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### REGIMENTAL PHOTO OF A BLACK MILITARY UNIT IN WYOMING

**1.** [African-Americana]. [Unit Photograph of the 3534th Quartermaster Truck Company at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming]. Wyoming. 1946. Two photographs, each measuring 13.5 x 10.5 inches. Some light foxing and wear. Very good.

Regimental photograph of the African-American 3534th Quartermaster Truck Company, stationed at Fort Francis E. Warren at the end of World War II. The images depict 153 African-American soldiers and their two white officers, each man identified with name and rank. Such units provide supplies and munitions to the front lines, and were some of the first units to hit the beaches during the assault on Normandy during World War II (this unit was not among them). Fort Francis Warren was used by the U.S. Army until 1947, and was subsequently taken over for use by the Air Force, which still utilizes it today as a missile command.

\$450

## "FIRST THERE IS GOLF."

2. [Arizona]. Ingleside, Arizona. The Finest Winter Climate in the World [cover title]. Los Angeles: "Wood's" Print, [1912]. [8]pp. Narrow quarto. Original printed pictorial wrappers, stapled. Minor wear and soiling. Very good.

Scarce promotional for an early 20th-century Arizona club community, now fully subsumed by Phoenix. The town and resort were several miles northeast of central Phoenix, under Camelback Mountain. Much of the text centers on the Ingleside Club, where "Social life at Ingleside centers." The Club was the valley's first resort, and operated in the winter months until the early 1940s. Photographic reproductions depict the club grounds, bungalows, orange groves, dairy herds, and, naturally, golf. OCLC locates just four copies ~ Pima County Public Library, University of Arizona, SMU, and Yale.

## THE LUSH BOUNTY OF YAVAPAI

**3.** [Arizona]. Yavapai County, Arizona. Its Resources and Opportunities [cover title]. Prescott, Az. 1912. [2],37pp. 12mo. Original pictorial wrappers, stapled. Light soiling to front cover. Internally clean. Very good.

Scarce illustrated guide to Yavapai County, Arizona, north of Phoenix, concentrating on the agricultural bounty of the region. In addition to expansive dedicated sections on the numerous varieties of crops and livestock that flourish in the county, several pages are devoted to discussions of water rights, irrigation, and other critical issues. With numerous photographic reproductions of pastures, orchards, farmland, and attractive landscapes in the area. OCLC lists three examples, at the Arizona State Library, Denver Public Library, and the Sharlot Hall Museum.

### BY A PIONEER AFRICAN-AMERICAN LITHOGRAPHER

**4. Brown, Grafton Tyler.** [Nevada Mining]. Map of the Lower Comstock and Emigrant Consolidated Mining Cos. Mines, Lyon Co. Nev. [caption title]. San Francisco: G.T. Brown, [ca. 1870]. Color lithograph folding map, 8.5 x 16 inches. Light tanning. Very good.

A scarce Nevada mining claim map lithographed by one of the first professional African-American artists in the West. Grafton Brown was the son of a freedman, born in Pennsylvania in 1841. He moved to San Francisco in 1861, and spent much of the next few years as a draftsman and lithographer for the firm Kuchel & Dresser and as a traveling artist in Nevada. He set up his own lithography company in San Francisco in 1867, which he operated until 1879. He the 1880s, he turned his attention to painting, which he did in several capacities in the Canadian and American West, including for the Bowman Geological Survey, before he moved back east to Minnesota in 1893, where he remained for the rest of his life.

This map depicts the small mining town of Silver City, Nevada, which was at the southern edge of the Comstock Lode. The lode runs directly through town from north to south, and the intersecting claims of the two companies in question, Lower Comstock Mining and Emigrant Mining, are shaded in pink and yellow. The peripheral claims of two other companies, Dayton Mining and Silver Hill Mining, are shown in green and blue. An attractive map by an important figure in American art and illustration. OCLC locates eight copies.

#### WORLD WAR LERA BERKELEY REAL ESTATE MAP

**5.** [California]. An Absolutely Accurate Map of Berkeley, Prepared and Presented by Mason-McDuffie Company General Real Estate Agents. San Francisco. 1917. Sheet map, 28 x 22.75 inches. Folded. Somewhat rumpled; a few small chips at edges, not affecting text of map image. Several scattered patches of staining. Good plus.

A scarce real estate map of Berkeley, California, printed for and distributed by local agents Mason-McDuffie Company in 1917. Blocks are overprinted with lot numbers and letters, as well as tract and neighborhood names, and a street index is printed at the foot of the map. A large red arrow points to the location of the Mason-McDuffie office, just west of the University of California campus, and an area shaded in red, labeled "Northbrae Properties" at the northern edge of the city limits, indicates the principal real estate interests of the agents. We locate four copies, at Berkeley, Stanford, the California State Library, and the Oakland Public Library.

## EARLY CALIFORNIA STATE HIGHWAY MAP

**6.** [California]. Automobile Road Map Touring the State of California Showing Principal and Secondary Roads Connecting with and Adjacent to the State Highway System. Los Angeles: Automobile Club of Southern California, 1916. Folding map, 44 x 22.5 inches. Original printed wrappers. Light creasing and wear to wraps. A few small chips along left map edge. Minor loss along one fold line, slightly affecting map image. Very good.

The first edition of this rare and detailed map of roads across California, issued by the Automobile Club of Southern California in 1916. In addition to minutely delineating the major and minor auto routes, the map shows geographical features, topography, and rail lines, as well as locations of club branches and information offices. The California state highway system, though inaugurated in 1896, began its first period of sustained growth and construction during the 1910s, after the passage of the State Highways Act in 1909. This map was published while a second bond issue was being considered (and eventually approved) by the state legislature for the completion of the system. This map therefore provides a detailed and fascinating view of an early, major state highway system nearing completion. The second edition, issued the following year, is more common. Of the present work we locate only two copies, at Harvard and the Huntington.

## THE ROADS OUT OF OAKLAND

7. [California]. Automobile Roads of Alameda County California. Oakland. 1917. Folding map, 15 x 30.75 inches; folded to 7.75 x 4 inches. Separation at one fold with no loss, not affecting map. Minor wear and soiling. About very good.

Scarce map of Alameda County, showing the primary roads from Albany south to Warm Springs and west to Altamont. Also denotes rail lines and interesting features such as the Tubercular Hospital, oil wells, salt works, and other industries and landmarks

of note. With a brief text about motoring in the county, which claims that Alameda County "can boast of more good Automobile roads than any other county in the state." The verso contains a map showing the entirety of the West Coast from Canada to Mexico, with an inset map of the Lincoln Highway running from San Francisco to New York City. Separation affects the inset map, but not the map of Alameda or the coast. We locate three copies in OCLC, at UC Berkeley, Southern Methodist University, and the California Historical Society.

## SCARCE 1920s SAN FRACISCO GUIDEBOOK

8. [California]. Chadwick Standard San Francisco Street Guide. Hotel, Apartment, Building and General Directory. San Francisco: J.P. Chadwick, 1923. 128pp. plus folding map, 14 x 16.5 inches. Narrow octavo. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Minor wear and soiling. Slight chipping to first and last few leaves, text lightly tanned. Very good.

Directory and street guide for San Francisco, designed to help navigate the city's streetcar lines. "Containing all streets, hotels, apartments, buildings, banks, churches, consulates, railroad and steamship agents; city and auto road maps. Clubs, theatres, hospitals, places of interest, pier directory." The information is all keyed to the various streetcar lines, indicating which lines are most convenient to which hotels, etc. With information on all the major sights and municipal attractions, as well as hotels, banks, theatres, etc. A listing of the routes of each streetcar line occupies the final two pages. The map shows the city and county of San Francisco with the streetcar lines demarcated in red. A rare survival ~ we find one copy of this edition in OCLC at the Milwaukee County Library, with one or two copies of other editions located at UC Berkeley, the New York Public Library, California Historical, and the Marin County Library.

#### WITH A SECTION FOR THE CHINESE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

9. [California]. Directory of Home Telephone and Telegraph Company January, 1910. Los Angeles: Home Telephone & Telegraph Company, 1910. 639,[1]pp. Original printed card covers. Light wear to spine and corners, faint dampstaining to spine. Minor wear to contents. Very good.

An early Los Angeles Telephone directory, divided into personal and classified sections. The first segment of the directory lists telephone exchanges for personal numbers, including a Chinatown exchange listed alphabetically under C, printed in Chinese characters followed by an English listing. There follows a classified listing by business type, and the exchanges for the San Fernando Valley Home Telephone Company (pp.277-280). The latter half of the volume is comprised of long distance exchanges, covering a number of nearby towns such as Covina, Long Beach, Pasadena, Redlands, San Bernardino, San Diego, and others. A rare survival — we locate a copy of the 1912 edition at Loyola Marymount; copies of the 1914, 1915, and 1916 editions at the Bancroft Library; and a copy of the 1926 edition at Claremont. No copies located of this 1910 edition.

## WELL, HAVE YOU?

10. [California]. Have You Been to Santa Cruz County? [cover title]. Santa Cruz: Santa Cruz Sentinel, [1915]. [8]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Very light wear. Near fine.

Scarce, illustrated promotional for Santa Cruz County, published in 1915 at the press of the local newspaper, the Santa Cruz Sentinel. The text provides an overview of the attractions of Santa Cruz, and then devotes sections to the Redwood forest and the Pajaro Valley, as well as fruit and flower production in the region and the growing poultry industry. With photographic views of the town and landscape of the surrounding area. OCLC locates only two copies, at Berkeley and UC Davis. \$350

# ATTRACTIVE SOUTHERN PACIFIC PROMOTIONAL

11. [California]. The Inside Track. The Way Through the Wonderful Fruit and Flower Garden of Southern California. San Francisco: Southern Pacific Company, 1907. 24pp. Original pictorial wrappers, stapled. Minor wear. Near fine.

Booklet promoting the Southern Pacific Railway and highlights along its route. With a map and numerous images of the handsome Southern California scenery. \$250

### PAY YOUR PETALUMA ROAD TAXES NOW

12. [California]. Road Tax for the Year 1875-76. The Road Tax for the Petaluma Road District for the Year 1875-76 Is Now Due and Payable...[caption title]. [Petaluma?] 1875. Broadside, 17.75 x 13 inches. Light creasing, a few small closed tears at edges. Very good.

An unrecorded broadside, printed with wood type, announcing that taxes in the Petaluma road district for 1875 and 1876 are now due, payable at the office of the local road tax collector, W.H. Hedges. "All taxes unpaid on the first Monday in January, 1876, will be subject to five per cent added thereto." Interesting evidence of municipal road construction in 19th century California. Not in OCLC.

\$675

## RARE BAY AREA CHINESE PHONE DIRECTORY

13. [California]. San Francisco and Oakland Chinese Telephone Directory June 1944 [cover title]. San Francisco. 1944. 41pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Small hole punch through upper left corner, not affecting text. Very light creasing and wear to wraps. Light tanning. Very good plus.

Rare World War II-era telephone directory for Chinese listings in the Bay Area, issued by Pacific Bell. Aside from the cover title and several location headings in the text, the entirety of this publication is printed in Chinese. Pac Bell began to issue these Chinese-specific directories in the 1920s for the large but still relatively isolated communities in San Francisco, Oakland, and the region. All are scarce ~ across serial and individual records in OCLC, we located only one copy of the present issue, at Stanford. This copy is in particularly good condition.

### VIBRANT SANTA ROSA

14. [California]. Santa Rosa, California. Home of Luther Burbank [cover title]. Santa Rosa: Press Democrat, 1926. [8]pp. Folding pamphlet, stapled. Light wear at folds and edges. Slight oxidation around staples. Very good.

Scarce illustrated pamphlet promoting life in Santa Rosa, California during the 1920s. In addition to touting Santa Rosa as the home of Luther Burbank, the renowned botanist and agricultural scientist, the work espouses the many business opportunities, particularly in farming, and recreational amenities of the town, complete with fulsome statistics and a small map of the region. The promotional is also well-illustrated throughout with photographic reproductions of views of the town, various types of agriculture undertaken in the area, and depictions of visitors at leisure. Burbank died the same year that this pamphlet was published under the auspices of the town Chamber of Commerce at the press of the local newspaper, the Press Democrat. OCLC locates three copies, at San Francisco Public, the Sonoma County Library, and UC Davis.

## A FAMED CALIFORNIA RESORT

15. [California]. The Sign of the Arrowhead. Arrowhead Hot Springs. Arrowhead, California [cover title]. Los Angeles. [1924]. 27,[5]pp. Original pictorial wrappers, stapled. Minor wear, contemporary ink stamp on rear cover. Internally clean. Near fine.

Handsome promotional work for the Arrowhead Hot Springs Resort located near San Bernardino. The pamphlet describes the healing power of the hot springs (the hottest in the world according to the chart provided herein), and also enumerates the amenities on hand at the deluxe hotel and its facilities. Floor plans of the hotel, designed by Arthur B. Benton, are included, as is a map showing the location and its convenient proximity to rail lines. Illustrated throughout with half-tones of the scenery and grounds. The resort became a Hollywood glamour spot in the late 1930s, and is still in operation today. Rare; OCLC locates one copy at UC Berkeley.

## BELMONT AFTER WORLD WAR II

**16.** [California]. Street Map, City of Belmont, California [caption title]. [Belmont, Ca. 1947]. Sheet map, 11.25 x 15.25 inches. Previously folded. Light wear at folds. Light tanning. Very good.

