

23. RE: (a) Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs Annual Convention
(b) B.C. Fire Chiefs Association Annual College
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Fire Chief Auvache, Deputy Fire Chief Collum and Fire Prevention Officer Chapman have supplied the following brief report on their attendance at the above conferences:

"The B.C. College held in Powell River August 17th to 20th was well attended. Excellent papers were given covering the following:

- (a) Resuscitation
- (b) Hazardous Gases
- (c) Fire Department Organization
- (d) Fire Apparatus Specifications
- (e) L.P. Gas System Inspections
- (f) Merication in the Fire Service

For the purpose of sectional discussions the college was divided into three groups - Volunteer Chiefs, Industrial Chiefs and Paid Fire Chiefs. These discussions proved to be most informative. Resolutions from each section were placed before the general meeting for endorsement.

We were fortunate in obtaining full support for our efforts in outlining educational standards for fire fighters.

Endorsed also was the establishment of a vintage fire hall in the Heritage Village. Excellent sketches were provided by the Burnaby Centennial Committee showing the proposal for Century Park.

The Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs Convention held in Calgary August 22 - 27th was well attended with delegates from as far as Australia.

The lectures and seminar were very interesting. Two of the highlights were a lecture by Mr. D. B. Lemieux, Chief Special Agent of the Fire Underwriters Investigation Bureau on Fire Investigation in the 1970's, and a two day Seminar conducted by Dr. R. Brookbank, Head of the Psychology Department of Dalhousie University. His subject was "Problems and Problem Solving".

I personally feel much was learned from these lectures and seminars.

Both Powell River and Calgary proved to be courteous and hospitable hosts and we certainly feel that the conferences warranted our attendance. On behalf of Chief Auvache, Fire Prevention Officer Chapman and myself, I wish to express our appreciation for the privilege of attending the above conferences.

(Signed) P. Collum
Deputy Fire Chief "