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Subject: Box with display stand

Posted by [Gary](#) on Wed, 12 Feb 2020 21:15:21 GMT

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#### Description

A case that holds a pocketwatch and also serves as a display stand for the watch. The guarantee certificate is folded to the size of the box so you can see the number of jewels and adjusted positions.

Period : 1915-1923

Watch type : Pocketwatch

Size : 16

Inventor : Unknown

Patents : Unknown

Box maker : unknown

The dollar bill silver certificate piece in the bottom of the box is mystery.

#### File Attachments

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17 RUBY JEWELS  
ADJUSTED 5 POSITIONS \$ 60

# Guarantee Certificate

**GRUEN**  
Verithin Watch  
*The Most Beautiful Watch in America*



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The certificate paper

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FACTORY GUARANTEE CERTIFICATE

SWISS MOVEMENT  
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GRUEN WATCH MFG. CO.  
MADRE-BIEL  
SWITZERLAND

# GRUEN

## Verithin Watches

"The Most Beautiful Watch in America"

**T**his is to certify

That this Watch sold to Mr. George D. Francis Address 415 N. Main

is a genuine GRUEN VERITHIN—a Swiss-American watch—made under American ownership, rec the workshop on Time Hill in Cincinnati. It is the product of the best methods—the American with that Swiss-inherited skill for fine hand-finishing and adjusting after the machine work has designed upon the highest mathematical principles of horology, embodies every known improvement made of the finest finished material throughout, and is guaranteed against any original defect. It is further guaranteed always on hand at the Cincinnati plant and Gruen agencies everywhere, insuring prompt repairs in case of accident.

This VERITHIN model has the Gruen patent inverted train-wheel system, which made it possible to buy without reducing size or strength of parts. It has a double roller, steel escapement, visible steel fork, patent m adjusting screw, isochronal brequet hairspring, fine Swiss hand-rubbed mainspring of constant uniform elas great simplicity. This movement has fine quality ovalated ruby jewels, adjusted to positions, isochronism and to come within the time required on railroads.

For perfect workmanship in all its parts, for reliability and accuracy as a timekeeper, and to give satisfaction to the wearer in every particular, we, the undersigned manufacturers, guarantee this watch.

THIS WATCH HAS BEEN SOLD AND DELIVERED  
IN FIRST-CLASS UNINJURED CONDITION

Gruen Watch Makers Guild



DEALER SIGN HERE \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_



CINCINNATI, U.S.A. \_\_\_\_\_

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

GRUEN WATCHES HAVE BEEN SOLD SINCE 1874  
WORKSHOP LOCATED ON TIME HILL CINCINNATI, U.S.A.

THIS GUARANTEE IS PARTICULARLY VALUABLE, BECAUSE "THE GRUEN AGENCY" IN ANY CITY IN THE UNITED STATES, WILL REGULATE, WITHOUT CHARGE

2) Gruen VT 1920 (3).jpg, downloaded 2130 times



ISSUED TO  
*George D. Francis*  
 UNDER THE GRUEN SPECIAL SERVICE SYSTEM  
 DATED *May 15, 1920*  
*Notice*  
 THIS WATCH SHOULD BE TAKEN APART ENTIRELY.

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REMOVING OLD, DRIED-UP OIL AND DIRT, REPOLISHING AND REOILING PARTS TO PREVENT THEM BEING SPOILT FOR GOOD TIMEKEEPING, AND THEN EVERY 18 MONTHS THEREAFTER, IF CRYSTAL BECOMES BROKEN IT SHOULD BE REPLACED BY A GENUINE GRUEN CRYSTAL AND NOT BY AN ORDINARY LENTILE. THIS WATCH REQUIRES NO MORE CARE THAN ANY OF THE ORDINARY STRICTLY MACHINE-MADE WATCHES

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Subject: Re: Box with display stand  
Posted by [Jenneke](#) on Wed, 12 Feb 2020 21:52:13 GMT  
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Ohhhh, that is a nice box!

Obviously ladies can't buy a Gruen Verithin... "This is to certify That this watch is sold to

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Found it in ad's from Matthias:  
1923 (see picture post below)

"[http://vintagegruen.org/vgforum/index.php?t=msg&th=39 &goto=12023&#msg\\_12023](http://vintagegruen.org/vgforum/index.php?t=msg&th=39 &goto=12023&#msg_12023)"

1916:

Period at least 1916-1923

Edit: pfff, sorry, cant get the links pasted correctly. Hint below from gary works

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Wow Jenneke that's great!

Here it is just use image location as the link and insert an image. :d My gold-filled one has a \$60 price tag, sound about right.

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