Captain Kazimierz (Casimir) Bielawski
4 March [name day] [Born 25 Feb or 27 Feb] 1815–18 (or 19) (or 1807) – 8 March 1905

Born 4 March 1815, Galicia, Austrian-occupied Poland
a former captain of military engineers in the Austrian army in 1846;
quit Austrian Poland after “the terrible massacre of landowners” in 1846;
sent an address to the congress in Berlin, Germany, demanding the restoration of Poland. Organized American financial assistance for the
Uprising in the 1860s;
Friend of Sienkiewicz, Julian Horain, and Helena Modrzejewska; man of integrity

1844  Built fort in Venice
Dem Hauptmann Bielawski war eine sehr schwierige Aufgabe übertragen worden. ... bei den Fortifications-Local-Directiouen in den respectiven festen
Plätzen, Verona, Mantua, Peschiera und Legnago ohnehin angestellt und commandiert, ...

To captain Bielawski had been transferred a very difficult task. ... employed by the Fortifications projects-- Verona, Mantua, Peschiera and Legnano

1846  Witnessed the massacre at Galicia

1850 Arrived in the USA

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1850 Census, New York

About 1853-1854: arrived in California

1854: Steamship Golden Gate

Started working for the Surveyor General in San Francisco

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C.P Masters, Witness #1. And Mr. Vackenrender, Witness #2

Vincent/Witus/Victor Wackenreuder, Witness #2
June 30, 1857

San Francisco, California

Hon. Lewis Cass
Secretary of State
of the United States

Sir,

In the year 1839 I held the Commission of Captain of Engineers in the Austrian Army. While on leave of absence, I visited the United States, and determined to become an American Citizen. Enclosed are certified copies of my naturalization papers.

The Austrian Government refuses to accept my resignation unless I sign the usual Resignation Papers—a paper in which all military benefits, pensions &c., are renounced and by which the signer binds himself never to fight against the Archducal House of Austria or their Allies or in any way to afford aid or assistance to their enemies.

Conceiving the latter condition to be incompatible with my oath and obligations as an American Citizen, I cannot of course comply with it, and my failure to appear at the expiration of my term of leave, subjects me to the penalties of the Austrian Laws.

I have therefore respectfully to request your aid in my behalf, so as to enable me to visit my relations in Europe.

If the Charge d'Affaires of the United States at Vienna could procure from the Austrian Government, the acceptance of my resignation and formal discharge from the Austrian service, I could accomplish the desired object without annoyance.

If, on the other hand, I visit Austria without such unconditional discharge, all the rigors of the law would be inflicted upon me, and it might give rise to difficulty on the part of this Government to protect my rights as an American Citizen.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,
Your ob't Ser't,

Casimir Bialowski

M. J. Doro, C. Lab.

May 8, 1857
1857: Charles and Maria Clark to USA (perhaps) but age is off for Charles (could be 29 vs. 19)

1858

Charles Clark = soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark

1859

Charles Clark = soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark

1860 Census  Maria Clark (future wife) and her then-husband Charles Clark and Kazimierz Bielawski, SF
According to this record, Charles was born in 1829 and Maria was born in 1828.

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1861 Soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark
1862 Living with his soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark

U.S. Surveyor-General.
EDWARD F. BEALE, Surveyor-General.
Office southwest corner Washington and Battery; office hours from 10 o'clock A.M. to 4 o'clock P.M.
Edward Conway, Chief Clerk; R. C. Hopkins, Keeper of Archives; C. Bielawski, Principal Draughtsman; J. M. Wildes and R. Gibbons, Draughtsmen; J. M. Ver Mehr, Assistant Keeper of Archives.

Bielawski Casimer, draughtsman U.S. Surveyor-General, dwl 242 Stevenson

For the Committee of the Society of Polanders in California.
CASIMIR BIELAWSKI, President.
T. W. Andrzejowski, Secretary.
San Francisco, April 21, 1863.

1863

STREET CONTRACTS AWARDED.
Contracts were awarded as follows:
P. McCullin—Paving crossing Bush and Kearny.
John Earlby—Paving and side-walking Third street, from Harrison to Bryant.
E. Donelly—Grading Leavenworth street, from Union to Fillbert.
J. D. Nash—Grading Larkin street, from Sutter to Geary.

