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# Keith's Corner/McGill News

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# Santa Claus Arrives In McGill



Looks very cold and snowy, but there is a good crowd of hearty McGillites. Santa arrives on the old fire truck, with an honor guard leading the way.



The man on the IOOF Hall looks like Max Blackham, but I am not sure.

My usual concern is putting the right date on these photos. I know they were to be used in a Kennevadan, but don[t know what year. The first photo is interesting in that the old Bell Tel building is still there, as shown in this enlargement. It is just to the right of the McGill Meat Market.



The car in the middle is parked on a slant, meaning the old high curb is gone. That happened in the late 50s-early 60s.

Here is an enlargement looking at west side of main street.



We can see the Cononelos store and the larger McGill Standard. I don't know if that big star is a Christmas decoration of the Texaco Star from the old O'Neil gas station. On the right side of the Standard Market window the old entrance to the huge garage inside, has been bricked up. I used to drive a WPHS buses thru it. Don't know what year this was done. Anybody have an idea??

I try to get an accurate date on these old photos, since they are not dated. My goal is to be able to date any future old photos.

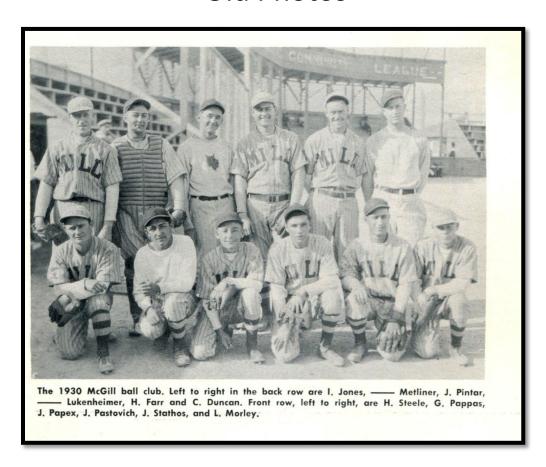
What ever the date of these photos of the Christmas Parade, they do bring back a lot of memories of great times in McGill. We need to revive those fun times again somehow. Without such memories to look back on, old age could be rather boring. Not much left to talk about, except Pills and ailments, the weather, the latest obit.

### McGill News

I will be off next week to celebrate Thanksgiving with family. Because of the scamdenic and our two bit dictator governor who ruled that you can have 30 at a funeral, but only 10 at Thanksgiving family dinner, we our having a funeral for the turkey on Thanksgiving Day.

Here's wishing you all a safe and Happy Thanksgiving with your friends and family.

## **Old Photos**



One of the few photos that show the old grandstand. Note -the McGill Community League on the top front of the grandstand. I remember playing on the large wooden seats. A lot of folks went home with a few wood slivers in their backside. McGill ball teams dominated the sport for many years against all comers. I remember all the night games under the lights, It was an exciting time.