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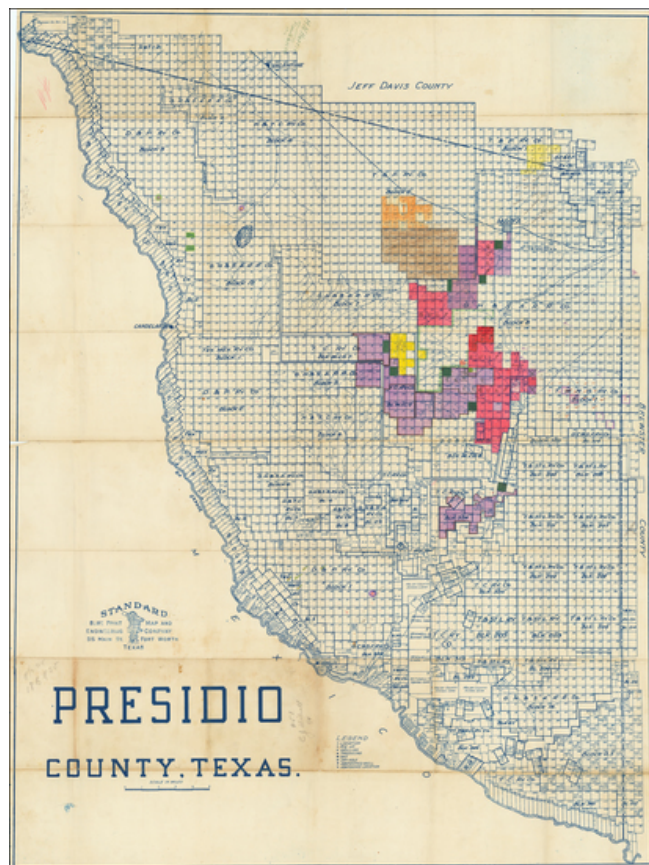
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Presidio County, Texas

Stock#: 63719
Map Maker: Standard Blue Print Map & Engineering Co.
Date: 1925 circa
Place: Fort Worth, Texas
Color: (See Description)
Condition: VG
Size: 35.5 x 47.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Large format map of Presidio County Texas, published by the Standard Blue Print Map and Engineering Company of Fort Worth, Texas.

The map would appear to related to oil and gas discoveries in Presidio County. As noted by Thompson and O'Conner in *Marfa and Presidio County, Texas: A Social, Economic, and Cultural Study* (2014, p. 218),

The question "Is there oil in Presidio County?" was a continuing saga. (To this day, the fictitious Jett Rink gusher of Giant hsa not happened!) Rumors of oil in Presidio, stimulating and exciting as it was, had been, thus far, to no avail in spite of the fact oil explortion and enthusiasm for it once again reached substantial proportions. Claude Byler of Sheridan, Wyoming, an employee of Gulf Oil, backed up this recurring rumor of more than fifteen years



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by wrting a letter that tells of his absolute confidence in the existence of oil in Presidio County. He believes that Far West Texas would have fields that resemble the great fields of Wyoming and Montana nd expressed incredulity that Gulf Oil Company would farm this area out as a royalty override deal. He believed that the shale was full of oil and gas.

We locate a note that Byler was active in the region in 1923.

Detailed Condition: