

Dating Real Photo Postcards

This card was divided, meaning there was a place on the left for the message to be written, and a place to the right for the address. This practice began in 1907. The upper right hand corner, where the stamp was to be placed, was extremely helpful in determining when the paper stock for the photograph was produced. This card showed the cursive-type letters of "CYKO" in the stamp box, the NAME AND ADDRESS began under the left side of "D" of CARD", and the word CORRESPONDENCE aligned directly under the letter "P" in POST CARD.

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