, the Secretary-2 and party posed for souvenir photos with the teachers and students in front of the school.

The two-storey new building, 14½-feet long and 30-feet wide, was constructed at a cost of over K 6 million.

(8) Power Furniture World Showroom and Salesroom opens

YANGON, 11 Oct Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung attended the opening ceremony of Power Furniture World Showroom and Salesroom at No 460, Banyadala Street, Tamway Township, this morning.

The minister formally opened the showroom and saleroom.

Then, the minister and guests viewed the furniture showroom and saleroom.

Various kinds of furniture for offices, visiting rooms, bed rooms and meeting rooms are on display and sale.

The showroom and saleroom are open from 9 am to 8.30 pm daily.

In the afternoon, the minister visited International Cooperative OA Centre of Trading and Services Cooperative Society Ltd at No 128, Pansodan Street.

He observed display and sale of Japan-made Ricoh copier machines, Ricoh fax machines, computer spareparts, typewriters and other office automation equipment.

(9) Myanmar delegation leaves for Maldives

YANGON, 11 Oct Myanmar delegation led by Deputy Minister for Health Col Than Zin left here this afternoon to attend regional level meeting on development of healthy environment to be held from 13 to 16 October in Male, Maldives, under the arrangement of World Health Organization.

Leader of the delegation Deputy Minister for Health Col Than Zin will act as adviser at the meeting. Members of the delegation are Deputy Director of National Commission for Environmental Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Daw Yin Yin Lay and Head of Dr Than Htut of Health Department. The delegation was seen off at the airport by the directors-general of departments under the ministry, the Resident Representative of WHO, First Secretary of Embassy of Singapore Mr William Chik and officials.

(10) Vice-Mayor oversees sanitation work in townships

YANGON, 11 Oct Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, accompanied by Committee member U Kyi Win, Head of Cleaning Department U Zaw Win, Head of Parks, Playground & Garden Department U Nyunt Pe and officials, inspected sanitation work in townships and gave necessary suggestions to officials this morning.

Township Executive Officers explained about their activities.

Sanitation was carried out in Dagon, Kamayut, Hline, Mayangon, Yankin, South Okkalapa, Thingangyun, Thakayta and Dawbon Townships from 7 to 11 am today.

Service personnel of YCDC, member of the Township Law and Order Restoration Councils, Tatmadawmen, members of Myanmar Police Force, service personnel of TEO Offices, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, Red Cross Society, Fire Brigades and Maternal and Child Welfare Association and

local residents numbering 26,372 participated in the sanitation works in

various Township.
