



Plate 9: Libertad de prensa (“Adoptamos una política patriarcal” -Porfirio Díaz) (from the portfolio Estampas de la Revolución Mexicana)

Date

1947

Primary Maker

Leopoldo Méndez

Medium

linocut

Description

An allegory relating to the lack of freedom in the press effected during the presidency of Porfirio Díaz. Image depicts men in a circular cell with the bars rifles with bayonets. The bayonets are piercing newspapers on the ground. The rifle stocks are holding up coins and on top of

the coins show the feet of a man standing.

Dimensions

Image: 11 7/8 × 8 1/4 in. (30.2 × 21 cm) Support: 15 3/4 × 10 5/8 in. (40 × 27 cm) Mat: 17 × 14 in. (43.2 × 35.6 cm)