Scarce post-World War II street map of Belmont, California, south of San Francisco. The map depicts the layout of the area between San Mateo, San Carlos, and Hidden Canyon Park, and was issued for the use of a local insurance agent, Harry Walden ("When

the subject of the conversation is Insurance, talk with Walden"). Provides a good delineation of a town on the San Francisco peninsula that numbered approximately 5,000 inhabitants after the end of the war, but today is home to over 25,000. Ephemeral, with no copies located by OCLC. \$475

## RARE SANTA ROSA VIEWBOOK

17. [California]. Vistas de Santa Rosa [cover title]. Los Angeles: M. Rieder, [ca. 1915]. Eighteen views on recto and verso of nine panels, folded accordion style. Original purple printed wrappers. Minor fading and wear. Very good.

Rare viewbook of Santa Rosa, California, comprised of eighteen halftone images of the area. Views include the Stone Depot at Kenwood, the "Old Adobe" first house built in Santa Rosa, geysers in Sonoma County, redwood trees, various residences and street scenes, churches, and other municipal buildings. Though the cover title is in Spanish, all the images are captioned in English. We locate no copies of this title, but an English-language "Views of Santa Rosa" published in San Francisco is located at Yale University which matches the description of this object rather closely. Interesting and unusual.

\$650

### SCARCE CALIFORNIA COUNTY POCKET MAP

18. [California]. Weber's Map of Sierra County California [cover title]. San Francisco; Los Angeles: C.F. Weber & Co., 1914. Folding map, 20 x 26.5 inches. Original printed wrappers. Small perforation at upper margin of wraps, also slightly affecting upper map border. A few slight separations at fold points. Light tanning. Still very good.

A scarce and attractive folding map of Sierra County, California, "Showing towns, steam and electric railroads, wagon and automobile roads, township and section lines, rivers, creeks, reclamation and irrigation districts, etc." The map clearly marks out township plats. County lines are delineated in pink, with the map centered on Sierra County, but also it also depicts the northern part of Nevada County, the southern part of Plumas County, and the eastern tip of Yuba County. OCLC locates three copies, at the Huntington, the California Historical Society, and UC Berkeley.

# MINIATURE POCKET MAP OF PASADENA

**19.** [California]. Midget Map of Pasadena and Vicinity. Los Angeles: Franklin P. Borgnis, 1923. Folding map, 9.5 x 11.75 inches. Original printed wrappers. Very light wear to wraps. A couple of small separations along fold lines. Very good.

A small but attractive double-sided folding map that depicts the street layout of Pasadena as well as the major motor routes in the Los Angeles region. The map of Pasadena is quite detailed, and delineates the principal roads of the city in red. It also provides a street index to the right of the map. The other side of the sheet prints a "Motor and Relief Map of Southern California," which provides a bird's-eye view of the region south of the San Gabriel Mountains as well as two small insets of the routes from San Diego to Los Angeles and Los Angeles to San Francisco. The map was distributed as a promotional by local branches of the Pacific-Southwest Trust & Savings Bank. We locate only one copy, at the Pasadena Public Library.

## GIANT CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR BROADSIDE

20. [California]. [Agriculture]. [Viticulture]. Twentieth Annual Fair of the California State Agricultural Society! To Commence on the Fifteenth and End on the Twenty-first of September, 1873, at Sacramento City [caption title]. [Sacramento]: H.S. Crocker & Co., 1873. Large broadside, 38 x 24 inches. Previously folded. A few separations and minor loss along folds at upper third and foot, slightly affecting text. Moderate chipping at top edge. Light tanning and dust soiling. Good.

A rare, large broadside advertisement for the 1873 installment of the annual fair organized by the California state Agricultural Society, held in Sacramento. The promotional lists prizes in hundreds of categories, including livestock, agriculture, manufacturing, and textiles, as well as fine arts and viticulture. The prizes range from \$150 for the best herd of ten or more cattle to a diploma for the best design of a farm gate. In all, the broadside advertises over \$20,000 in premiums for winning entries. The Central Pacific offers to freight all exhibitions to and from the fair free of charge. The poster prints the general rules for the fair, and in a separate section publishes a distinct set of rules governing in the wine, brandy, and viticulture categories. We locate no other copies for this year.

### A PLETHORA OF STRIP MAPS FOR EARLY CALIFORNIA MOTORISTS

21. [California]. [Automobiles]. [Collection of Nearly 140 Strip Maps of California Roads and Highways, with Printed Map Index, Published by the Automobile Club of Southern California]. [Los Angeles. ca. 1920]. 137 maps cards, each 10.5 x 3.75 inches, plus folding map index. Light tanning, occasional light wear. Set numbered 1-221; lacks cards 6, 19, 32-35, 70, 88; cards numbered 135-199, 205-214 not present but not shown in index. Overall, very good.

A substantial collection of over 135 strip maps that delineate the principal automobile routes in California during the 1910s, published by the Automobile Club of Southern California. The cards are accompanied by a folding map index, which shows the overall chart of the routes in the state, with roads numbered to match the individual cards on which they appear. The routes depicted are particularly plentiful and thorough for the Los Angeles area and the region stretching east to San Bernardino and Redlands and south to Balboa and Laguna, but they provide direction for motorists throughout the state. The versos of many cards list hotels and garages officially approved by the Automobile Club which are noted on the maps themselves. The present group of maps is nearly complete, lacking eight cards for routes numbered on the index.

We locate sizable collections of these maps, similar to the one present here, at Claremont, Berkeley, UC San Diego, and the University of Chicago. All are incomplete to some degree. A collection with approximately half the maps indexed is at Yale. A group of this size and near completeness is quite scarce.

\$1,750

## UNRECORDED CALIFORNIA ROAD MAP

**22.** [California]. [Automobiles]. Goodrich Road Map of Southern California [caption title]. [Akron. 1919]. Folding map, 19 x 24 inches. Slight discoloration and a few short separations along folds, slightly affecting text. Very good.

A rare early Southern California automobile map published by Goodrich tires. The map shows the principal driving routes between San Diego and Paso Robles, and as far west as Indian Wells, Needles, and Yuma, with an inset of Los Angeles and the surrounding area. The reverse contains advertisements for Goodrich tires and their touring services for California, plus four small maps that depict the downtowns of San Diego and Los Angeles, as well as the coastal areas west of L.A., and the stretch of towns from Pasadena to Claremont. Not in OCLC.

# RARE MAP OF RAIL CONNECTIONS IN 1912 LOS ANGELES

23. [California]. [Cartography]. Map of Los Angeles County, Electric, Steam Railway Lines, and Mountain Guide. And Also Portion of Orange County [caption title]. [Los Angeles. 1912]. Folding map, 27.25 x 33.25 inches. Previously folded, backed with linen, repairing a few separations along folds and short closed tears at edges. A few small tape repairs at folds on map recto, not affecting text or illustration. Good plus.

A rare map showing the extent of local rail services in Los Angeles and Orange Counties during the early 1910s. Routes from Santa Monica to Pomona and as far south as Newport Beach and Balbor are delineated. Above the San Fernando range, the Southern Pacific line to Santa Clara is shown in part, with its connection through the Valley to downtown Los Angeles. One gets the sense from this map that public transport options in Los Angeles were much superior over a century ago than they are today. Also included is an outset map of the Redondo Beach area, with a street index. OCLC locates only two copies, at Library of Congress and the Huntington, neither of which include the detail map of Redondo.

## THE ONLY KNOWN COPY, IN ORIGINAL WRAPPERS

**24.** [California]. [Freemasons]. Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California, at Their Annual Communication... San Francisco: Paul & Co., 1853. 89pp. Original black and silver printed wrappers. Contemporary gift inscription on first leaf of text. Foot of spine and wrapper edges somewhat worn; short split at top of front hinge; small chip and short closed tear at lower edge of front wrap. Internally clean. Still very good.

A rare edition of proceedings from the 1853 Grand Lodge of the California Masons. With minutes, adopted resolutions, lists of attendees, and news from local chapters in the state, as well as the annual address of the Grand Master and a printing of the organization's constitution. Across serial and individual OCLC entries, we locate only one or two copies of proceedings from earlier

California grand lodges, two copies of a reprint of collected proceedings from 1850 to 1854 that include this text, and none of this original edition. A very good copy of this early California imprint, in attractive original wrappers; not in Greenwood or Cowan, who located the 1852 edition of proceedings. \$850

## UNRECORDED CALIFORNIA STUD BROADSIDE

25. [California]. [Husbandry]. American Clyde, Will Make the Season of 1884, at the Following Places...[caption title]. Marysville: Appeal Print, 1884. Broadside, 20 x 12.75 inches. Printed on yellow cardstock, illustrated with a large woodcut; manuscript notations. Corners and edges chipped; reinforced on verso with tape at corners and edges. Very minor soiling. Very good.

Handsome stud broadside for American Clyde, featuring a large woodcut of a trotting horse and a description of the individual in question. "American Clyde is five years old the 7th of May, 1884, weighs 1300 pounds. He is a well bred horse, rangy, has fine style, good traveler, and a good work horse; works either single or double, true to pull and a kind disposition. We are certain that no one will regret breeding to him after seeing his get, which are generally large, and in color bay, black or sorrel." Clyde's pedigree is also listed, with a \$15 stud fee for the season. A contemporary hand has completed the blank space indicating where Clyde can be found, listing three locations in Sutter County: with S.S. Mitchell in Yuba April 3-5, at Gridley Station on April 8, and at the North Butte Zarlog Ranch April 10-12. A nice California stud broadside, made more desirable by its manuscript notations. Not in OCLC.

## DIABLO CATTLE, ILLUSTRATED

26. [California]. [Livestock]. Easton & Ward Blackhawk Ranch. Diablo, Contra Costa County, California. Diablo, Ca.: Easton & Ward, 1923. 89pp. Oblong octavo. Original blue cloth, front board gilt lettered. Hinges cracking; spine rubbed; corners worn. Light dust soiling internally. About very good.

A scarce and fabulously illustrated promotional for the cattle being raised at the Blackhawk Ranch, south of Mt. Diablo, California, in 1923. The ranch was founded in 1917 by Ansel Mills Easton, an uncle of photographer Ansel Adams, and his son-in-law William Q. Ward. The introductory text states that, "No effort or expense has been spared in procuring foundation stock which represent the best efforts and conscientious work of generations of the World's greatest Shorthorn Breeders." The owners are particularly proud of the number of animals obtained from the apparently "celebrated herd" of the Scotsman William Duthie and his farm at Collynie, north of Aberdeen and Inverurie. Many majestic portraits of individual shorthorn cattle, and their painstakingly detailed lineages and biographies follow. The last few pages advertise the ranch's stock of shire horses, also with portraits. The ranch operated until 1975, when it was sold to a housing developer. OCLC locates four copies, at UC Davis, Berkeley, Cal State Pomona, and the Huntington.

## EXTENSIVE CALIFORNIA DRIVING GUIDE

27. [California]. [Motoring]. California Motor Guide and Gazetteer. San Francisco: National Automobile Club, 1928. [1],ix,246pp. 12mo. Original printed card covers with linen spine. Minor wear, minor fraying to spine ends. Internally clean. Contemporary manuscript notes on first page. Very good.

Scarce driving guide and gazetteer for the state of California, packed full of maps and useful information. The guide divides the area into twenty-five districts, spanning the state from Oregon in the north to Mexico in the south, with detailed road maps of each section. The gazetteer provides both basic and interesting tidbits about the locations and sights in each district, organized by district to enhance one's road trip. The first leaf contains a form for ownership information, herein completed for a 1927 Studebaker sedan. Apparently only published in 1928 and 1929, both editions are quite scarce. OCLC locates four institutional holdings of the 1928 guide ~ at Yale, California State University at Fresno, Stanford, and UC Berkeley.

## "RELIABLE INFORMATION IS THE MOST ESSENTIAL THING TO THE TRAVELING PUBLIC."

28. [California]. [Nevada]. [Automobiles]. Highway Map and Guide of California and Nevada. Aurora, Mo.: Mid-West Map Company, [1933?] Folding map, 21.75 x 17 inches. Printed in blue. Light wear and soiling, some faint dampstaining. Tape repairs at central corner folds on verso. Good.

Folding highway map of California and Nevada, with extensive advertising for the Palms Tourist Camp in Los Angeles. The map key delineates paved, graded, and unimproved roads, as well as connecting county roads. Interestingly, much of the Pacific Coast Highway is identified as either graded or unimproved, and almost none of Nevada's roads are paved. Numerous small towns are marked, as are national parks. It seems likely that the general map information was printed with space left for custom sponsorship, such as that of the Palms Tourist Camp on the present example. One copy in OCLC, at Cornell University. \$550

### DIARY OF A TRAVELLING CALIFORNIA NEWSPAPER SALESMAN

29. [California]. [Newspapers]. [Journal of a Young Man Engaged in the Sale of Newspaper Ads and Subscriptions in Northern California]. San Francisco, Sacramento, and various locations in northern California. 1875. Approximately [120]pp. Contemporary black morocco wallet-style binding. Wear and chipping to spine, light wear to covers. Internally clean. Very good.

A daily journal kept by an unidentified young man in the San Francisco area recounting his work selling ads and subscriptions for several different California newspapers in 1875. Entries for the first two months seem to indicate that the author was possibly well-to-do and new to the state ~ numerous entries mention the stock market and the downslide it was in, resulting in a loss to his portfolio. At several points he mentions having done something for the first time since moving to California. Likewise, early on he mentions having done the hardest day of work he's ever done.

