Subject: The caliber 120

Posted by mikey on Thu, 20 Jun 2013 00:57:47 GMT

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I dont have a lot of information on this one but someone once said a picture is worth a thousand words....

23.75mm diameter or 10 lignes (10 1/2 lignes per Bazzab)in size, 15 jewels and the movement number is just visible beside the escape wheel.

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Posted by Bazzab on Sun, 30 Jun 2013 14:03:37 GMT

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This movement is shown in the 1921 Standardized Parts Catalog as a 10 1/2 Ligne

The one shown,in the Catalog, is marked Watch Specialties, but is classed as a Guild watch.

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Subject: Re: The caliber 120

Posted by mikey on Tue, 09 Jul 2013 23:15:42 GMT

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Curiosity on my part... would the one marked 'Watch Specialties' likely be older than the 'Gruen Guild' movement i have?

Subject: Re: The caliber 120

Posted by Bazzab on Wed, 10 Jul 2013 17:23:08 GMT

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The Watch Specialties are the older of the two

I believe Gruen started stamping Guild on movements around 1925/26.

The only evidence I have on this is, the 885 movement, which is from around that time, having owned several watches, all with this caliber, they have all been stamped Guild B

Subject: Re: The caliber 120

Posted by C. Hurt on Thu, 11 Jul 2013 03:39:05 GMT

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Watch Specialties was extant circa 1911 to 1922. Or so...

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Posted by Case on Mon, 15 Jun 2020 01:48:02 GMT

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Here's a Marc Favre signed version: 143587185197

Identical, except for the stud carrier. Favre switched over to the new carrier (seen above) ca1921.

The above was made 1921-1922, based on Guild markings & pre-1922 tariff stamps.

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Posted by Ephemerald on Wed, 15 Jul 2020 21:47:06 GMT

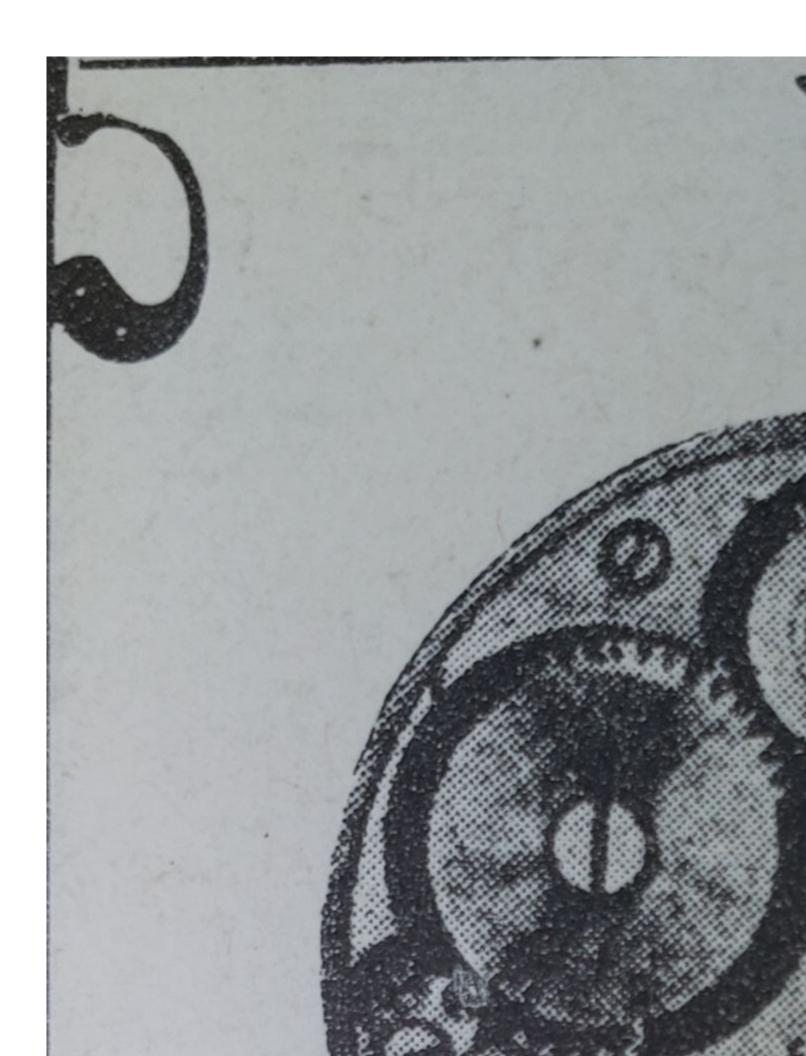
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I never could get that number to show photos so I never saw the Favre signed movement. I thought this pic would be a good permanant reference for this calibre post, nice ID Dan!

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Here's one I've had for awhile. I've been trying to ID it and found this thread. The movement ticks but needs a thorough cleaning and lube.

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Subject: Re: The caliber 120 Posted by koskid on Thu, 03 Oct 2024 01:00:20 GMT

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Digging deeper into my stash of old movements I found a Watch Specialties version of this movement which is also complete and ticking. It's got the older stud carrier.

