

## List #8: California: Growth and Development

All items are guaranteed as described. Any purchase may be returned for a full refund within 10 working days as long as it is returned in the same condition and is packed and shipped correctly. All items subject to prior sale. We accept payment by check, wire transfer, and all major credit cards. Payment by check or wire is preferred.

### SCARCE CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE PERIODICAL



1. [California]. [Agriculture]. *California Fruit Grower*. San Francisco. 1890. Vol. VI, Nos. 1-26; Vol. VII, Nos. 1-5, 7-14, 16-26. 416; 80,97-224,241-416pp. plus three chromolithographic plates in issue VI. Lacks final leaf of VI:23 (pp.335-336). Folio. Contemporary half cloth and marbled boards; spine perished, corners heavily worn, boards detached. Manuscript index penciled onto endpapers. Many issues or leaves loose. Several title pages severely chipped or with loss; one title page partially adhered to plate behind it. Chipping and tearing to edges of many leaves, occasionally heavily. Light soiling. About good.

An extensive run of this agricultural periodical for California, first published in June 1888 and running through September 1914 (Volume 50). This volume comprises most of 1890, lacking just two issues in the latter half of the year. The *Fruit Grower* was a practical periodical, designed to give advice and distribute knowledge. "Contributions from practical fruit growers and others interested in horticulture are solicited. The experience of growers with new varieties

and insect pests, will be given ample space and attention. Send us the facts if you have not the time to prepare lengthy articles." It contains useful articles such as "Rhubarb in Commerce," "Rules for Packing Oranges," "Raisins a la Canada," and "Spraying for Codlin Moth." It is heavily sprinkled with ads for equipment, such as fruit pitters, nurseries, and other agricultural supplies. Three chromolithographic plates were issued in Volume VI as a "Supplement," one showing roses, another illustrating a handsome raisin label.

We find a handful of records for this periodical in OCLC, mostly at California institutions. A bit battered, though obviously used as intended given the index, this is nevertheless a significant run of this important California periodical. \$950

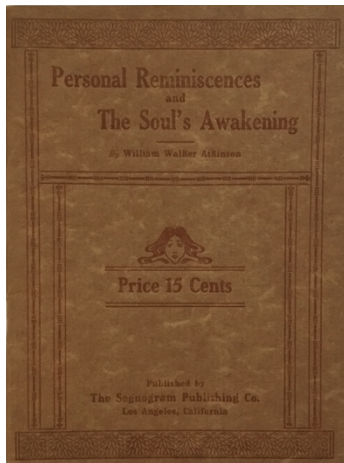
### CALIFORNIA CAMELS FOR ALCOHOL

2. [California]. [Anti-Prohibition]. *The Caravan of Camels Have Crossed the Desert and Are Here* [caption title]. San Francisco. 1920. Broadside, 11.75 x 9 inches. Pin hole at top of sheet, several tears at edges with no loss. Very good.

An invitation to join the anti-prohibition Fraternal Order of Camels, a group organized by C. Porter Steen of Milwaukee to advocate the repeal of the Volstead Act. This broadside advertises a meeting in San Francisco at Native Sons' Hall, noting the appearance of prominent speakers. "...stand for your personal liberties and stand for repeal of the drastic and foolish Volstead act. Thousands are joining the Camels daily. ... The framers and supporters of the Volstead act are creating criminals; they are adding to the drug fiends. ... Users of tobacco go next." \$500



## CALIFORNIA (BRAIN) WAVES



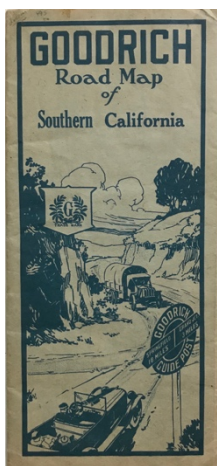
3. [California]. Atkinson, William Walker. *Personal Reminiscences and the Soul's Awakening*. Los Angeles: Segnogram Publishing Co., [ca. 1906]. 24pp. 16mo. Original brown wrappers, printed in brown. Minor wear. Near fine.

