
ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

Jan. -Dec., 1979

1. Constitutional and Administrative Law

The Japan Association of Public Laws held its meeting at Kansai University on October 6 and 7 under the theme of "Constitution and Election" and "State Liability."

Lecture by Konrad Hesse of Freiburg University on "The Development of Fundamental Rights in the Federal Republic of Germany."

Reports by Prof. Kozo Yamamoto of Doshisha University on "The People's Representatives and the Right to Vote," Prof. Toshihiko Nonaka of Kanazawa University on "Constitutional Principles on Elections," and Prof. Hogen Watanuki of Dokkyo University on "State Liability."

First Session: "The Constitution and Elections"

Reports by Prof. Ikko Nagao of Chuo University on "Principles of Equality in Elections — centering on the principles of equality in elections stipulated in the West German Constitution," Prof. Takashi Ebashi of Hosei University on "Freedom of Election Campaigns," Asst. Prof. Hidenori Tomatsu of Seijo University on "Election and Judicial Review," and Asst. Prof. Eijiro Ishida of Kinki University on "Restrictions on Election Campaigns."

Second Session: “State Liability”

Reports by Asst. Prof. Toshio Ikeda of Kansai University on “The Development of Legal Principles on Compensation for Losses in France,” Asst. Prof. Akira Nishino of Toho University on “The Position of Legal Principles on Risk Liability in relation to the Legal System of State Liability in West Germany,” Asst. Prof. Yoshikazu Shibaike of Kyoto University on “The Problems of Reforming the Law concerning State Liability in West Germany,” and Yoshinaga Kosaki J. of the Osaka District Court on “Recent Trends of Judicial Precedents involving the State Tort Liability Act.”

The All-Japan Constitution Study Association held its spring meeting at Meiji University on May 11 under the unified theme “The Constitution and Emergency Rights.”

Reports by Prof. Toshihiro Yamauchi of Dokkyo University on “West German State Emergency Rights – its Legal Institution and Logics,” Asst. Prof. Ichiro Urata of Yamagata University on “French Principles of Emergency Rights and Article 16 of the 1958 Constitution.” Asst. Prof. Masahiro Uzaki of Tsuru Bunka University on “The American Legal System dealing with Emergencies – centering on recent trends,” and Prof. Naoki Kobayashi of Tokyo University on “The Basic Problems of State Emergency Rights – the Japanese Constitution and Emergency Rights.”

The Association also held its autumn meeting at Kyoto University Hall on October 5 under the unified theme of “Human Rights in Present-Day Japan.”

Reports by Prof. Kōsuke Kobayashi of Aoyama Gakuin University on “General Introduction,” Prof. Zenji Ishimura of Fukuoka University on “The Question of the Mass Media,” and Prof. Kisho Sasakawa of Hokusei Gakuen University on “The Freedom of Thought.”

The Tax Law Association held its meeting at Kanazawa University on October 5 under the unified theme “Judicial Precedents and Interpretative Theory in the Substantive Law of Taxation.”

Reports by Prof. Ryuichi Arai of Waseda University on “The

Significance of Judicial Precedents in the Substantive Law of Taxation,” Prof. Akira Saito of Senshu University on “The Significance of Judicial Precedents centering on the Interpretation of Article 22, Paragraph 2 of the Corporate Tax Act,” Mori Uematsu (attorney) on “The Question of Period Appropriating Proceeds,” and Prof. Toshihiko Seki of Tohoku University on “The Evaluation of Stocks of Close Corporations under the Tax Law.”

Special report by Tadashi Murai of Kansai University on the “Actual Situation of a Study and Education of West German Tax Law.”

The Law Section of the Association of Democratic Scientists (Minka Horitsu Bukai) held a symposium at Kanazawa University on October 4 and 5 on “A Legal Study of Legislation in Time of Emergencies.”

Reports by Prof. Takeo Matsuda of Shizuoka University on “U.S. Global Strategy and Security System in the 1980s,” Prof. Akira Harano of Okayama University on “Problems relating to the Existing Defense Law,” and Asst. Prof. Yutaka Kubota of Tokyo Institute of Agriculture and Technology (*Noko Daigaku*) on “Constitutional Theory Critical of Legislation in Time of Emergencies.”