On March 1 he writes, "Engaged to canvas for the Chronicle this a.m. but don't feel quite well enough to work much. Am to have 25.00 per week at present. DeYoung seems a queer but keen man." This likely references Charles DeYoung, the Chronicle's editor-in-chief, who, with his brother Michael, founded the San Francisco Chronicle in 1865. Writing a few days later on march 10, he says, "This a.m. drew first blood. Got an ad for 8"" per month. Expect he will back out in a month." The following day, he gets an unwanted promotion: "Mr. DeYoung told me he had to suspend a Mr. Knapp who had had [cheap?] of the line ads on the daily & wished me to take it up. I hardly think I care to do it." The next day his entry notes, "will not like this job." On March 15, he receives his first paycheck: "This a.m. drew my first wages in California 25.00 for one week of the hardest work ever did for the money."

April 1, he writes about a new venture: "I have been helping Keller & Co. in starting their register biz. Think I will go up & start Sacramento on the Saturday p.m. boat." The nature of this business is not entirely clear to us, though he discusses selling "cards" to numerous places for \$8 to \$10 apiece, and registers would seem to indicate stationery of some kind. This work takes him from Sacramento to Chico and numerous other locations. On May 26th he writes that he is headed for Grass Valley, and he mentions seeing a placer mine and a quartz mining operation. He writes on the 31st, "This a.m. up early and at 9a.m. took the stage for Grass Valley where I sold 4 cards before dinner for 37.00. This p.m. accomplished nothing. This is a fine mountain town of 7000 or more people, mining the principal industry both quartz & placer mines & formerly rich." Despite initial optimism, the following day he notes, "This has been a poor day for me. Sold 1 card 6.00 this eve took a long walk. Don't think much of the prospects here." He travels to Lake Tahoe, back to Sacramento, and finally back to San Francisco. In July he travels for work to southern California including San Diego and Los Angeles. Later entries record sales of ads, indicating perhaps a transition back to the newspaper business. Throughout, the author records small details of weather, his daily activities, recreation such as fishing or hunting, and tidbits of local information.

A detailed and fairly legible record of one young man's year of work in California as a traveling salesman in the newspaper and advertising business. \$750

### CALIFORNIA OIL FRAUD?

30. [California]. [Oil]. Send No Money Merely Investigate. It Will Pay You. Fortunes Are Being Made from Investments in Reliable Oil Stocks [caption title]. [Boston?] 1900. [4]pp., on a bifolium. Quarto. Previously folded. Light wear along old folds and a couple of short closed tears at lower edge. Very good.

Rare illustrated prospectus for the potentially fraudulent Bernalillo Oil Company, based in Boston and San Diego at the turn of the 20th century. The text promises astounding returns, stating that, "Few in the East appreciate the stupendous nature of this great industrial awakening, and the unparalleled opportunity it affords for large profits on even limited investments." The promoters further advise readers to send away for more complete information about the company's holdings and business plans, and provides a list of references to contact for confirmation of their bona fides. Strangely, despite its extensive endorsement of the oil industry in California, the land it advertises is 6,400 acres in New Mexico, between Fort Wingate and the Navajo Reservation, as is the town

of Bernalillo. A 1905 article in the business periodical United States Investor cast serious doubt on the venture, writing in response to a query about the trustworthiness of the company that, "The stocks have no market value, and intrinsically they are not believed to be worth more than the paper they are printed on." We locate only one copy, at Yale.

\$475

## "THE BEST OIL VENTURE THAT I KNOW OF"

31. [California]. [Oil]. The Story of the Gibson Gusher. From the Colusa Daily Sun [cover title]. [Colusa, Ca.] 1921. [8]pp. Pictorial self wrappers, stapled. Light wear and creasing; a few short closed tears at wrapper edges. Contemporary ownership inscription on front wrap. Even tanning. About very good.

A scarce promotional for the Young Oil Company and its development of an apparently lucrative oil strike at Bear Creek in Colusa County during 1921. The pamphlet prints a story first published in the local Colusa Sun newspaper, which documents history of oil production at the site, chronicles the purchase of the lease by Young Oil in 1915, and relates positive comments from several contemporary geologists' reports that convinced the company to significantly increase its investment and work on the property, including the imminent arrival of an industrial drilling rig from Texas. The remainder of the text publishes a letter from a Sacramento oil man, William Babcock, which describes the operation as, "The best oil venture that I know of ~ in fact, it looks so good to me that, while I have for all intents and purposes retired from active participation in the development of the oil business, I shall in this case make an exception." The final leaf prints an enjoinder from the company to, "Buy all the Young Oil Company stock you can afford," and gives the organizational information of the firm. Illustrated with five halftone images of the site; not in OCLC.

### L.A. MUNICIAL EMPLOYEES INVEST IN CALIFORNIA OIL

**32.** [California]. [Oil]. [Three Blueprint Maps Depicting Southern California Oil Lands Under Development by the Beegan Oil Trust in 1920]. Los Angeles. 1919-1920. Three maps, 13.25 x 17.25; 13.25 x 19.75; 22 x 19.25 inches. Folded. Light wear at edges. Very good.

Three blueprint maps that delineate lands purchased and parceled by the Beegan Oil Trust in Southern California just after World War I. The land in question comprised four sections, each a square mile, which were located in San Bernardino and Kern Counties to the west of Barstow, and which sat atop what became known as the Wabash oil field. The Beegan Oil Trust, as well as a twin organization named the Wabash Trust, were formed by Ralph Beegan and a group of over fifty employees of Los Angeles County to purchase and develop the land. The two smaller maps show the beneficiaries of the trust and their ownership of the acreage in the first section of land, and also list the board of trustees for both trusts. The third, larger map, depicts the ownership divisions in the other three sections.

A June 5, 1920, issue of The Oil Weekly reported on the purchase thus:

"Sixty county employees of Los Angeles, most all of them connected with the right-of-way department, have purchased from the Southern Pacific four sections of desert land in San Bernardino county, eighteen miles west of Barstow, and on which they have secured a petroleum geologist's report which encourages them to believe they will get oil in commercial quantities at approximately 2000 feet. Twelve wells are projected in the immediate vicinity by the Hiawatha Drilling Co., and the Kramer Consolidated Oil Co. has a well a short distance away which has made a showing of 38 gravity oil, paraffin base. Because of interests held by Indiana investors in the district it has been named the Wabash oil field. Should the predictions of the geologists prove correct, a new and important field with excellent shipping facilities (the Santa Fe runs through) will result. The field as mapped by the geologists in 18 miles long by seven wide, and the land controlled by the Los Angeles men is almost in the geological center."

An interesting document of group investment in Southern California oil land at the end of the 1910s.

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## "NO SLUMS, NO JAPANESE OR OTHER ORIENTALS"

33. [California]. [Promotional Literature]. Porterville. Tulare County, California. Metropolis of Central California Citrus Belt; Center of a District of Diversified Resources. Porterville: Chamber of Commerce, [1914]. [32]pp. Original printed pictorial wrappers, stapled. Minor wear and soiling. Near fine.

Promotional booklet for the small town of Porterville, California, located about halfway between Fresno and Bakersfield. Published by the city Chamber of Commerce, this work touts the amenities and prosperities of Porterville, including its agriculture (citrus, olives, alfalfa), livestock, and fine climate. "That Porterville is a town of prosperity is indicated by the bank deposits, among the largest per capita on the Pacific Coast. A very large percentage of the people of this city own their own residences. It is a city of homes, since there are no saloons, no restricted district, no slums, no Japanese or other Orientals, no foreign population ~ in a word, a little city of 5,000 wholesome people whom you will be pleased to know and who will extend you a welcome." OCLC locates three institutional copies, at Yale, UC Davis, and UC Berkeley.

## SCARCE L.A. AND CLARK ROAD PROMOTIONAL

**34.** [California]. [Railroads]. Los Angeles: The Gateway to Southern California [cover title]. [Chicago? 1916?] [12]pp. Original pictorial self-wrappers, stapled. Small contemporary publisher's notice affixed to front wrap. Light wear and dust soiling. Very good.

Rare promotional for the Salt Lake Route by rail to Los Angeles, and for the attractions of the city itself, published circa 1916. The text touts the population and commercial growth of Los Angeles from the turn of the 20th century, its many attractions, and year-round seasonability. The last leaf provides a summary of ways to arrive on the West Coast via the Salt Lake Route through Las Vegas from Chicago, Minneapolis, and Denver, and prints a full-page map of the route and intermediate stops across Utah, Southern Nevada, and Southern California. The Salt Lake Route was operated by the Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad, whose line between the two cities was completed in 1905 under the ownership and direction of Montana mining baron William A. Clark, and as a result it was also known informally as the "Clark Road." With many photographic reproductions of Los Angeles and its attractions just after World War I, including many of the grand Southern California resorts of the day. Not in OCLC. \$500

### ILLUSTRATED CALIFORNIA LAND AUCTION BROADSIDE

35. [California]. [Real Estate]. All the Pacific Bank Lands in Madera Co. for Sale. This Valuable Property Practically Given Away [caption title]. Madera, Ca. [ca. 1890s]. Broadside, 16.5 x 9.5 inches. Horizontal fold at center. A few very short closed tears at top edge. Even tanning; a couple of faint fox marks. Very good.

A scarce broadside advertisement for a land sale north of Fresno during the late 19th century. The Bank of Madera went into liquidation in 1897. Pacific Bank, to whom the local bank owed a good deal of money, apparently took control of its real estate assets and promoted their fire sale via this illustrated broadside. The advertisement contains a plat map and table of available lots, and states that, "This land is situated about 2 1/2 miles southwest of the town of Madera, is all under irrigation, and is as good soil and there is in the County of Madera." Additional text promotes other available lots and emphasizes the low prices for which all are available. The sale was placed in the hands of the local attorney, Robert Hargrove, who, according to a contemporary state report on recent bank failures, was also one of the principal shareholders and president of the bank. We locate only one copy of this broadside, at Berkeley.

## BUCOLIC LOS ANGELES SUBURBS

**36.** [California]. [Real Estate]. Homestead Lands from 40 to 320 Acres, Rich Soil, Level Land, Pure Cold Mountain Water and Wells Where Water Stands Near the Surface [caption title]. [Los Angeles. ca. 1900s?] Broadside, 14 x 7 inches. A couple of chips and closed tears at edges. Backed with linen. Evenly tanned. Good.

Unrecorded broadside advertisement for farmland in the Los Angeles area, likely from the first decade of the 20th century. In addition to the "rich soil, level land, [and] pure cold mountain water" advertised at the head of the text, the text promises a "good road from Los Angeles," and says, "Come with us on our next trip and see it for yourself. Suitable for almost every crop known to Southern California including PEARS and APPLES." The advertisement advises new settlers to inquire at an office in the I.W. Hellman building, which was constructed in downtown Los Angeles in 1902.

### MANUSCRIPT HISTORY OF A SAN FRANCISCO PROPERTY

37. [California]. [Real Estate]. [Manuscript Ledger Recording an Abstract Title Search for a Property on Jackson Street in San Francisco]. San Francisco. [1892-1913]. 115pp., written almost exclusively on rectos. Folio. Original quarter leather and cloth, string-tied. Four

printed labels on front cover, some augmented in manuscript. Wear to spine, some chipping and loss; corners worn. Minor wear internally, contents clean and highly legible. About very good.

Complete title search for a property near the corner of Mason and Jackson Streets in San Francisco, initiated by the owner, Joseph King. The property is identified as "50 Vara Lot No. 172," and is located just a few doors down from Dore Alley in Chinatown (Dore Alley today being the location of the noted Gay Pride festival of the same name). Joseph King is also identified in the documents as the anglicized name of "Joaquin G. Pedro." The title abstract was begun by Simpson & Millar, and opens with an elaborate calligraphic title and a pen-and-ink drawing of an African-American hobo sitting on some steps, on which is written the firm's information. This first page describes the location of the property, the second contains a map of the lot, and the third leaf is an index. The property history is traced from 1847 through to 1883, when King purchased the lot from the widow Eliza Lydia Huffner. Previous owners included James Enright, Isaac A. Moody, and Mary C. Leavitt. The document details previous mortgages, discharges, and challenges to title.

In 1888, King and his first wife, Mary Anne, filed for divorce. This act seems to have triggered the title history, which includes details of a fraught purchase from the widow Huffner, a declaration of Homestead made by King in May 1888 indicating he has a wife and six children and that the property is estimated to be worth \$4000, and a notice of the divorce complaint filed later that year. Tax and assessment information for the property is also included. It is all signed as certified by Simpson & Millar at the end, dated 1892. The title is then continued by a J.S. Rolls "Searcher of Records," and beyond that by the City Abstract and Title Insurance Company, from 1905 to 1913. It includes continued tax and mortgage information for King and his new wife, Ellen.

An interesting document, tracing the history of a single piece of property through seventy-five years of its history, from the founding of San Francisco to beyond the Great Earthquake of 1906. A nice example of the work of real estate title companies in the area. \$1,250

## REAL ESTATE AUCTION IN MONTEREY

**38.** [California]. [Real Estate]. Map of Pacific Grove Properties Showing Lots Which Will Be Sold at Absolute Auction Sale. [San Francisco? 1919]. Folded map, 21 x 28 inches. Promotional text printed on verso. Minor wear. Very good.

Map highlighting lots in the city Pacific Grove, on the Monterey peninsula, owned by the Del Monte Properties Co. and to be sold by auctioneers Barry & Austin with no reserve. The text printed on panels on the verso highlights this as a brilliant investment opportunity, particularly targeting the concept of the vacation rental:

"The country today is on the eve of tremendous prosperity and every city, large or small, will naturally feel the effect. Keep in mind that real estate is the safest and soundest investment you can possibly make. ... Buy a lot in Pacific Grove at this sacrifice sale, build a small bungalow, live in it when you want to and rent the bungalow the rest of the year at a rental which will give you the use of the house free."

