

VINTAGE FIGHTER PLANE ON DISPLAY AT COMMUNITY CENTER—The F105-B Jet Fighter Plane, above, was delivered to the City of Kings Mountain Monday night and the plane will be "cleaned up" and put on display in front of the Community Center. According to Mayor Pro Tem Irvin (Tootie) Allen, it took two weeks to arrive from Tucson, Arizona and the plane, discarded by the government, was a gift from the U.S. Government to the city. Only cost to the city was for shipment. The fighter plane was retired by the government in the 60's. Pictured at the plane are Commissioner Allen, left, Bill Beaty and Willard Yarbro.

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the Bronchoscope can detect cancer of the lungs.

Only a doctor can diagnose cancer. But in many cases, a doctor is consulted only after the disease is advanced, says Administrator Reep who advises local citizens to "be alert to any physical change that may be a symptom of cancer. Early detection greatly increases the chances of a cure."

In colonoscopy, a fiber optic instrument is inserted in the colon and polyps, if any, are removed. The technique is becoming more and more common as persons become familiar with symptoms of colon and rectal cancer and the important diagnostic procedure can be done and is done on all age people.

Should you be checked for colon cancer?

Cancer of the colon and rectum is one of the most curable forms of cancer, yet it will kill 60,000 people in the United States, 1,750 in the Carolinas this year. Only one cancer, lung cancer, will be

more deadly.

Prevention and early detection is the key to cure. When detected in an early, localized stage, the five-year survival rate is 87% for colon cancer and 78% for rectal cancer, compared to 47% and 38%, respectively, after the cancer has spread.

Symptoms of the disease are blood in the stool or from the rectum, a change in bowel habits, abdominal pain, and weight loss. Anyone of any age with these symptoms should see a physician.

The American Cancer Society, which hopes checkups for colon and rectal cancer will eventually become as routine as women's pap smears and breast examinations, recommends the following screening regimen for people who have no symptoms and no family history of colon and rectum cancer:

(1) A digital rectal examination by a physician once a year after the age of 40.

(2) A test for blood in the stool, which isn't always visi-

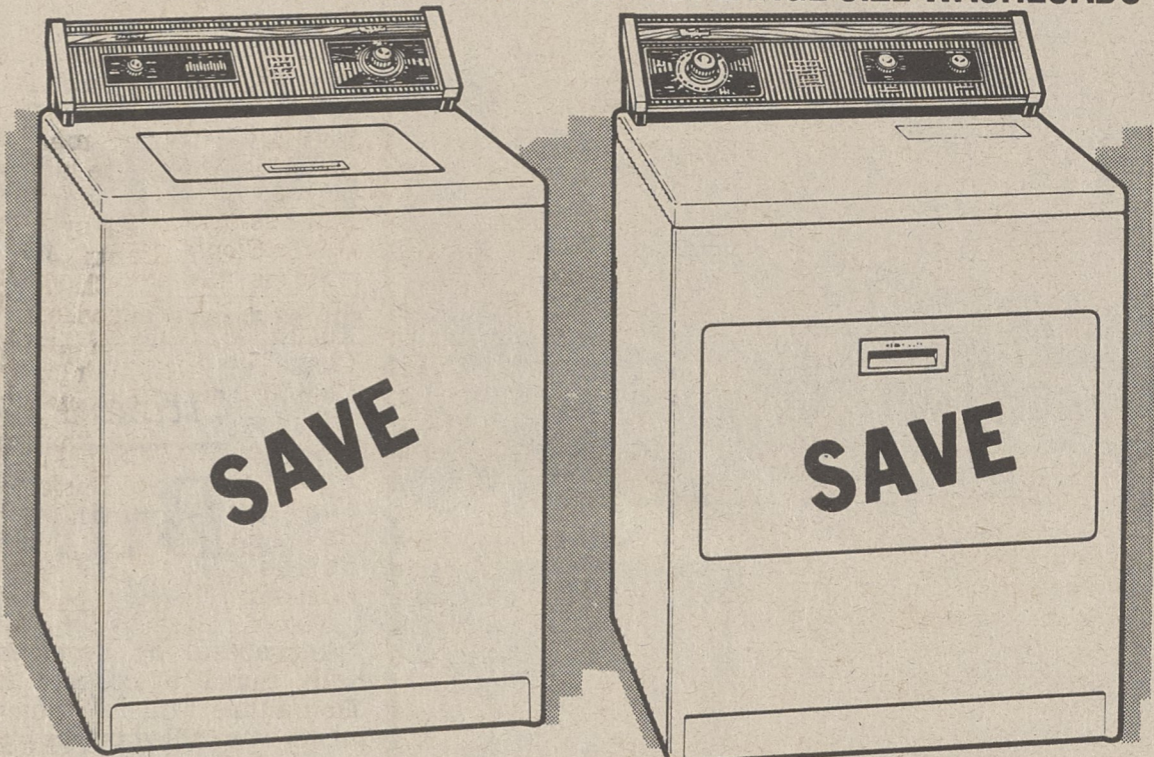
ble, once a year after the age of 50.