An apparently unrecorded piece from this industrious author of occult topics. This title was published under the Segnogram imprint of the mysterious Los Angeles thought-wave impresario, A. Victor Segno, who built his fortune in part on the one dollar fees sent to him from subjects the world over in exchange for daily positive brain waves emitted in their names. Atkinson here supplies a brief memoir of how he advanced in the world of sales and business as a young man, followed by a characteristic New Thought essay on the awakening of the divine I AM force. Seemingly complete, though stubs in the rear suggest excision of four leaves, possibly cancelling ads or extraneous blanks. Atkinson published the more extensive 231-page *Dynamic Thought*; or, *The Law of Vibrant Energy* under the Segnogram imprint in 1906. This pamphlet may well have been something of a promotion for that presumably more expensive work. \$475

## RARE GUIDE BOOK FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA MORTORISTS

4. [California]. [Automobiles]. *Northern California. Goodrich Route Book. Best in the Long Run* [cover title]. Akron: B.F. Goodrich, 1915. 64pp. Original pictorial wrappers, stapled. Light dust soiling to wraps, even toning to text. Very good.

Rare guide book published by Goodrich Tires in 1915 that provides step-by-step instructions for sixty-three driving routes in Northern California. The majority provide directions for routes to and from the Bay Area and around the northern portion of the Central Valley near Sacramento and as far north as Crater Lake, and thence to points east such as Tahoe, Yosemite, Reno, and Carson City. The preponderance of instructions are accompanied by a map of the route in question, with all Goodrich service stations helpfully demarcated. Also with numerous advertisements for Goodrich products and services. We locate only one copy, at the California Historical Society. \$850



## UNRECORDED CALIFORNIA ROAD MAP

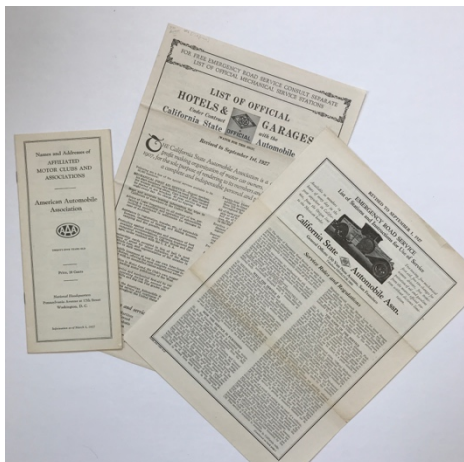
5. [California]. [Automobiles]. *Goodrich Road Map of Southern California* [caption title]. [Akron. 1919]. Folding map, 19 x 24 inches. Slight discoloration and a few short separations along folds, slightly affecting text. Very good.

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. \$600

## "AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS 24 HOURS OF EVERY DAY"

6. [California]. California State Automobile Association. [1920s *California State Automobile Association Pamphlets on Roadside Assistance and Other Services*]. [San Francisco. 1927]. Three pamphlets, [24]pp. in total. Two previously folded. Light wear and tanning. Very good.

Two scarce 1927 pamphlets published by the California State Automobile Association. The first describes the Emergency Road Service (or, "mechanical first aid") provided by the organization to its members, and lists garages across California that participate in the program. The second outlines all of the services available to members of the association, and provides a list of "official" hotels and garages in the state that have contracts with the organization. OCLC locates copies of neither pamphlet. Accompanied



by a third pamphlet published by AAA in the same year listing the names and addresses of affiliated motor clubs and associations, presumably distributed by the California organization with its own promotional material. \$350

#### RARE MAP OF RAIL CONNECTIONS IN 1912 LOS ANGELES

7. [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 Balboa 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 inset 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. \$750



#### LAND DEVELOPMENT IN FELTON

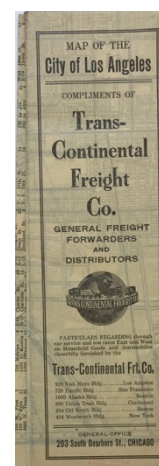
8. [California]. [Cartography]. *Map of the Town of Felton* [caption title]. [Felton. ca. 1918?]. Folded blueprint map, 21 x 15.5 inches. Patch of dampstaining at center left, slightly affecting image. Light wear and a few small separations along fold lines. Contemporary manuscript annotations. About very good.