Interestingly, the text notes that Liberty Bonds will be accepted at par value as forms of payment. The map shows lots for auction in red, with a tidy block fronting Monterey Bay. An attractive map depicting the post-war real estate boom in California, leading into the Roaring 20s. We locate four copies in OCLC ~ at Yale, California Historical, UC Berkeley, and UC Santa Cruz.

## RULES FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO TEAMSTERS UNION

**39.** [California]. [Unions]. Rules and Regulations Agreed to and to Be in Effect for One Year from Date Hereof, January 24th, 1921, Between the California Transfer and Storage Association and the Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 85, San Francisco [caption title]. [San Francisco]: Ben Franklin Press, 1921. Broadside, 11 x 8.5 inches. Backed on linen. Minor soiling and wear. Very good.

Broadside advertising seven articles agreed to between the California Transfer and Storage Association and the local teamsters' union, including details of wage rates, hours, and working conditions. Article I makes clear that the Association will employ no one who is not a member of the local Brotherhood. Nine hours constitute a day's work with an hour for lunch. The rate for drivers is around \$6 a day, with overtime payable at \$1 an hour. Wage rates for transfer drivers, furniture drivers, and piano movers are all delineated ~ piano movers make \$7 a day, and no piano is to be moved by fewer than two men, three if stairs are involved. A nice

\$850

glimpse into the rights fought for by labor unions during the tumultuous first part of the 20th century. We locate a single institutional copy, at UC Berkeley. \$350

### SACRAMENTO RIVER IRRIGATION

40. [California]. [Water]. California Land of Many Crops. Irrigation the Life Blood of the Pacific Empire [cover title]. Sacramento: H.S. Crocker Co., 1928. 21,[3]pp. Original pictorial self-wrappers, stapled. Light wear, very minor soiling. Very good.

An attractive and rare booklet promoting the Sutter Basin Project and the sale of lands adjacent thereto. Located along the Sacramento River north of its fork with the Feather River, the district was, according to the introductory text, "Among the most complete irrigation, reclamation, diversified farming and colonization enterprises of California." The rest of the pamphlet is devoted to an extensive description of the irrigation system, descriptions of and statistics for various types of agriculture being carried out, and transportation options for such products. The whole is well-illustrated with numerous photographic reproductions.

The Sutter Basin Company was founded in 1911 with the aim of developing 45,000 acres of land along the Sacramento River in Sutter County. With funding from Chicago meat packer J. Ogden Armour, a group of businessmen in Sacramento lobbied the state and federal governments to create Reclamation District #1500. The project raised levees on portions of the Sacramento River, constructed the Sutter Bypass, and developed irrigation canals to reroute the flood waters. Prospective buyers started arriving in 1920 and the Sutter Basin Company continued selling parcels of land until 1946. Not in OCLC. \$675

### RARE OROVILLE DAM MAP

**41.** [California]. [Water]. State Water Project, Oroville Division. Major Construction Features and Recreation Areas [caption title]. [Sacramento. 1965]. Large folding map, 28 x 32 inches. Very minor wear at a few folds. With original mailing envelope, somewhat worn and foxed. Very good.

A surprisingly scarce map of the construction of Oroville dam and surrounding area in California. The dam is of recent fame for nearly failing in February 2017 when the spillways were on the verge of collapse, leading to the evacuation of 188,000 people. At the time of its construction in the 1960s, it was one of the largest and most controversial water projects undertaken in the state. The map depicts the overall construction plan for the area, including the dam itself, anticipated reservoir areas, tunnels and bridges, highway relocations, and many other features. The topographical detail of the map is extremely fine.

There were issues of the map from 1964 (one copy listed in OCLC), 1966 (three copies located), and this 1965 issue, with "Revised July 1965" printed in the lower right corner, with just one copy located, at the University of California Riverside. This copy is accompanied by the original mailing envelope, not addressed or stamped, indicating that the map was sold as a souvenir by the "Vista House," a view point overlooking the construction site.

\$675

## LIFE IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTRYSIDE

42. [California]. [Western Photographica]. [Vernacular Photo Album of Southern California, Depicting Rural Life Outside Los Angeles, with Several Images Showing the Aftermath of an Earthquake]. [Southern California. ca. 1918]. 220 photographs, plus 16 more laid in, most approximately 3 x 4 inches. Oblong octavo. Original black cloth, string-tied. Light wear, images clean.

An interesting and extensive photo album of snapshots of life in the Los Angeles area in the 1910s, containing over 200 original images. The photographer, identified in a self-portrait labeled as "me," was a young woman, and the album appears to chronicle her family and friends on their travels in the rural areas outside the city. There are photos of houses (many which seem to be newly-built), the countryside with freshly-planted orchards, many photos of automobiles, desert and canyon scenery, images of farmyards with livestock, and more. A series of at least six images features apparent earthquake damage, showing crumbling houses and scattered possessions. A nice document of rural life in Southern California, and of the areas around Los Angeles prior to extensive development.

### PLAN YOUR CATALINA CAPER

**43.** [California]. Wilson, Harry. Map of Catalina Island, California. Avalon, Ca.: Wilson Map & Guide Co., 1913. Folding map, 21.5 x 27.75 inches. Original printed wrappers. Light creasing and wear to wraps. Light dust soiling at map edges. Very good.

A rare, early 20th-century folding map of Catalina Island, published and sold separately to a guidebook for the island issued by the same firm, the Wilson Map and Guide Company. The principal map of the island shows geographical and topographical features, traces the main road and several trails across the island, delineates the hunting reserve on the southern portion of the island, and identifies likely spots for finding specific types of fish and game. A large inset with an index at the lower left details Avalon and its harbor, and two smaller insets in the righthand corners show the route to Catalina from downtown Los Angeles and the layout of the Avalon pleasure pier. Both Wilson's guide and map of Catalina are quite scarce; we locate three copies of the guide and two of the present map, at UC San Diego and the University of Alberta.

### CALIFORNIA CATTLE BRANDS

**44.** Cattle Protection Board of California. State of California Cattle Protection Board. Cattle Brands and Licensed Slaughters 1918.... San Francisco. 1918. 355,[1]pp. Narrow octavo. Original red cloth, front board lettered in black. Moderate wear at spine extremities and corners; front hinge loosening. Light tanning. Very good.

This book was published under the provisions of the Hide and Brand Law, sponsored by the cattlemen of California, in an attempt to "protect breeders and growers of cattle from theft..." and allow for registrations and other protections. For two years it was administered by the Cattle Protection Board, established in 1917 and then abolished in 1919. Cattle Protection Service thereafter became a part of the Department of Food & Agriculture. This manual contains thousands of registered brands and ear marks, with an extensive index. It also prints the relevant sections of the Hide and Brand Law, with its own index and synopsis, and a list of licensed cattle slaughterers organized by county. A fascinating compendium for the early 20th-century California cattle business.

Adams, Rampaging Herd 396.

### DETAILED STATE MAP BY A PROMINENT WESTERN TOPOGRAPHER

**45.** [Colorado]. Nell's Topographical Map of the State of Colorado [caption title]. Denver: E. Besly & Co., 1889. Folding map, 30.25 x 38.75 inches. Removed from original boards, previously folded. Light wear, a few small areas of loss, slightly affecting map image. Light tanning; some dust soiling along old folds on blank verso. About very good.

Scarce second edition of this large and finely detailed map of Colorado, drawn by Louis Nell, an accomplished topographer who participated in the Wheeler surveys of the American West during the 1870s. After Nell completed his work with Wheeler, he settled in Denver and published his own maps through the beginning of the 20th century. The present example, first published under this title in 1887, is notable for its fine topographical detail and bright coloring; it depicts with great accuracy the routes of railways and overland trails through the state, rivers and other geographical features, as well as Indian reservations and major land grants. It also marks the sites of United States Land Offices, and outlines their districts across the state.

We locate ten copies in OCLC; the only copy of this edition to appear in auction records brought \$2300 in a 1999 Dorothy Sloan sale. A good copy of an important Colorado map, completed by a significant figure in the Western surveys of the late 19th century. \$2,000

## DOCUMENTING THE CONSOLIDATION OF A FAMOUS AND LUCRATIVE LEADVILLE MINING OPERATION

**46.** [Colorado]. [Mining]. [Archive of Over 110 Legal Documents, Letters, and Maps Relating to Ownership of Mining Claims in Leadville, Colorado, Developed by the Ibex Mining Company]. [Leadville, Co. 1879-1903; 1919]. 111 documents in various formats, comprising approximately [200]pp. Most folded, some stapled and riveted. Light tanning and wear. Overall, very good.

An excellent compilation of well over one hundred legal documents which relate to the ownership transactions and claims on several mining tracts in the vicinity of Leadville, Colorado, which were purchased and developed by the Ibex Mining Company, and its principal investors, James J. Brown, John. F. Campion, and Absalom V. Hunter. The documents principally comprise abstracts, quit claims and other mining deeds, as well as surveys and affidavits of investment and improvement pertaining to four

mining claims: the Little Johnny, the Intermural, the Independence, and the San Jose. Several documents touch on legal disputes over the mines in questions, and the archive also includes three survey maps and several pages of survey field notes. The preponderance of materials are dated to the last two decades of the 19th century and the first few years of the 20th century.

These papers document a critical period in the development of the Ibex Mining Company, during which Brown, Campion, and Hunter consolidated ownership of mine claims on Breece Hill, near Leadville, that resulted in a lucrative gold and copper mining business for its owners. The Little Johnny mine in particular became a byword for bonanza in the 1890s, and was considered one of the richest gold strikes of the time, as it shipped well over one hundred tons of high quality gold ore per day at the height of its productivity during this period. The wealth extracted from these mines allowed Brown, Hunter, and Campion (who during his lifetime became known as "Leadville Johnny" because of the fortune he amassed from Little Johnny and other Leadville mining interests) to become leading figures in Colorado mining as well as the wider world of big business and finance in the West. Campion was also a founding member of the Denver Art League, a precursor of the Denver Art Museum.

A substantial collection of Colorado mining documents, pertaining to one of the most lucrative Leadville operations of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. \$2,500

### "AN ORANGE GROVE IS BETTER THAN REGULAR LIFE INSURANCE..."

**47.** [Cuba]. Health and Wealth in Cuba "The Garden Spot of the World". Sancti Spiritus, Cuba: Compliments of W. & J.T. Faust, [1903]. 24pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Minor wear. Very good plus.

Promotional work for Cuba, favoring the annexation of the island by the United States. The pamphlet opens with information on Cuba's advantageous climate, comprised almost entirely of quotes cribbed from various sources in praise of the island. Cuba is touted as ideal for the cultivation of numerous crops, including ginger, bananas, tobacco, coffee, pineapples, oranges, and many more. This work also discusses the possible annexation of Cuba to the United States, providing quotes in favor from several U.S. Senators. The final page is comprised of a lengthy list of "Reasons Why You Should Buy Land in Cuba," such as "owing to the devastating wars property there is very cheap"; "when the island is annexed, land will be worth from ten to one hundred times what it is to-day"; "you will live longer, take life easier, and make more money than in the United States"; "Cuba is home of the citrus fruits"; and "an orange grove is better than regular life insurance, you do not have to die to gain the benefits." Not located in OCLC, though we find one copy of a similar title published in Battle Creek at the Detroit Public Library.

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## EARLY 20th-CENTURY CUBAN RAILROAD MAP

**48.** [Cuba]. [Railroads]. The New Cuba Railroad Map and Time Table Through Train Service Between Havana and Santiago. New York. 1905. Folding pamphlet, 9 x 23.5 inches. Light tanning and foxing. Very good.

An unrecorded map and timetable for the central route and branches of the Cuba Railroad Company in 1905. The main line, which ran through the center of the island from Havana to Santiago de Cuba, was completed in 1902, and service between the two cities began in December of that year. The route fulfilled a longstanding need for passenger and freight service between the capital and the eastern region of the country and for a connection to the agricultural interior of the country. This pamphlet prints an attractive map of the route across the island, and the service schedule in English and Spanish. The railroad was a subsidiary of the Cuba Company, the largest foreign business concern on the island during the first half of the 20th century.

## A CUBAN SLAVE APPLIES FOR HIS FREEDOM

**49.** [Cuba]. [Slavery]. [Manuscript Documents Relating to an 1885 Legal Claim by a Cuban Slave for His Manumission]. [Guanabacoa. 1885]. Nine manuscript documents totally [14]pp. Stitched, with printing cover form completed in manuscript. Moderate chipping at edges. Tanned, brittle paper; occasional light dampstaining. Good.

A fascinating file of manuscript legal documents which chronicle a March 1885 case heard by the local authorities in Guanabacoa, Cuba, in which a slave named José Belen applied for his manumission. According to the initial documents, Belen, who is identified as a thirty-six year-old Creole man, argued that his previous owner had died, and his new owners were not paying him his small allowance, nor were they providing him with shoes or clothing, and that, for all intents and purposes, he had been abandoned. In the following records, the local junta notifies the relevant authorities in Havana of the claim and request that the new slaveowner,

a Nicomedes P. Adam respond. Adam argued in turn that he was not in fact responsible for Belen, and that the claim should be made upon someone named José Maria Morales. The final documents from the Guanabaco junta press Morales to appear before the and give two weeks to respond to the claims of Belen.

Slaves in Cuba had some recourse to the legal system in cases of mistreatment and abuse and in order to negotiate to purchase their freedom. This latter practice, "coartaciòn," was known as far back as the 16th century, and the ability to ask to be transferred to a new owner arose in the late 18th century. The Spanish Reglamento de Esclavos of 1842 codified some of these rights, and in the latter half of the 19th century, cases in Cuba such as this one in which the slave applied directly for freedom arose. The present case falls late in the history of slavery on the island; the practice was abolished in the 1886, the following year.

