

Publication and the Collection of photographic edition books in Korea

Jeong-Hee HAN

Kyungin Publishing Company, Korea

hjh499@yahoo.co.kr

Publishing business has been rapidly developed since Ch'aeryun(蔡倫) invented paper in Han(漢) period. In Korea, metal type printed book, Chikchisimche-yojöl(直指心體要節, 直指心經), annals of Chosön dynasty kings, Chosönwangjo-sillok(朝鮮王朝實錄), Confucian scriptures, Nonö(論語), Maengja(孟子) including Mugu chönggwang tae daranigyöng (無垢淨光大陀羅尼經), the oldest publication currently remains, and numerous miscellanies have been published.

Photographic edition books which have been published in Korea so far are listed as belows. The publication of photographic edition books in Korea was separated by private and by officials. The formal, the national history compilation committee and classical translation center(the national cultural promoting committee), mainly published official historiography such as annals of Chosön dynasty kings, Chosönwangjo-sillok(朝鮮王朝實錄), daily records of the royal secretariat, Süngjöngwönilgi(承政院日記) and records of the border defense council, Pibyönsa tünöng(備邊司謄錄). The latter photo-printed and published the anthology as the name of 'Complete Photo-printed Issues of Korean Works'. So far, 'Complete Photo-printed Issues of Korean Works' 440 books(350 books, 90 continuation books) have been published, 539 books have been also published as general classic translation. The national history compilation committee and classical translation center are providing full data searching service of the published books by constructing data-base through their home-page. In addition, Andong Korean studies advancement center(安東國學振興院).

Also, Andong national university affiliated T'oegye(退溪)'s school principle research lab, as an academic institution, have published 105 miscellanies related T'oegye(退溪)'s school principle over 11th.

In the private publishing, there are two institutions - Asea publishing company and Kyungin publishing company. Asea mainly published data related Japanese colonial period, however, scarcely publish currently. Kyungin have published focusing on the collection of works written by ancient sages.

These collections have been published so far are three thousands books as the name of 'Complete series of collected books of Korean in history'. It contains the works written by 3,450 scholars. Kyungin has the purpose of publishing total five thousands books by adding the rest two thousands books. It also is planning to build data-base of collections have been published so far.