

EDITOR'S MAIL

Proposed apartment

Need is urgent

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I am writing in regards to the proposed site of an 80-unit apartment building on Albert Street South.

After reading various letters and articles on this matter in your paper, the last two weeks, I feel I must voice my opinion.

I am close to this situation of apartment shortages as I am the superintendent of Testa Villa Apartments, beside the proposed site.

Sure, there are problems with this project. Isn't there with all proposals? However, if you look at all the advantages, they far outweigh the disadvantages.

I can assure Council that this proposed building would be rented in a single day. Here at Testa Villa, there are more than 80 names on the waiting list. Of these 80, there must be 70 from town. This is how desperate the situation is.

Let us look at the disadvantages. First, the excuse about it not being convenient to shopping. I have to say it's an excuse.

Here, the majority of tenants are senior citizens. A large number of them manage the short walk to local shops and most enjoy the exercise. Surely, if our seniors can do this, the councillors

cannot use it as a factor against the project. Also, there's the question of additional traffic on Albert Street and Sunset Boulevard. As a mother of two small children, I would prefer a quiet street, but this fact alone cannot stop progress. We as parents must accept the responsibility of our children's safety.

It's true, Albert Street is narrow. However, the reason for this is because motorists park on both sides. If parking was limited to one side only, it would help.

I know many will agree with me that Richard and Ken Sandiford and Don Anderson are responsible people, capable of doing a good job. These men are the kind of upstanding citizens who have proved time and again they have the town's best interests at heart.

In closing, I'd like to make one last point. With the expected increase in population due to the Dulverton Development and other proposed subdivisions, we will be in even greater need for apartments when the young people of these families grow up and leave the nest. Where are we going to put them? Let's do something about it NOW!

MRS. J. BENDER
Albert Street South,
Stouffville.

Get mess cleaned up

Work together

Dear Jim:

Having been closely connected with the Concerned Citizens' group and the dump problems, I find it very distressing that so much is being said by people who don't know what they're talking about.

I have consulted with Fran Sainsbury

and Elaine Fritz on many occasions. They have a deeper insight into the problems pertaining to the dump because of research and time committed to this project.

Having fought through two hearings with Fran Sainsbury, it seems incredible that

she should be dismissed by a group for whom she has worked so hard.

With regard to claims by the Environment Ministry, I have in my possession, water tests that show wells in our area, far beyond acceptable limits. These wells are close to the con-

troversial dump site.

I appeal to citizens of Whitchurch-Stouffville to get behind Fran Sainsbury and the rest of us who want to get this mess cleaned up.

Sincerely,
KEITH HUTCHINSON,
R.R. 2, Stouffville.

Forget too soon

Dear Editor:

How soon they forget. The Concerned Citizen IS Fran Sainsbury.

It was eight years ago that she displayed her concern. She has spent hundreds of hours and hundreds of dollars in an effort to halt expansion of the dump.

Mrs. Sainsbury was given very little

assistance by the citizens of this town. She's truly a 'Wonder Woman' who holds a responsible position and has met her quota in sales.

This is not a clean war, but a garbage war. Every time you nail something down with evidence, the civil servants are changed and you must start

again.

Mrs. Sainsbury doesn't need this kind of hassle. I wouldn't blame her if she quit cold. However, this is an election year in Whitchurch-Stouffville, and there's undoubtedly some jockeying going on in the camp.

I say this is the time for the present Council to appoint Mrs. Sains-

bury our Official Pollution Probe Representative with a full staff of responsible Town people.

My personal thanks to Mrs. Sainsbury for all the good work she's done.

Sincerely,
DENNIS M. CRITTENDEN
R.R. 2, Stouffville.

Fran Sainsbury

"Never gave up"

Dear Editor:

We were upset to see the headline "Committee Sacks Vocal Members" in the March 10 issue of The Tribune.

We do not know Mrs. Fritz so cannot comment on her accomplishments.

We do, however, know Mrs. Sainsbury. While she is only one of thousands of concerned citizens, we do not know

of anyone who has spent more time and energy in a futile attempt to have the dump closed.

Mrs. Sainsbury has no doubt crusaded for the cause the longest of anyone concerned. The disappointments and frustrations regarding this case have discouraged many of us and we have given up.

Mrs. Sainsbury's knowledge of the dump and the possible

dangers to future generations is astounding. The hours she has spent working on our behalf, have not been for personal gain, but must have been a sacrifice for both she and her family.

