

## Seeks to End Coal Dispute

New York, Dec. 7 (AP)—Robert R. Young, head of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, today entered the soft coal dispute in the role of an intermediary.

Young, a C&O spokesman said, met at his offices with two leading operators' representatives and then left for a reported meeting elsewhere with United Mine Workers officials.

The railroad spokesman said he did not know where the expected conference would take place.

Present at Young's office were George Love, president of Pittsburgh Consolidated Coal company of Pittsburgh, and Joseph P. Routh, chairman of the board of the Pittston company of New York, a holding company.

Whether John L. Lewis, the UMW chieftain, would join the conferees later was a question mark, the spokesman said. He added:

"We're hopeful something may come out of it, but frankly we don't know."

He described Young's interest in getting the disputants to sit down and talk over their problems as stemming from the railroad's position as the nation's "largest coal originating line."

## Girls League Plans Play for Monmouth

Monmouth—The play "The Clue of the Red Ribbon" by Robert Forbes will be presented December 9 in the high school gym by the Girls League of the Monmouth high school. It is a three-act comedy for teen-age girls and takes place in a summer cottage on the shore of a small lake.

The cast includes: Janet, Barbara Benscoter; Carol, Paula Haskins; Sissy, Elizabeth Gunn; Mary Beth, Joan Rogers; Angy, Kay Wysong; Jerry, Joanne Davis; Mandy, Phyllis Partridge; Jane, Helen Smith; Miss Summers, Margaret Aynes.

## Maurer Family Hosts

Marquam—Mr. and Mrs. Ray Maurer and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Maurer entertained the family at the Ray Maurer home for Thanksgiving dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Laurance Gerllis and children (Amelia Maurer), and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maurer, Jr., of Silverton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shepherd and children (Perpetua Maurer), of West Stayton, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maurer, Sr. and Mildred of Marquam, and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Maurer and children



Student Project—Students in the building trades class of Raytown, Mo., high school, work on the six-room house with garage they are building as part of their class work.

## Decorations for Holiday Studied

Christmas decorations will be the subject of three district extension meetings to be conducted by Eleanor Trindle, home economics extension agent for Marion county this week.

The first of these meetings will be held in the Pythian hall in Hubbard on December 7, the second meeting at the Portland Gas and Coke company, Salem, December 8, and the third at the Woman's clubhouse, Stayton, December 9. All three meetings will start at 1:30 and anyone interested is invited to attend.

Demonstrations will include directions for making Christmas wreaths, door swags, table decorations and holiday corsages with emphasis placed on making the decorations from materials most homemakers have available at home.

Bettyann Boeticher, home extension agent-at-large, from Oregon State college, will assist with these demonstrations.

and Dorothy Dibali of Mt. Angel and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Maurer and son.

## Mrs. Chambers Hiss Witness

New York, Dec. 7 (AP)—While Alger Hiss and his wife watched impassively, the wife of the government's chief witness in Hiss' second perjury trial took the stand today and backed up her husband's story.

Short, slight Mrs. Whittaker Chambers was the witness. Wearing a plain green dress and plaid jacket, she appeared slightly pale. Frequently she closed her dark eyes, behind spectacles, as though trying to recall details.

But she testified so fluently that Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard cautioned her "not to give the content of conversations" that occurred 13 or more years ago.

As in Hiss' first trial, which ended in a jury disagreement, Mrs. Chambers testified that she and her husband were close friends over a long period with Hiss and his wife, Priscilla,

when Hiss was a high state department official.

Hiss has testified that the relationship was a comparatively brief and casual one.

Mrs. Chambers said that when she was married in 1931 she knew her husband was a communist party member.

"I was in sympathy with the communist party but I never have been a member of the party," she said, adding that she had worked for the New Masses, a left-wing magazine, and for the Soviet trading organization Amtorg.

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## Blanche Wagner Heads Lyons Rebekah Lodge

Lyons—Faith Rebekah lodge held their meeting with a small attendance. Election of officers was the main business with the following officers elected: Blanche Wagner noble grand; Beulah Lewis, vice grand; Gar-

nett Bassett, secretary; Celene Taylor, treasurer and Helen Anderson, financial secretary. The social hour and refreshments were omitted due to other activities. A short meeting of the Three Links club was held following the lodge session. Plans were completed for the party dance to be held at the hall with refreshments by the club.

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Cinnamon candy

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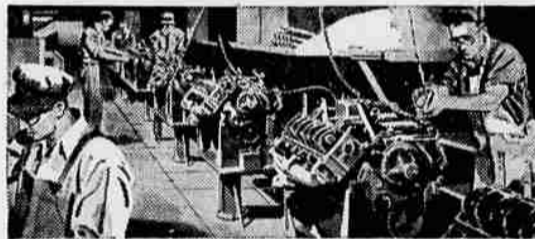
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