

## List #4: "Cheap Homes for All!" *Promotional Literature of the American West*

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### RARE PHOTO PROMOTIONAL FOR ARIZONA



1. [Arizona]. *Globe, Arizona* [cover title]. Globe, Az.: G.S. Van Wagenen & Co., ca. 1900. 18 Albtypes, most approximately 4 x 6 inches, with one panorama, 4 x 16.5 inches. Oblong quarto. Original pictorial wrappers, string tied. Light chipping and scattered staining to wraps; small portion of upper corner of front wrap torn away. Albtypes mounted directly on supports. Internally clean. Very good.

Rare photographic promotional for the town of Globe, Arizona, consisting of eighteen Albtypes produced by the Albtype Company of Brooklyn. Globe was founded in 1875 as a mining camp, and at the turn of the 20th century was a fairly thriving town. The images present are of street scenes;

town architecture such as the courthouse, opera house, and the local hotel; and mining and railroad buildings. The final image is a panorama of the entire town. One copy located by OCLC, at the Phoenix Public Library. \$500

### HOW TO SEE THE GRAND CANYON

2. [Arizona]. [Grand Canyon]. *Trail Drives and Saddle Horses*. Chicago: Henry O. Shepard Co., 1912. [24]pp. Original color illustrated wrappers. Short separation at foot of spine. Light wear to wraps. Light tanning. Very good.

A scarce Grand Canyon promotional, published for the El Tovar & Bright Angel Camp. Contains many photographic illustrations of the sights, including a sweeping panorama of the canyon from Pima Point and an image of Howard Taft and his entourage standing at the edge of the precipice. The text provides descriptions of various tours available departing from the El Tovar Hotel and their prices. We locate similar publications at the Arizona State Archives, Northern Arizona University, and Yale, but no copies of this specific imprint. \$200



### "THE MATERIAL INTERESTS OF ARKANSAS AND THE SOUTHWEST"

3. [Arkansas]. *Spirit of Arkansas. A Journal for the Farm Home & Workshop*. Vol. XI No. 9. Little Rock, Ark., July 15, 1882 [caption title]. Little Rock: S.H. Nowlin & Co., 1882. 8pp. Folio newspaper. Previously folded; short separations along fold line; light wear at edges. Light tanning. Unopened. About very good.



An unrecorded 1882 Arkansas land and railway promotional intended to advertise the routes and lands of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railroad. Disguised as an issue of the "Spirit of Arkansas" newspaper, the text backhandedly disparages the land grants of other railroads, while claiming that, "we already have the best country in the world now open to emigrations, and where cheap lands can be procured" (from the St. Louis and Iron Mountain, naturally). Other articles provide evaluations and statistics of agricultural production, testimonials from individuals and other newspapers, and other news of growth and development. The centerfold is a large, double-page map of the state, with rail lines prominently featured, and the final page is a full-page advertisement for the St. Louis, Iron

Mountain, & Southern Railway, with its signature "Bound for the Happy Land" motto at the head. An attractive and unrecorded Arkansas railroad and land item. \$475

"A BIT OF ENGLAND ON THE PACIFIC COAST"

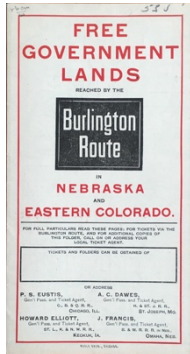
4. [British Columbia]. *Picturesque Victoria British Columbia. "The Evergreen City of Canada."* [Victoria. 1906]. [24]pp. Original pictorial wrappers, stapled. Very light wear at wrapper edges. Near fine.



Scarce photographic pamphlet promoting early 20th-century Victoria, British Columbia. Contains many images of street scenes, local buildings, and the natural surroundings. Also with several advertisements for prominent downtown hotels. The color printed wrappers carry an image of a seaside cricketer as well as numerous slogans about the advantages of the city, and also provide information about transportation and accommodation. OCLC locates five copies, at Yale, the University of Calgary, the Vancouver Public Library, Queens' University Library, and the University of Ontario. \$250

"IRRIGATION IS ABSOLUTELY UNNECESSARY"

5. [Burlington and Missouri River Railroad]. *Free Government Lands Reached by the Burlington Route in Nebraska and Eastern Colorado* [cover title]. Chicago: Poole Bros., [1889]. Folding pamphlet with 14 panels, approximately 13 x 24 inches unfolded. A few very short separations along folds. Light tanning. Very good.



