

is reconstructed and stabilized.

(b) Scope of control:

The state control covers all coal-mines in principle. The Commerce-Industry-Minister will designate coal mines that will come under control, after consulting with the National Coal Mine Control Committee.

(c) Formula of control:

The State control covers the entire function of a coal-mining company, including its main office and coal mines.

The coal-mine supervisor will be given necessary power by law over the business program, and the Government may directly give him necessary instructions within this limit.

The main office will make a draft business plan for its coal-mines designated by the Government, and present the plan to Director of the Coal Bureau of Commerce-Industry Ministry.

In forming the draft business program, the main office may readjust the plan submitted by the coal-mine supervisor, after consulting with the capital-labor production council.

If labor cannot accept the draft plan of the main office, the former may ask the Director of Coal Bureau for arbitration.

The Government may give the main office an order or an instruction concerning the accounts, business or the mining rights of the company.

(d) Appointment of the coal-mine supervisor:

The coal-mine supervisor will be selected jointly by the

the capital-labor production council and the enterpriser. His nomination becomes effective when approved by the Commerce-Industry Minister.

If the production council or the enterprises considers the coal-mine supervisor unfit for his duty, either may ask the Commerce -Industry Minister to discharge him.

In either case, the Commerce-Industry Minister should consult beforehand with the National Coal-mine Control Committee.

(e) The production council in coal mines:

The production council in coal mines will be a decisive organ in which capital and labor are equally represented. To assist in the enforcement of the coal-mine state control, two committees will be established. The Labor Assurance Committee which will be set up within the National Coal-mine Control Committee proposes to assure the workers of their welfare, and the Inspection Committee seeks to eliminate bureaucratic evil effects in the enforcement of the State Control.

4. Hearings on the Extraordinary Agricultural Production Adjustment Bill . A

A hearings on the extraordinary agricultural production adjustment bill was held on August 13, at our Party's room. Mr. Yamazoe, the Director of Agricultural Administration Bureau of Agriculture-Forestry Ministry presented.

5. On the Livelihood (Consumer's) Co-operative Society Bill.

On August 11, the Political Affairs Research Committee of the Social Democratic Party proposed to us for presenting the livelihood (consumer's) co-operative bill to the Diet and asked for holding of a three-party confab on this problem at near future time.

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WEEKLY REPORT

People's Co-operative Party

1. On the State Control of Coal-Mines

On July 31 there was held a Diet-men's Meeting of our Party to discuss the proposed plan made out by the Special Committee for Increasing Output of Coal and the Political Affairs Investigation Committee concurrently. On that occasion there were vigorous free talking among Diet-men but it was decided to adopt it as a official program of our Party.

Though our plan agrees to the state-control in principles, it presents a third form of control, that is, a co-operation between the Governmental administration, the entrepreneur and the labor for the control of mines as compared with the Democrat's plan at the capitalist's stand and the Social Democrat's plan at the labor's. So this plan is, so to speak, a going-middle-way one as against two other parties plans.

The chief points of our Party's plan are summed up as follows:

(a) Control of Coal-mines should be conducted through co-operation between the governmental administration, the entrepreneur and the labor.

(b) The Social Democratic Party's plan aims to separate coal companies from their mines, but our plan aims to control the mining enterprise as a whole preserving inter-relations

between them.

(c) Our plan separates clearly the management from the capital. And the management assume the responsibility for ✓ production to the state excluding the influences from the capital.

(d) The control will be extended to all coal-mines which have yearly production of 100,000 tons and over.

(e) To organize a nation-wide coal-mine controlling committee with a view to conducting an effective control of coal-mines.

(f) To organize a special committee for security of labor with an intention of planning actively for laborers' welfare.

Up to this day the three party conference on coal-mine control have been held for several times in vain for attaining to a definit plan.

## 2. On the Co-operative Society Bill

The proposed bill of co-operative society by our party is a standard law for every kind of co-operative societies. But a Government proposed bill for agricultural society as well as a consumers' co-operative society bill of the Social Democratic Party are pending to be presented to the Diet. On the other hand the co-operative law for small and medium-sized merchants and industrialists has already been published. So there was held a three-party talks about the relations between our co-operative society bill and the Social Democrat's consumers' co-operative Society bill on July 30 and August 1

respectively, but <sup>t</sup>it attained to no conclusive decision.

On August 5 Mr. Kinoshita and Mrs. Maruoka, the representatives of the Japan Consumers' Co-operative Union, called on our party office asking for our assistance to present to the Diet the consumer's co-operative society bill. On that occasion, there was discussed about the bill concerning several points; transactions with non-members; relations between co-ops and Governmental corporations; banking transaction problems, etc.

3. On a Resolution Expressing Gratitude for Release of the Licensed Agencies for Relief of in Asia.

A resolution expressing gratitude for release of L A R A supplies was presented jointly by all parties at the plenary session on July 30. And on that occasion Mr. Oshima of our party made an address in favor of it.

4. Inaugural Meeting of our Chapter and Mr. Miki's speech.

There was held an inaugural meeting of the Saitama Chapter of our Party at the town-hall of Chichibu-machi, Saitama Prefecture, on August 2. Mr. Miki, the Communications Minister, and Mr. Kikkawa and Mr. Kono, the Diet-men of our Party were present at the meeting. They made addresses on the same day and on the following 3rd of August at Kagemori-mura Village hall before a large number of audiences.

