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Railway cars scattered like blocks

Firemen on Monday were still pouring water on cars that tumbled into a 40-foot ravine within sight of the railway crossing

on the Sixth Concession of Medonte Township Sunday morning. Officials on the scene Monday decided that the danger

of a 39 ton tank car of hydrofluoric acid breaking open was receding.



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Fewer fires but more damage in 1980

Nine fires in Tiny Township in 1980 lead to an estimated total damage of \$166,389 and two fatalities, according to a summary of fire statistics from the office of the Ontario Fire Marshal. In 1979, 12 fires lead to \$96,021 damage.

Tay Township had considerably more fires, 32 fires, in 1980, causing an estimated \$253,973 damage, and 28 fires in 1979, in which two people were injured, and approximately \$260,260 damage done.

Fire damage worse in 1979 than 1980

According to statistics from the Ontario Fire Marshal's office, about the same number of fires occurred in Midland in 1980 and 1979, but the damage in 1979 was about twice that from fires in 1980.

Midland firemen attended 56 fires in 1980 and 51 fires in 1979. About \$842,786 of damage resulted in 1979, and \$444,160 of damage in 1980. But six civilians were injured in 1980, and one civilian killed.

The statistics for Penetanguishene are similar: \$160,360 damage from 13 fires in 1979, \$72,343 from 12 fires in 1980. One person was injured in 1979, and two persons injured and one person killed in 1980.

Wants meeting with Midland planners

Midland planner Bryan MacKell confirmed just before noon on Friday that principals connected with Annedol Investments have asked to meet with members of the local planning board to officially unveil plans for a \$17 million waterfront hotel-convention centre development just off Bayshore Drive.

Family Life Centre burgled

Approximately \$85 of petty cash funds were taken on the weekend from a locked desk in the Catholic Family Life Centre on Midland Avenue in Midland, Centre director John Chantrel said yesterday.

Entry was gained by breaking a window at the rear of the building and forcing an inside door. Chantrel said he was grateful that there was no vandalism. Speaking of the burglary, he said, "It seems to happen these days."