Scarce pamphlet promoting lands available along the route of the Burlington and Missouri Railroad and associated lines in Colorado and Nebraska in the late 1880s. According to the text of the publication, "Public lands are melting away," and it goes on to describe several counties in Nebraska, including Thomas, Hooker, Grant, Sheridan, Box Butte, and Sioux Counties, which can be accessed via the Burlington Route. The areas advertised in Eastern Colorado are described as the "rain belt" of the state, where, "Irrigation is absolutely unnecessary." The reverse of the pamphlet prints a map of the rail lines west from Omaha and Missouri across Nebraska to Colorado, with the areas of available land shaded in pink. OCLC locates three copies, at Yale, Princeton, and the Denver Public Library. \$350

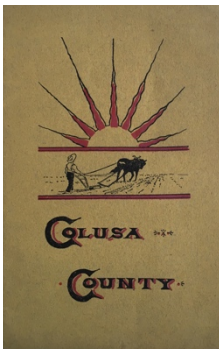
THE BENEFITS OF CHICO

6. [California]. *Chico. Butte County, California.* Chico, CA: Chico Record Print, [1903]. [44]pp. Original wrappers, printed in gold, stapled. Very good.

A very scarce promotional booklet for the California town of Chico for potential settlers, providing details on the history of the region, climate, scenery, industry, amenities, resources, and agricultural potential. The final few pages offer statistics on crop yields and incomes of local fruit growers. With numerous photographic illustrations of local scenery, business, and architecture. We locate three copies, at the California Historical Society, the Huntington, and Yale. Rocq 1378. \$375



7. [California]. *Colusa County.* Colusa: Sun Print, for the Board of Supervisors of Colusa County, [ca. 1904]. 12pp. Original printed wrappers. Light wear and dust soiling. About very good.



Scarce California promotional for Colusa County, in the Sacramento River Valley. Amongst its claims to fame, this pamphlet promotes Colusa as a source for the stone used to construct the Ferry Building in San Francisco and as an important area for agricultural and mining production. With several photographic illustrations of the region and a double-page map of the county and the greater Central Valley. OCLC locates copies at five institutions, four in California and one at the Library of Michigan. \$450

"YOU HAVE BUT ONE LIFE TO LIVE" - LIVE IT IN MONROVIA

8. [California]. *Monrovia "Gem of the Foothills" California* [cover title]. Monrovia, Ca.: Press of the Monrovia News, [ca. 1907]. [24]pp. Original printed wrappers. Light edge wear to wraps. Light tanning, occasional foxing. Very good.

Scarce illustrated promotional for the community of Monrovia, California, just east of Pasadena. The booklet contains numerous photographic illustrations of nearby natural sights and town architecture, as well as street scenes featuring early automobiles. Several leaves of text expound on the advantages of the town ~ "Schools unexcelled anywhere. Churches of all leading denominations. No Saloons." OCLC locates five copies, at Berkeley, Azusa Pacific, UCLA, the California State Library, and Yale. \$250



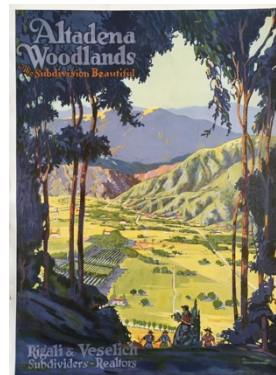


## COMPLIMENTS OF THE OROVILLE BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION

9. [California]. *Oroville - the New Gateway City to California* [cover title]. Oroville, Ca.: Oroville Register, 1911. [12] leaves. Small quarto. Original printed wrappers, ribbon tied. A couple of short closed tears at wrapper edges. Light toning. Very good.

A rare promotional booklet for the town of Oroville in Butte County, California. Each leaf contains a photographic image of town features with a paragraph of explanatory text beneath. The photos mainly promote the various industries of the town, including lumber milling, gold dredging, citrus farming, rock quarrying, and olive oil production. Tipped onto the inside of the front wrapper is a notice advising that the pamphlet is provided with compliments of the Oroville Business Men's Association. Not in OCLC. \$750

10. [California]. *Rigali & Veselich. Altadena Woodlands. The Subdivision Beautiful*. Los Angeles: Rigali & Veselich, Realtors, [1920]. [8]pp. Folio. Color printed wrappers, stapled. Short separations at foot of gutter. Internally clean. Very good.



