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# TOLMIE NEW CONSERVATIVE LEADER

## GRAIN SHIP ON WAY FROM HONOLULU; OTHERS EXPECTED

### Tolmie Chosen Leader of the Conservatives Kamloops Convention

Consented to take position after deadlock arrived at last night with Ladner and Taylor as rivals

KAMLOOPS, Nov. 26.—After an all-day effort to name a permanent leader of the party for British Columbia, the provincial Conservatives in convention here last night elected Hon. Simon Fraser Tolmie of Victoria to the position. Six ballots were taken during the day without success when adjournment was taken. Ladner headed each ballot but lacked the sufficient sixty per cent of the convention to make his election conform to the recent constitutional amendment.

Ladner's greatest strength was shown in the third ballot when he secured 317 votes, lacking only 10 to elect. C. F. Davie then had 10 and Col. Spencer 14. The last vote taken, which was the sixth, gave Ladner 300, Taylor 218, Davie 10, Spencer 14.

When the convention resumed its sittings at 8:15 Ladner and Taylor proposed to the convention to offer the unanimous election to Tolmie but the latter refused it. A committee was named to investigate the deadlock situation and after a recess it was announced that Mr. Tolmie had reconsidered his refusal, finally accepting the position tendered him.

**VETERINARY SURGEON**  
Simon Fraser Tolmie is by profession a veterinary surgeon and it is from his qualifications in that profession that he is often spoken of as "Dr. Tolmie." On his farm at Mount Tolmie near Victoria he has for many years been a breeder of pure bred livestock and until his parliamentary duties compelled him to relinquish the work, often officiated as judge at fairs and in official capacities at local horse races.

Born at Victoria in 1867 he was educated in that city and at the Ontario University College at Toronto. He then returned to Victoria and engaged in farming with his father. Later he practised his profession at Victoria for fourteen years and held various positions under the government in connection with live stock, giving up these to accept the nomination for the Union Government during the war. He became minister of agriculture in the Borden government in August 1919 and carried on the same position with the Meighen administration which was purely Conservative, retiring when that government went out of office.

Another resolution urged the passing by the Legislature of a further safeguard to the lives of miners in the removal of Orientals from underground. The convention pledged its support to legislation to protect widows of deceased owners of small mining properties.

The Cariboo Conservative Association won the sympathy of the delegates from its recommendation to go on record as opposed to delays alleged to exist in connection with new settlers obtaining suitable lands in the province.

### GRAIN VESSELS TAKE CARGOES

SHIPMENTS FROM VANCOUVER DURING WEEK WITH WHEAT FOR VARIOUS PORTS

VANCOUVER, Nov. 26.—The following vessels cleared from Vancouver with grain cargoes or part cargoes during the week ending last evening:

Canadian Skirmisher for Liverpool, 48,000 bushels.

Magician for London, 74,667 bushels. Hoyasan Maru for United Kingdom and Continent, 264,852 bushels.

Zeeckne for Antwerp, 80,072 bushels;

for Hamburg, 37,46 bushels.

Tyne Maru for Kobe, 81,583 bushels;

for Yokohama, 31,667.

Sun Heath for Yokohama, 37,000 bushels.

Kohryo Maru for Shanghai, 230,752 bushels.

Melwu Maru for Shanghai, 270,392 bushels.

Kongosan Maru for Nagoya with the option of Kobe or Yokohama, 103,333 bushels.

Iyo Maru for Yokohama, 3,334 bushels.

Iwatesan Maru for Kobe, 32,320 bushels.

Richmond

	Bid.	Asked.
Wheat	1.37%	
B.C. Silver	1.70	1.80
Dunwell	.93	1.00
Gladwell	.30	.32
Independence	.08 1/2	.08 1/2
Indian	.04 1/2	
L. & L.	.05	.08
Premier	2.00	2.03
Porter Idaho	.09	.09 1/2
Silver Crest	.05 1/2	.07 1/2
Richmond	.08	.08 1/2

### SANKEY GOES TO HIS DOOM

LEFT THIS MORNING ON PRINCE RUPERT FOR OKALA WHERE HE WILL BE EXECUTED

In custody of Inspector William Spiller and Constables Robert Gibson and Thomas Camm, Joseph Sankey, Indian youth, sentenced to hang on February 16 for the murder of Miss Loretta Chisholm at Port Essington on May 23, was taken south this morning on the steamer Prince Rupert. Arriving at Okala he will be placed in a death cell and will remain therein under constant guard to await the dawn of his execution day when he will be taken from his cell to the gallows, there to end his life at the noose. Arthur Ellis, official Canadian executioner, will come from the East.

