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Western Grandeur, Convention Highlights

Events of the past two weeks have, for your editor and Mrs. Dills, been far removed from the local scene. As we start this article. we are going through Northern Ontario just south of what is usually known as the cold spot of the country, White River.

Sunday, 19th, the climate was ifferent from that associated with the district. The sun shone and White River was a balmy summer day. There was however, much evidence of winter just ahead. Foliage was getting autumn colors and flowers had been touched by the early frost.

But to get back to the beginning. Eight of the days away from our desk were taken up to spend four days at what is known as "Canada's greatest family party." the 36th Annual Convention of Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association, held this year in Vancouver, B.C. We attended the first one held in Toronto and since then have participated in various conventions which have taken us across Canada.

Travel and Entertainment Shop talk of what editors discuss in business sessions will be of ittle interest to our readers, so we will limit our observations to travel and entertainment that has filled the days and nights.

Railway travel has had vast improvement since the ribbons of steel first brought east and west together, but writing on a train still has an effect which may prove difficult for linotype operators to put the script into type. The rait- THE EDITOR AND MRS. DILLS look admiringly at the door prizes presented each business session of the clean the crumbs from the floor. way time table gives the mileage C.W.N.A. convention in Vancouver to the first 50 going into the session. Travelling bags, electric At one function the guest speaker between Toronto and Vancouver as frying pans, a \$225 boat and many other prizes were given away.' Not one of them was brought that far but land travel of necessity has obstacles which do not did win a bingo prize, however. The above photograph appeared in the daily paper published each Indian braves. of the four convention days.

occur in the air. Ontario's lakes and wooded sections, the grain growing and oil producing prairie provinces we'll have to omit from this story. But

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reaching Calgary. We sacrificed and Mount Victoria with its 11,355 wide fame. lunch that day to revel in the top are surrounded by seemingly grandeur and majesty of these unending ridges. Highest point on the C.P.R. is at Stephen, over a of British Columbia, might weil mile above sea level, but the peaks be termed the centre, of the provtower above in their defiance of penetration.

Runs East and West

At the great divide the rivers and waters which have been folone of the world's greatest panor- lowing eastward change their! amas is spread before you. No oth- course to flow westward toward centres of every province of the er means of travel give, the op- the Pacific Ocean. From Field, B. portunity to see the Rockies such | C., builders of the railway met | as that provided by the rail routes, their greatest obstacles. Down through the Kicking, Horse Pass Mrs. R. N. Brown, who had left and the spiral tunnels, the train with its 25 coaches doubled back

Peechee. Grouard and Cascade from rock and snow slides com- public relations chieftain finally to Mount MacDonald where inquiry about Milton where them or that the tunnel is 29 feet iness. wide and 2112 feet high and has double tracks and has fresh air forced through by giant ventilat-

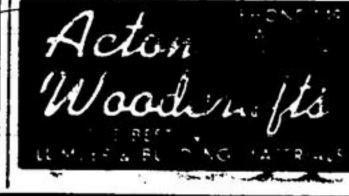
and forth into the Yoho Valley.

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the trip through the Rocky Moun- passage through, the train goes and Vancouver in the morning. It tains in the new scenic dome cars of through contortions to penetrate is a trip one never forgets no matter how many times it is travelled Banff, Lake Louise, Eisenhower Judging by the number of people Mountain with its 10,309 foot peak travelling, it is one that has world- That day two chefs brought in a

> Vancouver and Convention Vancouver, while not the capital ince activity. At the Hotel Vancouver on arrival, there was every semblance of an old boys' reunion. The welcoming party at station were Indian feathered headgear. From Nova Scotia to the Yukon, editors from big and small

> Dominion met. We were surprised, however, to meet in the hotel rotunda, Mr. and Acton a month previously on a visit to Western Canada.

At breakfast another morning Great sheds to protect the tracks was Mr. George Lawrence, tower above with snew capped bine with rock tunnels and lead Imperial Oil Company, who made the Connaught tunnel pierces the spent his boyhood and attended mountain for over five miles. Pass- public and high schools. Another ing through, travellers little real- caller from Actor was Pete Papize that a mile of rock is above illon, who was at the coast on bus-

Vancouver Impressions

Perhaps there are knockers and lighted to hear this western prepessimists who reside there but mier propound his views, which in the mountains, one travels all they are certainly outnumbered by were not entirely in agreement the night to see the Fraser River the boosters and the optimists. Ev- from an eastern Canada viewpoint. en the rain-and we had two days of it- is called liquid sunshine. From Mayor Fred J. Hume, who by bus and chair lift and the courgave the welcome to the convention, down to Premier W. A. Bennett, we learned of the greatness in Vancouver for a meeting of the of the present and the rosy horizons of the future.

store clerks, travel officials, are all enthusiastic. It's contagious - live there six months and you'd either couver was a brief visit to Stancatch it or be a foreigner.