Scarce color illustrated promotional for new construction in Altadena, California, of real estate under the auspices of the firm Rigali & Veselich. Contains photographic images of the area and styles of homes, a bird's eye view of the area, and a plat map delineating the layout of proposed community below the foothills of the San Gabriels. OCLC locate one copy, at Yale. \$200

"IF YOU WANT TO GET A HOME IN THE WEST YOU SHOULD ACT NOW"

11. [Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad]. *Free Government Lands Along the Burlington Route in Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, Montana, and South Dakota* [cover title]. Omaha: Land Seekers' Information Bureau, 1911. Folding pamphlet with 20 panels, approximately 18 x 42 inches unfolded. A couple of short separations along folds. Light tanning. Very good.

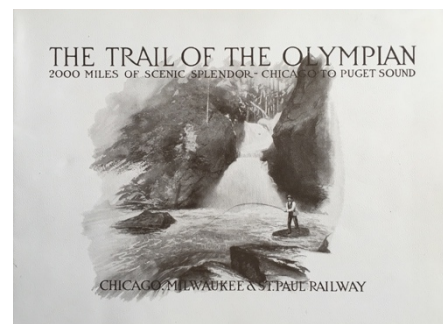


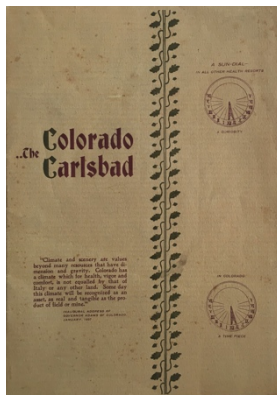
Rare early 20th-century pamphlet advertising available public lands in several Western states along the routes of the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad, principally in Wyoming, Montana, and Colorado, but also Nebraska and South Dakota. One side of the unfolded pamphlet prints extensive descriptions of available areas in Wyoming and Montana, supplemented by a number of photographic illustrations of the regions. It also describes the process by which one may obtain homesteads and the options for booking rail tickets to view available lands. There are also shorter descriptions of lands available in Colorado, South Dakota, and Nebraska. The verso of the pamphlet prints two large maps, the first of which shows the lines of the Burlington Route, with areas available for homesteading shaded and the allowable number of acres to be taken printed in red. The second map is a detailed section of Campbell County, Wyoming, around the town of Gillette, showing parcels of land already claimed printed with an "x," and available parcels blank. OCLC locates just one copy, at the DeGolyer Library.

\$500

12. *Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. The Trail of the Olympian. 2000 Miles of Scenic Splendor - Chicago to Puget Sound*. Chicago: Rogers & Company, 1917. [40]pp. Original pictorial wrappers. Light wear. Very good.

Uncommon promotional for the Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul Railway route between Chicago and Seattle. Extensively illustrated with spectacular photographic reproductions of the route and sights along the way in Montana, Idaho, and Washington. OCLC locates several different issues of this publication in a small number of copies, but none from this year. \$75





### "GATEWAY TO THE GARDEN OF THE GODS"

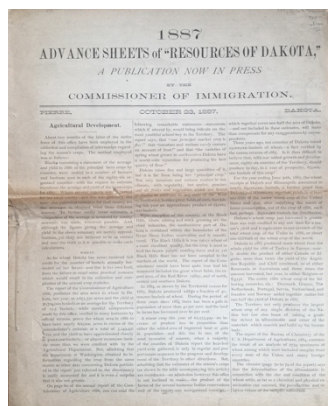
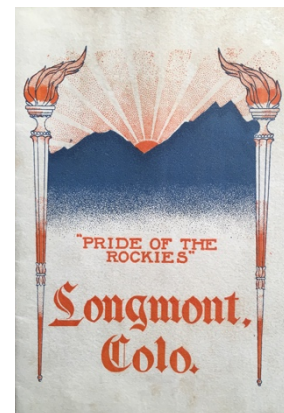
13. [Colorado]. (Financial and Descriptive Prospectus) *The Colorado Carlsbad. The First and Only Climatic Resort of Its Kind in America....* Denver: Carson Harper Company, [ca. 1897]. [40]pp., plus folding map. Original printed wrappers. Light foxing and wear to wraps, short separations at head and foot of spine. Internally clean. Very good.

