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# ACTIVITIES OF ACADEMIC SOCIETIES

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## 1. Constitutional and Administrative Law

(1) *The Japan Association of Public Laws* held its general meeting at Doshisha University on October 9 and 10. During the two-day annual meeting, the following reports were made.

“Justiz und Verwaltung — Die ursprüngliche- und letzte Verwaltung Gerichtsbarkeit,” by Hiromasa Minami (Professor, Tsukuba University).

“On the Conception and Function of Judicial Power in the Modern State,” by Koji Sato (Professor, Kyoto University).

“Die gegenwärtige Verwaltung und die Verwaltungsrechtslehre in Japan,” by Tokiyasu Fujita (Professor, Tohoku University).

(a) First Session: Contemporary Problems of the Judiciary.

“Judicial Activism and Passivity in the United States Supreme Court,” by Minoru Nakatani (Associate Professor, Shiga University).

“De la justice administrative en France,” by Jun Murakami (Associate Professor, Kanagawa University).

“Reflection on the Concept of ‘Judicial Power’ in Japanese

Constitutional Theories,” by Takashi Ebashi (Professor, Hosei University).

“Expanding Judicial Functions in Contemporary Japan — A Study of Their Legitimacy,” by Shigeaki Tanaka (Professor, Kyoto University).

(b) Second Session: Contemporary Problems of Administration.

“Regulatory System of Transportation,” by Hiroshi Hokama (Professor, Chuo University).

“Rechtsprobleme der Verwaltung von Kinderkrippe und Kindergarten als Leistungsverwaltung,” by Shigeo Kisa (Associate Professor, Hokkaido University).

“Legal Problems in the Administrative Process of Town Development,” by Norio Yasumoto (Professor, Ritsumeikan University).

“Administrative Procedure in Japan” by Eiji Uemura (Associate Professor, Seikei University).

(2) *The All-Japan Constitution Study Association* held its spring meeting at Rikkyo University on May 15 under the unified theme of “The Role of Theories and Thoughts in Constitutional Politics.” There were the following reports.

“The Fall of the Meiji Constitution and the Role of Liberal Constitutional Lawyers,” by Eisei Hisada (Professor, Sapporo College of Commerce).

“Conflict between Constitutional Theories and Politics,” by Katsumi Ueda (Professor, Ryukoku University).

“The Course of Toshiyoshi Miyazawa’s Constitutional Theory during World War II,” by Katsutoshi Takami (Associate Professor, Kyushu University).

The autumn meeting of the Association was held at Kiyomizudera Temple in Kyoto on October 11 under the unified theme of “Election, Political Parties, and Parliamentary System — Constitutional Considerations.” There were the following reports.

“‘Legislative Reform’ by Introduction of a Proportional Rep-

resentation System into the House of Councillors,” by Takanori Sumino (Professor, Senshu University).

“Freedom of Election Campaign — Present Conditions and Problems,” by Yukio Matsui (Associate Professor, Shimane University).

“Constitutional Problems of Political Party Law in Japan — A Comparison with West German Law,” by Asaho Mizushima (Associate Professor, Sapporo College of Commerce).

(3) *The Law Section of the Association of Democratic Scientists* held a two-day meeting at Kansei Gakuin University on October 7 and 8 under the unified theme of “Problems in Positive Law: From the Viewpoint of ‘Civil law’ Theory.” Among the reports were the following two reports.

“Legal and Judicial Control over Administration,” by Shinichi Takayanagi (Professor, Senshu University).

“Analysis of the Public Nature of Administration,” by Akira Harano (Professor, Okayama University).

By Prof. HIDE TAKE SATO  
KIYONOBU MIYAI  
AKIHIKO KIMIZIMA

## 2. Law of Property and Obligations

### 1. *The Japan Association of Land Law*

The 1983 spring Congress was held on April 30 (at Nanki Youth Sports Center) and May 1 (at City Plaza Hotel) with the following agenda:

#### Part 1: National Trust

(1) The Past and Present of National Trust Movements in Japan and Great Britain, by Keikichi Kihara (Professor, Chiba