A unique blueprint map of Felton, California, north of Santa Cruz, that depicts lots in the main area of town between Fall Creek and Baldwin Avenue, the present-day Highway 9. The map shows the division of property lots in the area, and manuscript notes reference the Hihn Company, a local timber company based in Santa Cruz, whose founder, Frederick A. Hihn, was a major businessman and land developer in the region during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. \$400

#### COMPLIMENTS OF CROSS-COUNTRY AUTOMOBILE MOVERS

9. [California]. [Cartography]. *Map of the City of Los Angeles. Compliments of Trans-Continental Freight Co.* [Los Angeles. 1914]. Folding map, 23.75 x 19 inches. Light wear at folds, two small chips at foot, not affecting map area. Very good.

Scarce 1914 map of Los Angeles, offered as a promotional item by the Trans-Continental Freight Company to its cross-country moving customers. The map depicts Los Angeles from Glendale to Inglewood and west to Hollywood, and delineates street car routes through the city as well. The reverse provides an index of street names as well the proper street car number to reach them. Interestingly, the freight company not only touts its ability to move household goods to California from the East, but also advertises itself as, "the pioneer in the consolidation of carloads of automobiles from over eight years' experience." OCLC locates two copies, at the Boston Public Library and the California Historical Society. \$500







# CALIFORNIA CIVIL WAR REUNION SOUVENIR AS REAL ESTATE PROMOTIONAL

10. [California]. [Civil War]. *Beautiful Camp Meeker*. [Sonoma County. 1907]. [32]pp. Oblong octavo. Self-wrappers, stapled. Short closed tear at head of final leaf. Light dust soiling and foxing. Very good.

A scarce illustrated booklet that commemorates the 1907 meeting of the Veterans Association of Northern California and their Ladies' Auxiliary at Camp Meeker, in the northern California redwoods. The pamphlet doubles as promotional brochure for the vacation subdivision created by lumber baron M.C. Meeker, who sold plots of the land once he had stripped it of its trees. The front wrapper shows an imaginary charge of California soldiers during the Civil War, and the charge of the veterans to arrive at the encampment. Beneath Meeker advertises lots available from fifteen dollars and cottages from sixty-five dollars. The booklet contains many photographic reproductions of architectural and geographical features of the camp and its surroundings, and some images of the Civil War veterans OCLC locates three copies, at the Marin County Free Library; the Sonoma County Library; and UC Davis. \$375

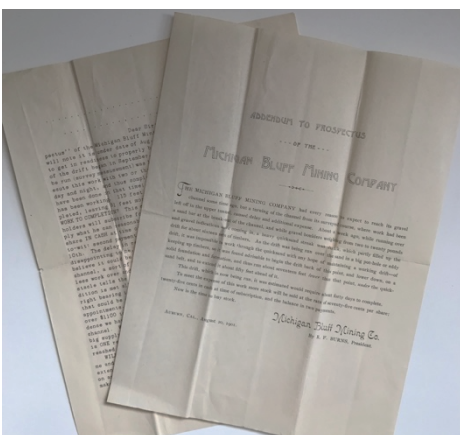
## UNRECORDED CALIFORNIA STUD BROADSIDE

11. [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. \$1,250



## "NO ONE IS TO BLAME FOR THIS."



12. [California]. *Michigan Bluff Mining Company*. [Prospectus Addendum and Typed Letter, Signed, Requesting More Investment in the Michigan Bluff Mining Company]. Auburn, Ca. 1901. Two leaves. Previously folded. A couple of short separations. About very good.

