- 1. "The Principle of Trust (Vertrauensgrundsatz) in Traffic Crimes", by Kotaku Ishido, Professor of Chukyo University.
- 2. "Present Status of Traffic Crimes in Aichi Prefecture", by Tamotsu Harada, Assoc. Professor of Aichi Gakuin University.
- 3. "Problems Concerning Responsibility for 'Hit-and-Run'", by Yoshihiro Hidaka, Professor of Senshu University.
- 4. "Traffic Accidents from the Aspect of Victimology", by Koichi Miyazawa, Professor of Keio Gijuku University.

## [Lecture]

"What Is the Result of Amendments to the Criminal Law of the Federal Republic of Germany?", by Hans Joachim Hirsch, Professor of Köln University.

(transl. by Makoto Ida, Lect. of Keio Gijuku University)

## [Subcommittees]

Subcommittees were held on the three themes: (1) grounds of punishment for complicity in crime, (2) theory and practice of investigation, and (3) the protection of the juveniles' human rights and the completion of their growth: several animated discussions took place.

By Prof. Minoru Nomura Toshimasa Nakazora

## 5. Commercial Law

The 48th general meeting of the Japan Association of Private Law was held at Tokyo University, School of Law, on Oct. 6 and 7, 1984. The Commercial Law Division held a symposium on the theme "Legislative Reform in Relation to Big and Small Corporations."

Because there are many small and closely-held corporations in Japan, legislative reform for big and small corporations had been long anticipated. The Councillor's Office of the Civil Affairs Bureau and the Ministry of Justice officially announced a "Tentative Draft Concerning the Legislative Reform for Big and Small Corporations and Mergers" in May 1984, and reform of the Commercial Code attracted the attention of all lawyers. In the symposium dealing with the legislative reform on big and small corporations, discussions were held on the basis of reports made by Emeritus Prof. Takeo Suzuki of Tokyo University and Prof. Masahiro Kitazawa of Nagoya University.

At the same meeting, the Joint Division of Civil Law and of Commercial Law held a symposium with the theme "Draft Proposal and Fundamental Problems of the Trust Law".

Other individual reports submitted at the meeting were as follows:

- 1. "Effective Protection of the Creditors of Financially Troubled Corporations", by Assoc. Prof. Kazushi Yoshihara of Tohoku University.
- 2. "Eine rechtliche Betrachtung über die Beziehung des Modernen Aktiengesellschaftsrechts zur Zentralisation der Unternehmungen", by Assoc. Prof. Koichi Inaniwa of Fukushima University.
- 3. "Die Aufgabezuständigkeit des Aufsichtsrats der Muttergesellschaft für den Betrieb der Tochtergesellschaft", by Assoc. Prof. Takashi Kurushima of Yokohama National University.
- 4. "Valuation of Floating Assets and Accounting Law on Enterprise", by Prof. Yoshiyuki Komiyama of Fuji University.
- 5. "Trends and Problems of the Supreme Court's Decisions Dealing with Insider Trading in America", by Prof. Ichiro Matsui of Nihon University.
- 6. "La théorie de la protection des actionnaires externes dans les groupes de sociétés", by Assoc. Prof. Tsukasa Miyajima of Keio Gijuku University.
  - 7. "Disclosure of Acquisition and Holding of Securities", by

Hiromi Yamada, Lecturer at Kyoto Industrial University.

The 1984 general meeting of the Association of Economic Jurisprudence was held at Komazawa University on Oct. 12, 1984. The association held a symposium on the theme of "International Transfer of Technology and the Law". In the symposium, discussions were held using the reports of Prof. Nobuo Monya of Seikei University entitled "International Transfer of Technology and the Patent Laws" and of Assoc. Prof. Toshifumi Hienuki of Toshokan Joho University entitled "International Transfer of Technology and the Anti-Monopoly Law — Examination of the JFTC Guideline for International Licensing Agreements" as a basis.

Other individual reports submitted at the general meeting were:

- 1. "The Control of Monopolies in the United Kingdom", by Kazuhiro Yokokawa, Lecturer at Kochi University.
- 2. "The Criterion of Merger Control in German Antitrust Law", by Assoc. Prof. Kiminori Eguchi of Okayama University.

By Prof. Takayasu Okushima Prof. Yoichi Nagahama Hiroshi Haruta Hideaki Otsuka

## 6. Labor Law

The main activities of the Japan Labor Law Association in 1984 were two symposia and the completion of the Modern Labor Law Series (15 volumes). In the symposia, effective protection measures for part-time employees and problems of the Equal Employment Opportunity Bill reflected in the extreme changes in employment and labor practices in Japan were discus-