Rare illustrated promotional for the Colorado Carlsbad Company, offering lands on and surrounding its new Denver resort at the end of the 19th century. The pamphlet contains many photographic images of local natural and architectural features, as well as plat maps, one folding, of the proposed town and resort. Also provided are many endorsements from political figures and scientists as to the geographical and health benefits of the location. OCLC locates two copies, at the Denver Public Library and Wisconsin Historical Society. \$500

### "COLORADO SUNSHINE! DON'T IT BEAT THE WORLD!"

14. [Colorado]. *The Pride of the Rockies. Longmont, Colorado.* Longmont, Co. 1905. [40]pp. Original color printed wrappers, stapled. Light dust soiling and wear to wraps. Internally clean. Very good.

An attractive and rare early 20th-century promotional for Longmont, Colorado, located directly between Denver and Fort Collins. The pamphlet is principally dedicated to the praise of area conditions for agriculture, and discusses the extent and excellence of the irrigation system, and provides reports and production figures on its three principal crops ~ wheat, sugar beets, and sugar peas. It also chronicles the possibilities for manufacturing and mining, particularly coal, and talks up the religious, social, and educational advantages of the town, and well as the hunting and fishing prospects of the region. Unusually, the text also includes a poem in praise of the Colorado sunshine. With numerous photographic reproductions of agricultural and town scenes. OCLC locates three copies, at the Denver Public Library, History Colorado, and SMU. \$500



15. [Dakota Territory]. 1887 *Advance Sheets of "Resources of Dakota," A Publication Now in Press by the Commission of Immigration* [caption title]. [Pierre. 1887]. 20pp. Quarto. String-tied news sheets. Previously folded. Light wear; short separations to final leaves along old folds and at lower edges. Light tanning. Good plus.

A substantial prospectus and sample pages for a report published later in 1887 regarding agricultural production and increasing settlement and development in the Dakota Territory. Contains many statistics and much interesting analysis of development and the potential of the territory, with the overall aim of attracting much greater settlement there. Much scarcer than the full report itself, OCLC locates four copies at Delaware, AAS, Harvard, and Yale; Allen adds two more at the South Dakota Historical Society and Boston Public Library.

Allen, *Dakota Imprints* 495.

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### "NATURAL OUTPOST OF CALIFORNIA"

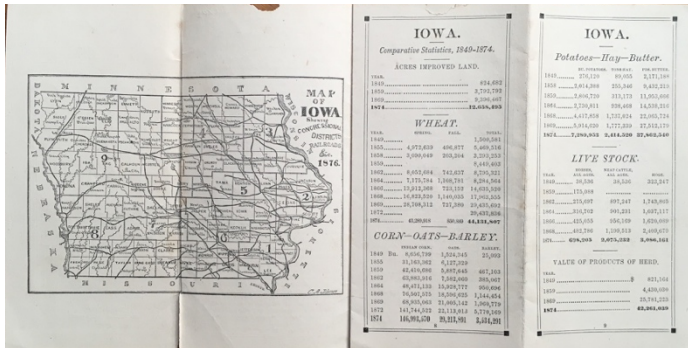
16. [Hawaii]. [California]. *San Francisco. The Bulletin. Hawaiian Edition.* San Francisco. 1897. 24pp. Large newspaper folio. Previously folded, with small separation at center. Light wear at edges. Light tanning. Still very good.

A rare and extensively illustrated issue of this San Francisco newspaper, intended promote immigration to and trade with Hawaii, published the year before the islands were officially annexed by the United States. The lead article discusses the many opportunity, amenities, and improvements now available, particularly the profusion of railroads. Other pieces expound on the culture and society life of Honolulu, the role of California in the islands' development, the coffee and sugar industries, and natural wonders such as Kilauea. The whole is illustrated with reproductions of woodcuts depicting scenes and important figures from the islands, and several pages contain numerous advertisements for San Francisco and Honolulu businesses. In 1897, the Hawaiian Islands were still under the rule of the provisional government of American businessmen who had been put in place after the overthrow of Queen Liliuokalani in 1893; annexation to the United States, in response to the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, was secured the next year via the Newlands Resolution. A rare piece of American-Hawaiian boosterism from the period just prior to annexation. \$675





"JUSTLY FAMOUS FOR ITS FERTILITY"



17. [Iowa]. 1776 - 1838 - 1846 - 1876. *The State of Iowa United States of America. Its Statistics & Resources.* Des Moines: State Register Print, 1876. Small folding pamphlet, with [8] panels. Small separation at foot of one fold line; slight biopredation at head of two panels. Light tanning. Good plus.

