

Land application workshop set

CHAMBERSBURG -- "Land Application of Wastewater and Sludge" will be the subject of an all-day workshop offered to municipal officials and interested citizens in Franklin County. The workshop is scheduled for November 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Mont Alto Campus of the Penn State. Since many Franklin County communities have a problem of disposing of sewage effluent and sludge, this program has been developed by Penn State to help local officials determine the most effective and economical method of waste water treatment.

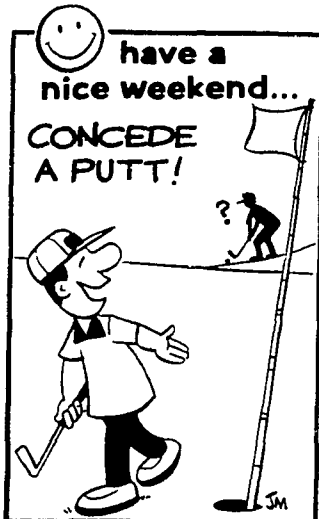
According to County Agent, William Reagan, many municipalities are faced with the prospect of building new sewage treatment plants or updating their old ones. New subdivisions may be planned, with new waste collection

and treatment systems. Federal law now encourages land disposal systems for sewage wastes, so it is very important that municipal officials understand the principles of disposing of wastes on the land.

The LAWWS program to be presented at Mont Alto will cover 12 aspects of the land disposal system, including waste water treatment processes, site selection and soil suitability, heavy metals, health effects, cost analysis, and impacts on the community, says Reagan. Materials available in the LAWWS program include 12 video cassettes, 10 to 15 minutes in length; a course reference manual of 233 pages and a participant's handbook. These materials will be available to those attending the all-day program.

For information on fees and registration for par-

ticipation in this program, one can contact: William A. Reagan at 717-263-9226 or Clyde Johnson at 717-749-3134.



Proposed rail tariff protested

ST LOUIS, Mo. - Proposed rail tariff increases of 10 to 13 per cent on soybeans and grains are not consistent with President Carter's anti-inflation program, the American Soybean Association said recently. In a telegram to President Carter, his chief inflation fighter Alfred Kahn, the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Commission on Wage and Price Stability, ASA

president Merlyn Groot said the proposed increase is also specifically inequitable to soybeans.

"We urge further study of the proposed increase to determine if it is inconsistent with price guidelines," he said, "and also whether the costs of moving soybeans warrants an increase." Eastern, western and southern rail lines filed the petition with ICC earlier in the week

"United States Department of Agriculture studies have shown that rail costs of moving soybeans are already more than met by existing tariffs so that an increase cannot be justified," he said.



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