

China and that of Modern Laws, Hiroaki Terada (Tohoku University).

(6) The Concept of Property: the Change of Property Law in 20th Century China, by Eito Ki (Kobe University).

(7) A Background for Accepting Western Modern Laws: the Features of Civil Courts and Civil Laws by Osaka Town Magistrate's office, by Fumio Jinbo (Nagoya University).

(8) Royal Powers and Bureaucracy in Relation to the Problems of Civil and Commercial Laws, by Takeshi Mizubayashi (Tokyo Metropolitan University).

(9) Upon Hearing the above 7 Reports on Reconsideration of Modern Laws, by Yoichi Nishikawa (Tokyo University)

II. Sociology of Law

The Japanese Association of Sociology of Law held:

the 1998 General Meeting at Nagoya University on May 15, 16 and 17.

the 1999 General Meeting at Hokkaido University on May 21, 22 and 23.

A. The 1998 General Meeting

1. (Special Lecture) The Politics of Legal Mobilization: A Case Study of Pay Equity Reform Movements by Professor Michael W. McCann (University of Washington), presided over and interpreted by Setsuo Miyazawa (Kobe University).

2. (Sectional Meeting 1) Lawyers and the Theory of Legal History, presided over by Yoshiyuki Matsumura (Hokkaido University)

(1) Derivative Suits without Clients: Shareholder as Ombudsman and Shareholder's Suits, by Hiroshi Otsuka (Researcher, the Japan Society of the Promotion of Science), commented by Yoshitaka Wada (Professor, Kyushu University).

(2) From "Lawyers to Be Talked" to "Lawyers to Talk Themselves": Towards Constructing Images of Lawyers through "Internal-Talking", by Keiichi Ageishi (Kobe University), commented by Yoshitaka Wada (ditto).

(3) Reconsidering Luhmann's Theory of "Legitimation *durch Verhah-*

ren”: From Coercive Learning to Positive Learning, by Kohta Fukui (Lecturer, Yamagata University), commented by Iwao Sato (Associate Professor, University of Osaka Prefecture).

(4) The Rationalization of Law and Political Factors in Max Weber’s Comparative Studies, by Otsu (Lecturer, Hosei University), commented by Iwao Sato (ditto).

3. (Sectional Meeting 2) The Process of Legal Regulations, Presided over by Hirohisa Kitano (Nihon University).

(1) Regulatory Styles in Comparative Perspective: A Case Study of the Consequences of Japanese and American Waste Management Regulation, by Kazumasu Aoki (Researcher, the Japan Society of the Promotion of Science), commented on by Masaki Abe (Associate Professor, University of Osaka Prefecture).

(2) An Analysis of the Legislative Process of the Law to Promote Specified Nonprofit Activities, by Katsuhiro Tani, (Lecturer, Meijo University), commented on by Ken’ichi Baba (Associate Professor, Kobe University).

(3) The Great *Hanshin-Awaji* Earthquake and Legal Aid Activities: the Reality of Social Problems and Constructing Institutions by the Legal Aids for the Great Earthquake of *Hanshin* and *Awaji* Area, by Ken’ichi Yoneda (Lecturer, Kobe University), commented on by Takayoshi Igarashi (Professor, Hosei University).

4. (Sectional Meeting 3) Gender Analysis of the Property of Husband and Wife, presided over by Michiko Ishii (Tokyo Metropolitan University).

(1) The Distance of Women and Property and Family Collectivity: Structure of the Property of Wives and Husbands and Gender Bias, by Michiko Mifune (Associate Professor, Ochanomizu University).

(2) Changes in the Rules of Household Property: From the Logic of Family Succession to the Logic of Individual Transfer, by Kyouko Uemura (Associate Professor, Tokyo Kasei Gakuin University).

(3) Law and Social Relations in Martian Property: Community and Individualism, by Seigo Hirowatari (Professor, Tokyo University).

5. (Sectional Meeting 4) the Linguistic Analysis of Legal Interpretation, presided over by Takao Tanase (Kyoto University).

(1) Reconsideration of the Efficient Breach of Contract: From Real-

ism to Social Narrativism, by Motoaki Funakoshi (Kyoto University).

(2) Constructing Legal Representations: Positionality at the Intersection of Race and Gender in Employment Discrimination Cases in the United States, by Sawayo Mochizuki (Kyoto University: Researcher, the Japan Society of the Promotion of Science).

(3) A Discourse Analysis of Constitutional Rights in *Bowers v. Hardwick* (U.S. 1986), by Ken'ichi Sato (Research Assistant, Kyoto University).

6. (Sectional meeting 5) Laws in Asia and their Various Common Aspects, presided over by Nobuyuki Yasuda (Nagoya University).

