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THE COMMITTEE OF LEGAL SCIENCES OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The Committee of Legal Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences has focussed his activities in the period from the 1st of April till the end of 1966 on the following problems; organization of scientific meetings, works on development plans of legal science in Poland, scientific co-operation with foreign legal institutes, perticipation of Polish lawyers in international congresses and conferences, and publishing works.

Three meetings of the Committee were held in the said period on subjects of concern to different fields of law. Apart from members of the Committee meetings were attended by the invited representatives of legal science from the whole country, and outstanding lawyers practicioners. On the 15th of April, 1966, the discussion was on the paper by Prof. K. Grzybowski (from Cracow) Sistematics of Law and Sistematics of Social Sciences. Difficult and complex problems of integration of social sciences discussed in the article has aroused a great interest expressed in a lively discussion. The same problem was discussed on the next meeting held on the 31st of May, 1966, on which Prof. K. Opalek presented his paper Science of Law and Integration of Social Sciences. In the paper and in the discussion which folwed there was emphasized a great importance of the problem with regard to further development of research in the field of legal science and other social sciences. Discussion on the meeting held on October 17th, 1966, was on the paper by Prof. A. Stelmachowski (from Wrocław) Law Creating - Role of Courts of Justice (in the Light of Civil Jurisdiction). * In discussion, however, dominated an opinion that Polish courts of justice standpoint is that their task is to apply law, creating of which rests — according to the Constitution with other state organs.

With respect to hundreth anniversary of birth of the great Polish scholar Leon Petrażycki, the creator of school of psychological theory of law, the Committee of Legal Sciences has started all the necessary arrangements for organizing a symposium to be held in Cracow in memory of Petrażycki and

his works in the light of present theory of state and law. Suggestions are made to publish a book in memory of Petrażycki.

According to the resolution of the Polish Academy of Sciences as to start new works on prospective development of Polish science in years 1966 - 1985 the Committee of Legal Sciences has established a group for making prognosis of development of legal science in Poland in the said period. The chairman of the group Prof. K. Opałek is to present his extensive project for discussion in a near future on plenary session of the Committee of Legal Sciences which will be then sent on to the authorities of the Polish Academy of Sciences.

In the discussed period the Committee of Legal Sciences saw to it that Polish science of law was represented on many international congresses and conferences.

One of the most important endeavours is to be regarded participation of Poland on the VIIth International Congress of Comparative Law (Upsala, August 6th - 13th, 1966) organized by the International Academy of Comparative Law. Seven representatives of Polish science of law attended the Congress: Prof. S. Rozmaryn (from Warsaw) — President of the Committee of Legal Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences; Prof. W. Czachórski (from Warsaw) — Vice-President of the Committee; Prof. S. Andrejew (from Warsaw); Prof. J. Jodłowski (from Warsaw); Asst. Prof. J. Górecki (from Cracow); Asst. Prof. A. Łopatka (from Poznań); Asst. Prof. W. Szyszkowski (from Toruń).

Prof. Rozmaryn was a Vice-President of the Congress and a chairman in sessions of two sub-sections of public law. Prof. Czachórski was a vice-chairman in sub-section of civil law. Prof. Andrejew was a general speaker on the subject *Family Protection in Penal Law*. Prof. Jodłowski was a general speaker on the subject *Non-contentious Civil Procedure*.

In preparations for the Congress there contributed many representatives of different fields of legal science from all Polish scientific centres. In effect, 28 articles by Polish authors written in French and English were submited to the Congress (complete list of authors and titles was published in "Droit Polonais Contemporain" No. 7/8). The Committee of Legal Sciences has taken care of a publication of all the papers which appeared in form of a book entitled *Rapports polonais présentés au VIIe Congrès International de Droit Comparé*, Warszawa 1966, Ossolineum, 493 pages.

The Committee of Legal Sciences is a national committee of the International Association of Legal Sciences. The conference of the Association on problems of teaching lawyers from Africa was held in September 1966 in Pont-a-Mousson near Nancy where also took place the annual meeting of the International Committee of Comparative Law attended by Prof. Rozmaryn, a member of the Committee from Poland.

In the Vllth International Congress of Law of Labour and Social Security (Stockholm, August 15th - 17th, 1966) participated 3 person Polish delegation, namely: Prof. W. Szubert (from Łódź), Dr. K. Kąkol (from Warsaw), and Mr. H. Borkowksi — Office Director at the Council of Trade Unions.