A vital primary document of the legal machinery surrounding slavery and the rights of slaves in Cuba during the late 19th century.
\$1,875

## CHOLERA IN THE CUBAN SLAVE POPULATION

50. [Cuba]. [Slavery]. [Manuscript List of Cuban Slaves on One Plantation Who Contracted Cholera in 1868]. [Guanabacoa. 1868]. Manuscript broadside, approximately 13.75 x 11.5 inches. Folded horizontally. A few worm holes, marginally affecting text. Light tanning and dampstaining; a bit of offsetting. About very good.

A manuscript table that records incidents of cholera amongst the slaves on the plantation of Don Joaquin de Peñalver in Guanabacoa, Cuba, during the summer of 1868. The broadside lists forty-two slaves that came down with the disease in July and the beginning of August of that year, and supplies their given names, place of birth, age, height, marital status, and the date that they contracted cholera. The record does not differentiate between slaves that were invalided and those that died from the disease, but it seems unlikely that many recovered. These cases were part of a larger outbreak of cholera on the island during 1867 and 1868, that principally affected the enslaved population there and killed thousands. Peñalver was a prominent sugar farmer in the region east of Havana in the mid-19th century. A unique record of disease affecting Cuban slaves just prior to the onset of the Ten Years' War.

### PACIFIC MILITARY OFFICER'S ARCHIVE

**51.** Englehart, Alva F. [Archive of Typed Military Orders Relating to the Career of Colonel Alva F. Englehart, Spanning both World Wars]. [Various locations, including California, Hawaii, and the Philippines. 1917-1942]. [85]pp., mostly folio sheets. Some light wear, a few sheets torn with no loss. Some with manuscript signatures or small notations. Very good.

Archive of papers relating to the military career of Colonel Alva F. Englehart, spanning two World Wars and the entirety of his career from enlistment to retirement. Col. Englehart (1895-1945) was a native of Missouri. He enlisted in the Coast Artillery Corps of the Army as a Second Lieutenant in March 1917, near the end of World War I. He served in a wide variety of locales, as evidenced by the present archive. Through this series of military orders, one can trace Col. Englehart's career which begins in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and carries him to the Philippines, San Francisco, Hawaii, Virginia, and Washington state. Most of the orders relate to relocations of assignment, promotions, and leaves of absence or furlough. While stationed in Manila in 1923, one of Englehart's leaves gave him permission to visit China. While manning the harbor defenses in San Francisco in 1928, he is given leave to travel to Yosemite. He was promoted to the rank of Major while in Manila in 1930, and given two months leave to travel in China and Japan in 1931 before being reassigned to San Francisco.

In 1939, just before the entry of the United States into World War II, Englehart was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. He was serving in the Hawaiian Department, and on September 12, he wrote a memo detailing his inspection of the defensive headquarters there, before being transferred to the harbor defenses of Puget Sound at Fort Worden, Washington. He was stationed at Fort Worden when war was declared, and made commanding officer of the 14th Coast Artillery there. In February 1941, Englehart suffered an attack of acute coronary thrombosis, and all of the documents here from 1941 and 1942 relate to his illness and his attempts to return to active duty in spite of his medical condition. Despite his attempts to be declared physically fit, he was retired from active duty in January 1942, the orders for which are present here. In 1944, Englehart took a position as a professor of military tactics at the University of California at Berkeley, a position he held until his sudden death from a heart attack the following year.

### SCARCE IMAGES OF THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY

**52.** Eskildsen, John Peter. [Texas]. [Ten Original Photographs of McAllen and the Rio Grande Valley]. [McAllen, Tx. ca. 1920s]. Ten original photographs, each 5 x 7 inches. Light wear at edges. Captioned in negative. Contemporary pencil initials on versos. Very good.

A rare group of ten original photographs by early 20th-century Texas photographer John Peter Esklidsen, who worked in the Rio Grande Valley in the 1910s and 1920s. The photographs present here were commercially produced by the Eskildsen Studio of McAllen, Texas, and perfectly showcase the boomtown flavor of the Valley in the 1920s. They show bountiful fields of cabbage, alfalfa, and onions (and in one case, the African American laborers who made it all possible), a grapefruit tree bent to the ground under the weight of its abundant fruit, fields of grass-fed pigs and dairy cattle, a newly built farm house captioned "New Eden," and a major irrigation canal.

The images are titled in the negatives as follows:

- 1. Grapefruit in the Dr. Kalbfleisch Orchard.
- 2. A Magic Valley Cabbage Field.
- 3. 100 Rhodes-Grass Raised Duroc-Jerseys in the Bruce Young Farm. San Juan Tex.
- 4. Irrigating Cabbage and Onions in the Valley.
- 5. Mercedes. Main Canal.
- 6. Llano Grand Lake and Stewart Club House.
- 7. 5th Cutting Alfalfa on the Johnson Farm, June 17, '20.
- 8. Dairy Herd in Sudan Grass Rio Grande Valley.
- 9. A Farm in the Valley.
- 10. "New Eden" The 6 Months Old Lentz Farm House.

We locate a few individual prints by Eskildsen in the photo collections of UT Rio Grande Valley and SMU, none present here. \$650

## CHILDREN'S BOOK ON MEXICAN MILITARY DISASTERS

**53. Frias, Herbierto.** *La Guerra de Texas y la Heroica Veracruz.* Mexico City: Maucci Hermanos, 1900. [16]pp. 16mo. Original pictorial wrappers. Light ear and dust soiling. Very good.

A rare issue in the "Biblioteca del Niño Mexicano" series of books for children. The Biblioteca consisted of five series: stories of indigenous tradition, discoveries and conquests, the colonial era, independence, and the modern era. José Guadalupe Posada made 440 drawings for the collection, and each issue consisted of sixteen pages with chromolithographed covers and three in-text illustrations. The present issue is from the final, "modern era" series, and discusses the 1836 Texas Revolution and 1838 Battle of Veracruz against the French in enthusiastically patriotic and unapologetically heroic terms, particularly given the disastrous results of each for Mexico. Scarce.

## COURT MARTIAL ARCHIVE OF A GAY AMERICAN SOLDIER

54. Haskell, Peter G. [Archive of the Court Martial Trial of Corporal Peter G. Haskell, with Handwritten Testimony, Affidavits, and Other Official Documents Relating to the Case. Together with a Later Diary Discussing His Sexuality]. [Riverside, Ca. and several other locales. 1954-1957]. [57]pp. typed documents and [9]pp. manuscript, together with a later journal of [13]pp. and a booklet (iv,26pp.) entitled "Going Back to Civilian Life." Mostly folio sheets. Some creasing and light wear, minor soiling. Very good.

Archive of documents surrounding the court martial of Corporal Peter G. Haskell of the 47th Artillery, 551st Missile Battery stationed at Fort MacArthur in southern California during the Korean War. Corp. Haskell was charged with "Violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Article 92"; more specifically, he was court martialed for failing to enforce the rule that no gasoline was to be used as a primer to start heating stoves, after the stove exploded resulting in substantial damage to government property. He pleaded, and was found, not guilty, and the present documents comprise the official summary of his case, along with related affidavits and testimony. Also present are Haskell's manuscript notes regarding his personal defense testimony and account of the incident, and later correspondence as he worked to absolve himself of the debt incurred for the loss of property.

In his own words, Haskell defends his actions: "I am Corporal Peter G. Haskell... With Reference to the Report of Survey, attempting to hold me pecuniarily responsible for the loss of Government property as the result of the fire and explosion which occurred on or about 12 September 1954 at Mt. Gleason (California) Site 04, I wish to take exception to same for the following reasons: [Upon arrival...we] were called together and advised by SFC Joe E Wade, Section Chief, that PFC Frederick R Morrell...was to be second in command and we were to do as he said, not give him any trouble and feel as though he were a sergeant first class. This order was never rescinded. At the time of the fire, I was in the same building and I saw PFC Morrell put the gasoline in the stove. I did not, however, in any way attempt to prevent him from doing this, or order him not to do it. For three months I had been subordinate to PFC Morrell...I do not see why or how I could be expected to change in this instance.... I was acquitted by special court-martial of 'dereliction of duty,' since I did not have a duty to perform."

The rest of the documents revolve around the case, and around Haskell endeavoring to relieve himself of the damage charges - some \$12,509.77. Numerous others testify on Haskell's behalf that Wade was in command, and therefore Haskell should not be held in any way accountable.

Interestingly, also included here is a partial notebook containing a later "letter" (appearing to have been written as a form of therapy), in which Haskell discusses his sexuality and interactions with girls throughout his life. He discreetly discusses masturbation, his lack of passion when kissing girls, his discomfort around women despite trying to date, and his mother's constant criticism of anyone he brought home. He also discusses his feelings of inadequacy, including during his time in the military. The "letter" is [13]pp. in length, and written after his discharge from the military. An obituary we locate for the man we presume to be Corp. Haskell mentions that he is survived by both his sister and a long-time friend named Gil. The present manuscript provides, therefore, an interesting insight into the psyche of a gay man in the military long before such things were socially acceptable.

\$750

#### PRE-WAR PHOTOGRAPHS OF HAWAII AND FIJI

55. [Hawaii]. [Photo Album of a Trip to Hawaii and Fiji, Featuring Many Images of Native People]. [Hawaii. ca. 1940]. Oblong quarto album. Silver and black pictorial covers, tied with string. 142 silver gelatin photographs on twenty-four leaves. Near fine.

Handsome and engaging photo album of Hawaii and Fiji. The album appears to have belonged to Charles Pesak, whose cards are laid in. Pesak (1904-1992) was born in Czechoslovakia and later emigrated to San Francisco; his card indicates that he worked for the Matson Navigation Company as an Associate Chief Steward on the S.S. Lurline, which ran cruises between San Francisco and Hawaii. There are several photographs on board ship, as well as numerous images in Hawaii, showing noted buildings, folks on the beach, and tropical scenery. One image shows a food stand: "Hing Ying Island Pork," while others show banana trees and other exotic native foliage.

There are also images from Fiji, stamped "Printed by Michelmore the chemist, Suva" on the verso. These show native islanders in both native garb and as hotel staff. There is a handsome shot of native children climbing a palm tree, and numerous photographs of local housing and canoes. It also seems likely that Pesak traveled on this trip to Asia, as several images show men at a dance hall with Asian women, and the scenery in several of the photos would seem to indicate as much. Overall, a wonderful album of travel photographs throughout Hawaii and the Pacific.

\$850

### LATE 19th CENTURY IOWA RAILROAD FARES

56. [Iowa]. [Railroads]. No. 185. Through Rates of Fare from Council Bluffs and Sioux City. In Effect August 1, 1893 [caption cover title]. Chicago: Wm. Johnston Printing Co., 1893. 22pp. Folio. Original grey printed wrappers, stapled. Spine partially perished, wrappers chipped with small tears at edges. Dampstain to lower edge, extending throughout. Good.

A rare railroad fare guide for journeys originating from Sioux City and Council Bluffs to various points across the country. "The within are Agreed Rates by the Representatives of Lines interested, and Agents will in no case deviate from them without Joint Instructions." The verbiage on the cover goes on to delineate limits on tickets to certain points east of the Mississippi River. Railroads involved include the Burlington & Quincy; Milwaukee & St. Paul; Chicago & North-Western; Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific; Illinois Central; Kansas City, St. Joe & Council Bluffs; the S.C.& P. and F., E. & Missouri Valley; Sioux City & Northern; and the Wabash. The whole table was compiled by J.P. Mertlik of Chicago, no affiliation listed. We find no copies of this piece in OCLC.

### UNRECORDED JAPANESE CALIFORNIA SEED CATALOGUE

57. [Japanese Americana]. [Catalogue for Hollister Seed Co. in California, Printed in Japanese]. Hollister, Ca. 1939. [6],66pp. Original pictorial wrappers, stapled. Some wear and dampstaining to wraps. Initial leaf loose. Light toning and foxing internally; light dampstaining at fore-edge of final leaves. Good plus.

A rare Japanese-language edition of this 1939 catalogue and price list for the offerings of the Hollister Seed Company. Before internment, San Benito County, where Hollister is located, was home to over 500 Japanese-Americans, and this pamphlet clearly demonstrates the significance of their participation in the farming communities there and in the wider Central Valley. The text is primarily in Japanese, with some English captions, and is extensively illustrated with images of the ideal final products. This catalogue is complete with an order form, now detached, in Japanese and English, as well as a mailing envelope laid in. We locate scattered issues of the Hollister catalogue from the interwar years, mostly at the National Agricultural Library, and none in Japanese. Fascinating and scarce evidence of Japanese-American involvement in California agriculture prior to World War II. \$1,250

## DOCUMENTS FROM THE JAPANESE INTERNMENT CAMP AT HEART MOUNTAIN

58. [Japanese Internment]. [Archive of Twenty-Seven Documents from the Heart Mountain Relocation Center in Wyoming]. [Heart Mountain, Wyoming]. 1944-1945. 27 mimeographed items, most a single sheet. Four documents in Japanese. Letter and legal size. Some light wear, a few edge tears or chips. Very good.

Established in 1942, Heart Mountain Relocation Center was one of ten government camps used to contain Japanese Americans during World War II. Located in northwestern Wyoming, the Relocation Center was in use from August 1942 to November 1945, and at its peak it housed nearly 11,000 Japanese citizens. This archive documents a bleak period in American history, recording the activities of American citizens trying to carry on with some semblance of regular life while being imprisoned by their own government.

