

Challenge To Maurine Renewed

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Elmo Smith, the Republican candidate for U. S. senator, today said he was renewing his challenge to his Democratic opponent, Mrs. Maurine Neuberger, for a television debate on national defense and foreign policy issues.

Earlier Mrs. Neuberger said she would be happy to take the negative side of the question against starting a nuclear war in a formal debate.

Smith said in a telegram to her office that he rejected her "effort to evade the issue." He said he has never advocated initiating a nuclear war. He said also that he rejected her proposal for a formal debate. "The question technique . . . is widely recognized as being more informative and more revealing than debate with prepared statements," he said.

Mrs. Neuberger, campaigning at Ashland today, told a Southern Oregon College of Education audience that "America's great quest in the 1960s must be to provide world leadership toward a bright future, not the triggering of nuclear holocaust."

She said she believed the United States should lead the way by helping to banish poverty, disease, hunger and ignorance.

In a speech to party workers at Grants Pass Wednesday night, Smith said, "My opponent is on record as favoring a policy of softness toward the iron curtain countries and has expressed an unwillingness to fully live up to our commitments toward our allies under our mutual security pacts."

Smith said he is the only candidate who has shown interest in the state's wage and salary earners.

"My opponent has stated time and again that Oregon's farm and industrial products should be used on the bargaining list as a part of our national foreign policy."

"I will fight against any program which requires Oregon farm and industrial workers to compete with foreign products in our home markets when those products are manufactured or grown in lands where low cost labor, living in a much lower standard of living than ours, is the basis of competition with Oregon products," Smith said.

Stereos Said Guilty

WASHINGTON (AP)—A National Labor Relations Board trial examiner today found the Stereotypers Union guilty of unfair labor practices in its long dispute with two Portland, Ore., newspapers.

The examiner, Martin S. Bennett, charged the union with refusing to bargain with the newspapers and with trying to enforce a closed shop agreement in violation of the Taft-Hartley Act.

He called on the union to resume negotiations in the year-long strike and to drop its demand that membership in the union be considered a condition of employment.

The NLRB must still act on Bennett's recommendation.

The dispute between the Portland Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union and the publishers of the Portland Oregonian and Oregon Journal resulted in the walk-out of the union last Nov. 10. They are still out but the papers have continued to publish, using non-union employees.

The papers are independent, but bargain with the union as a single unit.

Picket line violence and the bombing of trucks used by the newspapers marked the early stages of the strike.

In his report to the NLRB, Bennett said the laws of the local and international union established "an elaborate closed shop hiring system" which the union sought to include in the contract it was negotiating with the newspapers.

"One can only conclude," Bennett said, "that the union was determined to exert control over the hiring practices of the publishers and to maintain this system under which unlawful preferential treatment was guaranteed to their members."

Weyerhaeuser Names Aide

TACOMA (AP)—Dale L. Gaeth has been named vice president-manager of Rilco Division, it was announced Thursday by George H. Weyerhaeuser, vice president of Weyerhaeuser Company's lumber, plywood and timberland group.

Rilco is a manufacturer of glue-laminated wood products. Plants are located at Albert Lea, Minn., and Cottage Grove, Ore.

Gaeth has served as president of Western Plastics Corp. of Tacoma for the last three years. Earlier he was associated with Astoria Spruce Corp.