Sankey's composure during the two nights and one day since the death sentence was passed upon him is reported by the police officers who guarded him to have been little changed. He maintained his customary stoical appearance and displayed no emotions, eating heartily and sleeping well. He was kept under guard in the Court House cells, not being taken back to the city lock-up. This morning, just before being taken to the steamer, he attempted to sing a song but the officers would not allow it. He was very cheerful and did not seem deeply concerned in the prospects of the immediate future.

Sankey is the second man sent down from a Prince Rupert court for execution. About eleven years ago an Indian, Johnny May, was found guilty of murdering a bridge watchman near Hazelton and was sentenced to death. He obtained a new trial, however, which resulted in his acquittal. Subsequently he died naturally.

### TRAINMEN TO STRIKE SOON

ACTION ENDORSED BY FULL COMMITTEE AND ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE BY VICE-PRESIDENT

MONTREAL, Nov. 26.—The action of the membership of the order of railway conductors and the brotherhood of railroad trainmen in voting to go on strike to secure increased wages was fully endorsed at a meeting of representatives of both unions today. At the conclusion of a two-day sitting, N. V. Berry, senior vice-president of the conductors' organization, made the following announcement:

"The full committee of the order of conductors and the brotherhood of railway trainmen have endorsed the action of their membership in voting for peaceful withdrawal from the railroad service unless a satisfactory settlement can otherwise be secured."

Officials of the railroads and the department of labor of the Dominion government have been so advised.

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TEN DROWNED IN A TUNNEL

COFFERDAM BROKE AWAY AS RESULT OF CLOUDBURST NEAR OAKLAND, CAL.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 26.—Ten men were drowned Thursday at Orinda, fifteen miles from East Oakland when a concrete tunnel which they were constructing flooded as a result of a cloudburst which caused a cofferdam to break and send a torrential flood into the tunnel where the men were working in connection with the Mokelumne River aqueduct which will bring the new water supply to Oakland.

MAN WAS DROWNED WHEN OUT HUNTING

VANCOUVER, Nov. 26.—George Thompson was drowned at Gambier Island when he fell overboard from a launch while on a hunting trip with two companions.

VANCOUVER EXCHANGE

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Wheat 1.37%

B.C. Silver 1.70 1.80

Dunwell .93 1.00

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Independence .08 1/2 .08 1/2

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L. & L. .05 .08

Premier 2.00 2.03

Porter Idaho .09 .09 1/2

Silver Crest .05 1/2 .07 1/2

Richmond .08 .08 1/2

BOARD OF AUDITORS IS NOW APPOINTED

OTTAWA, Nov. 26.—The government has appointed members of the board of auditors which was created under an Act of Parliament in 1925 the board to consist of Gordon Scott of Montreal, chairman, Eugene Potvin of Montreal, and E. Jay Howson of Toronto.

LUMBER BOAT COMING

The Northern Shipping Co. also re-



KING ALBERT OF BELGIUM right, and King Gustave, as they appeared driving in a motor car on the arrival of the Belgian party at Stockholm.

### Would Make Regular Sailings Japanese Freighters Into Port of Prince Rupert for Cargo

The shipping company Nakamura Guri & Co. Ltd. of Kobe and other Japanese ports, is becoming interested in Prince Rupert and is anxious to carry cargoes of lumber and other products from here to Japan with a view to inaugurating regular sailings, possibly a steamer every two months at first. Y. Miura, manager of the company, who was here yesterday, accompanied by T. J. Nagao, Japanese agent, told of the aims of his company. They own seventeen freighters beside subsidiary companies engaged in the lumber business. He is looking for all the information possible here in order to put the Japanese merchants in touch with local businessmen and get the carrying for his line.

Olof Hanson, president of the Board of Trade, and other local people took the visitors in hand and they interviewed a number of citizens and got in touch with those who would be likely to give them business. It was pointed out to them that the local Timbermen's Association could handle lumber shipments collectively and it should be an easy matter to provide lumber cargoes provided the market was receptive.

