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Subject: Re: The caliber 98

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Jack!!! I am fine Thanks for asking! How about yourself?

I have read what you have said, but I am sorry, I really can't, in all honesty, except a change in Gruen knowledge based on a "hunch"!

Its been well established that Precision marked movements are made at the Precision factory! Paul S states in his Gruen history "The Biel factory was also sometimes referred to as Time Hill, but was normally called the Precision Factory or Precision Workshop ("workshop" sounded better in ads about the old guilds). The highest-quality Gruen movements were produced there, and only the watches containing these better calibres were marked "Precision" on the dial and movement"

Bruce Shawkey in his Collectors guide states that this movement(99) was made in house.(page27), and there is a slew of Gruen material stating the same thing!

Why would Gruen use other peoples technology ,when they have the ability to produce they own, I cant say, but what I would say , with some degree of certainty, is that when Gruen did go to outside makers, they marked the movements, Guild, the 157 Quadron comes to mind!

For me too consider your hunch any further, you will need to produce some really hard evidence, supporting it.

Gruen considered their Precision marked movements the best, buying in a ebauche and marking it, Precision, would really damage their reputation if caught

"not all of the known ebauche movements are marked."

I was talking specific about the FHF movements.used by Gruen

"We've seen examples of where marking have been removed or etched-out"

I never seen this on a Gruen Precision movement! again, this would unrate the movements

I really dont have anything else to add on this

Shalom!!

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