At the Congress there were read four papers from Poland: Science of Law of Labour — by Prof. W. Szubert (from Łódź); Differentiation of Law

of Labour: Employees on Contract — by Prof. M. Święcicki (from Warsaw); Differentiation of Law of Labour: Employees on Appointment — by Prof. W. Jaśkiewicz (from Poznań); Legal Problems of Grants Due to Social Security — by Asst. Prof. J. Piotrowski, and L. Brzozowski (from Warsaw).

Prof. J. Bardach (from Warsaw) attended the XVIIthe Congress of the Jean Bodin Society, conference of the Executive Committee of this organization, and the conference of International Association of History of Law and Institutions, Rennes, October 12th - 15th, 1966.

In the IInd World Congress of Insurance Law, held in Hamburg, July 27th - August 2nd, 1966, there participated from Poland: Prof. W. Warkałło (from Warsaw), Dr. W. Niemotko, and Mr. E. Kreid — Director of the State Insurance Corporation. Prof. Warkałło was a general speaker on the subject Insurance of Profit, Insurance of New Values, Insurance in Evaluated Amount, and Principles of Compensation. In addition to that four other papers were read at the Congress: Intervention of the State in Case of Payment Difficulties of Property Insurance Corporation — by E. Kreid; Possibilities of Lessening Financial Obligations of Insurance Agent in Civil Responsibility — by E. Montalbetti, A. Geisler; Group Insurance — by M. Domagała, W. Niemotko; Clause from Storage to Storage in a Sea Insurance of Goods — by S. Jenger.

From the 7th to 13th of November 1966 the Committee of Legal Sciences had the pleasure to receive Prof. Äke Malmström, Dean of Law Faculty at the Upsala University and Vice-President of the International Academy of Comparative Law. Prof. Malmström got in contact with many Polish lawyers. He delivered lectures in Warsaw and Cracow on the subject *Some Problems of Swedish Marriage Law*.

To the Committee of Legal Sciences there are affiliated the following Polish sections of four international scientific organizations:

- 1) Polish section of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (chairman Prof. J. Starościak);
- 2) Polish section of the International Association of Law of Labour and Social Security (chairman Prof. W. Szubert);
- 3) Polish section of the International Association of Insurance Law (chairman Prof. W. Warkałło);
- 4) Polish section of the International Association of History of Law and Institutions (chairman Prof. J. Bardach).

Polish section of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences has concentrated its activity on problems of comparative law. Foreign Lawyers have been invited to deliver lectures. On meetings of the section in the reported period there have been delivered lectures by Prof. Hochbaum and Prof. Bönninger from German Democratic Republic, Prof. Popovic from Yougoslavia, Prof. Machnienko from U.S.S.R., and Prof. Szarçiel from Hungary. Conference on the country level only organized by the regional unit of the section was held in Wrocław.

Polish section of the International Association of Law of Labour and Social Security has made all the necessary arrangements due to participation of Polish representatives in the VIth International Congress of Law of Labour and Social Security in Stockholm. The section has also organized two sei-

entific meetings on which following papers have been presented: *Continuance of Employment* — by Prof. G. H. Camerlynck from France, and *Pressent Problems of Development of the Hungarian Law of Labour* — by Prof. A. Waltner from Hungary.

Polish section of the International Association of Insurance Law has organized participation of Polish delegation in the Und World Congress of Insurance Law in Hamburg, and in the symposium on insurance in socialist countries held in Svistov (Bulgaria). The section has also prepared papers that have been presented. Moreover, in co-operation with the State Insurance Corporation there has been arranged a lecture of Prof. H. Bader from German Democratic Republic on perspectives of developing personal insurance in socialist countries.

Polish section of the International Association of History of Law and Institutions has arranged participation of Polish historians of law in the XVIIth Congress of the Jean Bodin Society and has organized a lecture delivered by Prof. Gilissen from Belgium, the general secretary of the mentioned organization — on the structure of Belgian provinces in middle ages.

The Committee of Legal Sciences has continued the works due to publishing a collective work L'introduction à l'étude du droit polonais meant for foreign readers dealing with comparative law. After having made all the necessary verifications due to alterations in codification the book 'is now in print. There are also in print Problems-oj Contemporary Constitutional Law, proceedings from the VIIth Polish Scientific Session on Constitutional Law (May 1965).

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