(1) Muslim Divorce in Malaysia: with Special Reference to the Islamic Family Law Act [Federal Territory] 1984, by Naoko Kuwahara (Graduate Student, Nagoya University).

(2) System and Functions of Village *Panchayats* in India, by Noriyuki Asano (Nagoya University).

(3) Joint Forest Management Programs in India: A Case Study of Participatory Forest Management in the South-West Region of West Bengal, by Ryoko Nagamine (Nagoya University).

7. (Mini-Symposium I) 'Social Change and Judicial Reforms' in Japan, organized by Ken'ichi Baba (ditto).

(1) Give Judges Rights to Evaluate Job Performance of the Officers of the Court: Toward a Realistic and Constructive Judicial Policy Debate, by Nobuyoshi Asami (Judge, Miyazaki district court).

(2) Positive Plans of JFBA on the Future Judiciary and Practicing Lawyers, by Hiroshi Saito (Lawyer, Yodoyabashi-sogo Horitsu Jimusyo).

(3) Doubt on 'Political' Judicial Reform Critically, by Michiatsu Kaino (Professor, Nagoya University).

(4) Reform of the Administration of the Justice System in Japan, by Ryo Hamano (Associate Professor, Rikkyo University).

8. (Mini-Symposium II) The Legal-Social Structure of "Community" and Women's Experience: A Dialogue with Feminism, organized by Yuriko Kaminaga (Professor, Sensyu University).

(1) Equality Within Community: Illusions and Possibilities, by Frances Olsen (Professor, UCLA), interpreted by Franc Bennett and Mihiro Nakazato (both Nagoya University).

- (2) New Trends in Group Formation among Women in Japan, by Hiroko Hara (Ochanomizu University).
- (3) *Gemeinschaft und Gemeinschaftlichkeit um die Ehe: Bemerkungen zur feministischen Analyse über die Frauen in der rechtlichen und sozialen Gemeinschaft*, by Seigo Hirowatari (ditto).
- (4) Commentary, by Nobuyoshi Toshitani (Professor, Tokyo Keizai University).
9. The Whole Symposium: Toward Sociology of the Socio-Legal Transformation of Japan, part 2; Changing Dimensions of “the Communal” and A Sociology of Law, presided by Masaki Abe (ditto) and Jyuichi Takahashi (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies).
 - (1) Sociology of Law in a Changing Era: Toward a Sociology of the Law of Community in Japanese Society, by Michiatsu Kaino (ditto).
 - (2) “The Communal” as a Subject of the Sociology of Law: A Proposal and Some Initial Investigations, by Shiro Kashimura (Professor, Kobe University).
 - (3) Advocacy by/for Foreigners in Japan to Participate in the Nation-state, by Jung, Yeong-hae, (Associate Professor, Hiroshima Shudo University).
 - (4) Deterioration of Firm-Community and Workers’ Communalism, by Hirokuni Tabata (Professor, Tokyo University).
 - (5) On the Characteristics of the Local Community, by Yoshihiko Nawata (Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University).
 - (6) ‘*Droit individuel*’ et ‘*dimension collective et communautaire*’, by Takeshi Mizubayashi (Professor, Tokyo Metropolitan University).

B. The 1999 General Meeting

1. Ten Years of Study on the Theory of Law and Society in Korea: the History of the Study Group in Korea, Chin Giki (Kankoku Togoku University Law University).
2. (Sectional Meeting 1) Legal Action and Consciousness and Change, Presided over and Commented on by Minakata Satoshi (Professor, Niigata University).
 - (1) Medicine and Law in Medical Malpractice Litigation, by Chihara Watanabe (Associate Professor, Ritsumeikan University).
 - (2) The Judicial Construction of Parent: Child Relationships, by Kayo

Minamino (Research Assistant, Kyoto University).

(3) A Trademark Dispute in the Japanese Courts: The Snack Channel Case, by Mami Okawara (Professor, Takasaki City University of Economics).

3. (Sectional Meeting 2) Judicial Officers and Jurists, Presided over and Commented on by Kaneyoshi Hagiwara (Professor, Kanagawa University).

(1) The Future of the 21st Century's Judicial Scrivener (*Shiho-shoshi*) in the Judicial Reform, by Atsushi Morimoto (Lecturer, Yokohama Soei Junior College) and Hiroyasu Shioyo (Associate Professor, Fukushima University).

4. (Sectional Meeting 3) Law and Society, Presided over and Commented on by Takao Yamada (Professor, Nihon University).

(1) A Critique of "the Positive Relationships between Modern Capitalism and Formally Rational Law": Toward a Test of Max Weber's Sociology of Law, by Toru Otsu (Lecturer, Chuo University and Hosei University).

(2) The Actual Conditions and Problems of the Lease Custom Admitted by Thai Courts, by Kikuo Nishizawa (Nagoya University).