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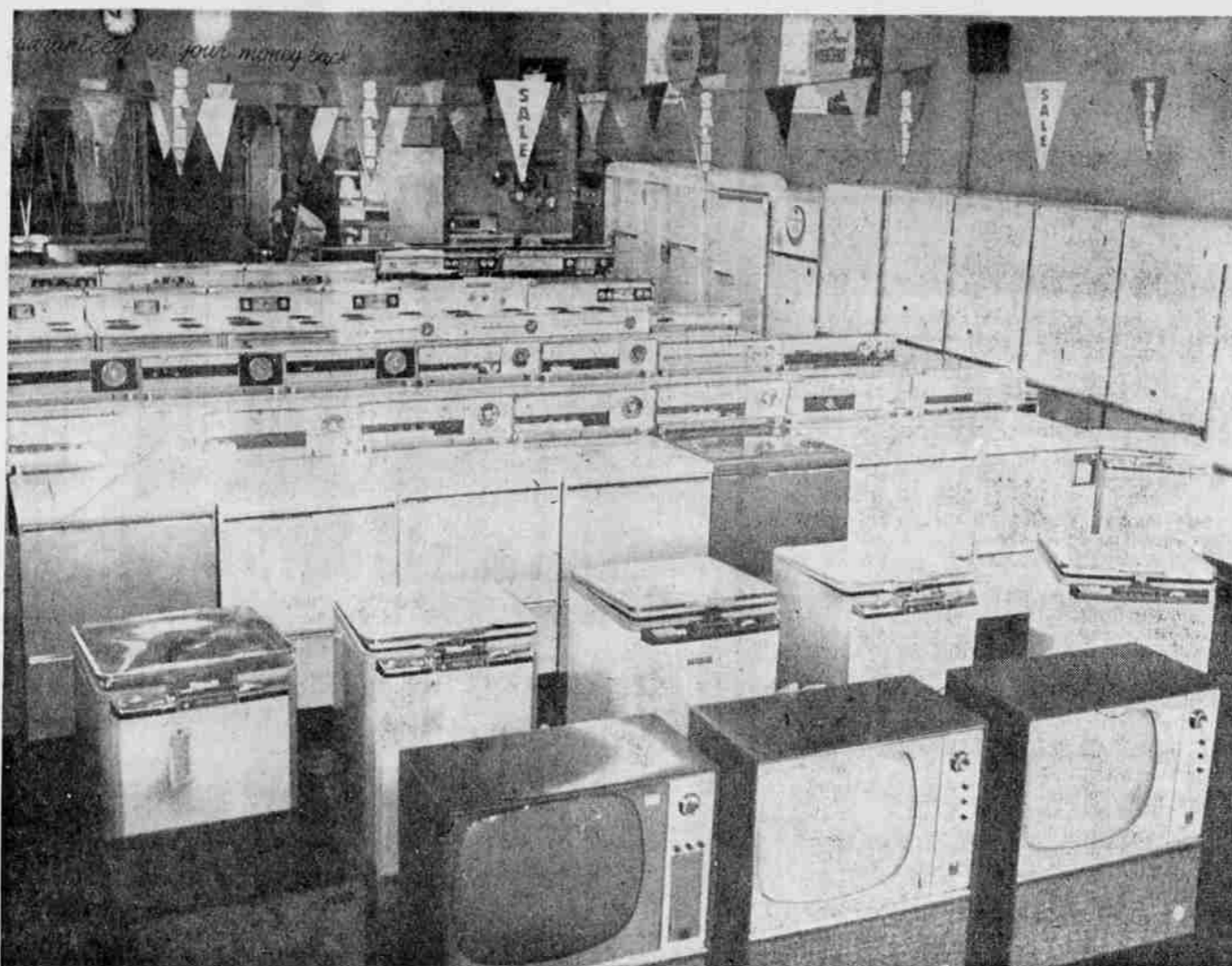
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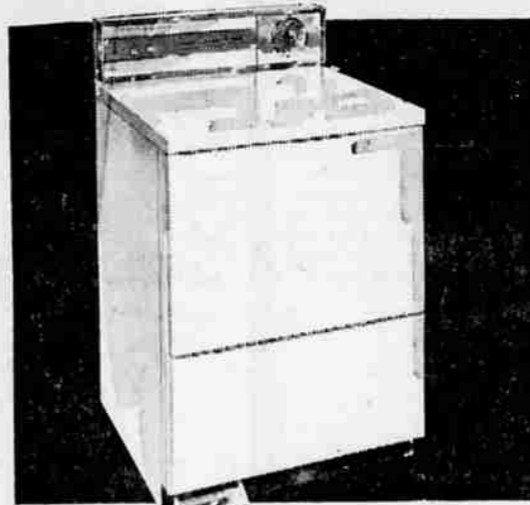
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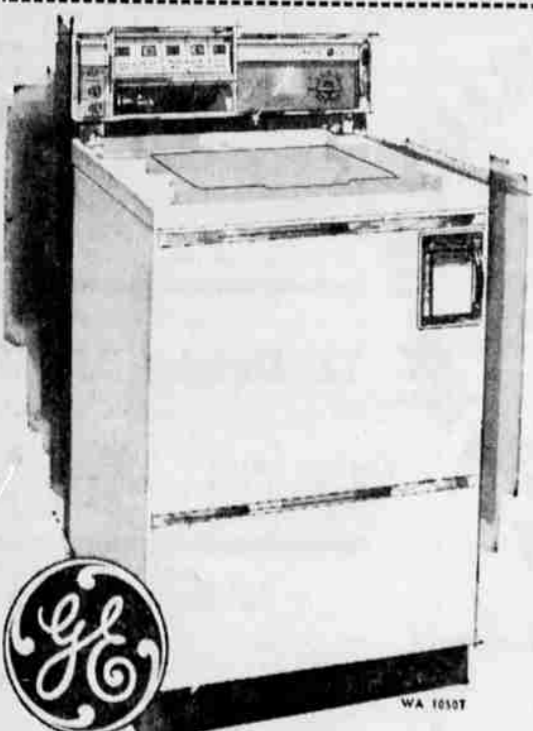
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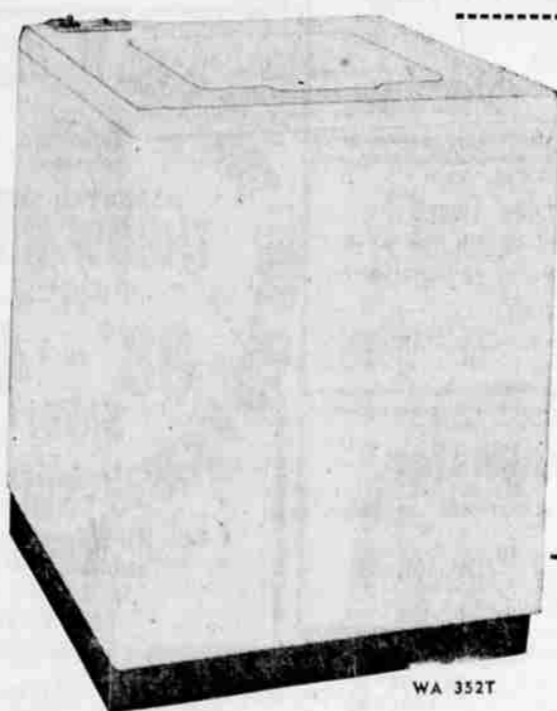
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