(3) At age 50 or 51, a special examination where the physician inspects the rectum and lower colon with a lighted tube, called sigmoidoscope, which is used in the examination, is much less uncomfortable than the old, rigid tube.

The Cancer Society recommends that anyone with a family history of the cancer should begin this screening regimen early, at the age of 30. About 93% of colon and rectum cancer occurs in people older than 50, and occurs in men and women at about the same rate per the Cancer Society.

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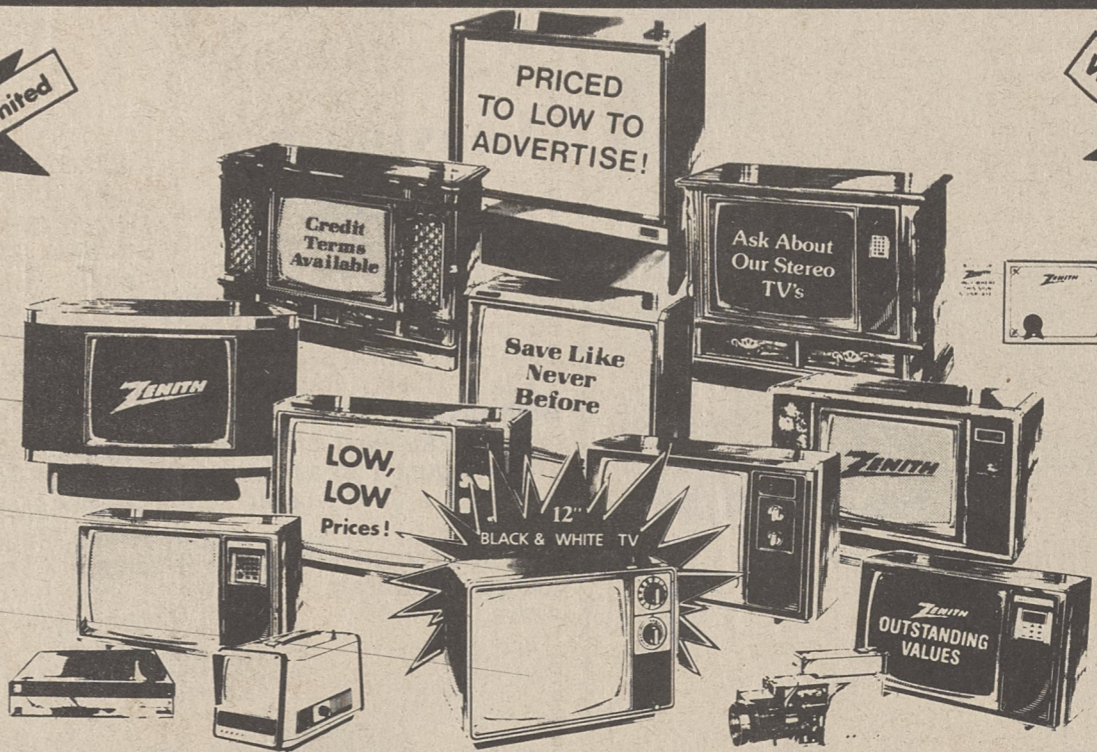
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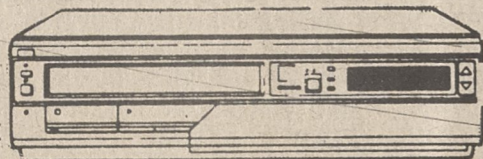
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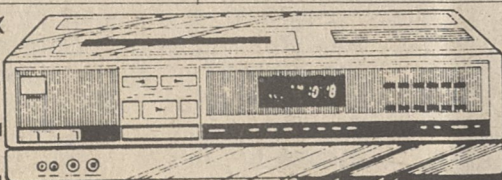


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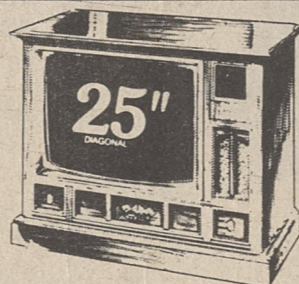
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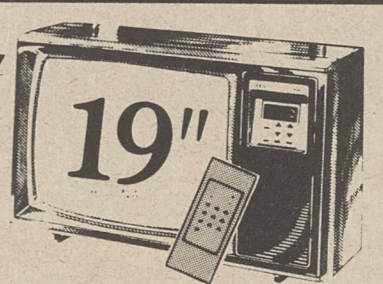
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