

*STAFF CONFERENCES OF THE FOLLOWING UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS:  
CRIMINAL LAW, CIVIL LAW, THE LAW OF SOCIALIZED TRADE,  
THEORY OF STATE AND LAW*

An important recent trend in Poland has been to hold conferences attended by members of staff of the same specialized field of law from the various university departments.

In May 1964, for example, members of staff of the criminal law departments held a conference in Warsaw to discuss causal connections, as well as certain didactical problems. The discussion on causal connection centred mainly on a monograph by professor Leszek Lerne11, published in 1962, and a polemical paper by professor Władysław Wolter. As far as didactical problems were concerned, the debate was opened by docent Jerzy Śliwowski, who read a paper on the problem of scripts and on M. A. theses.

Members of staff of the departments of civil law and the law of socialized trade held a conference in Kazimierz Dolny in May 1964 on the planning of research, the teaching of civil law in connection with the new codes, criticism of the present curricula, the methods of running seminars and tutorials, and an account of experience gained in carrying out the curriculum for teaching the law of socialized trade. Papers were given by professor Aleksander Wolter (the planning of research, and evaluation of the curriculum), professor Seweryn Szer (teaching), professor Andrzej Stelmachowski (methods), and professor Stefan Buczkowski (teaching of the law of socialized trade). Discussion on these several problems led to the passing of appropriate motions by the conference.

Members of staff of the departments of the theory of state and law held a conference in March 1964. Seven papers were given: professor Zawadzki —

*The State of the Legal Sciences*; professor Wróblewski — *Research on the Theory of State and Law*; professor Ehrlich — *Methodological Problems in Jurisprudence*; Dr. Baszkiewicz — *The Relationship between the Theory of State and Law, and the History of Politico-legal Doctrines*; Dr. Groczyk — *The Relationship between the Theory of State and Law, and Political Science*; Dir. Łopatka — *The First and Last Year Curriculum for Teaching the Theory of State and Law*; and, Dr. Zamkowski — *Problems Involved in Teaching the Theory of State and Law—Methods Used in Lectures, Tutoriales, Seminars, and M.A. theses.*

It was generally agreed that such conferences were beneficial and that they should be repeated in subsequent years.

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