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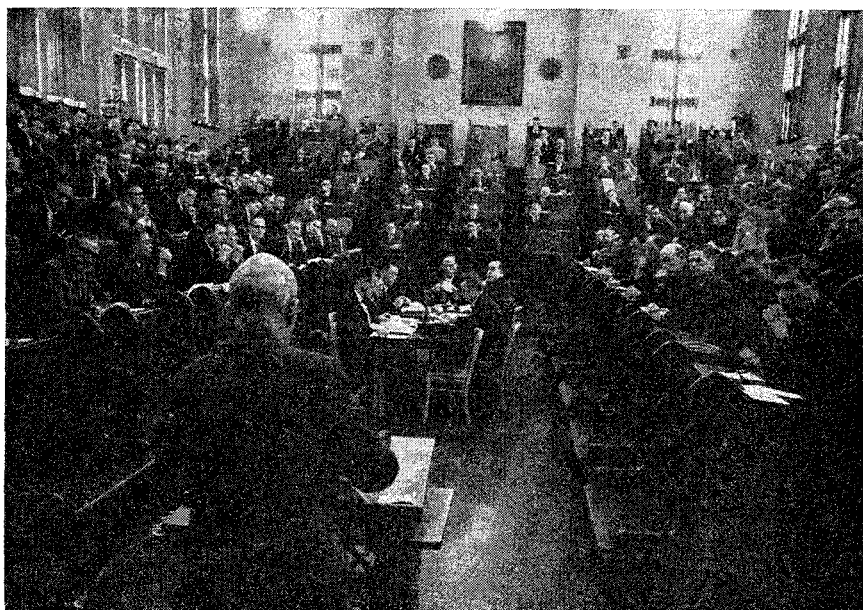
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**POLICE DETENTION AND ARREST PRIVILEGES:
AN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM**

Earlier this year, Northwestern University School of Law conducted an International Conference on Criminal Law Administration. With the aid of a grant from the Ford Foundation, lawyers and professors from the United States and seven foreign countries were brought to the Law School for this meeting, which was one of a series of conferences and lectures sponsored by the school in observance of its one-hundredth anniversary.

One of the Conference sessions was devoted to the topic, "Police Practices and Policies Regarding 'On the Street' Detention, Questioning, and 'Frisking' of Suspected Persons; and Police Arrest Privileges in General." The papers of the Conference participants dealing with the problems in this area are reproduced in the following pages. A summary of the American law relating to the topic, prepared by Professor Frank J. Remington of the Law School of the University of Wisconsin, appears at the outset. The opening paragraph of this introductory comment sets forth the specific questions to which the participants were asked to address themselves. Professor Remington's report is followed by policy-oriented papers delivered by the two American participants in the Conference who discussed police arrest privileges, Superintendent of Police O. W. Wilson of Chicago and Professor Caleb Foote of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. The symposium concludes with reports by the seven foreign participants concerning the law of arrest in their countries.

Subsequent numbers of the Journal will contain the papers of American and foreign participants in the Conference dealing with the problems of "Police Interrogation Privileges and Limitations" and "The Exclusionary Rule Regarding Illegally Seized Evidence." Articles dealing with "The Concept of the Privilege Against Self-Incrimination" appeared in Volume 51, Number 2 (July-August, 1960), of the Journal at pages 129-188.—EDITOR.



The opening session of the International Conference on Criminal Law Administration, which was held in Lincoln Hall, Northwestern University School of Law, is shown above. At the podium in the foreground is Mr. Justice Haim H. Cohn of the Supreme Court of Israel. Seated, from left to right, at the table in the well of the Hall are Caleb Foote (Univ. of Pennsylvania); Anders Bratholm (Norway); Haruo Abe (Japan); Walter R. Clemens (Germany); Robert Vouin (France); and G. Arthur Martin (Canada).