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Vest Pocket Map of the Victory Highway The Nation's Memorial Road From New York through Topeka to San Francisco . . . 1924

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Map Maker: Rand McNally & Company

Date: 1924Place: ChicagoColor: Outline Color

Condition: VG

Size: 16 x 11 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

An Early Transcontinental Highway

Nice example of this scarce map of the United States published by The Victory Highway Association, with its National Headquarters in Topeka Kansas.

The Victory Highway is highlighted in red, differentiating it from other US Roads. At bottom right, a list of "Trail & Highway Markings" shows a number of the other famed early American Roads, including:

- Mississippi River Scenic highway
- Jefferson Highway
- Yellowstone Trail
- King of Trails
- National Old Trails Road
- Lone Star Route
- · Mississippi Valley Highway
- Meridian Highway
- Evergreen National Highway
- California Banff Bee-Line Highway
- Ozark Trails
- Dixie Highway
- Colorado to Gulf Highway



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At the lower left is a list of National Parks and Monuments numerically located on the map.

Victory Highway

The Victory Highway was an auto trail across the United States, was created by the Victory Highway Association, which was organized in 1921 to locate and mark a transcontinental highway to be dedicated to American forces who died in World War I. A series of Victory Eagle sculptures were intended to be used to mark the route, although only six were completed.

East of St. Louis, the Victory Highway mostly followed the National Old Trails Road, except through New Jersey.

When the United States Numbered Highways system was introduced in 1926, the Victory Highway route was supplanted mostly by U.S. 40. The Victory Highway Association continued to promote tourism along the route, but as the importance of named highways declined, the association renamed itself the U.S. Highway 40 Association in 1938.

Detailed Condition:

Pocket map with original printed covers. Minor soiling.