

(2) Constitutionalism in Non-Western Countries, by Nobuyuki Yasuda (Researcher, Asia Economic Institute).

(3) Socialism and Human Rights: Historical Experiences and Perspectives, by Akio Komorida (Professor, Tokyo University).

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2. Law of Property and Obligations

1. *The Japan Association of Private Law* held its 54th General Meeting at Keio Gijuku University on October 6 and 7, 1990.

Symposium: Product Liability, chaired by Seiko Yoshimi (Professor, Hitotsubashi University) and Mamoru Tokumoto (Professor, Kyushu University).

(1) Introductory Remarks, by Seiko Yoshimi (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

(2) General Remarks, by Mamoru Tokumoto (Professor, Kyushu University).

(3) Cases in Japan, by Katsuaki Hirano (Professor, Shizuoka University).

(4) The Meaning of Products, by Tsuneo Matsumoto (Associate Professor, Osaka University).

(5) The Standard of the Liability:

① The Meaning of Defects, by Yukihiro Asami (Associate Professor, Fukuoka University).

② Problems of Proof, by Shigeru Kagayama (Associate Professor, Osaka University).

(6) The Theory of Damages, by Michitaro Urakawa (Professor, Waseda University).

(7) Responsible Parties, by Tsuneo Matsumoto (Associate

Professor, Osaka Municipal University).

(8) Mitigation or Exclusion, and Limitation of Liability, by Kazuhiro Iizuka (Ibaraki University).

(9) A Proposal for the Legislation of the Product Liability Act, by Seiko Yosimi (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

Reporters also submitted their reports on various subject matters at four different meetings.

Division 1

(1) Eine Betrachtung über die zeitliche Verlängerung der Vertragswirkung, by Hidehiro Takashima (Lecturer, Kyoto Industrial University).

(2) Rechtsgeschäft und Rechtsordnung, by Hiroshi Kodama (Associate Professor, Osaka Municipal University).

(3) “Gewinnung der Vertragsnorm und deren Rechtfertigung”, by Kenji Yamamoto (Lecturer, Shiga University).

(4) Die Beachtlichkeit des Irrtums und die pluralistische Einteilung, by Akio Suda (Professor, Hokkai Gakuen University).

(5) Einige Betrachtungen über die Generalklauselartigkeit des Wohnraummierecht, by Iwao Sato (Associate Professor, Fukushima University).

Division 2

(1) Le mécanisme de l'inopposabilité de l'acte non transcrit, by Katsuhiko Shichinohe (Lecturer, Keio Gijuku University).

(2) Über die Sicherungsfunktion der deutschen Grundschild, by Tomomi Nakayama (Associate Professor, Yamaguchi University).

(3) Die Bedeutung der Eingriffskondiktionstypen, by Yoshikazu Kawasumi (Associate Professor, Shimane University).

(4) The Accident Compensation Act in New Zealand, by Takako Asai (Associate Professor, Toyama University).

Division 3

(1) Duty of Notice of Loss in Insurance Contracts, by Osamu Takehama (Associate Professor, Ritsumeikan University).

(2) The Protection of Children and the Rights of Parents, by Sue Kyo (Associate Professor, Kanagawa Institute of Technology).

(3) Family Names and the Family Registration System, by

Kazuhiro Yamakawa (Professor, Nihon University).

(4) The Significance and Limit of the No Fault Divorce Principle, by Michio Nishihara (Professor, Kobe University).

For Division 4, see “Commercial Law” section.

2. *The Japan Association of Land Law* held its 32nd General Meeting at Hokkaido University on 9 June 1990. There was a symposium on “Considering the Fourth Comprehensive National Development Plan from the Viewpoint of Hokkaido”. The symposium was chaired by Kiyoshi Igarashi (Professor, Sapporo University) and Katsumi Yoshida (Professor, Hokkaido University).

Following reports were made.

(1) General Remarks: The System of the Fourth Comprehensive National Development Plan and Hokkaido—History and Prospect—, by Takemichi Hatakeyama (Professor, Hokkaido University).

(2) The Fourth Comprehensive National Development Plan, the Japanese Agriculture and Hokkaido, Hiroo Ishii (Professor, Komazawa University).

(3) The Challenge of Town Building in the Light of 21st Century—Promoting the Eniwa High Complex City Plant through Introducing Private Developers—, by Masanori Nagata (Chief of Business Planning Department, Eniwa Research Business Park & Co., Ltd.).

(4) The Difference between the Ideal and the Reality in Resort Development, by Keiichiro Yanagi (Associate Professor, Hokkai Gakuen Kitami Junior Women’s College).

A special meeting was held at Waseda University on 8 December. There was a symposium on “The Reform of Land Taxation”, chaired by Shoji Shinozuka (Professor, Waseda University).

(1) Special Lecture; Land Taxation, by Takekazu Ogura (Chairman, Governmental Committee for Researching the Tax System).

(2) Report; Examination of the New Land Taxation, by Yoshikazu Miki (Associate Professor, Shizuoka University).

(3) Report; Land Prices, Especially “Rosennka”, by Yukio Nashimoto (Chairman, Kansai Branch of the Japan Association of Land Law; Appraiser of Real Property).

(4) Report; Present Situation and Valuation of New Land Taxation in The Republic of Korea, Kenichi Miyamoto (Professor, Osaka Municipal University).

(5) Concluding Remarks, by Shoji Shinozuka (Professor, Waseda University).

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3. Family Law

The 7th National Conference of *the Socio-Legal Studies on Family Issues* was held at Osaka University on November 11, 1990.

Theme: Partition of Estate.

Introduction, by Takeo Ukon (Professor, Osaka Prefectural University).

Symposium

Reports

(1) Contribution Portion, by Akira Tsuji (Professor, Kyoto University of Education).

(2) Interrelation between Partition of Estate and Will — In Regard to the Will Terms “Inheriting Some Property to a Particular Heir” — by Sumio Yamaguchi (Professor, Konan University).

(3) Partition of Estate and Reserved Portion, by Kousaku Matsukura (Professor, Nanzan University).

(4) Proceedings of Partition of Estate or Proceedings of Partition of Jointly Owned Property? by Jun Nishihara (Professor,