

**LEADER DIES**  
Palm Beach, Fla.—UPI—Mesmore Kendall, 86, a leader in American patriotic organizations and an authority on George Washington, died Friday of pneumonia. Kendall was a resident of New York.

**PLANES COLLIDE**  
Rome—UPI—Two Italian reconnaissance planes collided in the air Friday and crashed into a wheat field. All four men aboard the planes were killed.

**Hatfield Vetoes Tavern Singing, Other Measures**  
Salem—UPI—Gov. Mark Hatfield Friday vetoed three bills, including one to permit singing in taverns. He said passage of legislation to allow singing in taverns "would be discriminating, potentially disturbing, creating and offensive to some patrons."  
Hatfield also vetoed a bill which would have extended the racing season in Oregon from six to 11 months. He said "legislation which may contribute to the multiplication of racing facilities out of proportion to the state's present population is not in the best interests of the people."  
The third bill he vetoed would have made the state liable for damages caused by changes in road grades by the state highway commission. Claimants under the bill would have been permitted to sue the state.  
He said this would open the door to a rash of law suits against Oregon and would require the highway commission to pay from state highway funds for the effect of grade changes along county roads being built with federal aid money.

**Across-the-Board State Employee Pay Raise Tabled**  
Salem—UPI—The Joint Ways and Means committee yesterday tabled House Bill 251 which provided an across-the-board pay increase of \$25 a month for both classified and unclassified state employees. It was estimated the cost of such an increase would be between two and three million dollars. The increase was sought by the Oregon State Employees association.  
No Reference  
No reference was made at the morning meeting to the ultimatum of the Senate Tax committee that the general fund budget be cut to \$310 million from the present approximate \$316 million figure. The Senate committee's proposed tax program would provide money to cover only the smaller budget.  
The committee tabled a bill appropriating \$30,000 for interservice training for law enforcement officers. Rep. Leon Davis (R-Hillsboro) said many of the small cities could not afford to send their officers to Portland where such a school is established.  
Motion to Table  
But Rep. Clarence Barton (D-Coquille) said passage of the bill would lead to request for schools for firemen, water works employees and others. He made the motion to table which was carried by a divided voice vote.

**Red Iraq Threat Seen by Diplomats**  
Cairo—UPI—Middle East diplomats said yesterday the Communists would succeed in taking over all of Iraq if Premier Abdel Karim Kassem gives in to their two latest demands.  
Communist newspapers in Baghdad have been blaring demands that the Reds be taken officially into the government. Kassem is expected to enlarge his cabinet in the near future.  
The second Communist demand was for arms for their "peoples resistance" forces which already constitute a veritable Communist militia in Iraq.

**Senate Amends Installment Bill**  
Salem—UPI—The Oregon Senate yesterday passed an amended version of a House bill which would eliminate installment payment of income tax.  
It amended the bill to provide that anyone wanting to pay by installment could do so but only by paying 6 per cent on the unpaid balance. The amendment would reduce projected income from the measure from \$8 million to \$6 million over two years. The bill would bring in money only for the next two years.  
The House must concur in amendments before the bill goes to the governor. If it doesn't, it would go to the conference committee.  
The upper chamber also passed a House bill to increase taxes of utilities by \$1 million more a year, by changing the formula by which they pay from the federal system to one which is the same as that of other corporations.

**Physicist—Dr. Arthur H. Compton, Nobel prize winning physicist, testifies as lead-off witness before Senate Constitutional Rights subcommittee in Washington.** Chairman Thomas Hennings (D., Mo.), said the subcommittee has received a large number of complaints that undue secrecy practices were seriously impeding scientific progress in the U.S.



**Arthur Godfrey Comeback Swift**  
New York—UPI—Arthur Godfrey was in and out of bed for short periods yesterday in his swift comeback from a lung cancer operation.  
Doctors said the 55-year-old entertainer spent a comfortable night and continued in excellent condition.  
A statement issued late yesterday afternoon said that Godfrey's post-operative condition "continues satisfactory." He is an excellent patient and is determined to do everything possible to insure his early recovery.  
Surgeons removed the upper half of Godfrey's left lung and a cancerous tumor in a five-hour operation Thursday at Columbia—Presbyterian Medical center.

