

# A SURVEY OF TRADITIONAL ARCHITECTURE OF TAIWAN

## 臺灣傳統建築 之勘察

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history and their present condition is perhaps only historic in terms of general form. Third, we wished to examine a range of buildings, from the very small to the very large, from very urban buildings such as merchant houses to the more rural farm houses. It is hoped that such a range will allow some interesting comparisons between the general house types and also permit an overview of historic, residential architecture. In order to represent adequately such a range within a small number of buildings, it was necessary to concentrate on buildings with more typical characteristics. For this reason, two particularly interesting buildings have not been included in this survey; the first is the famous Lin family mansion at Pan-ch'iao, (1) the second is an imaginative little vacation or retreat house, probably the work of some gentleman scholar, located in Kuei-jen, north-east of Tainan (See Diagram 1). A fourth criteria for selection was architectural or visual interest in use of materials, construction, spaces and decoration. Finally, it was necessary to choose buildings that were still in reasonable condition. Many old houses, especially those in Taipei and Tainan, might have had interesting elements worth study but they have deteriorated and been neglected to such a degree that the original quality of the architecture has been lost.

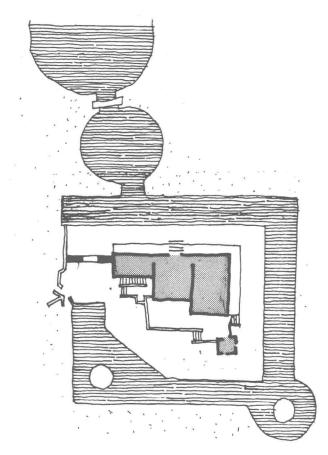
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1 The great size of this house also would have presented many difficulties. It really deserves an entire study in itself.

島爾,並能對一般住宅類型作有趣的比較。爲了在少數的房屋中能充分代表這樣的範圍,於是必須選擇具備典型性質的房屋,因此有兩幢非常有意思的房屋不曾包括在本書內:一是著名的板橋林家,(註)另一是在臺南以北歸仁地方的一幢小巧而想像力豐富的別墅類住宅,可能爲某文人雅士的作品(圖一)。第四點取捨的準繩是建築與審美上的趣味,根據它的使用材料與構造方式,空間變化與裝飾等。最後一點是必須選取那些現況尚稱良好的房屋。許多古老的住宅,尤其在臺北與臺南,本可能是極有趣而值得研究的,但是它們棄置與衰頹的的程度已致使本來的建築品質完全遺失了。最後挑選出的房屋名單不可能令所有人滿意的,有人會希望多包括一些,有些人也許認可以少幾幢,而衆人所鍾愛的板橋林家與歸仁小別墅的剔除,是尤其困難的決定。

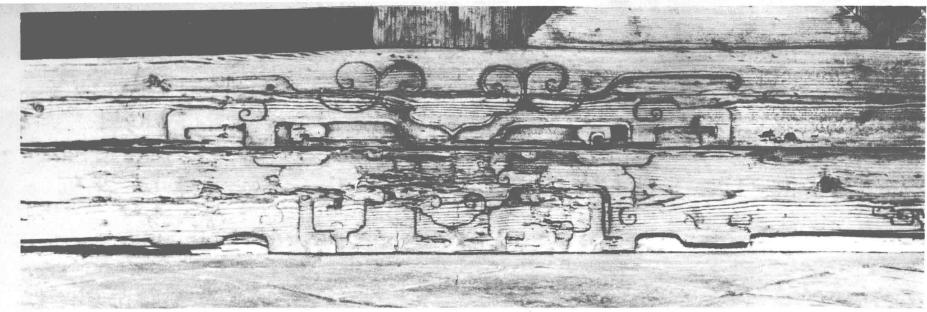
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(註) 此宅之巨大規模也會提供太多的困難,實應獨立出一專書。



