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Pictorial Map of Fresno County and Mid-California's Garden of the Sun

Stock#: 69550
Map Maker: Schmidt Label & Litho. Co.
Date: 1923 circa
Place: Fresno, California
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 39 x 25.25 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the great California pictorial maps from the Golden Age of American Pictorial mapmaking.

The map stretches from San Francisco in the lower-left corner to San Emigdio Mountains at the right and the Sierra Nevadas in the background. The map thus takes in all of the lower San Joaquin Valley. The map is surrounded by vignettes which highlight the regions agricultural and petroleum riches, as well as the natural beauty of Yosemite, the Sequoias, and the mountains.

The map is characteristic of Max Schmidt's exceptional skill with color printing.

Rumsey (8069) dates it to circa 1919 - 1932 based on the use of 2-cent stamp. Library of Congress estimates the date as 1923. Later Schmidt Litho & Co. would expand to Los Angeles, as well. On this map, they are given solely as "Schmidt Litho Co. Fresno and S.F."

Detailed Condition:

Old folds, as issued. Some minor separations at folds (see illustration). Overall Good to Very Good.