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By R. A. R.

And, here's another kind of shortage. It may not be a personal worry to you but you will be involved.

The oil shortage and its high price will have a tremendous impact upon road repairs and building. Government units -- boroughs, townships, etc. -- which handle such matters will feel the full impact before early summer. The problem is bituminous materials, all of which come from crude oil.

Another aspect of the road and street situation. Payment for a great part of that kind of work comes from gasoline taxes. Thus, with fewer gallons of gas being sold, the number of dollars coming back to the local highway departments is less.

Coupled with the higher prices of bituminous materials, we can logically anticipate less street and road repair and construction in the coming months.

Daylight Saving time? Daylight is kinda like a dollar. There just isn't (Continued on Page 8)

'Of This and That'

by the editor's wife

Just in passing . . . the "Apple's Way" TV program making its debut Sunday evening seemed to lack the warmth and credibility of the popular series, "The Waltons," even though the same man, Earl Hammer, created them both.

"Apple's Way" was an interesting, above-average, family entertainment show, but it seemed to be straining too hard to "latch onto" the same appeal as that generated by "The Waltons."

Perhaps we are wrong. Time will tell. But "Apple's Way" also has tough competition, playing as it does in the same time slot as the perennial favorite, "The Wonderful World of Disney," which is ALWAYS good!

An "A Plus" rating goes to this year's Ice Capades, which are currently playing

BOROUGH FED UP!

Vote To Replace Leased Cars With New Cruisers

Mount Joy borough is fed up with the leasing of police vehicles!

At its February meeting, held Monday night, Feb. 11, Borough council took one positive and one negative action concerning cruiser leasing.

For many months, the borough has leased two cars from Municipal Leasing corporation, paying monthly fee. Included in the contract is a requirement for the corporation to pay repair bills.

However, beginning about June of 1973, the corporation has ignored bills which now total approximately \$750. These bills are owed local firms and there is a feeling that the repairmen (mostly filling stations) may refuse to do more needed repair work unless they are paid.

Monday night, council voted to buy two new cars, as of March 1, with delivery anticipated by July 1. Leasing arrangements for the two cars now in use expire in July, about the 20.

The new cars will be purchased with Federal Revenue Sharing funds through the Commonwealth, which allows its state police auto buying contract to be used by municipalities such as Mount Joy.

Cost of the two cars is to be \$7,230.30.

That is the positive action.

It was proposed during the Monday council session that the borough assume legal responsibility for the local bills and to maneuver through an escrow fund for repayment. The motion was lost, 5-3, with one councilman abstaining.

It was proposed that future lease payments to the company be held in escrow. It was pointed out that the borough also continues to hold a \$1,100 insurance payment check payable for an accident claim on one of the police cars.

Borough Votes Greater Participation In Main Street Snow Removal Plan

Mount Joy Borough Council voted Monday night, Feb. 11, to participate more directly in the removal of snow from Main street during the remainder of the 1973-'74 winter.

The borough will participate, on a 50-50 basis, with the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants association in removing snow on Main street between New Haven and Barbara streets.

Announcement of the program was made after representatives of the Merchants group appeared to ask for financial help. For three seasons, the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants assn., with a few scattered private donations, have carried the burden of removal.

In other matters Monday night:

—A meeting within the near future was promised to study, with all parties concerned, the proposal to extend School Lane eastward from Delta street to Seiler school.

—Mayor James Gingrich announced that he will sit at the Borough Building on Friday night, Feb. 22, from 7 until 8:30 o'clock to hear statements by local citizens concerning local government. He also will sit the first and third Friday nights of March at the same hours.

—Monthly salaries for members of the Mount Joy Borough Authority were raised from \$20 to \$25.

—Specifications for correcting drainage in the Florin park are expected to be ready for receiving bids

Authority Is Poised For Sewer Service To Three Townships

What possibly will be one of the largest public construction projects the Mount Joy community ever has known is beginning to unfold as the Borough Authority brings into focus months of attention to the necessity for increased local sewer facilities.

At its February meeting, held Tuesday, Feb. 5th, the Authority came to terms with East Donegal township for providing a sewer facility for the Donegal Heights area.

One of the first aspects of the move, is the departure by the Authority from a long-held policy which prohibited furnishing sewer facilities to property owners located

outside the borough limits. What this decision can mean, ultimately, in the local area is, at this time, beyond speculation.

First, the agreement by

the Authority to accept sewage from East Donegal township — and other areas — necessitates the building of an increased capacity for the present sewer plant along Little Chiques creek.

Secondly, Rapho township and Mount Joy township are involved and may become participants in the project, thus greatly increasing the size of the proposals.

Thirdly, increased sewage capacities is one of the chief attractions any community has for development.

Where the widening circles of ramifications spread is a (Continued on Page 6)

at the next council meeting.

—Bids also are to be opened next month for installation of a boiler at the Florin fire house.

—Approval was given for purchase of some playground equipment.

—A petition, bearing 27 names, was read asking for a change in garbage and trash collection methods in the 200 block on Mount Joy street. The matter was referred to the public works committee.

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FATHER AND TWO SONS operating a business together is something of a rarity. Yet, here checking merchandise and invoices, is a Mount Joy trio doing the job at Hostetter Hardware, Inc., Main and Barbara streets. Arthur Hostetter, center,

himself is the son of a Mount Joy hardware merchant, the late J.B. Hostetter. The group here includes: (left to right) - Kenneth Hostetter, treasurer of the firm; Arthur Hostetter president, and Jack Hostetter, vice-president.