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Subject: Re: Quadron 109

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thesnark17 wrote on Wed, 27 November 2019 11:57

SPECULATION ALERT

I think you're right about market considerations playing into this somehow. But in that case, why build a 325 caliber at all? Where does it fit? Did they quit production of the 123 for market reasons, only to find that there was still a market? It seems to me that the 325 continues the numbering pattern, but in that case, why not number it 125? Does the "3" numbering relate to the Guild somehow? I don't know of any caliber 125.

END ALERT

The 325 wasn't made by Gruen. It's not really a part of the 117/119/123 family. Even its size is similar, but not the same. And not being made in the Precision factory, that would be the reason that they are never marked Precision, but rather Guild instead. It certainly coexisted with the 123, and was often used in higher priced models, particularly the 3251 21 jewel version, so Gruen clearly positioned it as a premium caliber. As to why they wouldn't just use an up-jeweled 123 or similar instead of an outsourced caliber, I don't know. It would seem that the whole Guild concept was an apparatus for keeping supply up with demand beyond what Gruen could accomplish with its own facilities.