

EXCURSION TO NAKORN PATHOM

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The excursion arranged on 3rd September 1950 was an unqualified success. Some 60 members with their guests left Bangkok at 8.20 a.m. by a special first-class coach provided by the Royal State Railways Department at a cost of Baht 25.60 per person for return ticket. On the way copies of a short history of the site to be visited were distributed; this history was a reprint of an article published in the "STANDARD" and written by M.C. Subhadradis Diskul.

In Nakorn Pathom bus transport was provided and an excursion was made to a monument called Prah Pratone (Drona) and to the excavated ruins of Wat Prah Meru; unfortunately very little remains to be seen of the latter brick ruins. After lunch a tour was made to the large Stupa of Nakorn Pathom under the able guidance of Luang Boribal Buribhand, Curator of the National Museum and assisted by Mr. Sanya Dharmasakdi and M.R. Sumonajat Swasdikul. Of very special archaeological interest are the stone statues of Buddha and Dharmacakras from the so-called Dvaravati period of the 5th Century A.D.

All arrangements worked out according to schedule and after spending a most enjoyable Sunday, the party arrived back in Bangkok shortly before 6 p.m.