Two documents, one printed and one typed, that solicit further investment from stockholders in the Michigan Bluff Mining Company. The diggers at the Michigan Bluff claim, in Placer County, California, apparently hit unsurveyed quicksand in the late summer of 1901, and the expense of remedying the situation was significant enough to prompt these two letters from company president, R.F. Burns, requesting the purchase of more stock. "The delay in reaching the channel has been exasperating and very disappointing to me... but a big sweep in the channel, a sort of S-shaped bend which mislead and caused very much useless work over and around a huge pot-hole, and finally the quicksand obstacle tells [sic] the story." Despite this seemingly dire situation, Burns insists that now is the time to invest further to expedite the extra work, and that, "The outcome will repay for all delays and disappointments." A heavy mining stock sales pitch, with more than a hint of desperation. \$250

## CALIFORNIA OIL FRAUD?

13. [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

## SAYONARA, ST. VITUS DANCE

14. [California]. [Patent Medicine]. *The May Flower. It Does Not Cure Pain for the Present Only, but Has Positively Cured It Entirely When Taken According to Directions...Prepared by E.A. Bethurun & Co.* [caption title]. Redlands, Ca. [ca. 1916]. Broadside printed on heavy card, 11 x 14 inches. Corners slightly chipped, a few small edge tears. Light toning and soiling. Very good.

A handsome display card advertisement for The May Flower, "The Great Stomach and Blood Remedy," prepared by E.A. Bethurun & Co. of Redlands, California. The ad touts the benefits of the medicine and calls for agents to advance its sale. The medicine claims to have "positively cured all the following complaints such as rheumatism, indigestion, dyspepsia, asthma, eczema, dropsy, kidney trouble, neuralgia, colic, St. Vitus Dance, stomach troubles." In other words, this does it all. Redlands is located west of Los Angeles, next door to San Bernardino. We locate newspaper ads which date Bethurun (or Bethurum) to around 1916. We locate one copy of this broadside in OCLC, at Stanford University.



\$500

"1,000,000,000 EGGS ANNUALLY. LARGEST POULTRY CENTER ON EARTH."

15. [California]. [Poultry]. *Petaluma, Sonoma Co., California* [cover title]. Petaluma: Chamber of Commerce, [ca. 1914]. 31,[1]pp. Narrow quarto. Original pictorial wrappers. Creasing and wear, tape repairs to corners of covers. About very good.

A rare promotional for Petaluma, California, which focuses on the World War I-era poultry industry there. The first part of the text includes promotional information about the town and its prospects and resources in general; the second part comprises a lengthy endorsement of chicken farming in the area, much of which was authored by the editor of the local newspaper, with numerous statistics in order to demonstrate the immense profitability of the industry. Also with several illustrations and photographic images of the local enterprises, abundant live fowl, and egg production. "1,000,000,000 Eggs Annually. Largest Poultry Center on Earth. The Lowell of the West. Free Sites for Factories." We locate one copy, at UC Davis.

\$500



## THE BENEFITS OF CHICO



16. [California]. [Promotional Literature]. *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 four copies, at the California Historical Society, the Huntington, UC Davis, and Yale.

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## PROMOTING INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN MARTINEZ

17. [California]. [Promotional Literature]. *Martinez, California. A Home City - Strategic Location for Factories [caption title]. [Martinez, Ca. 1915]. Folding broadsheet, 19 x 10 inches. A few short separations at fold edges. Light dust soiling. Very good.*

Rare illustrated broadsheet advertisement for the industrial potential of Martinez, California. In addition to the usual photographic images of local businesses and homes of prominent citizens, there are also images of area oil and mining operations, including photos of the Shell Oil Refinery under construction, as well as depictions of the facilities of Associated Oil and the Mountain Copper Company. OCLC locates one copy, at the Bancroft.

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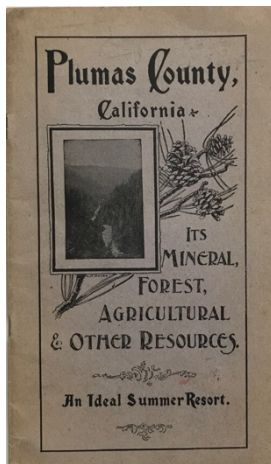


## "PLUMAS COUNTY FORGING TO THE FRONT."

18. [California]. [Promotional Literature]. *Plumas County, California. Its Mineral, Forest, Agricultural & Other Resources. An Ideal Summer Resort [cover title]. Quincy, Ca.: National-Bulletin Print, 1902. [48]pp. plus large folding map. Original printed wrappers, stapled. Minor wear and toning. Very good.*

