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THEY GET MESSAGE: GARBAGE RIPENING

Town officials who fired one of two borough garbage collectors should face ripening results of their act. This seems to be the philosophy of a housewife, who last night toted the family refuse to the steps of the town hall.

There to stay her hand before she tossed the first banana peel was a health official. He begged a truce, promising that eastside residents soon would be rid of the 14-day garbage accumulation.

Mrs. E. F. Weiner of 24 Rockingham Road told the borough clerk, "This is too much." Citing scattered debris that has incited dogs and cats to warfare, Mrs. Weiner predicts that rats will soon come.

Councilman William V. Benken, chairman of public works for the borough, said from his post inside city hall that the whole problem will be cleared away not later than Monday.

Although admitting that hundreds of residents had phoned their complaints to local officials, Benken said most of the eastside homeowners, affected by discontinuance of garbage pickups by Glen Rock Disposal Co., are taking the inconvenience without comment.

He said the council in an executive session with the Board of Health Saturday, agreed to refuse license renewal to the Glen Rock Disposal Co. because the firm wanted another 50 cent rate increase.

"We have had many complaints on their service and it seemed unreasonable to permit them to raise rates on one side of town when the David Faber Disposal Co. is willing to continue service for \$3.50 monthly," he said.

Benken said Faber has added trucks and will catch up collections on the east side as quickly as possible. "Faber has sufficient men and equipment to do the job well," he said.