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Seattle World's Fair 1962 Souvenir Edition the first United States Manned Orbital Flight | Rand McNally Cosmopolitan World on Mercator's Projection

Stock#: 69836
Map Maker: Rand McNally & Company
Date: 1962
Place: Fairborn, Ohio
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 48 x 30 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Special space exploration edition of the Rand McNally map of the world, prepared by Space Travels Inc. of Fairborn, Ohio, to commemorate John Glenn's manned space flight and the 1962 Seattle World's Fair.

The map is overprinted with the information about Glenn's flight, including the track through space and the following symbols:

- Capsule Command - Ground stations may control capsule actions.
- Telemetering - Automatic recording of flight information and conditions.
- Capsule Voice - Space pilot has radio voice contact with ground station.
- Radar - recording of flight conditions.
- Ground Station - Has radio voice contact with space pilot.
- Large Circle - indicates distance range of radar.
- Shows orbital path and orbital number.

The map shows the various stations that tracked the flight around the world. It also shows the launch and landing points for the flight.

As the map was prepared specifically for the Seattle World's Fair, it is quite scarce today, this being the second example we have handled.

Detailed Condition:

Folding map. Minor toning and wear at a few folds. Small paper loss off Madagascar.