The question why the editor had no comments in the article from the "sacked" members remains unanswered. We also ask what business it is of

anyone who the Sainsbury's have for a house guest.

Many people may conclude from this humiliating Page 1 article that it would be better not to "get involved" in community problems.

TED AND MARION BARRY,
R.R. 2,
Stouffville.

Member no quitter

Dear Sir:

I could not believe the Page 1 heading of The Tribune's March 10 issue "Committee Sacks 'Vocal' Members".

I can't understand how you can 'sack' someone who's never been hired.

Fran Sainsbury has unselfishly given many years of hard work to benefit Whitchurch-Stouffville. As stated in the paper, she is very dedicated.

I wonder how many of these "concerned citizens" will be fighting the dump eight years from now as Mrs. Sainsbury has done.

Spokesperson Fran Sutton should worry about the group's credibility. As far as I'm concerned, the problem was very poorly handled and all should be ashamed.

Mrs. Sainsbury is not a quitter. I'm sure that, on her own, she can accomplish as much as the whole group of "concerned citizens" put together.

Sincerely,
SUSAN MYERS,
Albert Street North,
Stouffville.

Credibility in jeopardy

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is only one of many letters you'll probably be receiving on the same subject so I'll be brief.

It's unbelievable that so much time and effort put in by the Concerned Citizens' Committee could be "flushed down the drain" by petty bickering and juvenile behavior.

This organization, in my opinion, has served as a "watchdog" for the Town in connection with the dump issue. Now, it appears, all is lost. The Environment Ministry must be laughing.

I sincerely hope members' differences can be solved. Certainly, as things stand now, the credibility of the group is in jeopardy.

Sincerely,
CALVIN GRAINGER,
R.R. 2, Stouffville.

Busing of students accepted practise

Dear Editor:

I read in The Tribune recently that attendance at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School could drop to less than 800 by September. Also, I noted that education costs in York Region could increase by over 19 per cent or

about \$21,000,000.

Since busing appears to be an accepted practise to-day, it makes sense to me that instead of building more and more schools where the students are, these young people should be transported to areas

like Whitchurch-Stouffville where the students aren't.

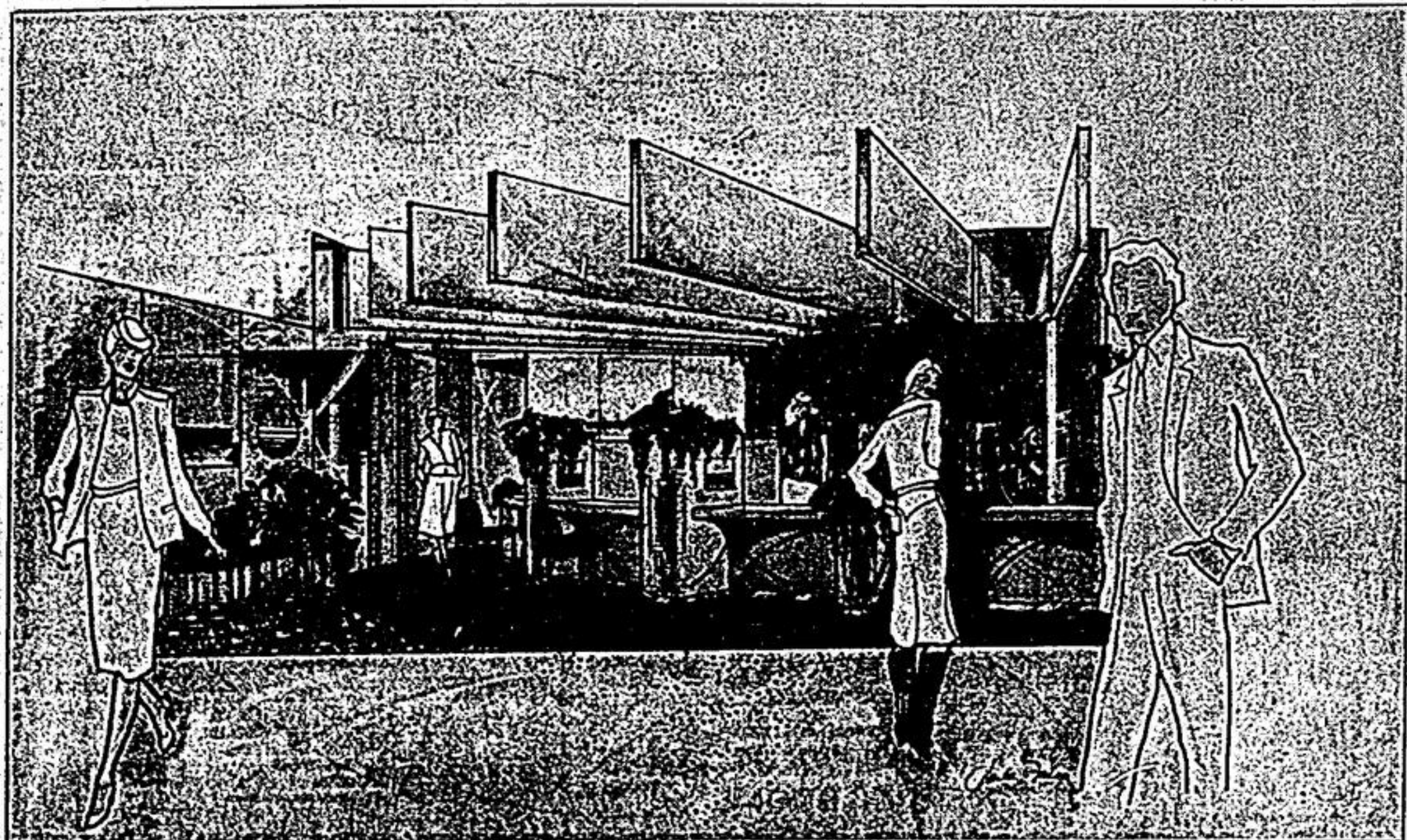
To be able to cope with such problems is one of the benefits of a regional board. Trustees should be able to look at the situation on an area basis rather

