

U.S. policy influenced decision to close GF

Labor Minister Fern Guindon has said what many suspected, that the decision to close the Georgetown plant of General Fireproofing was due in part to the Domestic International Sales Corp. (DISC) program in the United States.

Back to school

Schools are quiet until Wednesday, January 3.

question that this legislation was involved in the decision to close General Fireproofing Co. next March." Approximately 40 Acton and district employees of the firm will be out of work as a result of the closure from a staff of 200.

DISC is a U.S. Government program of benefits to encourage American manufacturers to produce export goods at home rather than in branch plants abroad or in Canada. General Fireproofing is American owned. The labor minister said the

original purpose of the firm's expansion in Ontario from Youngstown, Ohio five years ago, was to enter the market and sell

any excess to markets in the Northeastern United States. "For some two years, the company has found that the

dollar exchange between the U.S. and Canada has not been favorable and the operation has been less successful than

expected," Guindon said. The company is co-operating with the province and Canada Manpower in assisting employees to find other jobs.

Woman, daughter hurt in accident

A woman and her daughter, standing in a driveway near their home on Highway 25 north of Milton Saturday evening, were both injured when a car slid out of control, struck a tow truck, continued on through a fence and struck them in the driveway.

Mrs. Louise Chalfoux and her five-year-old daughter Carol of R. R. 3 Milton were both treated at Milton District Hospital for cuts and bruises following the freak accident.

The tow truck, owned and driven by Joseph Wayne of Dew-

Drop-In Service Station, had just finished towing a stuck car out of a ditch when the accident happened. Police said the truck was facing south-bound on the east shoulder of the road. The northbound car was driven by James R. Turner of Eden Mills.

S.S. program at Knox church

Knox church Sunday School had a Christmas program when Santa's arrival was the highlight. Films were shown and carols sung by the group.

Serving fondue? watch the pot

If you're planning to serve a fondue at your New Year's Eve party, take heed.

The Ontario Safety League reports that some of the pots have an apparent tendency to tip easily and spill their hot contents, causing burns. May we suggest that if you serve a fondue, that the pot be kept well back from table edges where party toasters could easily send it for a spill.

Also ensure that your fondue is filled with enough fuel to last the entire meal. Otherwise, a waiting period of at least 15 minutes is essential before re-fueling.

It is reported explosions have occurred when liquid fuel was

added to the warming piece immediately after the flame had gone out.

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