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Subject: Re: Circa 1926 Swiss-Cased 14k Green Men's Tank

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Barney Green wrote on Wed, 08 September 2021 16:05 Looks like an Imperial Tank to me, what about Tank 14?

It's definitely not a Tank (though the size is large, comparable to an Imperial Tank). Those cases were all Cincinnati-made, stamped under the Bieser patent with hollow lugs. This one has a Swiss case with more traditional construction. Strap 23 was my initial guess, but upon receiving it, the lugs are more angular, so not a match. And the patent pending B&N buckle is making me think that it is earlier than 1926. I checked a couple of other B&N buckles I have, and they're all showing a February 1925 patent date, so I'm thinking this watch is earlier but sold in 1926. Which might mean it could predate the Master Book, in which case the only hope for an ID would be an early 1920s ad.

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