than what's best for individual subdivisions. Such stands may go against the grain of a lot of parents, but economically, it's the only way to go.

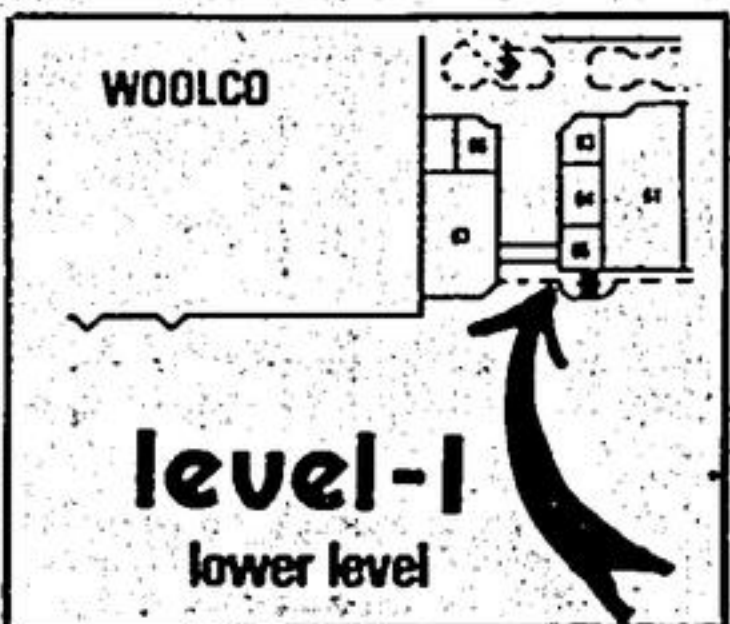
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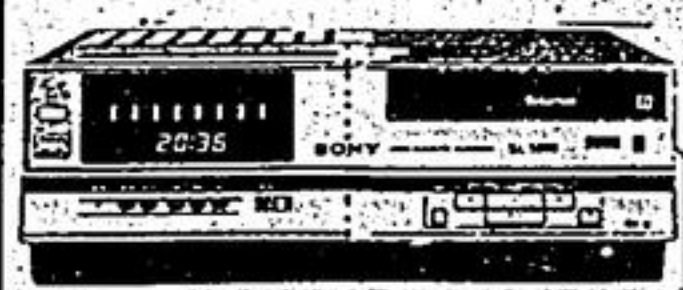
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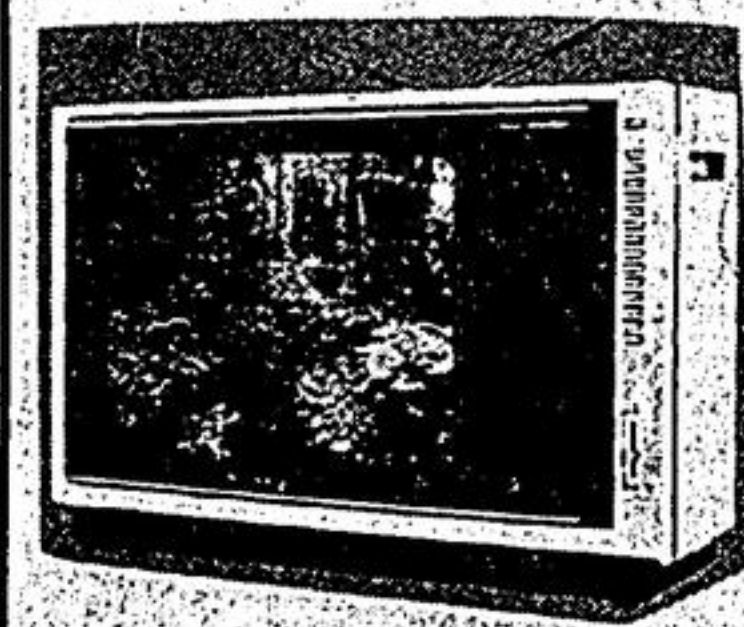