The documents here date from January 1, 1944 to October 17, 1945, spanning most of the camp's operation. They are comprised primarily of Community Council meeting minutes, with several ordinances, the criminal code for the camp, and other similar pieces documenting camp life. The Japanese documents are primarily War Relocation Authority bulletins entitled Washington Daily News Digest. An important record from one of the most active of the internment camps. \$2,500

## RARE VIEWS OF RURAL KANSAS

59. [Kansas]. Views of Burlington, Kansas. 1897. Burlington: Phototype View Co., 1897. [58] leaves. Oblong 12mo. Original dark red cloth album, front board stamped in silver, string-tied. Light wear to binding. Contemporary ownership inscription on front flyleaf. Light dampstaining to top edge and lower corner of last few leaves, slightly affecting five images. Good plus.

Rare and wonderful photographic view book of the little town of Burlington, Kansas, located about halfway between Wichita and Kansas City. Each leaf contains a photographic print (some with several images, but mostly one to a page), depicting the businesses and residences of Burlington. Each is captioned in print below the image, identifying each business in the photograph. These include two hotels, a milliner, druggists, dry goods stores, restaurants, the undertaker, the Standard Oil plant, and several lovely Victorian residences belonging to the town's prominent citizens. We locate three copies of this work in OCLC, at Kansas State, the University of Kansas, and SMU. We locate two copies of an 1898 edition, at Yale and Wichita State.

## ACCOUNT OF EARLY MEXICAN REVOLUTION EVENTS BY A PARTICIPANT

**60. Menendez, Carlos R.** *La Primera Chispa de la Revolucion Mexicana*. Merida: La Revista de Yucatan, 1919. 187pp., plus seven plates. Original pictorial wrappers. Wraps chipped, reinforced at verso edges; front wrap separating at head of spine, and with small portions of corners in manuscript facsimile. Modern printed label laid onto spine. Leaves brittle, with even tanning and a few closed tears. Good.

A scarce, near contemporary chronicle of the 1910 rebellion in the Yucatan city of Valladolid, often regarded as the spark of the Mexican Revolution. This account was published in Mérida, the Yucatan capital. The author, Carlos Menendez, was accused of sedition and inciting rebellion for his part in the events recounted here, and was forced to flee to Cuba. He returned to Mérida in

1918, and founded La Revista de Yucatan, on whose press this work was printed in 1919. The press was destroyed by a mob in 1924, after which Menendez established the Diario de Yucatan, still published today. A surprisingly uncommon work, whose scarcity is no doubt due to the low quality of the materials used to produce it; illustrated with seven plates, reproducing photographs and a map. We locate fewer than a dozen copies in OCLC. \$350

#### PHOTOS OF A MINING EXPEDITION ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE

**61.** [Mexico]. [Mining]. [Fourteen Cabinet Cards Depicting a Mexican Mining Expedition]. Santo Domingo, Mx. 1892. Fourteen cabinet cards, with images measuring approximately 4.5 x 7.5 inches. Light wear and chipping and edges of mounts. Contemporary manuscript captions on versos. Images with some fading. About very good.

An engaging set of fourteen cabinet cards that depict a prospecting expedition undertaken by a group of Americans to Santo Domingo in the Chihuahua region of Mexico in the late 19th century. A dozen of the cards are sequenced and have contemporary manuscript annotations on the versos of the mounts describing the scenes, which the writer has titled "Our Mining Camp." The group seems to have travelled from El Paso and Juarez down the Rio Grande by steamboat before unloading their equipment and supplies at a point on the river near their destination. The images mostly show the group of men in their activities around camp and at the mine, as well as several scenes of their transportation, including images of their steamboat and of their "burro train." One particularly striking portrait shows the group's "Secretary of Mining Deputation" with a customs officer and a burro driver. Although the group seems well equipped and provisioned, the photographs and accompanying captions lend a sense of amateur adventure rather than of concerted business to their activities. Manuscript captions are in a neat, legible script; one image is a commercial print of a church interior in Juarez, whose caption leads us to date this group of photographs as we do. An excellent photographic document of an independent and somewhat slapdash mining endeavor in northern Mexico.

\$950

### RARE MONTANA MINING MAP BY A GREAT FALLS SURVEYOR

**62.** [Montana]. [Mining]. Plan of Montana Mining District (Unorganized) Cascade County Montana. Great Falls, Mt.: O.C. Mortson, 1911. Blueprint map, 34 x 27 inches. Previously folded. A few short closed tears at head and foot; light wear along old folds and at edges. About very good.

A rare 1911 blueprint map of mining claims in Cascade County, Montana, centered on the town of Neihart, Neihart Baldy, and Long Baldy Mountain. The map delineates over 250 claims in the area, with a numbered key in the upper left corner, and with a key to known locations of ore and minerals at lower left as well. Although today the population of Neihart numbers approximately fifty souls, the discovery of silver nearby led to its rise as a major Montana boom town in the 1880s. There was still serious mining activity there in the early part of the 20th century, despite the deleterious effects of the Panic of 1893 to the industry in the region.

O.C. Mortson, to whom this map is credited in the legend, was a Cascade County surveyor and cartographer of long standing, and made several important maps of the area. He wrote somewhat extensively on the geology of the region, and also ran a side business inspecting claims and negotiating their sales. He came to Montana as a Sergeant in the 7th Infantry under the command of then Colonel John Gibbon to garrison Fort Shaw in 1870, before resuming civilian life and settling in Great Falls.

This map is captioned, "September 23rd 1907, Corrected to May 25th, 1911." We are able to locate one possible copy of the 1907 version of the map, and none of the present edition. A detailed and rare delineation of mining claims in this storied region during the early 20th century, created by a fascinating local figure. \$1,750

## PANORAMA OF A SMALL NEBRASKA TOWN

**63.** [Nebraska Photographica]. [*Panorama of Aurora, Nebraska*]. [Aurora, Ne. ca. 1900]. Panoramic photograph, 6.5 x 21.5 inches. Photo mounted to heavy cardstock; manuscript cation on verso of mount. Light wear at edges of photo. Light dust soiling. Very good.

An attractive panorama that depicts the central Nebraska town of Aurora at the turn of the 20th-century. The wide angle lens takes in the whole of this Plains outpost, whose population at the time numbered just under 2,000. The scene is a rather sleepy one, with only a few horse-drawn carriages creating some traffic on the main street. The courthouse, completed in 1894, looms over the rest of the town.

### KICKIN' IT IN MOUND HOUSE

**64.** [Nevada Photographica]. [Photograph Album Containing 100 Images of 1900s Cross-Country Travel, with a Focus on Nevada]. [Various places in Nevada, including Dayton, Carson, Reno, Mound House. 1906-1908]. 100 photographs, most approximately 3 x 5.25 inches. Oblong quarto. Original black leatherette covers. Some rubbing and wear, particularly at foot of spine. Contents solid, with glassine interleaves, and extensive manuscript captions on black card stock mounts. Images crisp and clear. Very good.

A photograph album containing exactly one hundred excellent images, the preponderance of which focus on traveling in Nevada during the 1900s. The photos compiled here document life in Nevada in 1907 and 1908 in several towns, including Virginia City, Dayton, Carson City, Reno, and Mound House. Indeed, there is a particular focus on Mound House, as the compiler of the album apparently had a connection to family there, and several of the final images of the album are portraits. Other views of Mound House include the train depot and additional town architecture, as well images of ranch and family life. There are also images of industry, including mines in Virginia City, a mining camp in Ramsey, and a mill in Dayton. Interspersed are images of local life, including a short series of images of an elderly Asian woman apparently named "Old Holly" near her shack and an image of a Japanese water carrier at the Mound House rail depot who is labelled the "Mound House Water System," as well as images of flooding and recent damage from the Carson River in Dayton. The initial portion of the album, approximately thirty images, contains images from stops made in Philadelphia and Mount Vernon. Nevertheless, the photographs compiled here are well-taken and clear, and overall comprise a fine group of early 20th-century Nevada images.

## UNRECORDED MAP OF NEVADA MINING CLAIMS

**65.** [Nevada]. [Mining]. The Crosley Zulch Map of the Seven Troughs Mining District, Humboldt County, Nevada [caption title]. [Reno?] 1909. Large sheet map, 50 x 22 inches. Rolled. Two closed tears, partially repaired with tape. Some chipping at edges. Patch of dampstaining at lower right corner. Good.

A large and detailed map of mining claims near Seven Troughs Mountain, in what is now Pershing County, Nevada, produced in 1909 by two local mining engineers, Arthur B. Crosley and Herman C. Zulch. Both men were recent graduates of the Colorado School of Mines, who had moved to Nevada to begin their careers as engineers when this map was published. In great detail, the map outlines hundreds of overlapping claims in the area surrounding the mining camps of Vernon, Seven Troughs, Mazuma, and Farrell. Gold was discovered in the area in 1907, and the rush that followed produced a heavily active mining district for just over a decade, before the Seven Troughs post office closed in 1918, and the towns became ghosts by the beginning of the 1920s. A rare map of a relatively short-lived Nevada mining district; we locate no institutional copies.

### "THE MAKING OF A CHARACTERISTIC BULLFROG BONANZA"

**66.** [Nevada]. [Mining]. [Promotional Materials for the King Leopold Mining Syndicate of Goldfield, Nevada]. Chicago. 1906-1907. [8]pp. stapled prospectus, [2]pp. typed letter, three broadside advertisements, with accompanying transmittal envelopes. Prospectus previously folded, spine splitting; light oxidation around staples. Letter and broadsides folded, with light even tanning. About very good.

A small, but diverse and absorbing group of promotional materials for mining claims in Goldfield, Nevada, under development by the King Leopold Mining Syndicate in 1906 and 1907. The syndicate, headquartered in Chicago and vigorously promoted by its secretary, William Berg, owned six claims totaling 120 acres in the Eldorado-Bullfrog Group near Goldfield. The prospectus present here contains a map of the claims, and outlines the resources at the disposal of the syndicate and its plans for the development of the claims. The letter, sent to a Mrs. George S. Posey of Lochiel, Indiana, admonishes her for making "a grave mistake in not buying some stock immediately," after she had been solicited previous to do so, and that, "It is beyond question one of the best propositions I have ever recommended to the public. Considering the fact that I have made money on all the Goldfield stocks that I have bought within the last 15 months, shows conclusively that my judgment is pretty good."

Two broadside circulars provide a glowing report on the financial status of the syndicate and announce the formation of a new sub-company for new claims purchased by the syndicate directors in Chaffee County, Colorado, east of Gunnison, with shareholders in the King Leopold naturally having the first option to buy stock in the new venture. A final small broadside advertises subscriptions to the Mining Investor periodical, with an endorsement of the publication at the foot of the sheet by Berg. A nice group of promotional material for an early 20th-century Nevada mining venture; OCLC locates one copy of the present prospectus, at Yale.

#### I, ME, MINE, MINA

67. [Nevada]. [Mining]. [Small Group of Materials Relating to the Lincoln Mine in Mina, Nevada]. [Mina, Nv. 1935]. Three maps, two with duplicates, plus eleven original photographs. Maps folded, with light wear. Five photos loose, six affixed with chipped leaves with typed captions. Plus two folded claim notices in an envelope. Good.

Three maps of the Lincoln Mine, located near Mina, Nevada, and the Garfield Flat in Mineral County. The first shows the topography of the area with some areas shaded to indicate geologic deposits and the location of the mine. The second map provides a survey of shafts and tunnels belonging to the mine. The final map is a blueprint that lays out the twelve adjoining claims that belong to the Lincoln Mine. The first two maps are present in duplicate. Also present are eleven photographs which mostly show the area immediately surrounding the mine. One image depicts the entrance of the mine shaft, and two show tunnels. A nice group of material on this little known 1930s Nevada mining operation.

### MANUSCRIPT NEVADA MINING PROSPECTUS AND MAP

**68.** [Nevada]. [Mining]. Statement of the White Cloud Copper Mines. Situated in Churchill County, Nevada, 30 Miles South East of Lovelocke Station CPRR [manuscript title]. [with:] Discription [sic] of the White Cloud Copper Mines [manuscript title]. [White Cloud City, Nv. ca. 1893]. [3]pp. on two sheets, joined with a nail, plus 6.75 x 12.5 inch manuscript map. Folded. Light oxidation around fastener. Light tanning and foxing to manuscript statement. A few small patches of staining at map edges. About very good.

A manuscript prospectus for a short-lived Nevada mining operation, accompanied by a hand-drawn map of their properties and mining claims. Copper was discovered in White Cloud Canyon, in Churchill County, Nevada, during 1869, but no commercial efforts were made to mine the area until 1893, when a smelter was built to handle larger amounts of ore, likely by the owners of this venture. The White Cloud Copper Mining Company formed and folded around the same time.

This prospectus, naturally, is optimistic about the wealth of the company's claims, and describes them in detail to potential investors: "The Red Oxide Copper mine has an elevation of 1500 feet above the Canyon. The vein is a large Iron vein of 150 to 200 feet wide intermixed with Copper. 14 to 16 feet on the hanging wall is good Copper which will assay from 15 to 20 %ct...." The tract goes on to describe four other claims in similar detail, the Carbonate Copper, the Nut Pine, the Stone Cabin, and the Blind Ledge mines, as well as their position to the furnace and outbuildings of the company, all of which is also delineated in the manuscript map that accompanies the description. The statement concludes, "I can guarantee to furnish from these, mines, daily, 50 to 60 tons of ore that run from 15 to 20%ct. Hoping that this brief description will meet your expectation...."

The names of the mines listed herein correspond to those in an 1897 General Land Office document that seeks to cancel the claims of the White Cloud Copper Mining Company for lack of sufficient investment in and improvement of their land. Good manuscript evidence of the brief attempts at commercial mining in White Cloud Canyon, Nevada, at the end of the 19th century. \$500

## VINDICATION, NEW MEXICO STYLE

**69.** [New Mexico]. Ladd, Horatio O. A Vindication of President H.O. Ladd [cover title]. Santa Fe. 1889. 17pp. Printed in two columns. Original beige printed wrappers. Light wear and soiling; top half of spine reinforced with tape. Minor creasing and wear. Very good.

