
Subject: Zephyr circa 1947

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Here's another one from my inventory:

Model name : Strap 577 (from my Gruen book) advertised as the "Zephyr"

Type : Precision Veri Thin

Period/date : Circa 1947

Gender : Men's

Case Maker : Wadsworth

Case Material : 10kt gold filled front and back

Case Serial : G948968

Case Style no : 558

Caliber : 335

Movement Maker : Gruen, Switzerland. Later, these 335s were made at a Norwood, Ohio, facility, but this is a Swiss one

Movement Serial: 610384

Bracelet : none

Other info : (strictly my opinion here, folks): Gruen came out with several very handsome swivel lug driver's watches in the 1940s. I love this particular model because of the heavily scalloped bezel. It corresponds to "Strap Model 577" on page 145 (top center) of my Gruen book. If anyone knows whether this model was assigned a "name" by Gruen, let me know and i'll update this listing. Takes a 16mm band. I photographed the watch without the band to show off those lugs in all their glory. They span a whopping 53mm when measured end to end. (That's one mm longer than the Majesty!) Forum members have since ID'd this model as being the "Zephyr." Thank you for this. The ads show the watch with the band sliding underneath the lug rather than over the top like many of the other models of these drivers' watches. This is nice, because it shows the lugs nicely, rather than hide them.

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