

Reorganization Cases in the Tokyo District Court,” by Kozo Fujita (Judge of the Tokyo District Court).

On May 22nd, a symposium on “Über die Beschleunigung des Zivilprozesses” was held, and an animated question-and-answer period followed.

SYMPOSIUM: Über die Beschleunigung des Zivilprozesses.

(Reporters)

Toichiro Kigawa, attorney.

Prof. Akira Ishikawa of Keio University.

Prof. Takeshi Kojima of Chuo University.

Hirohito Miyake, Judge of the Tokyo District Court.

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4. Criminal Law and Procedure

The 61st Congress of *the Criminal Law Society of Japan* was held at the Shimanë University on October 9 and 10, 1983. The titles of individual and joint reports were as follows:

[Individual Reports]

1. Significance of Causation in the Theory of Crime, Centering on Psychological Causation in the Criminal Law, by Hiroshi Ueda (Part-time Lecturer, the Osaka University of Economics and Law).

2. Passionate Action and Criminal Responsibility, by Mitsuko Hayashi (Associate Professor, Kanagawa University).

3. A Public Prosecutor and a Judge Who Fills the Role of

an Investigator in West Germany after the Abolition of Instruction Préparatoire, by Shunsuke Tawa (Professor, Shimane University).

4. A Study of Police Searches — Using American Law as a Basis, by Osamu Watanabe (Lecturer, Kobe Gakuin University).

5. The Structure of the Retrial Procedure, by Yoshitomo Ohide (Associate Professor, Shizuoka University).

[Lecture]

“Criminal Law Science in Japan Viewed from the Perspective of the South Korean System”, by Jhong-Won Kim (Professor Sung Kyum Kwan University, President of the Criminal Law Society of Korea).

[Workshop]

Participants took part in discussions on five topics: (1) General Provisions of the Criminal Law, (2) The System of Punishment as It Ought to be, (3) Treatment of Mentally Disabled Criminals, (4) Crimes Against Personal Interests, and (5) Crimes Against Societal Order and State Interests.

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5. Commercial Law

1. The Japan Association of Private Law, Commercial Law Division

The 47th Congress of *the Japan Association of Private Law* was held at Ritsumeikan University on Oct. 9 and 10, 1983.

A legislative project is now in progress in the Commercial