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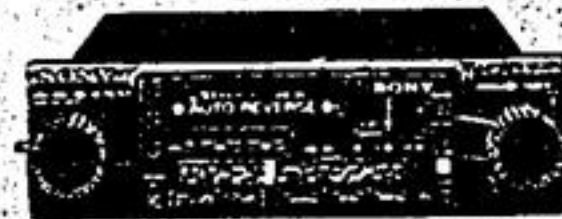
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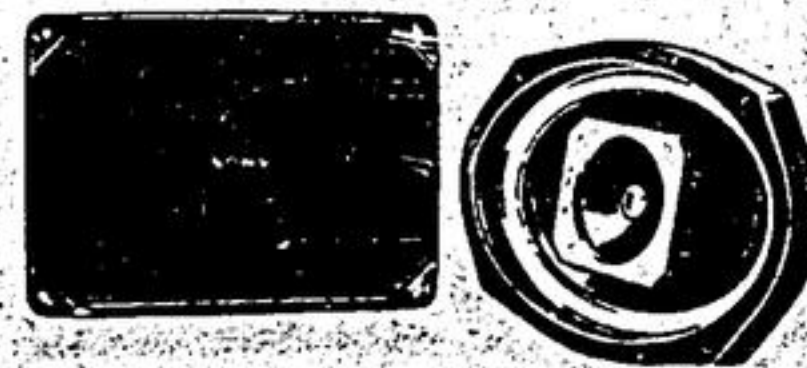
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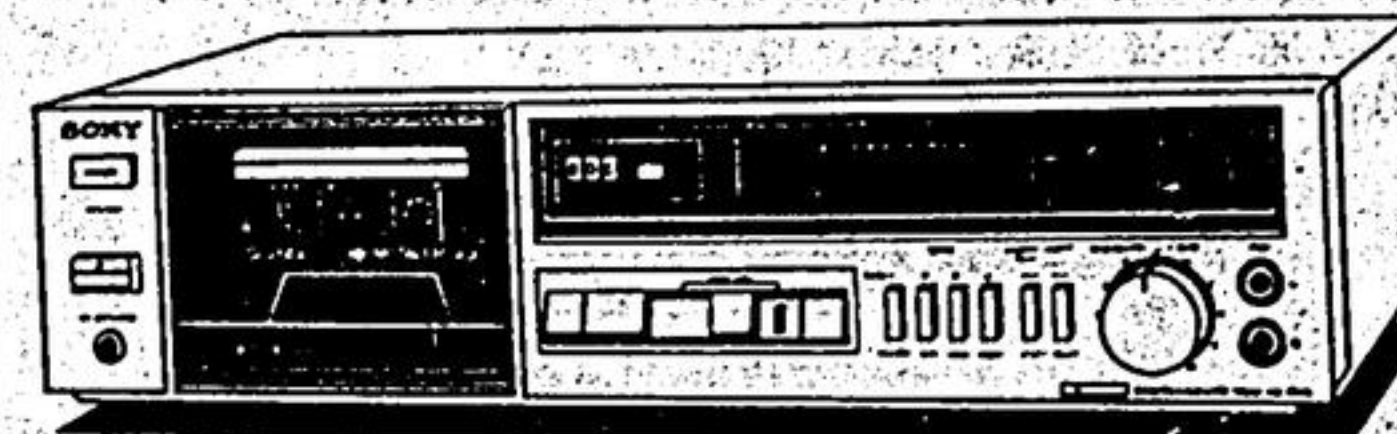
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