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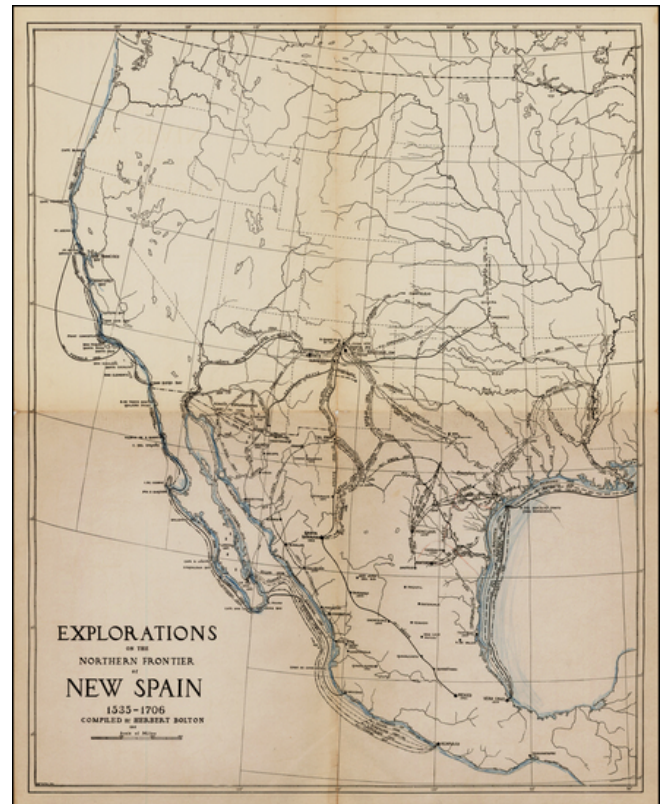
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Explorations on the Northern Frontier of New Spain 1535-1706 Compiled by Herbert Bolton 1915

Stock#: 33146gm
Map Maker: Bolton
Date: 1915
Place: San Francisco
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG
Size:
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce map showing the routes of the earliest explorers in California, Texas, Mexico and the Southwest, prepared by Herbert Bolton, one of the most prolific and important writer / scholars of the 20th Century.

Herbert Eugene Bolton (1870 - 1953) was an American historian who pioneered the study of the Spanish-American borderlands and was a prominent authority on Spanish American history.

The map includes the routes of a number of early Spanish explorers, including Ulloa (1539), Cabrillo (1542), Ferrello (1543), Oñate (1604-05), Espejo (1582), Cardenas (1540), Coronado (1542), Uribari (1706), De Soto (1541), Vizcaino (1602), Alarcon (1540), Castillo (1630), Sosa (1590), Vaca (1535), Joutel (1687), Moscoso (1542), Tonti (1686-88), Benal (1697), Zaldivar (1587), Humaña (1594), De Leon (1690), Rodriguez (1581), Rosque (1675), Barroto (1686), Rivas and Yriarte (1687), Azcue (1655), Bosque (1674), and many others.



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Bolton's major contribution to his field would come to be known as *the Bolton Theory of the history of the Americas*, wherein Bolton believed that it is impossible to study the history of the United States in isolation from the histories of other American nations.

Bolton spent an important part of his career at the University of California, Berkeley where he served as chair of the history department for 22 years and is credited with making the renowned Bancroft Library the dominant research center it is today.

Bolton is also known to have made dozens of remarkable wall maps as study aids for his students, a number of which survive at the Bancroft.

Bolton's maps are quite scarce, this being the first example we have encountered.

Detailed Condition:

Minor fold breaks and toning.