## NEWS DEPARTMENT

## Tolmie Family Remembrances

Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Ex-Premier of British Columbia, is the author of an extended and bountifully illustrated article in the *Victoria Daily Times* of December 8, 1934, entitled "Tolmie Family Remembrance of Things Past." Before its publication, Mr. Tolmie had given much of the material in the form of an address before the British Columbia Historical Society.

The fame of his distinguished father, Dr. William Fraser Tolmie, is well known to readers of this *Quarterly* and to students of many books on Northwestern History. The centennial of his arrival was modestly celebrated at old Fort Nisqually on May 30, 1933, and another such celebration was held near Tolmie Peak in Mount Rainier National Park to commemorate the first approach to the great mountain by civilized man.

The son, Simon Fraser Tolmie, refers to these and many other historic events in the father's career and adds a wealth of family remembrances not available elsewhere. The article has historical values.

## William L. La Follette

On Thursday, December 20, William L. La Follette, 74 years of age, died at Colfax, Washington, of pneumonia. He was born in Indiana, moved to San Francisco in 1874, and not long thereafter he migrated to Eastern Washington. There he became an owner of extensive farm lands in Whitman and Franklin Counties, producing grain and fruit. In 1891 he was appointed a member of the Washington State Commission for the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago. There he constructed a miniature wheat far on the main floor of the Washington State building which attracted unusual attention. He was a Republican Congressman from the Fourth Washington District from 1910 to 1918 and was one of fifty to oppose the entry of the United States into the World War. In late years he made his home in Spokane. Three of his sons reside at Colfax. His wife died last September.

Mr. La Follette was a cousin of the late Senator Robert M. La Follette.