

Professor Masao Hamabayashi, Hitotsubashi University was elected as the next president with the other directors at the general meeting of the conference. His two year presidency will begin from April 1983 to succeed Professor Kazuo Mazane.

The common theme of the annual meeting 1983 will be tentatively 'Karl Marx' in commemoration of the 100th year after his death.

As to the regional activities of the Society since the meetings previously reported are only one meeting of the Kansai branch which was held on 25 September at Okayama University. Three papers were read there: (1) T. Hatori and S. Hollander on the Ricardo's corn model (Hiroji Nakamura); (2) The logic of 'circulation process of capital' in the theory of capital accumulation (Koichi Shimizu); (3) On the formation of Bohm-Bawerk's theory of capital (Kiichiro Yagi).

Recent Activities of the Society for the History of Economic Thought, Japan.

The recent activities of Japan HET Society since the meeting previously reported were those by the four regional branches.

The Kanto branch

On 4 June 1983 at Rikkyo University where two papers were read: (1) 'The discovery of social surplus and Marx' (Shigeo Abiko); (2) 'A report on the Marx centenary conference after his death in Linz - Centering on Jurgen Rojahn's paper, "Problems of Economic and Philosophical Manuscripts of 1844" - ' (Ryuji Yamanaka).

The Kansai branch

On 22 January 1983 at Osaka Prefectural University where two papers were read: (1) 'A study of Malthus' theories' (Toshinobu Yanagida); (2) 'The significance of theory of crisis in modern Capitalistic Society' (Aiko Moyoshi).

On 28 May 1983 at Shiga University where three papers were read: (1) 'The significance of the digression concerning the variations in the value of silver in the Wealth of Nations' (Kumihiro Watanabe); (2) 'Schumpeter on the future of Capitalism' (Tadao Ohno); (3) 'Marx and Engels on peasantry' (Ataru Hoshino).

The Seinai branch

On 29 and 30 January 1983 at Kumakoto University of Commerce where four papers were read: (1) 'J.E. Meade on the Theory of economic growth' (Ken Shimagami); (2) 'On the definition of the value of labor power' (Takashi Morioka); (3) 'Ricardo's logic of criticism against the cost-of-production theory' (Hiroji Nakamura); (4) 'Sismondi's theory of crisis and Marx' (Mitsutaka Nakamiya).

On 12 March 1983 at Kyushu University where the two public lectures were delivered to mark the centenary of Marx's death under the joint sponsorship with the Western Japan branch of the Society for Economic Theory: (1) 'My Marx study-centering on the views of alienation' (Mitsuki Soeda); (2) 'My Marx study-centering on the reproduction theory' (Kohjiro Takagi).

The Tohoku branch

On 18 June 1983 at Tohoku University where two papers were read: (1) 'On the history of astronomy and moral philosophy in Adam Smith' (Kazuo Endo);

(2) 'On the agricultural reform by the "Organisation-Production" School in Soviet Russia in 1920's' (Sadam Kojima).

The annual meeting for 1983 will be held at Hiroshima University on 12-13 November. The common theme of the meeting will be 'Economics of Marx - understanding of its total image viewed from its formation process' to mark the centenary of Marx's death.