Mr. Miura saw F. L. Buckley before he went to the Islands, and got all possible information in regard to his mill on the islands and the class of lumber offered for sale. On his return to Kobe the visitor will at once get in touch with the buyers and it is very probable that some good business may result which will be advantageous to this port.

Dublin had a successful Baby Week in which all parties cooperated in devising measures for improving the health of Irish children.

### LUMBER FIRM HAS ASSIGNED

CLAIMS OF CREDITORS AMOUNT TO ABOUT \$900,000 MUCH OWING IN VANCOUVER

VANCOUVER, Nov. 26.—The Southern Alberta Lumber Company voluntarily assigned Thursday with creditor's claims amounting to approximately \$900,000. Half a million dollars is said to be owing to twenty sawmills in Vancouver and Everett, Washington.

The trouble is said to be due to the destruction of the Superior Spruce Mills near Fernie by fire and also from losses sustained by the company owing to the recent hurricane in Florida.

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### Tornado Strikes When Thanksgiving Dinner Being Eaten in South

Forty or more people killed and large number injured and homes twisted to nothing by storm

ST. LOUIS, November 26.—A late November tornado travelling a zig-zag path through portions of Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri yesterday killed more than 40 persons while one hundred or more were injured and property damage amounted to several hundred thousand dollars.

The "twister" tore through several small communities while the inhabitants were enjoying their thanksgiving dinners, mowing down homes. The place hardest hit was Heber Springs, Arkansas, with 15 dead and many homes destroyed. The storm came without warning and twisted the place into mass of wreckage.

Several towns were caught with fire and it is feared when communications are restored the death toll may be increased but the latest information shows that Arkansas suffered most, eight being killed in Moscow, five at Opello and two at Sheridan. Across the border Branson, Mo., was hard hit, three being dead and twenty injured there, nearly every business building, the church and community hall being destroyed.

### MANSON ASKS LAW CHANGED

WOULD PROHIBIT PRIVATE IMPORT AND EXPORT IN THIS PROVINCE

PROVINCES TOGETHER

PRALIE GOVERNMENTS ASK FOR FAST PATROL SHIP TO STOP LIQUOR SMUGGLING

VICTORIA, Nov. 26.—The Royal Commission investigating the customs opened a session here this morning, the first witness appearing being Attorney General Manson, who advocated the passing by the Federal parliament of legislation prohibiting private import and export of liquors into and out of the province.

The representations made by Mr. Manson were concurred in by the attorneys general of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, who also were present, and included requests that adequate patrol ships with a speed of not less than thirty knots with suitable guns be established and directed particularly against motor ships from which supplies for smuggling in many instances were obtained.

Dealing with the question of private stocks of liquor within the province, Mr. Manson stated that this inevitably resulted, despite utmost efforts, in the revendling of liquor by others than the government and the undoing of the Government Liquor Act and the greatly increased cost of law enforcement.

In reply to a question by Chief Justice Brown of the customs commission at noon as to whether it would not be possible to raise the license fee on export liquor houses in British Columbia so high as to put them out of business, Mr. Manson stated: "If we did it would be regarded as prohibitory legislation and would be declared ultra vires." He had considered increasing the fee from ten to twenty thousand dollars.

### COAL FRAUD CHARGED WINNIPEG MILITIA

WINNIPEG, Nov. 26.—Frederick Desley, manager of the Canadian Coal Sales Company, was acquitted by a jury today on a charge of fraud connected with the supplying of coal to the department of militia.

### SEATTLE WOMAN IS KILLED FOR GEMS

SEATTLE, Nov. 26.—Mrs. Florence Monks, a wealthy widow, whose body was found hidden in a basement here Wednesday night died of choking, a blow on the head and heart failure, investigators who conducted an autopsy declared. Gems valued at \$10,000, which she usually wore, were missing.

HOCKEY SCORES

Pittsburgh 2, New York Rangers 0.

New York Americans 4, Montreal Maroons 1.

Toronto St. Patricks 2, Ottawa 2.

Twenty minutes overtime.

This advertisement appearing in London daily newspapers, caused much amusement to visiting Americans.

"Lady of title is willing to introduce Americans or others wishing to enter London society; remuneration required and references." — E. M. R.

See advertisement of Montreal Importers on another page.

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Dawson—Clear, south wind, 30 below.