A rare early 20th-century promotional for Plumas County, in northeastern California. The pamphlet provides details of the great timber and mineral wealth in the region, and well as of its suitability for farming and ranching. Among the many reasons the pieces states that Plumas is "forging to the front" are the expansion of railroads in the area and the opening of a large new power plant to supply San Francisco and local businesses. With numerous photographic reproductions and a folding map which delineates the topography of the county and locates sixty significant local mining ventures. Four copies located in OCLC, all in California institutions.

\$450



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

19. [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.

\$350







## BUCOLIC LOS ANGELES SUBURBS

20. [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.

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## GIANT BLUEPRINT MAP OF MONTEREY SUBDIVISIONS

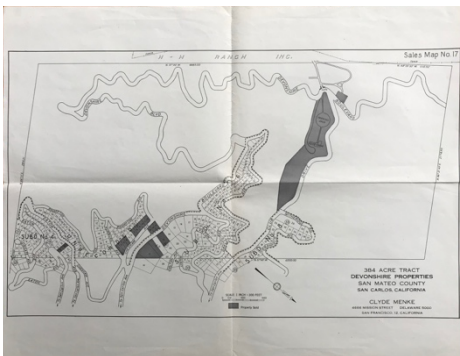
21. [California]. [Real Estate]. *Map Showing Subdivisions of Property East of the City of Monterey, Monterey County Cal.* [caption title]. [Monterey, Ca. ca. 1900s]. Large blueprint map, 52.5 x 65 inches. Light wear and occasional creasing. Several closed tear repaired on verso. Right edge trimmed, slightly affecting image and text. About very good.

A rare and giant cadastral map showing new subdivisions east of downtown Monterey, in what are now the Del Monte area and the neighboring town of Seaside, north of the present-day airport. The map is quite detailed, drawn at a scale of 300 feet to the inch, and begins in the west at the grounds of the Del Monte Hotel, which today is the Naval Postgraduate School. East of the hotel grounds are the newly organized neighborhoods of Live Oaks Park and Del Monte Grove, north of the Del Monte Racetrack (now the Monterey Fairgrounds). At the very center of the map is the Laguna del Rey, and beyond the lagoon are several other extensively plotted areas, called "Lake Side Tract," "Vista Del Rey Tract," "East Monterey," "Hot Springs Tract," and "Del Monte Heights," which now make up the town of Seaside. Property inland and to the east of these tracts is surveyed in larger, unnamed plots. The map was compiled by Howard D. Severance, who became the City Engineer of Monterey in 1906, and was responsible for several similar but smaller maps in the second half of that decade that are located at the Monterey Public Library. We do not locate any copies of the present map in OCLC.



\$1,500

## POST-WAR DEVELOPMENT IN SAN CARLOS



22. [California]. [Real Estate]. *384 Acre Tract Devonshire Properties San Mateo County San Carlos, California* [caption title]. San Francisco. [1946]. Printed map, 12.75 x 21.25 inches. Previously folded. Very light wear. Very good plus.

A scarce, post-World War II cadastral map that depicts lots in subdivisions of San Carlos, California, north of Redwood City. The developer of these "Devonshire Properties," Clyde Menke, was involved in several legal disputes over the rights to this area, but much of what was designed for this neighborhood of San Carlos is still present today. Shaded areas of this "Sales Map No. 17" for the area denote sold lots, but much of property was still available. An interesting look at post-war development in the Bay Area; not in OCLC.