A special report by Prof. Makoto Shimizu of the Tokyo Metropolitan University and a defense counsel in the Hokuriku SMON case on “The Present Stage of the Public Nuisance and the Points at Issue.”

The Association of Social Security Law held its spring general meeting at the Diamond Hotel in Tokyo on May 10.

Reports by Prof. Susumu Sato of Nihon Women’s College on “Our Ageing Society and the Present Situation concerning Welfare for the Aged – centering on the employment of aged persons and welfare services,” Suehiro Muraoka of Futaba Gakuen School on “The Present Situation and Problems concerning Welfare Services for Pupils,” Prof. Masateru Kono of Okayama University on “The Legal Position regarding Welfare Services under the Present-Day Social Security Law,” Prof. Kenichi Yamagami of Kyoto Sangyo

University on “Points at Issue on Social Welfare Services and Related Administration and Financing – a comparison between Japan and Foreign Countries,” and Ryosuke Matsui of the Association to Promote Employment for the Handicapped on “Welfare Services for the Handicapped, centering on comparisons between Japan and Foreign Countries.”

The Association also held its autumn meeting at Kanazawa University on October 7 under the unified theme “Problems involving the Social Security Law and its Related Fields – Social Security Law and Its Basic Problems.”

Reports by Prof. Inejiro Numata of the Tokyo Metropolitan University on “The Constitution and Social Security Law,” Prof. Michio Nishihara of Kobe University on “The Social Security Law and Civil Code,” Itsuo Sonobe, researcher at the Supreme Court, on “The Social Security Law and Administrative Law,” Prof. Hirohisa Kitano of Nihon University on “The Social Security Law and Tax Law,” and Prof. Shigeo Sakamoto of Shizuoka University on “The Social Security Law and Labor Law.”

The Japan Association of Land Law held its spring meeting at Hokkaido University on June 3 and 4 under the symposium theme “Problems centering on the Construction Confirmation System.”

Reports by Prof. Shu Ara of Tsukuba University on “The Legal Character of Building Confirmation,” Prof. Makoto Kojo of Tokyo University on “Law Suits involving City Planning,” and Prof. Masao Yamahata of Hokkaido University on “Private Law and the Construction Standard Act,” and Hirohide Shibata of Sapporo Municipal Office on “The Present Situation and Future City Planning in Sapporo.”

The Japan Association of Sociology of Law held its third subcommittee meeting at Rikkyo (St. Paul’s) University on May 12 and 13. Asst. Prof. Hiroshi Oyama of Hosei University made a free report on “The Study of Nursery Administration from the Standpoint of Sociology of Law.” A symposium was also held on “Children and the Law from the Standpoint of Rights.”

Reports by Prof. Susumu Sato of the Nihon Women’s College

on "From the Standpoint of the Social Security Law," Prof. Ken-ichi Nagai of Hosei University, on "From the Standpoint of the Education Law," and Asst. Prof. Shinji Araki of Rikkyo University on "From the Standpoint of the Juvenile Law."

Supplementary report by Prof. Hirohisa Kitano of Nihon University from related fields on "The Tax and Finance Law."

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2. Law of Property and Obligations

The Japan Association of Private Law held its autumn meeting at Ryukoku University in Kyoto on Oct. 6 and 7. The titles of the reports and the reporters are as follows:

[First Day Report]

—*The First Committee*—

1. "Intra-Family Torts — Whether damages can be claimed and the extent for this," by Prof. Koji Ono of Daito Bunka University.
2. "Identification of Ostensible Representation and Reduction of Its Testimony," by Prof. Takefumi Watanabe of Konan University.
3. "Compilation of Meiji Civil Code and Old Law providing for Restrictions on Interest," by Prof. Sumio Okawa of Ritsumeikan University.
4. "An Essay on Realization of Functions of Claims for Restoration of Succession — through management of business without commission," by Prof. Takashige Soeda of Meijo University.
5. "On Claims Calling for Cancellation of Defamatory Statements in German Law," by Prof. Tetsuo Ashitomi of Ryukyu University.
6. "Foreseeability in Tort — Risk Theory in the American Law