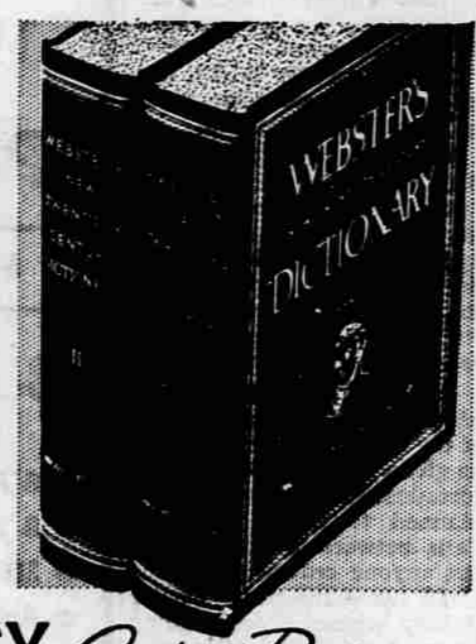
**Compensation Rate Bill Passed**  
Salem—UPI—The Senate Friday passed and sent to the governor a bill increasing workmen's compensation rates.  
Sen. Dan Dimick (D-Roseburg) said the increased rates would result in another \$10 a month for injured workmen.  
Another bill passed by the Senate and sent to the governor changed pregnancy qualifications in unemployment insurance benefits and tightened up disqualification regulations for persons quitting their jobs or being discharged for misconduct.  
The new bill provides that a woman who leaves her work because of pregnancy will receive no unemployment benefits from the time she leaves the job until six weeks after her pregnancy ends. The current law provides for disqualification from six weeks before the expected date of delivery until four weeks thereafter.  
A worker disqualified for misconduct or because he quit voluntarily will have to work four weeks to regain eligibility.

**Clackamas Woman Victim of Stabbing**  
Portland—UPI—A woman was found stabbed to death yesterday afternoon in a variety and second-hand store southeast of here in Clackamas county. The victim was identified as Mrs. Minnie Swetland, about 75. A butcher knife was found in her back.  
Her husband, Neal Swetland, said he had been gardening and discovered his wife's body when he entered their shop. She was lying behind the counter and the store was empty.  
Police said there were no immediate clues to the killer but a state crime laboratory team was at the scene. The Swetland residence is next door to the store.

**Cavalcade Troupe Reported Optimistic**  
Fairbury, Neb.—UPI—The On-to-Oregon troupe yesterday neared its third week of traveling by covered wagon and was still brimming with optimism.  
The group left Independence, Mo., April 19 and Friday night camped at Hollenberg, Kan., just south of the Nebraska-Kansas border. The covered wagons and supporting vehicles such as station wagon and a big semi-trailer truck planned to camp near here last night.  
The wagon train Friday moved 21 miles from Marysville, Kan., to Hollenberg, with temperatures in the 90s. Hundreds of school children were among the visitors Friday night at Hollenberg.

**STEEL CAPACITY RISES**  
New York—UPI—America's steel-making potential is now 61 per cent higher than it was at the end of World War II, according to the American Iron & Steel Institute. The institute said the nation's annual steel making capacity rose seven million tons in 1958 to a record 147,633,670 tons at year-end.

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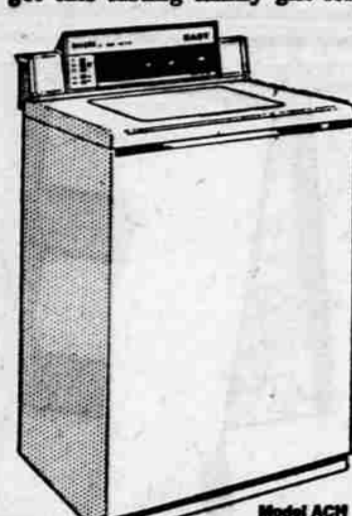


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