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Keith's Corner/McGill News

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The Stacks of McGill

There have been many smoke stacks in McGill over the years, 116 years, to be exact, but the 3 biggest ones were the most notable. The two 300 foot, black stacks were there for a long time, compared to the 750 foot one. Here is a photo of all 3.



During my young heathen years, one of the small stacks still had the letters, NCC painted in big white letters and the other one had KCC. Then around 1945 NCC and KCC letters were replaced by KENNECOTT.



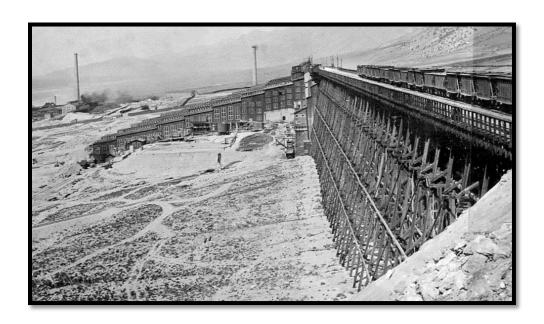
The stack on the right had the Kennecott on the left side as shown in this photo from the rodeo grounds.



There were several other stacks in the early days, such as these in 1909. The small roaster stack was cited in Newsletter30. The tall one at the right of this photo was the first 300 foot stack.



There was a stack at the mill in the early days and the one large one at the smelter in this photo of the trestle.



In Newsletter 44 there were photos of the laying of the foundation for the first 300 foot stack. I have never found out when the 2nd stack was built.

The two original black stacks were a welcome sight to us old time McGill folks as we went by Schelbourne on the way back from Idaho or Utah. The strobe lights on the 750 foot stack were to be seen even further from McGill. It was rumored that Delta and other airlines used the lights as a landmark.

I, like other old timers, miss such things in a big way. It feels like part of us, is missing.

McGill News

Just got word 3/28 that we will have the Drugstore washed down next week by a licensed and bonded contractor. Also, the electrician will be starting soon and the plumber a few days later.. Progress on the move.

Oldies

1925-March 19—The McGill Stray Antlers Club has finished building their new clubhouse on the northwest corner of main street and K Avenue.

1909—September 3—Principal H. W. Lauer announces the opening of the McGill school on September 7

Old Photo

Remember the Old Photo of the school crossing guard in Newsletter 146? Well, here she is in the middle of Aultman. Circa 40s/50s



Notice the deep gutters and little bridges.



In case you forgot.