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Map of the Indian and Oklahoma Territories. 1892

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Map Maker: Rand McNally & Company

Date: 1892Place: ChicagoColor: Condition: VG

Size: 32×24 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare separately issued map of Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory, shortly after the creation of Oklahoma Territory from the western part of Indian Territory in 1890.

The map shows the borders of these two territories in 1892, as well as location of Reservations, railroad lines, roads, towns, rivers, lakes, mines and other geographical features. It also includes the location of military forts and other points of interest.

Oklahoma Territory was created in 1890, when the United States Congress passed the Organic Act. This act divided the Unassigned Lands (a large area of land in central Oklahoma that was not yet part of any state or territory) into two territories: Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory. The Organic Act also established a territorial government, with a governor, a legislature, and a judicial system, giving the people of the territory a greater degree of autonomy and self-government.

Oklahoma occupies only small section of the map, which contains an early appearance of Oklahoma City on a printed map. The map graphically shows the situation of Native American tribes after forced removal from their homelands to the Indian Territory of eastern Oklahoma.

Includes the site of We-Wo-Ka ("barking waters") District, where the Black Seminoles eventually relocated after leaving the protection of Fort Gibson. They founded an all-Black community on the site of the present-day town of Wewoka, now the home of the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma. Of Texas interest is the much disputed Greer County, not shown as part of Texas and bearing the designation "Unassigned Land." Texas claimed the area, but the Supreme Court denied Texas' claim in 1896. See *Handbook of Texas*



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Online: Greer County.

States of the Map and Rarity

This is apparently the first state of the map with this title, which was issued until at least 1895.

OCLC locates 2 examples of the 1892 (Southeastern Oklahoma State University and Princeton.

Detailed Condition:

Minor repairs to the old folds on the verso, with some very minor loss.