\$475

## A METRIC TON OF CALIFORNIA BOAT BLUEPRINTS

23. [California]. [Ship Building]. *[Massive Blueprint Archive of the Bay Area Moore Shipbuilding Company]*. [San Francisco; Oakland. ca. 1907-1929]. 837 small blueprints and cyanotypes, measuring 5x5 to 11x13.5 inches, or which 92 loose and 745 in three riveted

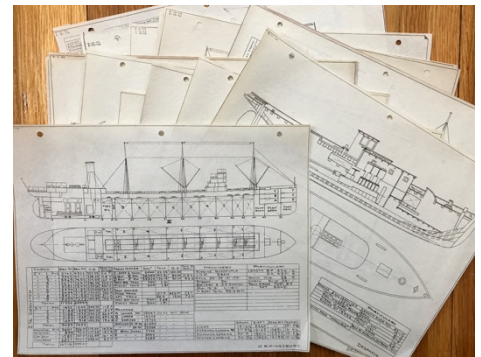
leatherette albums; 28 large folding blueprints, varying sizes. Light wear and a few short closed tears along folds. Overall, very good.

A substantial working archive of a leading ship repair and shipbuilding company on the West Coast in the first half of the 20th century. Founded as the Moore & Scott Iron Works at San Francisco's Hunter's Point in 1905, the company moved across the bay in 1909 and became the Moore Shipbuilding Company in 1917. It was renamed the Moore Dry Dock Company in 1922, operating primarily as a repair yard. During the Second World War, the dock was notable for its employment of several thousand African Americans, in both skilled and unskilled positions, at a time when they confronted major racial discrimination on the job. The company ceased operations in 1961.



This archive contains over 850 blueprint designs and charts dating from 1907 to 1929, as well as a scattered number of manuscript drawings and lists, that depict and describe all manner of ship construction and fitting, from large scale drawings of ship hulls to dimensions of pulleys and other shipboard minutiae. Indeed, one of the notebooks present here contains numerous blueprints images of facets of ships' lavatories and bathtubs. More significant are overarching designs and dimensions for dozens of ships, dry docks, and multitudinous aspects of their underlying construction. An accompanying notebook also

contains 135 leaves official printed and manuscript materials from the Emergency Fleet Corporation of the U.S. Navy such as certificates of carrying capacity and launching data for the ships built in the dock from 1918 to 1920; one cyanotype therein delineates the ethnicity (White, Chinese, etc.) of the crew list of the recently completed ship S.S. Manchuria. A few of the designs are for aspects of loading docks belonging to the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad. A large archive with many potential avenues for research into Bay Area ship construction in the first three decades of the 1900s.



\$3,250

#### CALIFORNIA... ON THE MEDITERRANEAN?

**24. [California]. Tigner, J.H.** *The Italy of America. A Conservative and Truthful Description of the Great Wealth Producing Districts of Riverside County, California.* Los Angeles: Home Printing Company 76pp. Small folio. Original green wrappers, gilt lettered. Spine ends slightly chipped, light wear to wrapper edges. Later ownership inscription inside rear wrapper. Two leaves with repaired closed tears and tape residue. About very good.



A scarce and extensive promotional for early 20th-century Riverside County, California. The work focuses on the "Great Perris Valley," which includes the communities of Perris, Lakeview, and Hemet, south of Riverside town. The first section describes the general advantages of Perris and the surrounding area, particularly its access to water: "Here they pay no tribute to water companies or corporations, and bow not to their dictates or pleasure." No specific reason for this area being termed the "Italy of America" is immediately evident, although one of the favored crops is olives. The majority of the text provides descriptions of local citizens and businesses, accompanied by photographic illustrations of ranches, shops, and other relevant agricultural and industrial scenes. A final section is

dedicated to the promotion of Hemet, east of Perris. OCLC locates four copies, at the Huntington and three local public libraries.

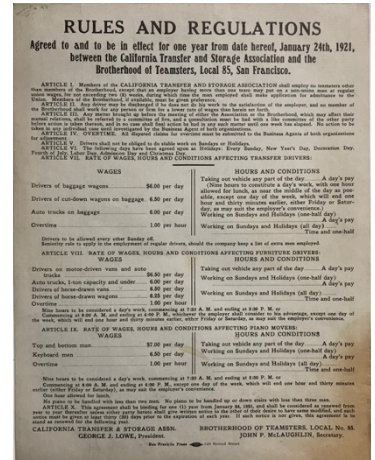
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## RULES FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO TEAMSTERS UNION

**25. [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 days 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 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



## BUILDING A CANAL NEAR SILVER CREEK

**26. [California]. [Water].** *[Autograph Letter Discussing Canal Construction Around Silver Creek and Echo Lake by the Placerville and Sacramento Valley Railroad].* Placerville, Ca. 1872. [2]pp. Previously folded. Very good.

