

## In Geneva

# Avis Mitchell Makes Dolls For Christmas



Avis Mitchell with dolls.

Avis Mitchell, who is employed in the Clinton Mills of Geneva Data Processing Department, enjoys making handcrafted items for her children at Christmas.

This year, like many employee parents, Avis has spent many hours creating dolls for her 10-year and 13-year-old girls.

Using a special gray fabric, Avis has carefully shaped the dolls for her children. Special emphasis has been placed on facial expressions to make them depict "happiness and good health."

Designing and creating the dolls required a minimum of eight to 10 hours time, and then much attention had to be devoted to sewing clothes that would fit the completed dolls.

Although the dolls are virtually perfect in their design, Avis doesn't plan to mass produce them. "I'd consider making one or two for a special occasion, but they are just too time consuming for production," she added.



Mrs. Florence M. Alcorn

## 25 Years With Sales Organization

Mrs. Florence M. Alcorn completed 25 continuous years with Clinton Mills Sales Corp. on Aug. 19, 1982.

She joined the Clinton sales organization in 1957 as a secretary for then President, Norman Meyers.

Mrs. Alcorn is presently Office Manager of Clinton Mills Sales Corp. which is located at 111 West 40th Street, New York, New York.

## Clinton United Way Drive Successful

As the Clothmaker went to press, Clinton employees had contributed \$13,966 to the Greater Clinton United Way campaign.

This compares very favorably with the \$13,351 contributed last year. Clinton's 4.6 percent increase over last year will mean a great deal in the program's goal of achieving the \$92,290 ear marked for the many agencies comprising the United Way.

## Proper Work Attire Important

Proper work attire can add to both your comfort and safety. Each year, hundreds of industrial accidents happen because employees fail to wear working apparel which affords adequate protection from various work related exposures.

On March 29, 1982, Clinton Mills adopted a series of Safe Working Attire general safety rules.

The implementation of these rules came about following a lengthy study of those things which were causing accidents within the plants as well as the industry. Since these rules were adopted, Clinton has not had a serious accident attributable to improper work attire.

As the seasons of the year change, we are again afforded an opportunity to review our Safe Working Attire safety rules. When selecting working apparel, keep in mind your on-the-job safety.

It is important that everyone understand and comply with the established safety rules.

●Strap sandals, flip-flops, thongs, bedroom and open toe shoes which provide little or no protection to the feet and

toes are not to be worn. It is important that the shoes you wear protect the feet and toes from various exposures in the plants.

●Loose fitting clothing, especially sleeves, and jewelry such as dangling necklaces may not be worn. Loose fitting shirts and blouses must be tucked in. Serious injuries could occur if loose clothing or jewelry got caught in moving machinery.

●Shorts and upper body garments which do not adequately cover the body from shoulders to knees are not permitted to be worn.

●Shoulder length and longer hair, must be pulled back from the face and secured by a clasp, or barrette to avoid possible entanglement in moving machinery. A hair net is an excellent way of preventing long hair from becoming entangled in moving machinery. Over the past few months, there have been numerous reports of serious bodily injuries where long hair became caught in moving machinery.



Jessica Ann Thomas will celebrate her first birthday on Oct. 28, 1982. She is the daughter of Johnny and Letha Thomas. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Andy Johnson, Newberry. Paternal grandparents are the late Junior C. Thomas (Lydia Plant) and Catherine Thomas (Lydia Weaving).

## Textiles And Apparel Imports Continue To Grow

Textile and apparel imports continued a steady rise during the first nine months of this year despite a 15 percent decline in domestic production, the American Textile Manufacturers Institute reported on Nov. 1.

Imports, measured in square yards, rose by five percent above the first nine months of last year while the trade deficit was \$5.5 billion, an increase of 36 percent. If the present trend continues, the trade deficit will reach a record level in excess of \$7 billion.

ATMI President William A. Klopman, Burlington Industries, said the level of imports continues to be "a matter of serious concern, particularly in view of the declining market and the high level of unemployment in this country.

"Through the first nine months, imports were in excess of 4.5 billion square yards. In

September alone, apparel imports were 12 percent higher than September 1981 and imports of yarn surged by 63 percent.

"This continued growth, is making it difficult for the Administration to achieve its commitment of linking import growth to growth of the domestic market."

Figures made available to ATMI by the U.S. Department of Commerce showed that textile and apparel imports in the first nine months of this year were 4,526,000,000 square yards compared with 4,306,000,000 in the same period of 1981. The trade imbalance of \$5,535,700,000 compares with \$4,077,600,000 in the first nine months of last year.

Both textiles and apparel showed a trade deficit as exports were off significantly.



**THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO**—These were the remarks of Lydia Plant Manager, Joe Nelson, as he presented Ethel McClendon her 40 years continuous service award. Joe Littlefield, Weaving Superintendent, expressed his appreciation to Ethel for her dedication to her job.