ASSESSMENT BOOK

FOR THE YEAR

1927

Town of Wilkinson

CASS COUNTY, MINN.

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DIRECTIONS TO ASSESSOR.

OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR

Cass County, Minn., 1927.

Geo. McKennett Assessor of the Town of Wilkinson

According to the requirements of law, I herewith deliver to you the Real and Personal Property Assessment Books for the said Wilkinson Twp. *for the year 1927, containing a list of all Platted and Unplatted Real Estate subject to taxation, so far as the same have come to my knowledge from any source and I hereby direct you to assess all property and make return thereof to me as required by the law prescribing your duties hereto annexed.*

A form of the return to be signed by you is appended in this book.

A. A. Geler *County Auditor.*

Extracts from Laws Relating to the Listing of Personal Property.

(Section Numbers Refer to General Statutes, 1923.)

Sec. 1974. PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION.

All Real and Personal Property in this State, and all Personal Property of persons residing therein, * * * is taxable, except such as is by law exempt from taxation.

WHEN LISTED AND ASSESSED.

Sec. 1984. * * * Personal Property shall be listed and assessed annually with reference to its value on May 1, and, if acquired on that day, shall be listed by or for the person acquiring it.

Sec. 1999. **By whom listed.** Personal property shall be listed in the manner following:

1. Every person of full age and sound mind, being a resident of this state, shall list all his moneys, credits, bonds, shares of stock of joint stock or other companies or corporations (when the property of such company or corporation is not assessed in this state), money loaned or invested, annuities, franchises, royalties, and other personal property.

2. He shall also list separately, and in the name of his principal, all moneys and other personal property invested, loaned, or otherwise controlled by him as the agent or attorney, or on account of, any other person, company, or corporation, and all moneys deposited subject to his order, check or draft, and credits due from or owing by any person, company or corporation.

3. The property of a minor child or insane person shall be listed by his guardian, or by the person having such property in charge.

4. The property of a person for whose benefit it is held in trust, by the trustee; of the estate of a deceased person, by the executor or administrator.

5. The property of a corporation whose assets are in the hands of a receiver, by such receiver.

6. The property of a body politic or corporate, by the proper agent or officer thereof.

7. The property of a firm or company, by a partner or agent thereof.

8. The property of manufacturers and others in the hands of an agent, by such agent in the name of his principal, as merchandise.

Sec. 2003. **Where listed.** Except as otherwise in this chapter provided, personal property shall be listed and assessed in the county, town, or district where the owner, agent, or trustee resides.

Sec. 2005. **Merchants and manufacturers.** The personal property pertaining to the business of a merchant or of a manufacturer shall be listed in the town or district where his business is carried on: Provided, that logs and timber cut from lands within, and designed to be transported out of, this state shall be assessed and taxed in the taxing district where found on May 1; and all taxes thereon shall be paid into the different funds of the county of the taxing district and of the state as other taxes are paid, and such taxes shall be a lien upon such logs and timber, which shall not be removed beyond the borders of this state until all such taxes are paid in full.

Sec. 2006. **Farm property of non-resident.** When the owner of livestock or other personal property connected with a farm does not reside thereon, the same shall be listed and assessed in the town or district where the farm is situated: Provided, that if the farm is situated in several towns or districts, it shall be listed and assessed in the town or district in which the principal place of business of such farm is located.

Chap. 212, **Laws 1925. Household Goods.** All household goods and furniture, including clocks, musical instruments, sewing machines, wearing apparel of members of the family, and all personal property used by the owner for personal and domestic purposes, or for the furnishing or equipment of the family residence, shall be listed and assessed in the district where the same is usually kept.

Sec. 2008. **Elevators, etc., on railroad.** All elevators and warehouses, with the machinery and fixtures therein, situated upon the land of any railroad company which are not in good faith owned, operated and exclusively controlled by such company, shall be listed and assessed as personal property in the town or district where situated, in the name of the owner, if known, and, if not known, as "owner unknown."

Sec. 2012. **Personal property of electric light and power companies in cities and villages.** Personal property of electric light and power companies having a fixed situs in any city, village or borough in this state shall be listed and assessed where situated without regard to where the principal or other place of business of said company is located.

Chap. 306, **Laws 1925. Personal property of electric light and power companies outside of cities and villages.** Personal property of electric light and power companies having a fixed situs outside the corporate limits of villages, cities and boroughs shall be listed and assessed by the Minnesota tax commission in the county where situated.