An 1872 letter with good content on the construction of a canal near Silver Creek and Echo Lake by the Placerville & Sacramento Valley Railroad, written by one of its Directors, F.A. Bishop. The railroad grew out of the first incorporated rail company in California, the Sacramento Valley Railroad, initiated in 1852. Bishop was on the initial Board of Directors when several railroads around Sacramento were reorganized into the Placerville & Sacramento Valley Railroad in 1861. The letter reads, in part:

"Everything now is in good shape and ground broken on the new canal.... It seems to be the impression that the active and energetic measures taken with the survey has [sic] had a good effect. I think that it has had much weight. The line for the canal as it will be located will be

splendid. I shall adopt the old location. We have got the country so thoroughly now that almost every rod [of] it is known. The money has been well spent in surveying. Silver Creek and Echo Lake are most magnificent water rights." \$300

## RARE OROVILLE DAM MAP

**27. [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.

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#### IMPROVING THE WEBER CREEK DAM

**28. [California]. [Weber Creek Dam].** *[Five Large Blueprints of Early Depression-Era Weber Dam Modifications]*. Placerville, Ca. 1929. Five blueprints, measuring from approximately 24 x 34 to 29 x 41 inches. Tipped onto modern cardboard backing at left edge, overlaid with brown paper. Light wear, a couple of archival repairs at edges. Contemporary blind stamps. Very good.

A group five large and fascinating blueprints that delineate proposed modifications to the Weber Dam near Placerville, California, that were carried out in 1930. The Dam was originally built in 1922 and 1923 without steel reinforcement, and as a result improvements have been required periodically from its completion up to the present day. The designs present here outline the first set of such improvements, overseen by an engineer named George W. Hawley in 1929 and 1930. These include the construction of new tunnels, outlets, gates, and spillways, and also include detailed topographical charts of the area surrounding the dam. The blueprints, which were intended to accompany an engineer's report on the project, are as follows:

- 1) Contour Map Showing Plan & Section of Dam, and Location of Supply Tunnel & Wasteway.
- 2) Outlet Structures Showing Tunnel and Shaft Control Works & Appurtenances.
- 3) Details of Spillway.
- 4) Details of Tunnel Valves & Controls.
- 5) Contour Map of Borrow Area for Weber Creek Dam.

The dam and the reservoir that it created, managed by the El Dorado Irrigation District, provide vital power and water services to area agriculture. The present plans comprise an important document of the early upkeep and development of the structure.

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#### LAKE TAHOE AND BEAR MOUNTAIN IN THE EARLY 20th CENTURY

**29. [California]. [Western Photographica].** *[Photograph Album Containing over 330 Original Photographs Depicting Family Hunting and Camping Trips in 1910s and Early 1920s California]*. [Various places, including Sacramento, San Diego, Sonora, and Tahoe. 1912-1921. 339 original photographs, most measuring approximately 2 x 3 or 2.75 x 4.75 inches, a few slightly larger. Oblong octavo. Leatherette album with light wear. Photos mounted directly to album leaves. Occasional light mirroring and fading, but images generally fine. Very good.

A wonderful album of almost 350 original photographs that document the travels of one family in California over the course of nearly a decade in the early 20th century. The album begins with images of a 1913 camping trip at vineyard in Sheldon, California. Other excursions include a 1913 camping and animal trapping trip to Lake Tahoe, which include images of their campsite and activities at Phillips and Echo Lake, and a 1920 and 1921 hunting expedition in the Bear Creek and Bear Mountain area near San Bernardino. In 1915 they traveled from San Diego to San Francisco via steamer, and there is a series of photographs depicting some their experiences in both cities. A detailed and extensive album, with many engaging images of early 20th-century California parklands.

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LIFE IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTRYSIDE

30. [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.

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