



At the Institute of Foreign Trade are: Seated (left to right): Dr. Hanns H. Winkhaus and Professor Heinrich Kronstein, Director. Standing, (left to right) are Dr. Horst Kaufmann, Dr. Kurt H. Biedenkopf, Dr. Helmut Steinberger and Dr. Horst Bruecher.

Institute for International and Foreign Trade

Law, although primarily a national affair, has nevertheless international implications of considerable importance. With international trade at an evergrowing rate of expansion and distances shrunk by modern means of communication, the modern man of law pays increasing attention to the laws of other nations and to the rules governing international relations and commerce.

Driven both by the inherited drive for knowledge and the very

practical needs of business, scholars of law have long made comparative studies of foreign laws and legal orders, thereby inspiring and influencing changes and adaptations both within their own and the foreign legal systems and helping to understand the foreign nation's law. To serve this very purpose is the endeavor of the Institute for International and Foreign Trade Law of the Law Center. Under the guidance of its director, Professor Heinrich Kronstein, it is engaged in comparative law studies, mainly in the fields of Trade Regulation and Antitrust. Thanks to the Schulte zur Hausen Fellowship, the Institute is able to play host to a number of German research fellows from Frankfurt University each year.

For the year 1958-59, Frankfurt University sent faculty assistants Dr. Kurt H. Biedenkopf and Dr. Horst Kaufmann and a young member of the German Bar, Dr. Horst Bruecher. Dr. Biedenkopf studied law at Munich and Frankfurt Universities in Germany and, in the United States, spent two semesters at Davidson College as an exchange student. He obtained his Doctorate in Law just recently and his main field is Antitrust, Corporation and Public Law. He lives in Alexandria with his wife and son.

Dr. Bruecher also studied at Frankfurt University where he graduated in 1953. He studied in Paris in 1954 and 1955 and passed the Comparative Law Examination there in June, 1956. From Frankfurt University, he received his Doctorate in 1956 and passed the Bar in 1958. Dr. Bruecher and Dr. Biedenkopf are doing research jointly with Professor Kronstein in the field of Comparative Law and International Trade Regulation.

Dr. Kaufmann studied at the Free University in Berlin from 1948 to 1951 and then at Frankfurt University in 1951 and 1952. He passed the *Referendar-Examen* in July, 1952. Working as an Assistant to Professor

since 1953, he received his doctorate in 1955. He passed the *Assessor-Examen* in 1956. Dr. Kaufmann is engaged in a comparative study of the history of assumpsit and corresponding contract law in continental Europe as well as in the classical Roman Law.

During this term, the Institute has two guests: Dr. Hanns H. Winkhaus a member of the German Bar and a resident of Duesseldorf and Dr. Helmut Steinberger from the Max Planck Institut Fuer Auslaendisches Oeffentliches Recht und Voelkerrecht in Heidelberg. A native of Munich, Dr. Steinberger attended Munich and Heidelberg Universities. He passed the *Referendar-Examen* in 1956 and has specialized in international law.