

THE CONFERENCE OF MEMBERS OF THE CHAIRS OF LAW OF LABOUR

The conference organized by the Ministry of Higher Education and the Chair of Law of Labour at the A. Mickiewicz University in Poznań was attended by members of the chairs of the law of labour (from Cracow, Lublin, Poznań, Toruń, Warsaw, Wrocław), and the Institute of Legal Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Institute of Labour of the Committee of Labour and Wages, and the Central Institute of Protection of Labour attached to the Central Council of Trade Unions. Among the participants of the conference present was also Vice-President of the Committee of Labour and Wages. The conference took place in May 1966.

The programme of the Conference¹ included the following topics: 1) *Five-Year Plan of Research in the Field of Law of Labour* (1966 - 1970), introductory paper by prof. dr. Wiktor Jaśkiewicz; 2) *Curricular Problems in Teaching Law of Labour in the Department of Law* — by prof. dr. Wiktor Jaśkiewicz; 3) *Methodical Problems in M. A. Degree and Diploma Papers* — by dr. Czesław Jackowiak; 4) *Problems of Putting in Order and Codifying the*

¹ This was the second conference; the first one was held in Zamość, June 4th-9th, 1963.

Law of Labour in View of the Present Codification Work — theses elaborated by dr. Zbigniew Szubert, and prof. dr. Maciej Świącicki.²

As to the Five-Year Plan of Research the discussion was on certain general problems. It was pointed out that the advantage of the Plan was its reflection of the development of research and continuity in planning scientific works. The stress was on tendencies to consider the obtained results by way of synthesis, desist from research on certain problems that in principle have already been elaborated, and start working on problems of interest though neglected so far by the science of law of labour, for instance problems of social security. It was claimed as to include in future plans the problems suggested by state and social organizations as well as the problems of coordination of research carried by the chairs, university institutes, industry, and the Polish Academy of Sciences.

In the discussion on curricular problems it was pointed out that in consequence of the reform of the university legal studies by shortening them to four years, there is a necessity of the appropriate adjustment of the curriculum of law of labour to shorter course. Moreover, the need will be to make better use of the increased number of hours designated for practice. It was agreed that the law of labour course is to be focussed on legal institutions concerning persons employed in trade and industry. Monographic lectures are also to be included in the curriculum. It was pointed out that in lectures on law of labour the results of research in sociology and history of law should be presented in order to give a picture of the obligatory law in its social and economic implications as well as in aspects of the prospective development.

In discussion on problems of putting in order and codifying the law of labour the stress was laid on the need to make research in order to quicken the works on the subject.

Other problems discussed concerned : subjective and objective scope of the future code of labour, principles of the labour law, its function, relation to the civil law and the administrative law, problem of differentiation of the labour law and unification tending to remove unjustified differences in legal situation of white-collar employees and workers.

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² The theses were published in "Studia i Materiały Instytutu Pracy, 1966, No. 21.