A rare pamphlet published to defend the reputation of the first University of New Mexico president, Horatio O. Ladd, who had been accused by E. Lyman Hood of defrauding a university benefactor and misappropriating funds to purchase land around Santa Fe. Hood was the superintendent of Congregational missionary work in New Mexico and Arizona, but Ladd also had an abiding interest in Indian education, having helped to found the Ramona Industrial School for Indian Girls, and the two apparently clashed. The University Board of Trustees found in favor of Ladd, and the present pamphlet prints a copy of their report, along with a foreword by Ladd and an editorial from the Santa Fe New Mexican, both touting his "vindication." We locate just one copy of this work in OCLC, at Princeton. Rare.

### SCARCE MONTANA COPPER MINING REPORT

70. North Butte Mining Company. Annual Report North Butte Mining Company for the Year Ended December 31, 1919. [Duluth? 1920]. 12pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Light dust soiling to wraps. Very good.

Scarce annual report for this significant Montana copper mining operation. The North Butte Mining Company was founded in 1905, and grew steadily for the next decade, culminating in the 1913 acquisition of the East Side Mining Area, which doubled their claims, before an explosion killed 15 miners in 1915 and a disastrous fire killed 160 workers in 1917, which crippled the company. This report therefore gives a view of the company as it attempted to recover and to deal with an adverse market for copper after World War I. The report is divided into two sections, the Director's Report, which describes overall production, and the General Manager's Report, which describes work completed in each of the major areas. We locate three copies, in the company records held by the Montana State Historical Society, and at the New York Public Library and Princeton. \$250

# SCARCE MONTANA COPPER MINING REPORT

71. North Butte Mining Company. Annual Report of Directors of North Butte Mining Company for the Year Ending December 31, 1914. [Duluth? 1915]. 14pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Small ink stamp on front wrapper. Internally clean. Very good.

Scarce annual report for this significant Montana copper mining operation. The North Butte Mining Company was founded in 1905, and grew steadily for the next decade, culminating in the 1913 acquisition of the East Side Mining Area, which doubled their claims. This report therefore describes the production and development of the company at its zenith, before an explosion killed 15 miners in 1915 and a disastrous fire killed 160 workers in 1917, which crippled the company. The report is divided into two sections, the Director's Report, which describes overall production, and the General Manager's Report, which describes work completed in each of the major areas. We locate three copies, in the company records held by the Montana State Historical Society, and at the New York Public Library and Princeton.

### NORTHERN PACIFIC PROMOTES THEIR ALASKAN CRUISES

72. [Northern Pacific]. An Enduring Mirage / Northern Pacific R.R. [caption title]. [Chicago: Poole Bros., 1891]. Folding pamphlet; sixteen numbered panels, 14 x 28 inches. Light wear, a few very small separations at fold points. Light tanning. Very good.

Uncommon and attractive promotional for the Northern Pacific Railroad, and its steamliner excursions to Alaska. The recto of the sheet contains a lengthy promotional text for Helena, Montana and color illustrations of its attractions, as well as information on visits to Yellowstone, plus sailing schedules and rates for their steamer to Sitka from Tacoma. The verso prints three color maps, showing Northern Pacific's rail routes from Chicago and the ship route from Washington to the principal destinations in southern Alaska. The railroad ran steam excursions to Alaska well into the 20th century; this is one of the earliest advertisements for the service.

## WHO HAD A PHONE IN McALESTER, OKLAHOMA, IN 1920

73. [Oklahoma]. Telephone Directory McAlester, Okla. Fall and Winter, 1920. [Oklahoma City?]: Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., 1920. [36]pp. Original printed card covers, stapled. Light wear and soiling, especially to lower corner. Small tape reinforcement to rear lower corner. Some minor foxing to contents. Very good.

An early telephone directory for the little Oklahoma town of McAlester ~ the largest town inside the Choctaw Nation ~ published little more than a decade after Oklahoma statehood. The directory provides a single alphabetical listing of residences and businesses, noting address as well as phone number. Residences are denoted as such, and interestingly numbers outside of town are also indicated as "rural," with addresses such as "NW of city." With numerous advertisements for local businesses, including an ad for a local company bottling spring water (delightfully described as "absolutely sanitary"). We locate two serial records in OCLC, at the Mid-Continent Public Library in Missouri and at Stillwater Public Library in Kansas ~ neither has any directories from before the 1950s. Rare.

## INVEST IN OKLAHOMA OIL TODAY

74. [Oklahoma]. [Oil]. Oklahoma Oil Wells Company General Report [caption title]. Muskogee, Ok. 1918. [4]pp., on a large bifolium. Previously folded. A couple of very minor losses at fold points. Light tanning. Very good.

Scarce, illustrated report from 1918 on the developments and production of the Oklahoma Oil Wells Company, based in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Much of the text is dedicated to an assessment of work completed on wells located at lease secured by the company near Sedan, in Chautauqua County, Kansas, to which the majority of available funds was being directed. The progress of four wells is assessed, and a report on construction and acquisition of other equipment necessary for the site is given. The production of other leases in Nowata and Muskogee Counties, Oklahoma, and Greenwood County, Kansas, is also discussed. The final page contains three photographic illustrations of a power plant and a well on the Sedan property, as well as a lengthy exhortation to invest in Liberty Bonds to support the federal government's war effort as World War I continued through 1918. Also with a separate typed letter dated January 9, 1917, soliciting investment from an Ohio resident.

## CALIFORNIA MEDICAL TRAINING DURING THE 1918 FLU PANDEMIC

75. Reimers, A.W. [Manuscript Notebook of a Navy Corpsman in San Francisco During the Spanish Flu Outbreak]. [San Francisco. 1918]. [152]pp. Original three-ring notebook, plain black leatherette covers. Contemporary ownership inscriptions on front and rear cloth pastedowns. Very light wear to boards; light wear to leaves at hole punches. Light tanning and dust soiling internally. Very good.

A detailed manuscript journal of medical notes compiled by Navy Corpsman Adolf William Reimers, who was stationed on Goat Island in San Francisco at the end of World War I and during the height of the "Spanish Flu" epidemic in the United States. Reimers came to the West Coast from Hailey, Idaho, where he was a painter and outdoorsman, and his notes are copious, highly legible, and occasionally accompanied by his own sketches. Dates are scattered throughout, the earliest being July 2, 1918 (though the first entries are likely slightly earlier), and the latest from December of that year. Reimers was discharged from duty in February 1919, and returned to rural Idaho where he lived the rest of his life.

Reimers' notes are almost entirely technical, apparently primarily serving as reference from the medical education he received during his training. Topics include sanitation and disinfecting procedures; nursing practices; bacteriology; blood and urine analysis; and a variety of pharmacological recipes for everything from morphine and cocaine to atropine and wine of antimony. During October 1918, the midst of Reimers' service, San Francisco had 4,000 flu cases, and before the epidemic subsided over 45,000 cases and 3,000 deaths had been reported, affecting nearly one tenth of the city's population at that time. Due to the overwhelming number of cases, Navy hospitals in the area eschewed the standing prohibition on treating civilians, assigning men to local hospitals and opening facilities at naval bases to patients. Reimers, armed with the notes in this journal, therefore likely was heavily involved in the efforts to halt the ravages of this famously widespread and deadly contagion in the Bay Area. A dense but highly readable notebook that comprises a fascinating confluence of medical, military, and Californian history.

\$1,250

### A CAVALRY TROOPER WRITES FROM THE BLACK HILLS

**76. Reynolds, Fulton.** [South Dakota]. [Detailed Autograph Letter by a Cavalry Trooper, Describing Life in the Black Hills Ten Years After Wounded Knee]. Fort Meade, S.D. 1901. 8pp. Previously folded. Light tanning. Very good.

A lengthy letter about army life in the Black Hills in the early 20th century. The author, Fulton Reynolds, was a trooper in the 13th Cavalry, and, having left his Pennsylvania farm to travel west, found himself at Fort Meade in the Black Hills. A small railroad town was two miles away, and, farther on, the fabled city of Deadwood. "I do like it here fine, there is lots of young fellows here who are from the east as myself and I of course have lots of friends, it is easy to have friends and just as easy to have enemies in the Army.... We boys were out...yesterday gathering relics found a lot of old bullets and shells, some of the fellows brought back Rattle snakes.... We live in tents now it gets cold, some nights enough to snow. The farmers, few they are, live in little houses...a great come down from the East. I would not want to farm in this country...." An interesting and detailed letter.

# ATTRACTIVE CALIFORNIA LANDSCAPES AND PORTRAIT SKETCHES

77. Ryan, Lewis Carleton. [Two Vernacular Sketchbooks by California Artist Lewis Carleton Ryan]. [Various places in California. 1952 & 1957]. Two spiralbound notebooks. [56]; [48]pp. Original cardboard covers with contemporary manuscript annotation. Light wear at edges. Light tanning and dust soiling internally. Very good.

Two sketchbooks filled with original pen-and-ink and watercolor drawings by Southern California artist Lewis Carleton Ryan during the 1950s. Ryan was born in Texas in 1894, served in World War I, and lived in the Pacific Northwest until 1927, when he moved to Los Angeles, where he worked as an illustrator for several magazines and newspapers. He experimented with drawing and

sketching, as well as copperplate engraving, but was most successful commercially with woodcut prints and greeting cards, and several monographs that contained his illustrations.

The first of these contains twenty-eight leaves of his drawings from March to August 1952 that document Ryan's trips to the Redwoods and King's River Canyon, as well as impressions from various encounters. Twelve of the drawings are full-page pen and watercolor sketches that are signed, dated, and titled by Ryan, mostly comprising landscape views. The second notebook contains forty-eight pages of pen-and-ink drawings of his experiences in Borrego Springs, Mount Whitney Portals. Kern River Canyon, and Big Sur, and again also include many sketches of Ryan's acquaintances and other people he encountered. The sketchbooks are quite personal, and include everything from portraits of Escondido lemon pickers, to a list of gophers Ryan trapped in the fall of 1952. An overall energetic and appealing series of sketches from this California artist, with his manuscript notes and annotations throughout. A sizable collection of Ryan's work resides at the Huntington.

### CHEAP MORTGAGES IN SOUTH DAKOTA

78. [South Dakota]. Real Estate Mortgages. 7% Semi-Annual Interest Guaranteed. Negotiated by the Dakota Loan and Trust Company, of Pierre, Dakota. Chicago: Pettibone, Wells & Co., [ca. 1886]. 32pp., including three illustrations, plus double-sided folding map, 14 x 13.75 inches. Original red textured wrappers printed in gold, stapled. Some minor wear, light chipping to lower corner of rear cover. Internally clean. Very good.

Promotional pamphlet advertising mortgages sold by the Dakota Loan and Trust Company. The first half is devoted to information about the company, its glowing reputation, and excellent rates. The second half provides information about Dakota and reasons for desiring to settle there, including excellent schools, burgeoning railroad development, and a healthful climate. The three illustrations show industrious and prosperous farmers at work. The map in the back is entitled "Map of South Dakota and Northern Nebraska Showing Territory Occupied by Dakota Loan and Trust Company", while on the verso is a "Map of the Northern States" which depicts the upper Midwest. We locate two copies in OCLC, at Yale and Trinity College. \$750

#### SCARCE PRE-WAR AMARILLO GUIDE

79. [Texas]. Amarillo Pocket Directory with City Map and Tourist Information [cover title]. Amarillo: Amarillo Printing Co., [ca. 1940]. 40pp. plus folding map, 16.5 x 19.5 inches. Original printed orange card covers, stapled. Very good.

Tourist guide to beautiful Amarillo, highlighting such important points of interest as the helium plant, the local oil refinery, and several lakes and canyons. The directory includes a listing of apartment buildings, bus lines, local organizations such as churches and school, as well as traffic regulations for the city. It is also filled with advertisements for local businesses. The map shows Amarillo, with streets and neighborhoods labeled, as well as the rail lines. It includes a street index. OCLC locates a single copy, at Baylor.

## FIFTY CENTS FOR A RIDE INTO MEXICO

80. [Texas]. An Ordinance Regulating Automobiles on the Streets of Eagle Pass, Texas [cover title]. Eagle Pass, Tx.: Guide Print Co., [1916]. [14]pp. 16mo. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Minor wear to covers, light chipping to lower edge. Internally clean. Very good.

An ephemeral work that prints regulations for automobile traffic in Eagle Pass, Texas, a border town slightly southwest of San Antonio on the Rio Grande. Many of the rules address cars for hire in town, and attempt to govern fares for various common trips, including to locations in Mexico. It should cost fifty cents for one passenger to cross into Piedras Negras, for example, and much more to various mining and ranching operations in the area. Other rules discuss mandatory hand signals and tail lights, and attempt to organize "jitney" services in town. Not in OCLC.

\$750

### RARE TEXAS PHILATELIC MAGAZINE

81. [Texas]. The Texas Stamp. A Monthly Journal Devoted to Philately [caption title]. Fort Worth: T.P. Martin, Jr. & Co., 1886. Vol. 1, No. 1. [4]pp. on a folded sheet. Light wear, a few small chips at edges. Very good.

The first issue of this short-lived Texas periodical on stamps and stamp collecting, edited by B.G. Chaney. The feature article is titled "Advice of a Collector," which includes such practical advice as "beware lest you should undertake too much and your collection become a task instead of a pleasure." There is also an article on counterfeits which claims that the rate of disreputable dealers is on the rise, which will lead to disgust and discouragement among young collectors. The final two pages is comprised almost entirely of advertisements for stamp dealers and collecting agents. Rare and ephemeral ~ we locate issues at the University of Texas at Austin and Dallas, and the British Library. None in auction records.

