

KOHN Maksymilian (1869–1936), photographer. He was born on 22nd August 1869 in Częstochowa, the son of → Leopold and Rozalia née Neufeld, the brother of → Gustaw and Józef.

He was a student at the Fine Arts School in Kraków, the director being J. Matejko. He studied photography in Berlin with the famous Professor Vogel, the inventor of the orthochromatic plates (sensitive to colours).

From 1898, in Częstochowa, he ran the Artistic Photography Shop at ul. Teatralna 13 (Wolności). According to a 1903 advertisement, “The shop is equipped with the newest cameras and decorations”. In 1909, as a photographer, he took part in the Industry and Agriculture Exhibition in Częstochowa. He received a bronze medal (for diligent photographic work). He ran the photography store, at least, until 1924. From 1907, he belonged to the Society for the Spreading of Knowledge.

He died on 8th January 1936 in Częstochowa, in his apartment at al. Wolności 3/5).

In 1902, he married Romana née Szpigel (10th January 1879 Częstochowa – 8th March 1943 Guriewo), the daughter of Izydor and Cecylia née Ginsberg.

Zembik, *Fotografia częstochowska*, p. 125. – *Przewodnik po Częstochowie 1909*, p. XIV (advertisement); “Tydzień” (Piotrków) 1898, No. 42, p. 3; “Gazeta Częstochowska” 1909, No. 31, p. 3, No. 197, p. 4; “Goniec Częstochowski” 1916, No. 189, p. 3. – *Handlowiec. Kalendarz 1914*, p. 203; *Rocznik adresowy 1901*, p. 547; *Rocznik częstochowski. Kalendarz 1903*, p. XXVI. – USC Częstochowa, death record No. 7/1936.

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