An unusual Iowa promotional, which charts the growth of the state over the 19th century through statistics and tables of its agricultural production. It also charts the growth of mining and manufacturing, shows the growing value of freight carried by railroads in the state, and delineates the amounts spent on public institutions such as education. A small map of the state is printed across two panel which shows the Iowa railroad routes and Congressional districts. OCLC locates eight copies. \$250

RARE RURAL IOWA PROMOTIONAL

18. [Iowa]. *Cherokee, Iowa* [cover title]. [Cherokee, Ia.]: W.P. Goldie, 1907. [46] leaves, of which one folding. Original stiff wrappers, printed in red. Light dust soiling to wraps; outer corners or front wrap chipped. Light tanning, otherwise internally clean.

Rare photographic promotional for the small northwestern Iowa town of Cherokee, published in 1907. The first leaf contains a poem in praise of the town; the remainder of the publication contains approximately ninety photographic reproductions, including one folding leaf with a panorama of the town dated 1904. The images provide a wonderful document of an isolated but seemingly bustling Plains town. Included are many shots of local businesses, factories, mills, and public buildings such as the hospital, which still stands today and functions as a psychiatric ward. The booklet also contains street scenes, an image of Main Street after the 1886 blizzard, and several natural sights in the area. OCLC locates two copies, at the Iowa State Historical Society and Iowa State University.



19. [Kansas]. *Souvenir of Fort Riley and Directory of Junction City's Leading Merchants.* [Junction City. 1899]. [48]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Light dust soiling and occasional foxing. Very good.

A very scarce Kansas promotional dating to the end of the 19th century, comprising both a view book of Fort Riley and advertising space for businesses in neighboring Junction City. The booklet contains twenty-six photographic views of the grounds of the fort, including many of its structures, and of men in various modes of training and guard duty. Facing each image are numerous illustrated advertisements for local enterprises such as the Model Meat Market ("Choicest Cuts, Juiciest Steaks, Rarest Dainties"), the Model Barber Shop ("Everything New Except the Barbers"), and the town dentist, O.B. Wibking ("Best Set of \$450

Teeth \$8.00"). OCLC locates only two copies, at Yale and Kansas State.

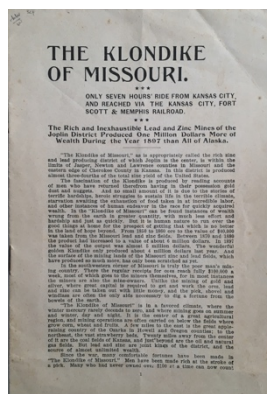
"FIRST IN CORN, FIRST IN WHEAT, FIRST IN THE HEARTS OF THE STOCK RAISERS"

20. [Kansas]. [Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad]. *A Royal Record. Kansas: First in Corn, First in Wheat, First in the Hearts of the Stock Raisers* [cover title]. Chicago: Poole Brothers, [ca. 1883-1884]. Folding pamphlet with [16] panels. Some wear and small separations along folds. Light tanning and scattered light dampstaining. A couple of small tape repairs. Good plus.

Scarce folding pamphlet published on behalf of the Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe Railroad, promoting their land grants along their rail lines through Kansas. The recto contains detailed statements on agricultural production of various crops in the state, as well as the potential for stock raising, fruit growing, and dairy farming. It goes on to discuss the expansion of irrigation across the state and the current trends in immigration to Kansas. The verso prints two maps, the larger of which shows the railroad's lines through Kansas and the extent of the available land on the railroad grant. The smaller map shows available connections to the West Coast and to Mexico. An attractive dual-purpose advertisement. OCLC locates seven copies. \$450



"MORE OF WEALTH DURING THE YEAR 1897 THAN ALL OF ALASKA"



21. [Missouri]. *The Klondike of Missouri. Only Seven Hours' Ride from Kanas City, and Reached Via the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Railroad* [caption title]. [Kansas City. 1898]. 14,[2]pp. Stapled. Light tanning, occasional foxing. Lacking wrappers. Good.