eons were N. F. Pullen, of B. C. through the courtesy of friends of Then plan with a dealer who Telephones, Frank N. Youngman of Editor and Mrs. Frank McIntyre 2 knows how to select materials Crown Zellerback Canada Ltd., Dundalk, Over 40 years ago Mr Howard Mitchell who has establish- and Mrs. John Cornett went from ed a newspaper at Kittimat, B.C. Dundalk to Vancouver and operatmost satisfaction. Call us; we and Premier Bennett, Presentation ed a successful shoe business. Mr. keep costs down and give you of awards for newspaper excellence Cornett served several terms as was a feature in which we partic- Mayor of Vancouver and is now an ipated again with pleasure in the alderman of the city. knowledge that your hometown paper was keeping up with others Moongate Plaza Room of the Bamof similar size across Canada.

Entertainment by the Ocean remembered. A bus tour gave a were celebrating a birthday. very fine conception of Vancouver. setting near the Pacific.

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WATSON'S MUSIC STORE Older members had an opportunity to revel in the home beauty and

lavish furnishings. Returning to the hotel, we were entertained with a reception and buffet and a half hour broadcast by the CBC, then rushed by buses to the C.P.R. pier where the Princess Patricia was given over to the party through the courtesy of the

C.P.R. Here a 10 piece orchestra enliveried the welcome and each lady of the party had a lei put about her neck, which was made of fresh flowers flown up from Hawaii. Mrs. Dills kept hers for two days and started to bring it home but its beauty was gone after the first day on the train. There was dancing and bingo with splendid prizes and, again, ample lunch served aboard. Mrs. Dills was adept at bingo and won a prize.

Pipers for Breakfast A four hour cruise took us back

into the harbor with the lights of Vancouver showing the shore. It was a night which climaxed a won derful day. The Princess Patricia is a large boat which goes along the coast on regular trips. It had on the trip.

Breakfast calls were always at 7.30 and even these meals were never dull or had a yawn. Members of the Ad and Sales Club had war paint applied daily. There were pipers for the first breakfast and Indians and war dances, medicine men and cub reporters tweighing 250 lbs. and a power mower to was led in captive by two giant home by the representatives of your paper although they held tickets at every session. Mrs. Dills long braids for his bald pate by the

Fine Music - Big Fish

west coast provided a delightful program. Their names we cannot recall but their performance was one we will always remember. 32 pound salmon which was displayed on stage. Prizes of 10 20pounders were awarded to winners for various unique accomplishments. Each winner was photographed beside the big fish.

The prizes were forwarded to the home address of the winners and packed to arrive in perfect condition. They were given by the Fishing Association of British Col-

At the breakfast of the Association of Canadian Advertisers, Mr. Adam Smith, the representative of this group, had added to the menu two large salmon which he had caught a couple of days earlier.

Wednesday afternoon, the ladies were gue-ts for afternoon tea of Mr. Ross Cameron of the Canadian Lafe Insurance Officers Association at the Thunderbird Roof at the Capilano Gardens. Here a swinging bridge spans a great canyon. Mrs. Dills ventured halfway across but was content with a half trip and safe return.

The concluding event was a dinner by the Province of British Columbia with Premier W. A. There were many things which Bennett as guest speaker. It was impressed .us about Vancouver, another highlight and we were de-

Two events we had to pass up were the trip to Grouse Mountain tesy offered to golfers. The day following the convention we remained Board of Directors of C.W.N.A. and managed an hour of sight-seeing Taxi drivers, hotel employees, of another section of Vancouver. Climaxing Hospitality

Final event of our visit in Vanley Park and a Chinese dinner in Speakers at dinners and lunch- the famed Chinatown. This was

The dinner for six was in the boo Terrace on Pender Street. Be-| sides the party of six in this por-Tuesday, although it rained, had tion of the restaurant was a famtwo highlights which will long be ily party of 20 or so Chinese who Our dinner had eight courses

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ronald Graham and there was no dessert, no bread have not only the finest home in or butter. The Jasmine tea which the city but also the most hospit- started the dinner, and rice also able. Here the party of over 400 finished the meal. The tea pot was were entertained. The home is constantly filled and the rice modern and lavish. The gardens bowls never emptied. The dishes are marvellous and in a beautiful defy definition. Each course was brought on in a large dish and-Mrs. Young folks had an opportunity Cornett as hostess served her guests. We were supplied with chop sticks but thankful that the more familiar utensils were also available. The food was all good but very different. The chop sticks we were pres-

ented with by Mr. Cornett and the menu-a nice new fresh one painted in Hong Kong by Yee Tin Tong Ltd., was also a souvenir of our visit

Back to the Train And so on Thursday night, back to the train. Another day through the mountains, taking up the section not seen from the dome on the way out and back to our deak on Monday. Anyone who would like to see a Chinese menu can inspect the one we brought home as well

as the chop sticks. We've condensed and doubtless omitted but the story must end. There were stories all along the way with travellers we met. Travel is broadening in more ways than

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