Sec. 2014. **Estates of decedents.** The personal property of the estate of a deceased person shall be listed and assessed at the place of listing at the time of his death.

Sec. 2015. **Persons under guardianship.** The personal property of a minor under guardianship shall be listed and assessed where the guardian resides; and of every other person under guardianship, where the ward resides.

Sec. 2016. **Assignees and receivers.** Personal property in the hands of an assignee or receiver shall be listed and assessed at the place of listing before his appointment.

Sec. 2017. **Property moved between May and July.** The owner of personal property, removing from one county, town, or district to another between May 1 and July 1, shall be assessed in either in which he is first called upon by the assessor. A person moving into this state from another state between said dates shall list the property owned by him on May 1 of such year in the county, town, or district in which he resides, unless he shall make it appear to the assessor that he is held for tax of the current year on the property in another state.

Sec. 2018. **Where listed in case of doubt.** In case of doubt as to the proper place of listing personal property or where it cannot be listed as in this chapter provided, if between places in the same county, the place for listing and assessing shall be determined by the county board of equalization; and if between different counties, or places in different counties, by the Minnesota tax commission; and when determined in either case shall be as binding as if fixed hereby.

Sec. 2002. **Lists to be Verified.** Every person required to list property for taxation shall make out and deliver to the assessor, upon blanks furnished by him, a verified statement of all personal property owned by him on May 1 of the current year. He shall also make separate statements in like manner of all personal property in his possession or under his control which by this chapter he is required to list for taxation as agent or attorney, guardian, parent, trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, accounting officer, partner, factor, or in any other capacity; but no person shall be required to include in his statement any share of the capital stock of any company or corporation which it is required to list and return as its capital and property for taxation in this state.

Sec. 2030. **Examination under oath.** Whenever the assessor shall be of the opinion that the person listing property for himself, or for any other person, company, or corporation, has not made a full, fair, and complete list thereof, he may examine such person under oath in regard to the amount of the property he is required to list; and, if such person shall refuse to make full discovery under oath, the assessor may list the property of such person or his principal according to his best judgment and information.

Sec. 2033. **Failure to obtain list.** In case of failure to obtain a statement of personal property, the assessor shall ascertain the amount and value of such property, and assess the same at such amount as he believes to be the true value thereof. When requested, he shall sign and deliver to the person assessed a copy of the statement showing the valuation of the property so listed.

Sec. 1997. **Assessor may enter dwellings, etc.** Any officer authorized by law to assess property for taxation may, when necessary to the proper performance of his duties, enter any dwelling house, building, or structure, and view the same and the property therein.

Sec. 10306. **False statement regarding taxes.** Every person who, in making any statement, oral or written, which is required or authorized by law to be made as a basis of imposing or reducing any tax or assessment, who shall wilfully make any statement as to any material matter which he knows to be false, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Sec. 1993. **Classification of Property. What percentages of full and true value to be assessed.** All real and personal property subject to a general property tax and not subject to any gross earnings or other lieu tax is hereby classified for purposes of taxation as follows:

Class 1. Iron ore whether mined or unmined, shall constitute class one (1) and shall be valued and assessed at fifty (50) per cent of its true and full value. If unmined, it shall be assessed with and as a part of the real estate in which it is located, but at the rate aforesaid. The real estate in which iron ore is located, other than the ore, shall be classified and assessed in accordance with the provisions of classes three (3) and four (4) as the case may be. In assessing any tract or lot of real estate in which iron ore is known to exist, the assessable value of the ore exclusive of the land in which it is located, and the assessable value of the land exclusive of the ore, shall be determined and set down separately and the aggregate of the two shall be assessed against the tract or lot.

Class 2. All household goods and furniture, including clocks, musical instruments, sewing machines, wearing apparel of members of the family, and all personal property actually used by the owner for personal and domestic purposes, or for the furnishing or equipment of the family residence, shall constitute class two (2) and shall be valued and assessed at twenty-five (25) per cent of the full and true value thereof.

Class 3. Live stock, poultry, all agricultural products, except as provided by class three "a" (3a), stocks of merchandise of all sorts, together with the furniture and fixtures used therewith, manufacturers' materials and manufactured articles, all tools, implements and machinery whether fixtures or otherwise, except as provided by class three "a" (3a) and all unplatted real estate, except as provided by class one (1) hereof, shall constitute class three (3) and shall be valued and assessed at thirty-three and one-third (33 1/3) per cent of the true and full value thereof.