### A TEXAS SECESSIONIST RAG SELLS ITS PRESS

82. [Texas]. [Newspapers]. [Manuscript Bill of Sale for a Confederate Newspaper Press in Tyler, Texas]. Tyler, Tx. 1861. [2]pp. Folio. Old fold lines, faint embossed seal. Light wear and soiling. Very good.

A manuscript legal agreement to sell the press of a short-lived and unrecorded newspaper in Tyler, Texas. The initial publication of the States Rights Sentinel was announced in a Clarksville newspaper in May 1860, with the stated goal of advocating "a strict construction of the 'Constitution,' accepting as a final basis for the adjustment of the Slavery Question, the principles embodied in the 'Dred Scott' decision." The start of the Civil War and the secession of Texas rendered the editorial stance of the paper moot, and it apparently folded some time during the late spring of 1861, this document being dated June 1. No copies of the newspaper are located by the Library of Congress, the American Antiquarian Society, or OCLC. The owner and editor, William H. Smith, joined the Confederate army after the sale, and was killed in action soon thereafter. The document states, in part:

"Know all men by these presents that I, William H. Smith of the county and state aforesaid, for and in consideration of Thirteen Hundred Fifty Nine dollars and Forty cents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained sold and conveyed unto A.S. Smith of the same county a Printing Press in the town of Tyler, belonging to the 'States Rights Sentinel,' a newspaper published in the town of Tyler, and all the material belonging to said newspaper and press."

The agreement was witnessed and stamped by the Smith County Clerk in Tyler on September 23. A fascinating document that reflects some effects of the outbreak of the Civil War on Texas publishing. \$600

## MINUTES OF A FLEETING CALIFORNIA BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

83. Truckee Building and Loan Association. [Manuscript Ledger of the Minutes of the Truckee Building and Loan Association]. Truckee, Ca. 1891-1893. 27pp. Folio. Original red half calf and cloth, manuscript label on front cover. Spine heavily worn and chipped, corners worn. Lightly dampstained in lower corner, affecting last few leaves of text. Minor soiling else. Repurposed for a register in 1937, pp.29-145. Good.

Ledger recording the meeting minutes of the short-lived Truckee Building and Loan Association, from its incorporation in May 1891 to its dissolution in September 1893. The first entry here, dated May 28, 1891, records the election of the association's directors: Daniel McPhetres, S. McCurdy, T.B. Whitney, A.J. Willis, Dana Eastman, E.G. Harrison, and W.H. Prouty. H.A. Mason was acting secretary, and thus the scribe for this volume. The next entry, dated June 4, organizes the aforenamed men into offices with salaries; the rate of loans was fixed at ten per cent interest. Other entries record stockholders, the distribution and sale of stock, and other association business such as the resignation and reappointment of officers. By September 1893, the association minutes record an asset balance of cash on hand totaling \$1.038.80 and a liability sheet of \$1,009.55 ~ in the black with just \$29.25. At the final meeting of September 16, a motion was passed to liquidate and disincorporate the association.

The ledger was repurposed for in August 1937, and the remainder of the volume is comprised of a name and address registry with the occasional ink stamp which reads, "Give your street address / You may win a prize." Names range from across California and Nevada, with locales as far away as Japan, British Columbia, and New York City. The noted maritime artist and historian Hewitt R. Jackson has signed the volume on page 135.

### CROSS COUNTRY AND THROUGH MEXICO DURING THE DEPRESSION

84. [Western Photographica]. [Photograph Album Containing Nearly 300 Images of Depression-Era Road Trips Through the West and Mexico]. [Various Places, including Mexico, Wyoming, Nevada, Arizona, and California. 1936-1938]. 296 photographs in corner

mounts on fifty-five leaves. Oblong quarto. Original cloth boards, string tied. Cloth worn and frayed at edges. A few leaves loose. Photos generally crisp and neat; about half with manuscript captions on leaves. Very good.

A travel album of nearly 300 original images of alluring and uncommonly high quality, the preponderance of which chronicle a series of road trips made by a group of young men crossing the United States and Mexico by car in 1936 and 1937. The subjects were likely students at Worcester Polytechnical Institute. Approximately 250 of the images depict their trips across North America in the midst of the Depression, with locations in the east including Mt. Katahdin, in Maine; Washington, D.C.; Lookout Mountain, Tennessee; Lake Michigan; and Niagara Falls. In the West, they drove through Texas and Mexico to Mexico City. They toured the Mexican capital, and also stopped in Monterrey, where they saw a bullfight. After re-crossing the border at Fort Stockton, they traveled through New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Wyoming, and California, with a series of photographs depicting their experiences in Yellowstone and Yosemite. Indeed, many of the photos depict their stops in national parks across the West, and demonstrate an interest in the major water engineering project being undertaken at that time. The remainder of the images show the aftermath of the 1938 hurricane on Bellows Falls, Vermont (likely the hometown of the album's compiler) and scenes on the campus of WPI. An excellent visual account of Depression-era car travel.

## EARLY KODAK SNAPS OF WESTERN SCENES

85. [Western Photographica]. [Twenty-one Kodak No. 4 Photographs of the West, Including California]. [California, Salt Lake City, Oregon, and Canada. 1892]. Twenty-one albumen photographs, each approximately 4 x 5 inches. Mounted on Kodak cards, edges gilt; captioned in manuscript on verso. Light wear and scattered soiling to photographs. Mounts lightly worn, some peeling but still intact. Very good.

Group of vacation photographs taken on a Kodak No. 4 camera during October 1892, traveling through northern California, Oregon, Salt Lake City, and the Canadian Rockies. Clearly amateur in nature, they are early snapshots of an enthusiastic traveler in the West, determined to capture memorable details such as the surf of the Pacific or the way a train curves around a mountain. Each is captioned in ink on verso in a legible hand. Four images depict Mormon sites in Salt Lake City; six are taken in Canada, mostly in Banff; a single photo of a train is labeled Oregon; and the remaining ten document time spent in the Bay Area. A charming group. They are captioned as follows:

- "Archway entrance to a Mormon Street, Salt Lake City"
- "Tomb of Brigham Young, Salt Lake City"
- "Mormon Temple"
- "Mormon Tabernacle, seating capacity 10,000"
- "Train, Shasta Route, Oregon"
- "Taken in Engine curving around the Mountain"
- "Taken in Engine [?] curve, Rockies Canada" (another view of the previous shot)
- "Frank L. Packard & Eva L. Packard on wedding trip taken at Devil's Lake Canadian Nat. Park Oct. 92" (a young couple in a horse and buggy)
- "View of Bow River from Dining Room, Canadian Pacific Hotel at Banff, Oct 92"
- "Mounted Police, Oct 92"
- "Dry docks, Victoria"
- "Drive Park in Monterey Calif"
- "Eva Packard under palm near Hotel Del Monte, Monterey Calif Oct 1892"
- "Seal Rocks & surf, Pacific at San Francisco"
- "Double compounding engine Central Pacific on ferry boat from San Francisco to Oakland, Oct 1892"
- "Mare Island navy yard, Frisco Bay 92"
- "Ferry boat San Francisco to Oakland"
- "Tide, Pacific"
- "Arizona Garden at Hotel Del Monte, Calif Oct 92"
- "Docks, San Francisco with Mare Island Navy Yards in distance"
- "Driveway Live Oaks, Monterey Calif. Oct 92" (797) \$750

### CHARMING YOSEMITE ALBUM

86. [Western Photographica]. [Yosemite]. A Souvenir of Our First Trip to Yosemite June 16 to 24, 1923 [manuscript title]. [Yosemite]. 1923. [41] silver gelatin prints on [16] leaves. Black paper leaves, string-tied. Captions in white ink. Closed tear to first leave, minor wear else. Very good.

A charming narrative album detailing a family holiday through Yosemite. Many of the photographs show sweeping scenery, together with shots of the travelers themselves, including two photos of the children perched on the back of Cakewalk the Donkey. Images are all captioned, often providing elevation information. A final image shows two women seated at a folding table outside, along with two young girls who appear to be twins, and a sleeping man. The two girls are holding newspapers; one eats a sandwich and gazes at the camera. The family car is in the background. The caption reads, "In Purussima Creek, where the trip was planed [sic] and 'discussed'. June 3, 1923." A lovely little souvenir album of an auto trip to Yosemite. (903) \$600

### AMERICAN NURSES IN INDIA DURING WORLD WAR II

87. [World War II Photographica]. [Women]. [India]. [Photograph Album Containing Over 150 Images of the India-China Theater of World War II, Taken and Compiled by an Army Nurse]. Margherita and Ledo, India. 1945. 156 original photographs, most 3.5 x 5 inches. Green cloth album, string tied, with hand painted front board. Light wear to boards. Photos in corner mounts, most captioned on album leaves, a few loose and laid in. Very good.

A photo album created by a member of the Army Nurse Corps who probably served with the 20th General Hospital in Margherita and was certainly in Ledo. A contingent of Army Nurse Corps nurses were sent to this region in the China-Burma-India Theater to provide medical support to those who were there to build the Ledo Road—an essential supply line into China. Several captions reference the 20th General Hospital which was located in Margherita and was overseen by faculty of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and staffed with nurses from Philadelphia area hospitals.

The anonymous photographer, pictured several times in the album, was quite talented, as evidenced by many outstanding shots of the setting and of locals living around Ledo and Margherita as well as street scenes in Karachi, Calcutta and elsewhere in India. The album also includes posed shots of nurses and other military, pictures depicting their living areas and others show nurses posing with locals. There are several great pictures along the Irrawaddy River and a small number show the women nurses as a group in a truck convoy as they began the journey home. There are also a few images of bomb damage and the American military cemetery.

An excellent document of American women's experience in an oft overlooked theater of World War II.

\$1,250

## LEARNING HOW TO WELD. UNDERWATER.

88. [World War II]. Morcomb, Wayne H. Underwater Welding Fleet Welders School San Diego, Calif. [manuscript cover title]. San Diego. 1943-1944. Manuscript journal. Approximately [85]pp. of entries on 96 leaves. Original green cloth, with manuscript title and illustration on front board. Several loose clippings and a sketch laid in; manuscript illustrations throughout. Light wear and soiling to boards. Very light tanning. Very good.

A manuscript journal kept by Wayne H. Morcomb, originally from Winona, Minnesota, that documents his training as an underwater welder with the Navy in San Diego during World War II. Morcomb trained at the Fleet Welders School in 1943 and 1944, and then served on the USS Aristaeus, one of twelve battle damage repair ships that saw service during the war. The Aristaeus operated in various parts of the Pacific from 1943 until the end of the war.

The diary is divided into two sections, filled from opposite ends of the volume, one on underwater welding and one on underwater cutting. The entries comprise notes from textbooks and lectures, and are accompanied by over thirty full-page or vignette drawings in Morcomb's hand that demonstrate the highly technical and difficult practice through the lens of a trainee. The skill was first successfully carried out by a Soviet inventor, Konstantin Khrenov in 1932, and was therefore still a relatively new technology, and one that was considered one of the most dangerous non-combat military occupations. The core principles, safety practices, and techniques involved in military training for this complex job are fully displayed in this excellent journal, which provides great insight into a small but vital aspect of the war effort in Southern California.

### LIFE DURING WARTIME ON THE ALASKA HIGHWAY

89. [Yukon]. [British Columbia]. [Photo Album Documenting a Soldier's Time in British Columbia and the Yukon While Working on the Alaskan Highway, with Images of Local Indians and Camp Life]. British Columbia, Yukon Territory. 1942-1944. 93 photos mounted on [16] leaves, plus 22 extra photos and 2 real photo postcards laid in. Many images annotated. Oblong quarto. Original black cloth boards, string-tied. Light wear to boards, typed description taped to front cover. Light wear to leaves, but images clean. Very good.

Photo album kept by a soldier during his tour of duty on the construction of the Alaska Highway, including several photos of Siwash Indians, as well as images of wildlife, camp, and the highway construction itself. Most of the images have handwritten dates and captions. Many of the images are from Fort Nelson, where construction of the highway began in 1942. Scenes around camp show a Hudson's Bay Company trading post, a captive bear cub, and local Siwash Indian families. Several images are taken along the highway itself, including the Liard River Bridge and hot springs at Mile 213 in the Yukon Territory. There are the requisite images of sweeping AlCan Highway scenery, and a series of images depicting Watson Lake, as well as photographs of soldiers both individually and in groups. Interestingly, there are several images interspersed which are noted as locales in Texas, perhaps taken during the soldier's time in training. Several stamps of locations around Waterville, Maine have been pasted in to the album, perhaps suggesting our soldier's hometown. A nice album of annotated vernacular images of British Columbia and the Yukon.

\$850

## A SUREFIRE PROSPECTING GADGET

**90.** [Yukon]. [Mining]. Way's Pocket Smelter. Used by Prospectors, Miners and Assayers the World Over [caption title]. [Dawson? ca. 1900]. Folding pamphlet, [6]pp. Minimal creasing to corners. Light tanning. Very good.

Illustrated advertisement for a handheld smelter, used in prospecting for the identification of ores. The promotional text, printed on one side of the sheet, states that, "The basis of the process is a small slotted tablet the size of an ordinary playing domino, which serves as a fuel, furnace, and crucible.... As a result of the genius of the inventor, several different metals are often brought down and detected in one operation, impossible in any other method. The other side of the sheet prints testimonials from prospectors at mining claims across North America. The front page directs interested customers to, "Send all order to Klondyke Thawing Machine Co., Dawson Y.T." Scarce.