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AFTER the November 18th announcement of the Add-On Plant at GAT, a contingent of GAT and ERDA Officials presented informational seminars in primary cities in the four-county area. Representing GAT were C. D. Tabor and N. H. Hurt, and representing ERDA were P. Brewington and J. L. Abercrombie, the new Area Manager. Because of area interest, they spoke to capacity audiences in Jackson, Chillicothe, Waverly, and Portsmouth on November 22 and 23.

NEARLY 198,000 persons were employed in nuclear-energy-related activities in mid-1975, according to a recent survey released by ERDA. Including both privately owned and contractor-owned facilities, the greatest increases were in nuclear reactor operations (60% increase) and in the design of nuclear facilities (40% increase).

1975 VALUE of all property subject to local property taxation was \$1 trillion and \$96.3 billion, an increase of \$223.7 billion over the valuation in 1973, according to a Census Bureau study by the U. S. Department of Commerce.

THE FAA recently warned that it is both dangerous and illegal for air travelers to carry loose book matches in their luggage. Even in carry-on luggage, fines and/or imprisonment can result.

TWO NUCLEAR REACTORS were recently ordered by Ohio Edison for installation near Sandusky, Ohio. They are the eighth and ninth nuclear reactors ordered for Ohio. Only one other U. S. reactor has been ordered during 1976. Ohio's first nuclear reactor, Davis-Besse Unit 1, was scheduled for start-up by the end of this year.

CLEAN AIR COST for one U. S. firm (U. S. Steel) was over \$600 million over a three-year period. That figure includes \$155 million at its Clairton, Pa. firm alone.

GT&R WITHDREW RECENTLY from Uranium Enrichment Associates, basically from "uncertainty" following Congressional failure to pass legislation authorizing private development of uranium enrichment facilities, according to C. J. Pilliod, Jr., Board Chairman. He expressed continued interest by GT&R in gas centrifuge through Goodyear Aerospace Corporation.

TRENDS IN SALES of imported cars are being watched carefully this fall. An 18.5 percent of total car sales in September surprised many analysts, as the top year for imports was 1975 when they captured 18.4 percent.

U. S. EXPENDITURES for research and development are expected to total \$38.1 billion this year, an increase of 8% over last year. Federal spending will total about \$20.1 billion and private industry about \$16.6 billion with the rest by non-profit institutions.

GT&R CONTRIBUTED \$20,000 recently to a Red Cross Campaign to finance a new blood reprocessing center in Huntington to serve the Tri-State area. The contribution was made on behalf of the Company's plants in Point Pleasant, West Virginia; Jackson, Ohio; and GAT. The new facility will serve 48 counties in the Tri-State area.

DUBIOUS DISTINCTION -- Which city is the costliest? The military vote is for New York and Washington where per diem (room and board) allowances are now \$50/day (versus the normal \$35/day). Other high cost cities: Boston - \$49, Chicago - \$43, Philadelphia - \$46, and Los Angeles - \$40.

SAFETY TIP: A good defensive driver constantly "reads the road ahead," looking for hazards that might cause an accident. He understands defensive tactics and acts quickly to prevent an accident from occurring.

WHO'S WHO IN MANAGEMENT

JAMES L. ABERCROMBIE recently was named the Manager, Portsmouth Area Office for ERDA. He will have on-site responsibility for construction of the Add-On Plant which was announced on November 18. The project when completed in the mid-1980's will double the capacity of our plant.

"AB" joined ERDA's Oak Ridge Operations in September after a career with the Army Corps of Engineers totaling 34 years, including six years of active duty during World War II. When he joined ERDA, he was Chief of the Construction Operation Division, South Atlantic Division. He started with the Corps in Japan in 1948 for four years, then returned to Huntsville, Alabama, for 17 years. His assignments since then include 3 years in Hawaii, 3 years in Washington, D.C., and 3 years in Italy.

A native of Alabama, he attended Auburn University. He and his wife, Jane, have five children and four grandchildren. They recently purchased a home in the Lucasville-

Minford area. He plans to use his spare time, when he can find it, puttering around five acres, and in outside activities. A warm welcome to "AB" Abercrombie.















R. L. MOORE R. D. CUNNINGHAM P. E. SMITH

B. J. RUMBLE

C. F. FERGUSON

A. P. ROMERO

- R. L. MOORE attended the Ohio State University Industry-Education Advisory Council meeting in Columbus on November 23. OSU is proposing a Co-op Program in Electrical Engineering after reviewing the success of the program in Mechanical Engineering. GAT presently has two OSU Co-op students.
- R. D. CUNNINGHAM and P. E. SMITH spoke to the Graphic Arts and Printing class at Scioto Technical College on November 19th. Their presentation was entitled "What You Can Expect from the Printing Industry."
- B. J. RUMBLE addressed the American and European Nuclear Societies in Washington D.C., on November 16. Her speech was entitled "Bred Value of Uranium 233 and the Fuel Cycle Costs for a Pebble Bed Reactor."
- C. F. FERGUSON is a member of the Ohio University Communications Center Advisory Council which is developing an Ethnic Heritage Studies Program at the school.
- A. P. ROMERO addressed over 50 Cubscouts and their families of the Chillicothe area on Monday, September 27th. The topic of his talk was "Our Legacy."