Class 3a. All agricultural products in the hands of the producer and not held for sale, and all agricultural tools, implements and machinery used by the owner in any agricultural pursuit shall constitute class three "a" (3a) and shall be valued and assessed at ten (10) per cent of the full and true value thereof.

Class 4. All property not included in the three preceding classes shall constitute class four (4) and shall be valued and assessed at forty (40) per cent of the full and true value thereof.

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Section 1986, General Statues of Minnesota, 1923. The county auditor shall annually provide the necessary assessment books and blanks at the expense of the county, for and to correspond with each assessment district. He shall make out, in the real property assessment book, complete lists of all lands or lots subject to taxation, showing the names of the owners, if to him known, and, if unknown, so stated opposite each tract or lot, the number of acres, and the lots or parts of lots, or blocks included in each description of property. The list of real property becoming subject to assessment and taxation every odd numbered year may be appended to the personal property assessment book. The assessment books and blanks shall be in readiness for delivery to the assessors *on or before the third Monday in APRIL, of each year.*

The assessors shall meet at the office of the county auditor *on a day to be fixed by the Minnesota Tax Commission* for the purpose of receiving instructions as to their duties under the laws of the state. Each assessor attending such meetings shall receive as compensation for such service the sum of *four* dollars *per day for each day necessarily consumed in attending said meeting* and mileage at the rate of five cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled in going from his home to and returning from the county seat to be computed by the usually traveled route and paid out of the county treasury *upon the warrant of the county auditor.*

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Township No. 144 *Range No.* 31 *Mer. P. M.*

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Assessor's Report on Tree Bounty in the Town of _____ County of _____, Minnesota, 1927.

FORM 1. [illegible]

NAMES OF PERSONS CLAIMING COMPENSATION FOR TREES	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION OF LAND UPON WHICH TREES ARE GROWING	Sec.	Twp.	Range	No. of Acres of Trees	Have Trees been set in rows not more than 5 feet apart each way	Have the Trees been kept in that condition, free from all that may have died each year	Condition of Trees	REMARKS

I hereby certify this to be a true statement of the extent and condition of Groves and lines of Trees in said Town and County, as ascertained by examination as provided by Section 12620, of General Statutes of Minnesota, 1913.

Assessor.

Dated _____ *1927.*

PERSONAL

INCREASE OR DECREASE in Value of Property Heretofore Assessed, by the Erection or Destruction of Buildings or Structures Thereon

FORM No. 3 [illegible]

Structures on Platted Property Assessed at 40 Per Cent of True and Full Value, Structures on Unplatted Property Assessed at 33⅓ Per Cent of True and Full Value.

NAME OF PROPERTY HOLDER	DESCRIPTION	Sec. or Lot	Town or Block	Rng.	True and Full Value of Structures more than five each	KIND OF STRUCTURES	Assessed Value of Additional Structures	Reduction of Assessed Value on Account of Loss (assessment by Bd. Assr. or subsequent)
					Dollars		Dollars	Dollars

Assessors Return of Taxable Real Property in the Lawn of Wilkinson County of Cass Minn., for the Year 1927

FORM No. 1a [illegible]

Of Property Omitted from the Assessment Book of 19[illegible] or former Years, and Assessed this Year in accordance with the provisions of Section 1985, General Statutes of 1923.

NAMES OF PROPERTY OWNERS	School District	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	Sec. or Lot	Town or Block	Range	Number of Acres of Land: Acres	Number of Acres of Land: Dollars	Natural Conditions: C. Cultivated L. Lawn R. Rolly L. Level	Natural Conditions: S. Stony Wy. Wooded W. Wild	ASSESSOR'S VALUATIONS: True and Full Value of Lands (Exclusive of Structures and Improvements) Dollars	ASSESSOR'S VALUATIONS: Structures and Improvements: True and Full Value of Buildings and other Structures Dollars	ASSESSOR'S VALUATIONS: Structures and Improvements: True and Full Value of Machinery Permanently Attached to Real Estate Dollars	ASSESSOR'S VALUATIONS: Total True and Full Value of Lands Including all Structures Improvements and Machinery Dollars	ASSESSOR'S VALUATIONS: Assessed Value of Lands Including all Structures Improvements and Machinery Dollars	EQUALIZED VALUATIONS: Total Assessed Value as Left by the Board of Review Dollars	EQUALIZED VALUATIONS: Total Assessed Value Equalized by the County Board Dollars	EQUALIZED VALUATIONS: Total Assessed Value as Equalized by the Minnesota Tax Commission Dollars
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