5. Peoples' Co-operative News No. 3 Issued.

The Peoples' Co-operative News No. 3, the organ of our party, was published on August 5. Its circulation amounted to 7,000 copies. Chief subjects reported on this news are

as follows: Minister Miki's talks on current affairs; coal-  
mines control plan of our party; a digest of programme for  
propagation of the young<sup>m</sup>en's as well as women's depts of our  
Party, etc.

6. Diets Laws committee was appointed, Mr. T. Sakai was  
appointed as a member of the Committee for the Diets Laws  
representing our party.

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Peoples' Cooperative Party

1. Three-Party Talks on the Co-operative Societies Law.

Our party held a conference on the proposed bill of co-operative societies law on 26th July. But another bill of co-operatives law for consumers are also being contemplated by the Social Democratic Party. So <sup>it</sup> there was decided to hold a special talks between representatives of Peoples' Cooperative, Social Democratic and Democratic Parties as to their adoption on the 1st August.

2. On the State Control of Coal Mines <sup>a</sup> <sup>n</sup> as out last week information reported our party approved of the coal mine control proposal in principles, but we insist on exclusion of evil influence of bureaucratic control and an elastic efficiency to be added to the proposed state control through bringing about an efficient relations between the coal mine companies and their mines for business administration and operation, etc.

3. Appointment of members of special committee of the House of Representatives. At the plenary session of the House of Representatives, 29 Aug., <sup>it</sup> there was decided to form special committees for the Political Party Law and Election Law as well as for Over-Seas Compatriots Repatriation. So we appointed as representative<sup>s</sup> of our party for the committees as follows:

3. Kinoshita, H. Ohhara, K. Matsubara for the former committee-

to, H. Kikkawa for the latter committeemen

request for Treasury-subsidies for agricultural exports

in the agricultural associations proposed. We had presented a proposal asking for increased Treasury-subsidies for agricultural experts in the agricultural associations. But afterwards the Social Democratic and Democratic Parties also disclosed their opinions to ask for the same resolution. So this proposal has been converted to a joint proposal of three parties to the Diet, on 28th July.

5. On the Construction Ministry Problem Our Party approved the proposal of establishment of the so-called Construction Ministry with the intention of realizing an efficient setup for administration as well as cancellation of Governmental sectionalism. But for the time being we request for readjustments of administrative functions in a single board instead of premature establishment of an independent Ministry. Our <sup>own</sup> this suggestion are also supported by the Social Democratic as well as Democratic Parties.

6. Organization of the Youth and Womens' Depts. of the party.

There was held a round-table conference between the Rural Youngmen's League and our Party at the party-room on 23rd July. On that occasion there was expressed an opinion that the Youngmen's League cannot conduct any political activities as an organization, but they expressed fraternal attitude towards us. Our party also now planning the Central Areas as well as the East Area Congresses of our Party with an intention of establishing district chapters of the Youth and Womens Dept on 11-12 Aug. and 19-20 Aug.



7. On the New Japan Construction Movement. We have been advocated that the Youngmen's Co-operation and collaboration are necessary for furtherance of the so-called New Japan Construction Movement. In compliance with our opinion the Cabinet members interviewed and conferred with the representative leaders of national youngmen's organizations on 26th<sup>2</sup> July.

8. Our Dietman spoke about the Seiko Case Mr. I. Ishida M.P. of our Party interpellated about the Notorious rumour on hoarded goods whether any member of the Cabinet has relations with this problem asking for authorized explanation by the Government. But it was cleared that there is not a single member of Cabinet is complicated in the "Seiko Case".

9. Nomination of the Sectional Committeemen of the State Affairs Investigation Committee On 28th<sup>2</sup> July our Party nominated the Sectional Committeemen of the State affairs Investigation Committee totaling eleven members covering same number of industrial branches.

PEOPLE'S COOPERATIVE PARTY

Weekly Report

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1. Publication of the "People's Cooperative Party News":

Published on 20 July. The chief articles are news about the Second National Convention of our party which was held on 30 June. Number of circulation amounted to 7,000 copies. It appears fortnightly for the time being.

2. Organization of the Youth Section and Women's Section of the Party:

We decided the fundamental policy for the organization of the Youth Section as well as the Women's Section of the Party at a small conference held at our Party Room on 13 July.

3. The Laws on Cooperative Societies:

A. The Cooperative Law:

Our Party formulated the original act on cooperative societies and it is contemplated to promote it in the present Diet.

B. Life (consumers') Cooperative Act: (Will be submitted jointly by People's Cooperative and Social Democratic Party).

We are now studying about the model act on the life (consumers) cooperative societies, in cooperation with the Social Democratic Party.

4. Budget on the 6,3,3 Educational System:

Representatives of our Party had conferred with Premier Katayama on 12 July and demanded an increase in the budget for the completion of this system. Our demand was accepted and the Cabinet conference has decided to open the budget for ¥3,120,000,000.

5. State Control of Coal Mines:

Our Party decided the basic policy toward the state control of coal mines, organizing a special committee for increase of production of coal:

Our Party endeavored to attain a production goal of 30,000,000 tons of coal, through reconciliation of differences of ideology between the Parties by political procedures. (People's Cooperative plan for state control of coal mines is basically the same as that of Social Democratic Party.)

6. Extraordinary Food Measures:

Various counter-measures against the present food dearth have been proposed. We expect their effective result through people's recognition of the present critical food situation as well as activities of the Agricultural and Economic Rehabilitation Congresses.

7. The Political Party Act:

We have published our formal declaration about the act on 21 July and expect its passage at the present Diet.