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Memorial Day was celebrated last Monday. The weather was not the best, but then it rarely is for that solemn day. I am sitting here in secure comfort, knowing that I am safe and living in the greatest country on this old mudball, called Earth. because of the sacrifices of the previous generations that we honor today.



Figure 1-VFW Graves.

During the years of 1953 and 1954, I had the honor of playing taps on my trumpet for several military funerals, in combination with Joe Anderson.. One of us would play taps at the gravesite and then a moment later, the other one would echo it from up on the hill. During 1954 Gordon Harwood and I did the honor.

Keith's Corner

Last week I made mention of a new owner of the former Nevada Bank of Commerce etc. on main street.

His name is Mike Nass. He currently lives in Round Mountain and plans to live here. He is an experienced locksmith and has set up a key making shop. He took one of the old counters that went around the former office of the manager and moved it down to the back of the bank as in the photo.



Figure 2--The key making machine in place on the wall counter.

Mike told me that he will be hanging a large sign on the back wall, along with a keyboard full of blank key stock. He is already doing a good business making keys. He has also started a thrift store. He is getting a lot of stuff, as you see in the photo.

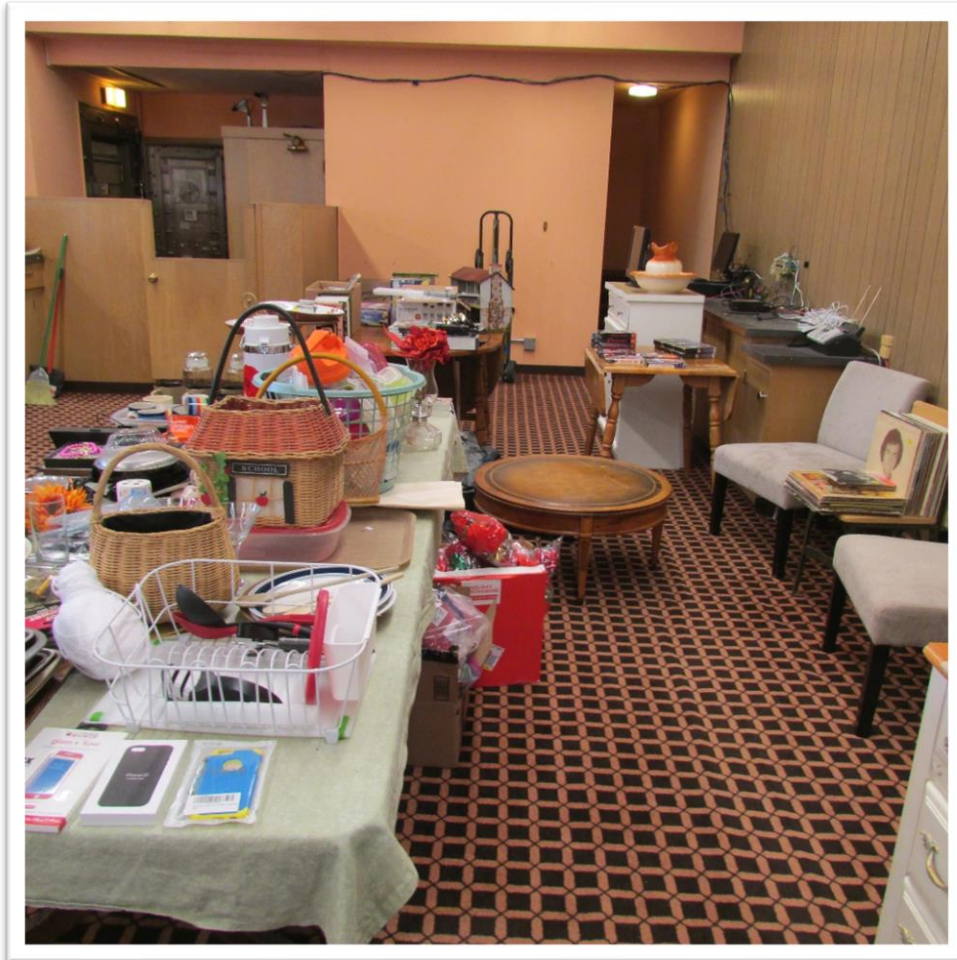


Figure 3--Lots of neat stuff to browse thru for bargains.



Figure 4--Mike has quite a selection of items, even furniture.

He is also getting a license to buy and sell guns. He will be able to ship and receive guns thru the mail. This will be of benefit to the gun owners in McGill who now have to do that in Ely. Mike has a nice selection of antique firearms of all types to sell. He keeps them all locked up in the bank vault. That vault has a door that makes gun safes look sick.



Figure 5--Now there is a real gun safe.

Mike will take your items and sell them for you . He takes photos of the stuff and advertises it on the internet. He has a modest charge of 25%. He sold some tools and a TV for me. I had tried for a year to sell them and he did it in a few days. He advertises, deals with the customer and gives you the money. I like that.

Mike always has some coffee and pastries for his customers. He encourages folks to drop in and have a cup and chat.

He also is very careful to leave the building in it's original shape. I have sent him pictures of the main street in the old days and he is getting them blown up and framed to hang on the walls. Nice to have a newcomer that takes heed of our history.

I remember many years of dealing with A.E.Prestion, John Cavilgia, Dorthory Perkins, Mrs. Gust, Valine Cooper, Zella Hall, Marie Hall, Imo Jean Willis and many others. Mike even has a painting done by Preston himself. He painted it for Stella Schroeder and was donated by Ann Schroeder.

So here is a photo of Mike and his salesman, Rubin.



Figure 6—I-r-Mike, Rubin.

The next time you are in McGill drop in and have a chat and coffee with Mike and Rubin.

Tomorrow at 4 pm, several of us will be meeting with the new owner of the I.O.O.F. Hall, He will fill us in on what he plans to do. The outside brickwork is finished and they did a terrific job. The place looks just like it did in 1925. I hope to get his permission to get inside and take some photos before any inside work is started. Should have a nice report for you next time.

The AT&T cell tower is almost done. Photos and story next time. Gee, a lot of things happening here in the old town.