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SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. _____) *

The McClatchy Company

(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

579489 10 5

(CUSIP Number)

January 27, 2000

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Adair Rideout McClatchy

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)

3	SEC USE ONLY	
4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	United States
	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
		932,495
NUMBER OF SHARES BENE- FICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	6	SHARED VOTING POWER
		0
	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		932,495
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		0
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	932,495
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*	[]
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)	5.3
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*	IN

*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

Item 1.

- (a) Name of Issuer: The McClatchy Company
- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 2100 "Q" Street, Sacramento, California 95852

Item 2.

- (a) Name of Person Filing: Adair Rideout McClatchy
- (b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence: 2100 "Q" Street, Sacramento, California 95852
- (c) Citizenship: United States
- (d) Title of Class of Securities: Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value
- (e) CUSIP Number: 579489 10 5

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to (S)240.13d-1(b) or (S)240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) [] Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act.
- (b) [] Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act.

- (c) Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act.
- (d) Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (e) An investment adviser in accordance with (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) A parent holding company or control person in accordance with (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940;
- (j) Group, in accordance with (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

- (a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 932,495 shares
- (b) Percent of class: Approximately 5.3
- (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 932,495
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 932,495
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following .

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not applicable.

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Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set in this statement is true, complete and correct.

April 21, 2000

Date

/s/ Adair McClatchy

Signature

Adair McClatchy

Name/Title

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)