San Francisco Photo Postcard Collection

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Descriptive Summary
Title: San Francisco Photo Postcard Collection
Dates: 1906-1970s
Collection Number: SFP 56
Extent: 1,100 photo postcards
Repository: San Francisco Public Library. San Francisco History Center
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Abstract: The artificial collection contains over 1,100 photo postcards of San Francisco, California collected by the San Francisco History Center, San Francisco Public Library. The postcards range in date from the early 1900s to 1970s. Events depicted on the postcards include world expositions the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the Golden Gate International Exposition and the disaster 1906 Earthquake and Fire. Places represented are significant San Francisco buildings, businesses, hotels and restaurants as well as many general views. Photo postcard photographers and publishers include Gabriel Moulin, Stark, Alexander Johnston (Zan), Piggott, Smith News Company, Pillsbury Picture (Pillsbury, Arthur Clarence), Marsh-Garvin Co., Frank Patterson, Cardinell-Vincent, Charles Weidner, Hosea Blair, and R.J. Waters.
Language of Material: English
Access
The collection is available for use during Photo Desk hours.
Publication Rights
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Acquisition Information
Collected from various sources, including donations and purchases.
Biography/Administrative History
Collected by the San Francisco History Center, San Francisco Public Library.
Scope and Content of Collection
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Indexing Terms
San Francisco (Calif.) -- Pictorial works.
Panama-Pacific International Exposition (1915 : San Francisco, Calif.)
Golden Gate International Exposition--(1939-1940 :--San Francisco, Calif.)
San Francisco (Calif.) -- Earthquake and fire, 1906.
Photography-California-San Francisco.
Photographic postcards
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San Francisco Photo Postcard Subject Guide