Aleksander Elgass (professor)

Born 12 December 1826, Lwów, Galicia, Poland (reported birth year betw 1822-1830)
Died in Lwów in 1905

Arrived in the USA: around 1846

1865, Civil War, Union, 75th Infantry, New York City, NY

ELGASS, ALEXANDER.—Age, 35 years. Enlisted at New York city, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Co. F, March 31, 1865; promoted corporal, June 19, 1865; mustered out with company, August 31, 1865, at Savannah, Ga.

Name: Alexander Elgass
Age: 35
Birth Year: abt 1830
Birth Place: Austria
Enlistment Year: 1865
Enlistment Location: New York City
Muster Year: 1865
Separation Details: Muster Out of Service
Separation Date: 31 Aug 1865

Private, 75th NY Infantry, Co. F
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- New York: Report of the Adjutant-General
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1872: Lived on 17 Dupont St., San Francisco

Name: Alexander Elgars
Year: 1872
Age: 45
Estimated Birth Year: abt 1827
Place: San Francisco, California
Source: 1888
Publication Code:
Primary Immigrant: Elgars, Alexander
Annotation: Gives names, ages, occupations, and dates naturalized between 1856 and 1875.
Page: 126

1874, Santa Clara, CA

Próbę wyjaśnienia, dlaczego akcja ta się nie powiodła, podjął Aleksander Elgas w liście do J. I. Kraszewskiego (San Francisc o 4 IV 1874, Bibli. Jag., rkp 6499, k. 50 i n.). Podkreślając obojętność wielkich dziennikarzy amerykańskich wobec sprawy polskiej, pisał o istnieniu „sprzętności między Polakami samym, jak np. w sprawie arcyb. Ledóchowskiego. Wezwani do podpisania adresu przez »Gazetę Nowojorską«, zaledwie 14 Polaków z San Francisco podpisało. [...] Jeszcze nasza Polonia nie dojrzała do tej wspólnej solidarności: poświęcić osobiste zapatrywania dla dobra ogólnego". Dotykał on tu, nie nazywając tego wyraźnie, problemu ultramontanizmu, dzielącego także społeczność polską w Ameryce.

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1875

Elgass Alexander, teacher German, Heald Business College, res 24 Post
Name: Alexander Elgass
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 28 Aug 1875
Event Year Range: 
Event Place: San Jose Tp, Santa Clara, California, United States
Age: 50
Birth Year (Estimated): 1825
Birthplace: Austria
Page: 41
GS Film number: 977287
Digital Folder Number: 005030123
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1876
Name: Alexander Elgass
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 1876
Event Year Range: 
Event Place: San Jose Township, Santa Clara, California, United States
Age: 50
Birth Year (Estimated): 1826
Birthplace: Austria
Page: 37
GS Film number: 977287
Digital Folder Number: 005030123
Image Number: 00376

1877: San Francisco

1878

Polish Society Election.
The Polish Society of California has elected the following officers: Dr. Pawlicki, President; Alex. Beduawaki, First Vice-President; F. T. Lessen, Second Vice-President; G. Hagieman, Treasurer; A. Elgass, Secretary. A resolution was unanimously adopted tendering a vote of thanks to the retiring President.
A meeting of Polish citizens was held last night at 1082 Market street, to consult about the proper means by which the attention of our government could be called to the recent atrocities committed by the Russians upon Poles in Turkey. Dr. Pawlicki acted as Chairman and Professor Al. Elgass as Secretary. An address in the Polish language was read, after which Capt. Bielawski recited the grievances of their country.

Committee on Resolutions.

A Committee of five, consisting of Capt. C. Bielawski, General Krzywowski, Mr. Chwalski, Captain Lessen, and Professor A. Elgass, were appointed to draw up resolutions for a meeting two weeks hence, and resolutions, if approved, be forwarded to our representatives in Congress, with a request that they be delivered to the President of the United States, and to the Chairman in the Senate and House on Foreign Relations. Mr. Chwalski delivered a spirited address on the grievances of Poland. He was confident, however, that our government would follow the example of Great Britain and protest against those wanton murders. Professor Elgass read extracts from Polish and German papers, and courteously translated their telling points for the benefit of the reporters present, after which the meeting adjourned.

Elgass: Secretary of the Polish Society

1879
“I am not sure that Mr. Elgass in answering your last letter mentioned something about our celebration of the 50th anniversary of the revolution of 1830. It was, considering the small number of our countrymen residing in this City, a more successful affair than we expected.”
Polish Society of California.

