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Subject: Something interesting

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Model name : unknown

Type : unknown

Period/date : WWII era ~1944

Gender : Men's

Case Maker : Unknown, potentially Gabus Freres

Case Material : Stainless steel bezel and case back (marked Guildite)

Case Serial : 75238

Case Style no : unknown

Caliber : 420ss

Movement Maker : Gruen

Movement Serial: 868746

Bracelet : na

Other info :

I'm not sure what to make of this beyond wishful thinking on my part: Potentially a pilots watch. It is similar in style to ones from Longines and others that I have seen on eBay which are purported to be 'pilot's watches'.

Anyway, like Tony C's Pan Am, this one has an all-stainless (marked Guildite) case with the same type of snap back. It also has solid lugs that are not an afterthought. The case with the lugs was machined out of a single piece and you can trace tool marks. Monty aka "MonKee" gave this to me in exchange for some work on some of his watches. I've not seen another like it. Contains a 420ss movement. Dial was refinished but it was a match to the dial as it came; also a redial so there is some question on originality. Now photos....

Also the seconds hand is highly doubtful as original. I've never seen another Gruen sweep second like it. Could be off a Gotham or other.

Sorry about picture size... feeling lazy to resize the at the moment.

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