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California Motor Guide and Gazetteer [with:] California Strip Maps (1926)

Stock#:	91281
Map Maker:	National Automobile Club
Data	1000
Date:	1928
Place:	San Francisco, etc.
Color:	Uncolored
Condition:	VG
Size:	

Price: SOLD



Description:

Interesting combination of two early California road atlases, the first issued by the National Automobile Club in 1928 and comprising dozens of maps of sections of California and specific highways. The second, also issued by the National Automobile Club, but in 1926, has 28 "strip" maps of various routes between important cities or between tourist destinations and population centers.

The first guide includes routes along the coast, routes to Yosemite, etc. It touches on every corner of the state and includes many of the most important landmarks.

These early road atlases are historically important because they provide snapshots of the state's transportation infrastructure and development when it was just starting to coalesce into the systems we see today. They also give insight into how people traveled and the locations and layouts of cities and towns during that period. Furthermore, they give an idea about the economic and population growth of California in that time period. Additionally, they are interesting to compare with current road maps and observe the changes that have occurred over time.

Detailed Condition:

Tall 12mo. Publisher's ¼ blue cloth over pictorial paper wrappers (somewhat worn and dog-eared). 246 pages, with a profusion of maps in text. (Complete). California Strip Maps: Tall 12mo. Stapled with no



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binding (perhaps as issued?), with six perforations on the left side, again, probably as issued.