Scarce pamphlet published for the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Railroad that promotes lead and zinc mining around Joplin, Missouri. Several photographic reproductions of mining operations accompany the text, which supplies a history of mining in the area, details its current prodigious lead and zinc production, and offers enthusiastic promises of continuing future wealth. A map delineating the routes of the railway, one branch of which ends in Joplin, is printed on the final page. OCLC locates eight copies. \$175

FARMING IN THE OZARKS, WITH A LARGE MAP

22. [Missouri]. [Railroads]. *Fruit Farming Along the Frisco*. St. Louis: Woodward & Tiernan, 1899. [60]pp, plus large folding map. Original pictorial wrappers, embossed in gilt. Rear hinge starting, light wear to wraps. Light dampstaining at fore-edge of final two leaves. About very good.

An attractive and quite scarce promotional for farming lands in the Ozarks along the line of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad, apparently published to commemorate the gold medal awarded to Laclede County Missouri Fruit at the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition of 1898. The text is a lengthy and effusive encomium to the fecundity of land in the Ozarks and the fruits produced there, including a county-by-county account of planting and production in Missouri and Arkansas, ordered as if one were passing through and taking in the view from a Frisco observation car. The whole is extensively illustrated with photographic reproductions and the final two pages contain a map showing Frisco railroad lands available in Phelps and Pulaski Counties in southwestern Missouri. The large folding map at the rear shows the reach of the St. Louis & San Francisco branches from St. Louis to Oklahoma City; Paris, Texas; and Ellsworth, Kansas. OCLC locates eight copies. \$450



23. [Nebraska]. *Fremont, Nebraska. Population, 12,006*. Fremont: Hammond Printing Co., [1926]. [48]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Small patches of dampstaining and light wear to wrap. Central pair of conjugate leaves detached. Internally clean. About very good.

A very scarce 1920s promotional for the central Nebraska town of Fremont, northwest of Omaha on the Platte River. The pamphlet is profusely illustrated with reproductions of photographs that depict numerous town buildings and street scenes. The images are organized into sections such as "Homes," "Parks and Monuments," "Business Blocks and Buildings," and "Industry," while also showing farms, public buildings, and religious edifices in the area. The last several pages include "Some facts of Fremont," which note that the town "has 14 churches, 13 white - 1 Negro" and "almost every known secret order, and others." OCLC locates two copies, at Yale and the Denver Public Library. \$475

"THE COUNTY SEAT OF OTOE COUNTY - THE BANNER COUNTY OF THE BANNER STATE"

24. [Nebraska]. *Nebraska City. The Most Beautiful City of Nebraska. As It Is Today in Stories and Pictures*. Nebraska City: The Morton Printing Co., 1906. 102,[2]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Light dust soiling and a few small patches of dampstaining to wraps. Light wear to spine ends. Light toning and scattered faint foxing internally. One interior leaf detached. About very good.

A substantial and rare promotional for the small town of Nebraska City, Nebraska, on the Missouri River east of Lincoln, that documents its conditions at the outset of the 20th century. The initial leaves contain a lengthy description of the town, its businesses, and its resources and advantages. The preponderance of the publication is occupied by approximately 125 reproductions of photographs that depict numerous homes, businesses, parks, factories, and public buildings in Nebraska City. OCLC locates four copies, three at local Nebraska institutions and one at SMU. \$600





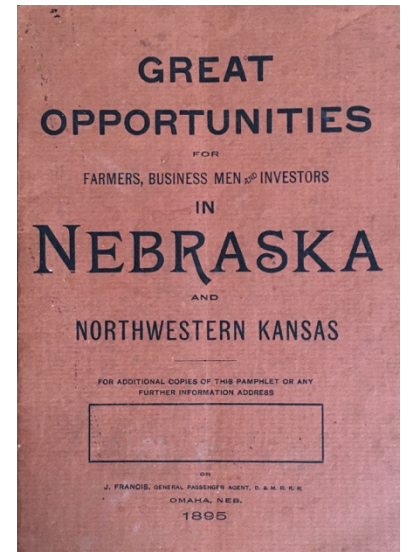
## RARE OPPORTUNITIES IN NEBRASKA AND KANSAS

25. [Nebraska]. [Kansas]. *Great Opportunities for Farmers, Business Men and Investors in Nebraska and Northwestern Kansas* [cover title]. Omaha. 1895. 32pp. Original printed wrappers. Light wear and dust soiling to wraps. Light, even tanning; final two leaves with light dampstaining. Still very good.

