

Senator Sam J. Ervin Says

WASHINGTON — Most North Carolinians know that I have definite views about the foreign aid program which has been in existence for two decades. I have opposed the program because I do not think the program is an adequate substitute for wise diplomacy and sound foreign policy. Instead of engaging in creative diplomacy, the State Department has too often accepted the foreign aid program as a panacea for many of our diplomatic ills. Instead of engaging in constructive foreign policy decisions, we have often merely given money away. Foreign aid has been justified by many who are dismayed at its follies by saying that we ought not to be too hard on the program because it subsidizes domestic industries. I certainly am not adverse to Americans having jobs and helping the free enterprise system, but any hard look at this program shows that the long run effect is to create more economic problems than it is solving. Over the years since 1946, this nation has allocated more than \$122 billion to nations overseas in grants and loans to keep their economies going. Undoubtedly out of that amount some of its expenditures have been worthwhile. We saved Western Europe from communism through the Marshall Plan. It was said then that the program was to be a temporary one. With the passage of time, however, the program went into geographical, cultural and economic situations which we ought not to have moved into.

What Congress is now faced with is another administration request to authorize nearly \$3 billion for the fiscal 1969 foreign aid program. The Senate and House just before the convention recess trimmed this authorization to about \$1.9 billion with the Senate version some \$47 million less than the House bill. That measure is now in conference and is expected to be taken up shortly after Congress reconvenes. Although it can be said that the \$1 billion reduction is a move toward fiscal responsibility, it fails to adequately take into account the problem facing the country at this time. The budget deficit for the fiscal year just ended amounted to some \$25 billion. Congress has been forced to enact a \$6 billion reduction in spending requests along with a 10 per cent surtax to help balance the fiscal 1969 budget. Executive orders are already curtailing needed permanent improvement projects here at home. Home owners and would-be home owners find mortgage interest costs steadily rising. The nation is confronted with inflation because we have failed to balance the budget more than six times in the last 28 years. For these reasons, I do not think we can justify a foreign aid expenditure that approximates nearly one-third of the budget cut for fiscal 1969. Consequently, I voted against this authorization bill when it was before the Senate.

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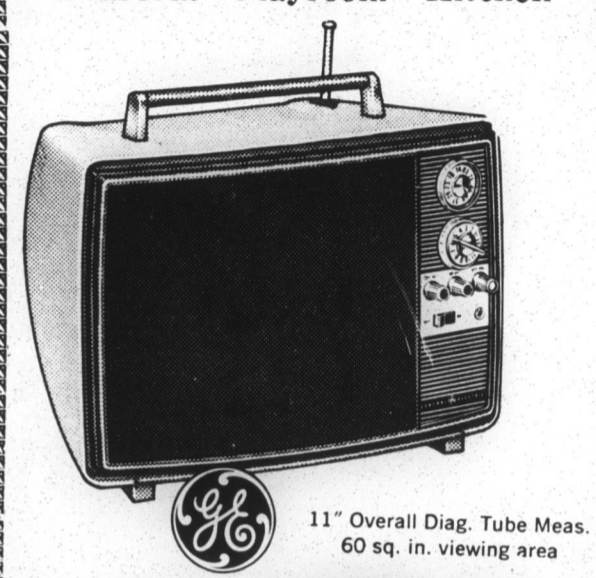
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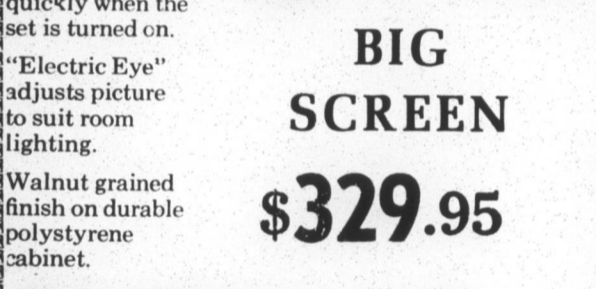
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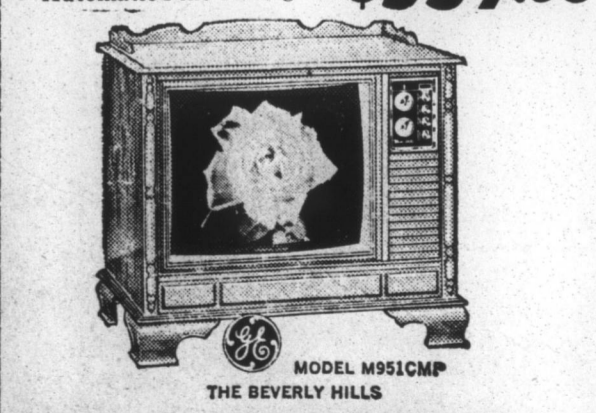


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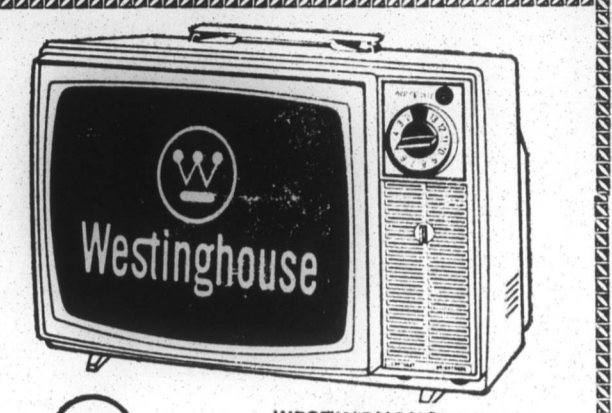


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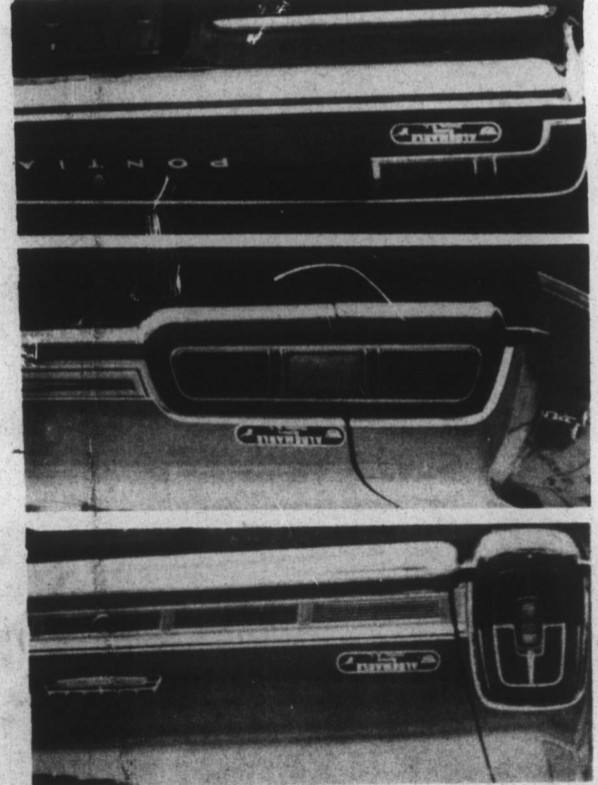
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