(3) How British Judges Perceived Society: An Analysis of the Formative Period of Negligence Liability, by Yoshitsugu Kouno (Osaka University).

5. (Mini-Symposium I) Transformation of Social Relations and Mediation: A Comparative Study of Mediation, organized and presided by Masayuki Murayama (Chiba University).

(1) Introduction, by Masatsugu Murayama (ditto)

(2) *La médiation familiale en France: enjeux et débats*, by Boigeol Anne (CNRS/IHTP, Ecole Normale Supérieure).

(3) Changing Families and Family Courts, by Satoshi Minamikata (ditto).

(4) Landlord-Tenant Disputes and Civil Mediation at the Tokyo District Court, by Hiroshi Takahasi (Lecturer, Kwansei Gakuin University).

(5) Mediation and Human Relations among Residents in Urban and Suburban Residential Areas, by Ichiro Ozaki (Associate Professor, Hokkaido University).

6. (Mini-Symposium II) Multiculturalization and Law in Japanese Society, Organized and Presided over by Nobuyuki Yasuda (Professor, Nagoya University).

(1) Japanese Society's Multiracialism and the Legal System, by Hiroshi Tanaka (Professor, Hitotsubashi University).

(2) The Law and Rights of the Ainu Minority in Contemporary Japan, by Kiyoshi Fusagawa (Lawyer).

(3) The Law and Rights of the Korean Minority in Japan, by Kim Kyeong Duk (Lawyer).

(4) Migrant Workers in Japan: the Present Situation and the Future, by Kazuyuki Azusawa (Lawyer).

(5) Discussions, by Hiromichi Imai (Professor, Hokkaido University) and Seigo Hirowatari (ditto).

7. (Mini-Symposium III) Critical Examination of the Proposals for Judicial Reform, Organized and Presided over by Setsuo Miyazawa (Professor, Kobe University).

(1) Introduction, by Setsuo Miyazawa (ditto).

(2) What Are the Judicial Reforms for?: A Political Vision of Judicial Reforms, by Tasuo Inoue (Professor, Tokyo University).

(3) Reforming Japan's Civil Justice System: Why and to Where?, by Shozo Ota (Professor, Tokyo University).

(4) Deregulation, Decentralization, and Judicial Reform: Focusing on Administrative Control and the Judiciary, by Shigeo Kisa (Professor, Hokkaido University).

8. The Whole Symposium: Toward a Sociology of the Socio-Legal Transformation of Japan, part 3; A Sociology of Law of the Individuality and Communality, Presided over by Shin Ishida (Professor, Nagoya University) and Ken'ichi Baba (Associate Professor, Kobe University).

(1) Some Conclusions of Our Three Years' Projects, by Michiatsu Kaino (ditto).

(2) The Support of Rights Assertion, by Hideki Kashizawa (Associate Professor, Saga University).

(3) On the Study of Legal Marginality in the Sociology of Law, by Yuriko Kaminaga (ditto).

(4) Power and the Law: "Right Claims as the Exertion of Power" and

“Communality”, by Masaki Abe (ditto).

(5) Proliferating Identities and Flashing Community, by Yoshitaka Wada (ditto).

(6) General Comments, by Shiro Kashimura (ditto).

III. Legal Philosophy

The Japan Association of Legal Philosophy held:

the 1998 General Meeting at Waseda University on November 13 and 14, 1998.

the 1999 General Meeting at Kobe University on November 6 and 7, 1999.

A. The 1998 General Meeting

The Common Theme: Post-War Legal Philosophy as an Intellectual Resource

(1) Introduction: An Approach to Legal Philosophy in Post-war Japan, by Hideo Sasakura (Professor, Waseda University)

(2) The Nature of Things as a Cardinal Aspect of Comparative Law, by Hideo Aoi (Professor, Tohoku University).

(3) The Conception of Human Conduct in Liberalism, by Haruki Aoyama (Professor, Kanda University of International Studies).

(4) The Individual in Contemporary Liberal Democracy: Environment, Self-ownership, and Other Persons, by Tetsu Sakurai (Associate Professor, Kobe University).

(5) Modern Natural Law Theory and Bioethics, by Eijiro Kuzuu (Associate Professor, Notre Dame Seishin University).

(6) The Post-war “Modernization” and “Subjectivity” of Intellectuals in Japan, by Masami Sumiyoshi (Associate Professor, Aoyama Gakuin University).

(7) The “Modernization Debate” and Legal Theory in Post-war Japan Reconsidered: From an Epistemo-historical Perspective, by Ryuichi Nakayama (Associate Professor, Kinki University).

(8) How to Discuss Order, System and Revolution, by Itaru Shimazu (Professor, Chiba University).

(9) Post-war Democracy and the Symbolic Emperor System of Japan,