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Dating McGill Photos

I get a lot of questions about old McGill photos, when there is no date on the photo. So many old photos of McGill and our own family photos are never dated and people/places are not named. It is frustrating at best. I try to be as accurate as possible in my writings, but sometimes it is hard to properly date some photos. Here are some examples of how I do it.

When the EXACT date is not known but there are indications of it, I will set a date and follow it with—circa. This means it is close, but not exact.

Here are some examples---



There are newspaper ads for the Leader in 1908 and in February 1910 the new manager, Richard Richards moved his family into living quarters in the store. There are other references about the store in 1916. The McGill Drug store is

there. It was changed from Steptoe Drug in 1912. The post office is there. It moved across the street to it's present location in 1920. The Campton store was turned in 1925-6. The Clubhouse was finished in 1915.

I would date this photo at 1916, circa. It could be 1917, but no later than 1919.

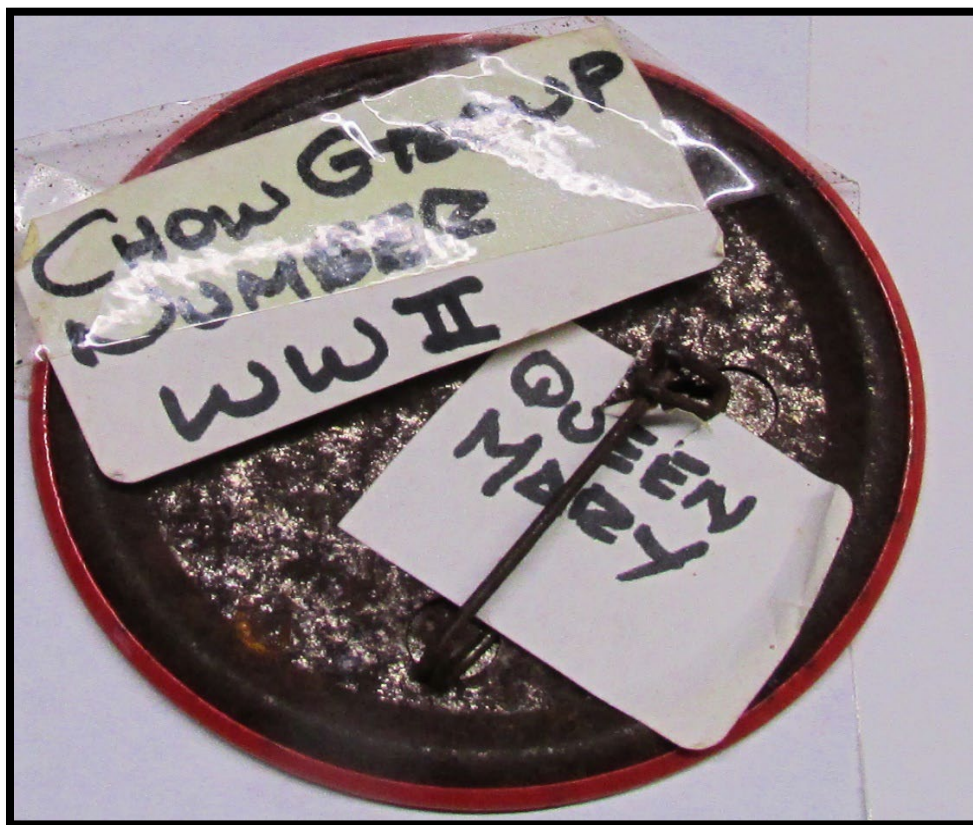
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This January has got to be setting a lot of records for warmth.

Now, here are some photos of a pin that was worn by many thousands of soldiers returning from Europe after WWII. First the front side.



Now the back side.



The explanation is in the words on the back of the pin. These pins were worn by the troops on the Queen Mary that were returning to the states from WWII. There were thousands of them crowded on the ship and so to facilitate feeding them, the pins were given out. Bill Bogoger has this pin in his collection of WWII stuff and was kind enough to share with us. Does anyone out there remember these pins or have any info to share??

Note—

I am a page short this time. My computer got hacked and was down for some time. It was a ransomware hit. It locked up my computer and took some time to get back on track. I was told to call this phone number-- 1-919-3411626—and give them \$199.00. Don't fall for it.