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Subject: 1947 Gold "Beetle" Box

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Description. Men's "unique gold" colored "Beetle" box with Gruen Precision shield. Bottom of box: "Time Hill-Cincinnati-USA Made In USA".

Booklet copyright 1947.

Period:1947-1948

Watch type: Veri-Thin?

Size: width 11.5cm, height 3.4cm, depth 7.9cm (added by admin)

Inventor:

Patents: Rathbun Triplex Spring Hinge.

Box maker: Ad illustrates box development for Gruen beginning with E.C.B., Rathbun then molds it, from "Beetle" plastic licensed from A.C.C.

"Beetle" is ACC's tradename for essentially the same plastic as "Plaskon" which is tradename of Libby-Owens.

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*colorful, lustrous Beetle\* plastic  
makes a perfect setting for sales*

The Gruen Watch Company wanted a box of a material that would speak *instantly* of high quality for watches that do the same. So BEETLE plastic was selected . . . as ideal for eye-appeal and for molding characteristics that readily accommodate special hinge constructions such as the Rathbun Triplex Spring Hinge specified for this box.

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