The Polish Society of California, a social, literary and benevolent association in this city, whose members are natives of the “fair land of Poland,” celebrated the anniversary of the last Poland revolution on Thursday. The celebration consisted of a banquet given at the Willow House, Eighteenth street, by invitation of Dr. Pawlicki, President of the Society. The dinner was prepared in the Polish style, and the speeches and toasts were patriotic and national in their character. Selections of poetry were read by Mr. Joseph Pander. The Secretary read a number of letters from members residing away from the city, expressing their regrets at not being able to attend. The celebration was highly enjoyed by all the participants. Fifty members were present. The Polish Society was organized many years ago in San Francisco, and has made good progress. Its members are among our most industrious citizens. Its library contains several hundred volumes of Polish literature, the productions of the best authors. The Society, of which Prof. A. Elgass is Secretary, meets every Saturday evening, at the rooms 1032 Market street.

Elgass Alexander, linguist, r. 1032 Market

Polish Society of California (Towarzystwo Polskie W. Kalifornii).—Organized January 23, 1873. Objects: Social, literary and benevolent. Meets every Saturday at their rooms, 1032 Market street.

Officers.—Dr. L. Pawlicki, President; Corwin Piotrowski and F. T. Lessen, Vice-Presidents; A. Elgass, Secretary and Librarian; A. Heilman, Treasurer.

Elgass Alexander, secretary, Polish Soc., r. 1235 Market


Officers.—Dr. L. Pawlicki, President; Anton Hirschfelder and Anton Czarnecki, Vice-Presidents; A. Elgass, Secretary; A. Heilman, Treasurer.
No. 755

Issued March 14, 1852

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

State of California
County of San Francisco

I, Alexander Elgass, do swear that I was born in Galicia, Austria, on or about the 12th day of December 1836, that I am a NATURALIZED AND LOYAL CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, and about to travel abroad; and further, that I am the Identical Person described in the Certificate of Naturalization herewith presented.

Sworn to before me, this sixtieth day of March, 1852.

Notary Public.

Alexander Elgass

Description of
Alexander Elgass

Age: 35 years.
Height: 5 feet, inches, Eng.
Forehead: broad and medium high
Eyes: small.
Hair: black.
Complexion: medium dark

I, Alexander Elgass, do solemnly swear that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign; and that I will bear true faith, allegiance, and loyalty to the same, any ordinance, resolution, or law of any State, Convention, or Legislature to the contrary notwithstanding; and further, that I do this with a full determination, pledge, and purpose, without any mental reservation or evasion whatever; and further, that I will well and faithfully perform all the duties which may be required of me by law.

So help me God.

Sworn to before me, this sixtieth day of March, 1852.

Alexander Elgass

When husband, wife, minor children, and servants expect to travel together, a single passport for the whole will suffice. For any other person in the party a separate passport will be required.
Office of
Goud & Redding,
Attorneys and Counselors,
302 Montgomery St., Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4.
San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 6th, 1892.

Department of State, Passport Bureau.

Enclosed please find
Certificate of Naturalization. Naturalization
papers of Alexander Eldred, who desires
a passport. Also enclosed is $10.00 for
same. Please forward a passport
for Mr. Eldred to my address and
oblige.

Very Truly,
Joseph D. Redding

P.S. Please return the naturalization papers.
December 5. Anniversary of the 1830 Uprising. Celebrated in San Francisco 29th November. Modest dinner for the group brought together members and veterans of the 1830 Uprising. RK [Rudolf Korwin] Piotrowski was chosen unanimously to be president of the meeting. Alexander Bednawski, also a veteran of the uprising living in San Francisco, met with an accident on July 21… could not be present. He sent a heartfelt letter to the accumulated guests in which he explained his absence. Other living veterans in California: Franciszek Wojciechowski [Francis Mitchel], Władysław (Vincent) Lutnicki and Dr. J. [John/Jan] Strentzel. Age, disease, and distance prevented their personal participation. President of the day, RK Piotrowski started the event with an appropriate speech, and during the evening speeches in turn were given by: Zbigniew Brodowski, Aleksander Elgass, L. Reichert, Charles Meyer. Józef Paudler read a poem for the ceremony and Antoni Czarnecki read a paragraph of Marja Malczewska. As in previous years, those present contributed a voluntary donation to support the National Museum in Rapperswil for 1882.

http://www.muzeum-polskie.org/mpr/english/

1905 died in Lwów at age 83 (born about 1822 according to this squib)

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