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. HIDETAKE 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 University).

- (2) The National Trust in Great Britain, by Michio Nagai (Sub-Manager, Office of Programs and Public Relations, Prefectural Government of Tokyo).
- (3) Problems and Significance of Movements Led by Local and Municipal Governments, by Ikuo Sekine (Manager, Program and Development Section, Town of Shari).
- (4) Problems and Significance of Residents-Led Movements, by Hachiro Toyama (Executive Director, Citizens' Council for Conservation of Tenjinzaki).
- (5) Conservation of Urban Environment and the National Trust, by Takashi Ito (Lecturer, Hosei University).
- (6) Examination of Legal Problems, by Mitsugu Maeda (Attorney-at-law).

#### Part 2

- (1) A Reexamination of "Just Causes", by Masakazu Uchida (Associate Professor, Waseda University).
- (2) The Reorganization of Leasehold Relations, by Hiroshi Mizumoto (Professor, Rikkyo University).
- (3) The Monetary Value of the Right to Rent a House, by Yoshihiko Sawano (Attorney-at-law; Real Estate Appraiser).
- (4) Public Housing and Rent, by Shoji Nagaoka (Attorneyat-law).

The fall Congress was held on Oct. 7 and 8, 1983 in Kyoto with the following agenda:

Oct. 7 (at the Horikawa Kaikan Hall)

SYMPOSIUM: Public Land Ownership in Europe, chaired by Sigeaki Shiina (Professor, Tokyo University) and Shoji Shinozuka (Professor, Waseda University).

- (1) The Nineteenth Century Ideology of Public Land Ownership in Great Britain, by Shigeaki Shiina.
- (2) The Contemporary Ideology of Public Land Ownership in Italy, by Ken-ichi Sakai (Professor, Tokyo University of Economics).

- (3) The Logic and Historical Development of the Public Land Ownership in Great Britain, by Michiatsu Kaino (Professor, Nagoya University).
- (4) The Development of Public Land Ownership in Germany at the Outset of the Nineteenth Century, by Yasuhiro Onishi (Associate Professor, Waseda University).
- (5) Land Legislation in Contemporary France and "Public Ownership" of Land, by Sumitaka Harada (Associate Professor, Tokyo University).

LECTURE: Ownership under Roman Law, by Tokuji Sato (Professor, Waseda University).

SPECIAL LECTURE, by Ryotaro Shiba (Novelist).

Oct. 8 (at the Prefectural Kinro Kaikan Hall of Kyoto).

SYMPOSIUM: The Notion of Ownership in Modern Japan and Arguments for Public Land Ownership, chaired by Shiro Ishii (Professor, Tokyo University) and Eiichi Hoshino (Professor, Tokyo University).

- (1) Exposition of Problems, by Shiro Ishii.
- (2) Enactment of the Civil Code, by Shun-ichiro Koyanagi (Lecturer, Yamanashi University).
- (3) Revision of the Ownership Principle Provided by the Civil Code, by Yoshihiko Kawaguchi (Student, Doctoral Program, Tokyo University).
- (4) The Traditional and Customary System of "Public Ownership", by Manabu Tanaka (Student, Doctoral Program, Tokyo University).

## 2. The Japan Association of Private Law

The 1983 Congress of the Japan Association of Private Law was held at Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, on Oct. 9 and 10 with the following agenda:

First Day: Reports

Division 1

- (1) The New Family Law of the People's Republic of Albania, by Mitsue Kobayashi (Professor, Ibaragi University).
- (2) Die Verjährung der Erbschaftsklage, by Shukichi Yanagisawa (Associate Professor, Meijo University).
- (3) Reform der Mobiliarsicherheiten in Deutschland, by Katsushi Tanaka (Associate Professor, Meijo University).
- (4) La Clause de Réserve de Propriété en France, by Munehide Nishizawa (Associate Professor, Josai University).
- (5) Doctrine of Mortgages in England, by Shoichi Ogano (Lecturer, Akita University).

Division 2

- (1) Zur Gefahrtragung bei dem Dienst oder Arbeit lieferenden Vertrag, by Akira Okutomi (Lecturer, Ikuei College and High School).
- (2) Die Lehre von der Fürsorge- und Schutzpflicht in Japanischen Recht Ein Beitrag über die positiven Vertragsverletzungen —, by Takashi Yamamoto (Lecturer, Gifu University of Economics).
- (3) Anspruchskonkurrenz und einheitlicher Anspruch Ein Vorschlag für die rechtliche Konstruktion eines einheitlichen Anspruchs —, by Masanobu Kato, (Associate Professor, Nagoya University).
- (4) Zum Missbrauch der Vertretungsmacht, by Reiji Fukunaga (Associate Professor, Hirosaki University).
- (5) L'intention véritable des deux Parties dans la Simulation, by Hiroki Nakaya (Assistant, Nagoya University).

For Divisions 3 and 4, see "5. Commercial Law" section.

Second Day: SIMPOSIUM; "Current Issues on Adoption Law", chaired by Ichiro Kato (Professor Emeritus, Tokyo University) and Koichi Bai (Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University).

- (1) General Issues, by Masao Yamahata (Professor, Hokkaido University).
- (2) Adoption Law in Foreign Countries, by Takao Nakagawa (Professor, Meiji Gakuin University).
  - (3) Problems of Current Adoption Law Requirements and

Effects of Adoption —, by Masanori Yamamoto (Professor, Okayama University of Commerce).

- (4) Special Adoption, by Akira Yonekura (Professor, Tokyo University).
- (5) Foster Parent System and Mediation of Adoption, by Minoru Ishii (Professor, Sophia University).

For another symposium, see "5. Commercial Law" section.

For further details, see *Shihō* (Journal of Private Law) No. 46, 1984, Tokyo.

By Prof. Katsuichi Uchida Naoya Suzuki Narumi Hasegawa

# 3. Law of Civil Procedure and Bankruptcy

The 53rd convention of the Japanese Association of the Law of Civil Procedure was held at the Kasuga-cho School building of the Department of Science and Engineering of Chuo University on May 21 and 22, 1983.

On May 21st, reports were made on the following subjects:

- (1) "The Automatic Stay System under the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978 of the U.S.A.: From the Viewpoint of a Secured Creditor's Protection," by Tetsuo Kato (Associate Professor, Waseda University).
- (2) "Ist die Beschwer eine Voraussetzung der Anschlußberufung?", by Yasuo Ueno (Associate Professor, Meijo University).
- (3) "Intervention as an Independent Party in a *Jokoku* (Final Appeal) Proceeding," by Jiro Hanamura (Professor, Chiba University).
  - (4) "The Present Condition and Some Problems of Corporate