A rare 1895 promotional for lands in Nebraska and Kansas along the route of the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad. The text is particularly interesting for its attempts to shrug off the dual blows of the ongoing recession, begun by the panic of 1893, and the severe drought that affected the Plains in 1894. The verso of the front wrapper contains three diagrams of the state, with areas shaded to correspond to areas with the same average rainfall as Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio; the lines roughly conform to John Wesley Powell's line at the 100th meridian. The introduction reads, in part:

"It is not to be denied that 1894 was a disastrous year to the farmers of Nebraska.... But circumstances not chargeable to the climate conspired to give Nebraska a more conspicuous position than was justified by the facts.... It is emphatically repeated that notwithstanding the undue prominence which has been given to the so-called droughts in Nebraska, the State is no more frequently and no more severely visited by dry weather than any of its neighbors. The reputation of the state has suffered from a misfortune, not from a fault."

The remainder of the text is occupied by descriptions of several areas in the state and the wide variety of crops that can be grown there. Also included are short sections about the availability of irrigation; the local churches, schools, and culture; and the best route to Nebraska (the Burlington Route, of course). The final leaves comprise an overview of the terms of sale for the available railroad lands, and a map showing the various Burlington lines is printed on the rear wrapper. Rare, OCLC locates only one copy, at the University of Wyoming. \$650



26. [Nebraska]. [Union Pacific]. *The Union Pacific R.R. Land Guide*, 1880. *Cheap Homes! Nebraska Farms. 3,000,000 Acres!* [cover title]. [Omaha.: 1880]. 16pp. Original printed wrappers. Light dampstaining to wraps; moderate chip at center of rear wrapper fore-edge. Slight biopredation at upper fore-edge of text block; light tanning. Good plus.

A scarce, Nebraska-specific promotional for Union Pacific lands, published by the railroad's land office in Omaha in 1880. The pamphlet contains two maps, one of which shows the route of the Union Pacific, its connections to the coasts, and the extent of their land grant. The second map shows the route of the railroad along the Platte River in Nebraska, and the borders of the company's land grant in the relevant counties. The text provides descriptions of the various possible agricultural pursuits and the numerous advantages of the state. OCLC locates only eight copies; none in auction records. \$450

27. [New Mexico]. *Photo-gravures of Roswell, New Mexico. Altitude, 3600 Feet.* Roswell: Pecos Valley Drug Co., 1913. [21] leaves, with 20 photogravures. Original pictorial wrappers, ribbon tied. Moderate edge wear to wraps.

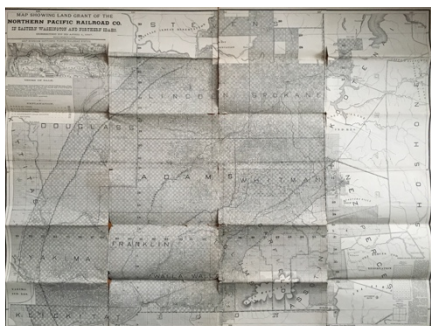
Scattered foxing. About very good.

Rare souvenir view book of Roswell, New Mexico, comprising twenty photogravures of the town and surrounding area. The publication includes images of town architecture, agriculture, resources, and natural features. Attractive and sharp photogravures. OCLC locates one copy, at the University of New Mexico. \$600



28. [Northern Pacific Railroad]. *Sectional Map Showing the Lands of Northern Pacific Railroad Co. in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho...* [caption title] Corrected up to April 1, 1887. [Buffalo, N.Y.: 1887]. Large folding pamphlet, approximately 27 x 35 inches unfolded. Separations along folds. Light tanning. Good.

Scarce, large promotional map for lands available from the Northern Pacific Railroad land grants in Idaho and Washington. The reverse of the map contains extensive descriptions of the area, its benefits, and the potential for successful agriculture. The map is printed with marks for lands already claimed by a number of sources and those still available. The railroad issued several updated versions of the map in the late 1880s and early 1890s, each with only a small number of copies located by OCLC. This is the second edition, updated in 1887, with copies located at Yale, Northwestern, and the Yakima Valley Public Library. \$350



# SOUTH DAKOTA - THE SUNSHINE STATE!



29. [South Dakota]. *South Dakota. The Sunshine State Offers You a Homestead for As Little As \$1 Per Acre and 20 Years to Pay...* [Pierre.: ca. 1933]. Folding pamphlet, 8.5 x 14 inches. Very good.

