

To the Public



**McClintock Fears Charge**  
R. M. McClintock, editor of the official Nonpartisan newspaper, the Fargo Courier-News, in a letter of resignation addressed to A. A. Liederbach, chairman of the league executive committee, says that contempt proceedings pending before the supreme court were in a large measure responsible for his decision to quit the state.

Mr. McClintock indicates that his wife's health, coupled with the contempt proceedings, made it advisable to change. In part Mr. McClintock says:

"I am the more inclined to this action by recent events in North Dakota. At this writing I am not informed as to the action of the state supreme court in response to Attorney General Johnson's request that I be cited for contempt of court. But inasmuch as one of the justices has already convicted me I do not greatly doubt the court's action.

"If any large principle were involved I should consider it my duty to stay and fight it out. But my opinion

of the supreme court and especially of Justice Robinson, is not the Nonpartisan league's nor the Courier-News', perhaps, but only my own. And I don't care to go to jail; I can't pay a fine, and don't want to ask the farmers, hard pressed as they are, to raise a fund to appease the wrath of the court."

**Former County Officer Kills Self By Hanging**  
Napoleon, N. D., Dec. 19.—Jacob Kruger, 58, former commissioner of Logan county, committed suicide, by hanging himself in one of the barns on his farm near Fredonia. Worries over ill health and adverse crop conditions and inability to meet payments on a parcel of land acquired two years ago are ascribed as the cause of his suicide. He leaves a wife and several children. He was a native of Bessarabia, Russia.

**FOR SALE**—Chester White Boar, weight about 300 pounds. Shang, Minot, N. D.

**AGED MOONSHINER HELD IN MORTON COUNTY**

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 19.—Although he was convicted two years ago of bootlegging, blindpicking and manufacturing and awaiting trial in federal court, Mathias Schafer, aged 76, was unconvinced of the reach in the arm of the law. He was operating a large 15 gallon a day still at Glen Ullin when for the third time federal men hooked him in their dragnet.

Eight moonshine whisky stills were confiscated, 2,500 gallons of mash destroyed and 1,000 quarts of illicit whisky turned on the ground in a two day raid in western Morton County.

Informations have been filed against more than a dozen men as the result of the investigation.

All of the violators of the Volstead act, were Russians and one who damned the United States, its laws and its officers in vigorous language to the federal men will be reported for deportation, although he has secured his first papers for naturalization.

One of the stills seized was equipped with a 25 foot lead coil, insuring the production of "rank poison" in the opinion of Dan Dougherty, United States agent.

**WOMAN TO PRISON FOR GUN ASSAULT**

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 19. — Julian Roll, aged 61, the oldest woman prisoner ever listed upon the convict record at the state penitentiary was here today in the custody of a deputy sheriff enroute to Bismarck to begin a sentence of one year imposed upon her by Judge Frank T. Lembke, following a trial in district court at Mott.

Mrs. Roll was convicted of "assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to commit great bodily harm." An altercation between the Roll family and that of E. Meier reached a climax when Meier and his sons started cutting wheat in a field which both parties claimed. Mrs. Roll produced a revolver and shot Meier, the bullet entering his head near the right eye. He recovered.

**Another Vehicular Bridge Across Missouri Strait**

Van Hook, N. D., Dec. 19.—With rumors of a westward extension of the Soo railroad and the report that construction of a railroad bridge across the Missouri river at Sanish will be begun this winter, road boosters in this section are renewing their efforts to petition congress to arrange to have a vehicular bridge included in the railroad bridge.

B. A. Dickinson of Ryder, president of the Missouri Slope Good Roads association, has been asked by the Ryder Community club to make an investigation, and if deemed advisable, to ask congress for support of the vehicular bridge project. It is urged that a vehicular bridge across the Missouri at Sanish will do much to develop this section and would give a transcontinental highway shorter by 100 miles than the Roosevelt highway.

**MARYLAND TOWNSHIP**

Christmas tree and program at School No. 1 Thursday the 22nd, in the evening at 7:30. Anne Klane, teacher.

Christmas tree and program at School No. 4, Friday, the 23rd, in the afternoon. Mrs. Josephine Marsh, teacher.

To be given at the Emanuel church—English services at 11 o'clock. Dinner to be served immediately after and Christmas tree in afternoon.

Miss Hazel Barker leaves Monday the 19th, for Little Sock Minnesota, to visit her brother, Alfred.

Sophonra Burch was on the sick list last week. She was out of school four days.

H. B. Beachler is grinding feed for Elsberry. He is also making good use of his new Ford this winter.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Pederson, December 17.

Reverend Berg had quite a bit of trouble getting home Monday from the funeral services. His Ford refused to work. John Bjorn had the chance to try his Ford so he hauled him into town.

**TASKER BRIEFS**

The Ladies Club of Tasker was entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. C. Bogart of Burlington. A delicious lunch was served and all report a very enjoyable time.

W. E. Kirkelie of Velva honored us with his presence in this community on Tuesday and Wednesday. We are glad to know that Bill is still on the list of the living.

Miss Martha King and Miss Lucile Robertson spent the week end at their homes in Donnybrook.

Mr. and Mrs. John Coulton and family were callers at the Chas. Kirkelie home on Thursday evening.

We have heard that "Toothless Minnie" and "Pug" are very busy preparing for the Xmas tree and program for Thursday evening, and are supposed to be working very hard. But then you can't believe everything you hear.

Miss Thelma Swenson of Rugby, N. D. is visiting Edna Kirkelie for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Yule and Mr. and Mrs. John Vergatt motored to Minot Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. John Coulton went to Burlington Saturday.

Henry Green boarded 106 for Minot Saturday.

**Tax Publication Rate Cut Asked**

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 19.—The suggestion that newspapers which published the list of delinquent taxes should not undertake to charge the full rate established by law for that class of publications is made by Rillie E. Morgan, president of the North Dakota Press association, in a circular that he has addressed to all of the newspapers of the state.

An interpretation of the law covering legal publication, and the prices that may be charged therefore, fixes the price of publishing the delinquent tax lists on the straight double price basis.

The Forum, which published the Cass county tax list, has addressed a letter to the county auditor and the county commissioners stating that an

equitable price to be paid for this service would be the double rate for the first insertion, which is allowed to cover the cost of composition and the straight single rate for the two following insertions.

In some counties the cost of publishing the list has run exceptionally high, by application of the double price ruling made by the attorney general's department when Mr. Lemke was in charge. For instance, Barnes county has paid about \$5,300 to the Public Opinion, a weekly Nonpartisan league newspaper, for the publication of the delinquent tax list for that county.

It was announced today that Sveinbjorn Johnson, attorney general, had addressed a letter to all states attorneys, requesting them to confer with their county commissioners with a view to bringing about an equitable settlement for the publication of the tax list.

**Farmers Sued on Notes for Loan Company Stock**

About 40 farmers in this section have been cited to appear in county court at Minot and show cause why judgment on notes given for stock in the Savings Loan and Trust company of Minot should not be entered. Several have employed counsel, and are preparing a defense.

The defendants claim that the stock for which they had given notes was misrepresented by stock salesmen in that they were told that they would have stock in a bank to be organized at Watford City. When it was discovered that they had given notes for stock in the Savings, Loan and Trust company and that that company was a holding company of the bank organized at Watford City, many demanded that their notes be returned. The notes run from \$100 to \$1,000.

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