

## Keith's Corner/McGill News

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### 2022 Is Here Already!!!!

Time seems to fly by faster as we grow older. I have never understood that. Is it some form of punishment for getting along in age ? It seems that after age 70 we get 2 birthdays a year instead of just one. The human mind is a funny paradox. The young want to be older and the old want to be younger. Boys want to grow some whiskers so they can shave. Later, shaving becomes a daily chore. Probably the same with girls and their cosmetics.

An old 'sage' once said that the older one gets, the more they talk about obituaries, medicines and body parts such as backs, hips and knees. The younger ones, also talk about body parts, but much different ones.

Everyone ages differently and most experts on the subject say there are several factors involved. Genes, diet and exercise being the most prevalent. These are of course important, but I think environment and attitude are also important.

There was a lady visiting the drug store last summer that was 104 years old. I asked her what her secret was and she said, that she has drunk a Dr. Pepper, every day since she was a young girl. I think in the early days of Dr. Pepper, it contained some prune juice. So their advertisement of drink a Dr. Pepper at 10, 2 and 4 kept folks active.

She asked my age and when I told her, she said, "you get around pretty good, what is your secret?". I told her that I lived a morally straight life, never swore, smoked or drank and never chased women---- until I was nine years old. She gave me that look of disbelief and said, "that is the biggest line of BS I have ever heard". We had a long laugh. I think humor is a big factor in longevity.

Humor was always a big thing in McGill. The many pranks done on the job at KCC are classic. Off the job humor was prevalent in our everyday lives.

Like the time, Nina Milobar rolled his car on the main Duck Creek dirt road. He was rounding the turn at the East Creek road too fast and rolled over onto the passenger side. He managed to get out of the driver's side and climb down to the ground. He was leaning against the bottom side of the car, when a passing motorist stopped and asked if he was hurt and what happened? Nina, said that he was OK and that it was just easier to check the oil with the car on its side like that. Nina, always had a great sense of humor.

We can't find humor in everything in life, but if we look for it, we will find more than we thought possible.

## McGill News

We are slowly thawing out after the big freeze on New Years Eve. This is going to be a big year in McGill. We will soon have a clothing store in the old bank building. Rudy and crew have been working at the IOOF Hall. There is a big music festival planned for this spring.

## Oldies

1925—March 28—McGill Candy Kitchen started selling ice cream along with their candies.

1911—November 13—A. J. Butler, sworn in as new WP County Sheriff

## Old Photo



McGill Drug Store and McGill Post Office. The Post Office moved from the McGill ranch up to Main Street in 1905 circa and then moved into the present location in January 1920. See Newsletter 47 fo details.