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選擇適當房屋、住宅作爲研究對象不是一件很容易的事。首先我們着眼於歷史性的建築,即在日本佔據以前,而在中國型式的設計與構造尚在使用時所建造的。有些建築物有三百年之久。但多數是上世紀末的產品,少數會在日據時代或近年內修改過,不過程度很輕微。其次,與第一重點相關的是我們對住宅建築的偏重,因爲廟宇多數經過一再的整修,而被剔除於研究可能以外。廟宇只要能籌聚經費總不斷在修整中,住宅房屋却不同,其原因留待後面討論。作爲與住宅比較、研究用,本書中包括了三所廟宇。雖然它們皆很古老,其一有三百年歷史,另外二者也有差不多的悠久,可是皆曾歷經修改,其現況恐怕只有在大概形式上尚具有歷史性。第三點。我們希望在此包羅較廣的範圍:從極小的到相當大的;從都市形態如店舗建築到鄉村住宅。我們希望這樣的範圍,能對住宅建築給予整體的

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history and their present condition is perhaps only historic in terms of general form. Third, we wished to examine a range of buildings, from the very small to the very large, from very urban buildings such as merchant houses to the more rural farm houses. It is hoped that such a range will allow some interesting comparisons between the general house types and also permit an overview of historic, residential architecture. In order to represent adequately such a range within a small number of buildings, it was necessary to concentrate on buildings with more typical characteristics. For this reason, two particularly interesting buildings have not been included in this survey; the first is the famous Lin family mansion at Pan-ch'iao, (1) the second is an imaginative little vacation or retreat house, probably the work of some gentleman scholar, located in Kuei-jen, north-east of Tainan (See Diagram 1). A fourth criteria for selection was architectural or visual interest in use of materials, construction, spaces and decoration. Finally, it was necessary to choose buildings that were still in reasonable condition. Many old houses, especially those in Taipei and Tainan, might have had interesting elements worth study but they have deteriorated and been neglected to such a degree that the original quality of the architecture has been lost.

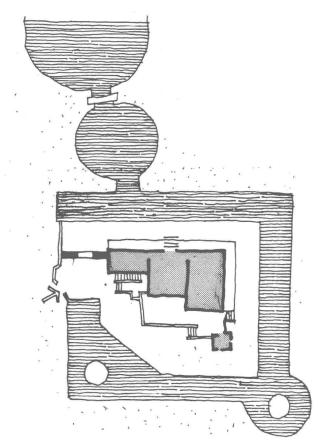
This report has, in large measure, been the work of many individuals. We wish to express our gratitude to all those who worked, helped or cared: to Messers T'ong Ch'ing-ho and Hsia Chu-chiu for their enthusiasm and assistance; to research assistants Wang

1 The great size of this house also would have presented many difficulties. It really deserves an entire study in itself.

島爾,並能對一般住宅類型作有趣的比較。爲了在少數的房屋中能充分代表這樣的範圍,於是必須選擇具備典型性質的房屋,因此有兩幢非常有意思的房屋不曾包括在本書內:一是著名的板橋林家,(註)另一是在臺南以北歸仁地方的一幢小巧而想像力豐富的別墅類住宅,可能爲某文人雅士的作品(圖一)。第四點取捨的準繩是建築與審美上的趣味,根據它的使用材料與構造方式,空間變化與裝飾等。最後一點是必須選取那些現況尚稱良好的房屋。許多古老的住宅,尤其在臺北與臺南,本可能是極有趣而值得研究的,但是它們棄置與衰頹的的程度已致使本來的建築品質完全遺失了。最後挑選出的房屋名單不可能令所有人滿意的,有人會希望多包括一些,有些人也許認可以少幾幢,而衆人所鍾愛的板橋林家與歸仁小別墅的剔除,是尤其困難的決定。

這本報告的大部分是許多人工作的成果,在此我們希望對一些會工作,幫助與關懷的人致謝意:謝湯澄豪及夏鑄九因為他們的熱誠與助力;謝研究助教王啓賢、黃永洪、洪文雄,因為他們辛勞的工作;謝漢寶德、梅寶尼、韓基德諸先生因為他們會閱視初稿,作有益的建議;還要對下面三位致特別的謝意:一位是史威廉博士,是他對這份報告作最初的提議並閱視初稿;另一位是辛慈先生,他曾供給許多選取房屋的意見及閱視初稿;第三位是林衡道先生,他不但花費許多工夫介紹給我們各座房屋之地點、情況且極客氣地供應我們豐富的有關資料。最後我們要感謝亞洲基金會,若無該會的資助,此書是不可能完成的。

(註) 此宅之巨大規模也會提供太多的困難,實應獨立出一專書。



PLAN OF HOUSE AT KWEI-JEN 歸仁住宅之平面 Diagram 1 圖—

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