

# **Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.**

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### Wagner's Complete Map of Cincinnati and the Kentucky Cities . . .

**Stock#:** 72347

Map Maker: Wagner & Co.

Date: 1933 circaPlace: CincinnatiColor: Outline Color

**Condition:** VG

**Size:** 33 x 26.5 inches

**Price:** SOLD



#### **Description:**

Extra-illustrated example of this fine separately published map of Cincinnati, published by A.C. Wagner Co.

This traveler's map of Cincinnati provides the audience with nearly everything they could need to navigate the Queen City. (Note, the former nickname, "The Queen of the West" became a little outdated shortly after it was first given in 1819). Street names and block numbers are packed in nearly every available space, while a complicated network of transportation routes comprised of railways, bus routes and electric rail cars is overlaid using various colors and symbols.

Constant updates to the transit system and ongoing infrastructure improvements necessitated constant revisions – A.C. Wagner published 23 separate versions of this map between 1926 and 1954. Concentric circles indicating a mile radius from the city center are helpful for pedestrians and motorists alike, while a corresponding street index attached to the front cover provides a useful reference. Despite the surplus of information, the image is surprisingly legible, giving weight to Wagner's claim to produce "Maps You Can Read of 50 Cities," found on the front cover.

The map provides a detailed overview of the Queen City and neighboring parts of Covington and Newport across the Ohio River in Kentucky.

Transit lines are given in orange (along with a transit line key), along with street names, block numbers, public parks and buildings in green. Local transit lines include City (rail) Lines, Interurban (light rail) and



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Bus Routes.

An early owner has drawn orange and purple lines, with a note at the bottom left stapled to the map noting that the orange line depicts the territory of assigned to Mr. M.C. Easterling, while the purple shows the territory assigned to Mr. L. B. Rivers. An exception is made for Proctor and Gamble and the Cincinnati Street Railway, which were the accounts of Mr. L. B. Rivers.

OCL locates 23 separate versions of this map between 1926 and 1954. The first map by Wagner of Cincinnati for which we located a copyright was 1919.

#### **Detailed Condition:**

Folding map with color additions.