"South Dakota wants real men and women to settle on her public lands.... Here is your ticket to freedom!" A scarce and wonderful promotional for South Dakota homesteads during the Great Depression, with a photographic image of a typical farm, and many entertaining platitudes concerning the glories of the state. Four copies in OCLC. (316) \$150

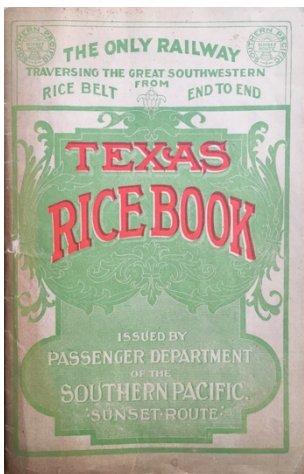
## ALCESTER, SOUTH DAKOTA, AND ITS CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY

30. [South Dakota]. *Souvenir Album of Alcester and Union County S. Dak. Showing Its Industries, Resources and Possibilities.* Alcester, S.D.: Alcester Union, 1907. [58]pp. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Text block separated from wraps. Occasional contemporary annotations. Otherwise, internally clean. About very good.

An unrecorded early 20th century promotional for the tiny town of Alcester, South Dakota, located in the country directly between Sioux Falls and Sioux City, Iowa, on the eastern edge of the state. The text is an unreasonably extensive encomium to the area, its "captains of industry," and all of its benefits, with photographic illustrations of local features, architecture, and leading public figures on the recto of every leaf. Printed at the offices of the local newspaper, the Alcester Union. Not in OCLC. \$650



# "WHERE SHALL I LOCATE IN TEXAS?"



31. [Texas]. *Texas Rice Book* [cover title]. [Houston: Southern Pacific Railroad, ca. 1900-1901]. 49,[3]pp. Original color illustrated wrappers. Two short closed tears and light wear to wraps, a bit heavier along spine. Small chips at foot of final six leaves. Light tanning. Accompanied by a pressed, dried rice sample. Good plus.

Scarce photographically illustrated pamphlet promoting emigration to Texas for rice cultivation, published by the Southern Pacific at the turn of the 20th century. The booklet touts the geography and climate of East Texas as ideal for the growing of rice, and contains excerpts from newspapers and several articles by agricultural academics as well as numerous testimonials from farmers in the region to support those claims. Seven half tone illustrations depict rice fields, abundant harvests, rice mills, threshers, and several other related scenes. A "Map of the Southern Pacific and Connections" appears on the rear wrapper, with the "Rice Belt," which stretched from Brazos de Santiago (modern Brazos Island, across the bay from Port Isabel, Texas) to the Mississippi River Delta, highlighted in red. The front cover announces that the Southern Pacific is, "The only railway traversing the great southwestern rice belt from end to end." A later, lengthier edition of this promotional is more common. OCLC locates six copies of the present, first edition, at four Texas institutions as well as at Harvard and the Denver Public Library. \$500

# RARE ANTE-FIRE IMPRINT - THE ONLY ISSUE OF A WESTERN LAND SALES PERIODICAL

32. [Western Land Sales]. *Real Estate Register of the North-West. Volume I. Number 1.* Chicago, May, 1857 [caption title]. Chicago: G.W. Yerry & Co., 1857. 8pp. Quarto newspaper. Small contemporary ink stamp above masthead. Light tanning. Unopened at top edge, untrimmed. Very good.

Rare Pre-Fire Chicago imprint advertising lands available in several western states and territories. This first issue was printed as a sample and prospectus, and was apparently the only one ever published. The lead article discusses the development of Chicago and the availability of railroad lands in the region, and the interior text promotes land for sale in the Red River Valley, Southern Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and the Kansas and Nebraska Territories. Of particular interest is a proclamation by President Franklin Pierce, presumably from the end of his term two months earlier, announcing a sale of Indian lands in Iowa. Also with many advertisements for Western land agents in Chicago. OCLC locates three copies, at Western University, the Philadelphia Athenaeum, and AAS. \$600