Bielawski Casimer, draughtsman U.S. Surveyor-General’s office, dwl 242 Stevenson

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F. MacCrehy, J. C. Zabriskie, Sec’y.
C. Meyer.
Newspapers in the State in favor of Poland and Liberty, will please insert the above.
Committee elected to devise ways and means of enlisting general interest amongst Americans resident in California in [the Poles'] efforts to regain their national independence: Kazimierz Biegowski, Franciszek Woycechowski, Leon Czajkowski, Rev. Max Wolf, Rudolf Korwin Piotrowski

**MEETING OF THE POLISH ASSOCIATION.**—The friends of Poland held a meeting last evening at their headquarters, corner of Montgomery and Bush streets, which was very largely attended. Corvin Piotrowsky called the meeting to order. Capt. Bielawski was elected Chairman and J. W. Andrezewsky Secretary. A report of the doings of the Executive Polish Committee for this coast was read and adopted. Communications were read from delegates at the East and placed on file. Addresses were made by J. W. Andrezewsky, Joseph Newman, C. Vellimro, J. Wolcom, Corvin Piotrowsky and others. A good deal of enthusiasm was excited, a handsome collection taken up, and arrangements made to induce further subscription.


Bielawski, Casimir, civil engineer, office 728 Mont
1865 [Maria Clark is listed as a widow in 1865]

Possible, though age is off by 5 years
Biedert Albert, musician, dwp 256 Kearny
Bielawski Casimer, draftsman, office U. S. Surveyor
General, dwp 242 Stevenson

Foiosin
Clark Maria (widow) dwl 242 Stevenson
5 V. Y. 9 M. 12. 1030 Rush

INFORMATION WANTED.—IF MR.
MANSHAKE, a native of Dobbeln, Brunswick,
would send his address to the undersigned he would
receive important information from home.

REV. F. MOOSHAKE,
a1/6-65*
245 Stevenson street, San Francisco.

1865.—New Railroad Map of California. Com-
piled by C. Bielawski, J. D. Hoffman and A.
Poett, civil engineers and surveyors. A Topo-
graphical and Railroad Map of the central part
of California and part of Nevada. This work is
represented to have been compiled from the
latest and most reliable surveys—Government,
State and private. The country it embraces ex-
tends as far north as Oroville and south to
Santa Cruz, taking in the Pacific line of coast
and a portion of the State of Nevada. The map
is four miles to one inch, and is about 5 1/2 feet
by 3 feet in size.

(topographic and railroad map of the central part of the state of California and part of Nevada, compiled by C. Bielawski, J. D. Hoffman, and A. Poett, 1865)
1865. — New Railroad Map of California. Compiled by Casimir Bielawski, J. D. Hoffman and A. Poett, civil engineers

1866

Name: Casimer Billawski
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 26 Jun 1866
Event Year Range: 1816-1866
Event Place: 1615 Clay, San Francisco, California, United States
Age: 50
Birth Year (Estimated): 1816
Birthplace: Austria
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Name: Casimir Bielawski
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 26 Jun 1866
Event Year Range: 1816-1866
Event Place: 422 Stevenson, San Francisco, California, United States
Age: 50
Birth Year (Estimated): 1816
Birthplace: Austria
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November 1866
Germans starting flocking to the San Francisco Bay area during the gold rush of 1849. The dedication of the present church building in 1895 marked three decades of effort by German immigrants to establish Lutheranism in California. Rev. Frederick Mooshake from Goettingen University arrived in 1849 to minister to the immigrants. Initially, services were held in homes, then in the Congregational Church of Christ, which was later bought by Rev. Mooshake and his followers, and the First German Evangelical Lutheran Church was formed in 1859.

First German Evangelical Church

1866 marriage of the widow, Mrs. Charles H. Clark, and Kazimierz Bielawski

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1868
U. S. Surveyor-General.

SHERMAN DAVY, Surveyor-General.
Office 320 Sansom. Office hours from ten o'clock
A.M. to four o'clock P.M.
Frank H. Skinner, Clerk of Records; Rufus C.
Hopkins, Keeper of Archives; J. H. Wildes, C.
Bielawski, and R. Gibbons, Draftsman; George
Chambers, Messenger.

Answer.—My name is Casimir Bielawski; my age is fifty-five
years; I am a civil engineer and draughtsman, and reside in the
city of San Francisco, California.

Interrogatory 2d.—Are you connected with the office of the
Surveyor-General of the United States for the State of California;
and if so, please state in what capacity and how long have
you been so connected?

Answer.—I am now, and have been since February, eighteen
hundred and fifty-four, (1854) with two intermissions, connected
with that office in the capacity of draughtsman, and during the
greater portion of that time I was principal draughtsman.

Interrogatory 3d.—How long and when were the intermissions
you speak of?

Answer.—The first intermission was for about six months, be-
ginning in the latter part of the year 1858, and the other for
about one year and a half, beginning in the summer of 1863.

Interrogatory 4th.—Since you have been connected with the
office of the Surveyor-General, as you have stated, have you al-
ways had free access to the papers of that office?

Answer.—I have. The maps of the office were under my special
charge while I was principal draughtsman.

Interrogatory 4th.—Since you have been connected with the
office of the Surveyor-General, as you have stated, have you al-
ways had free access to the papers of that office?

Answer.—I have. The maps of the office were under my special
charge while I was principal draughtsman.

Interrogatory 5th.—Did you ever, as draughtsman in that office,
make a map or plat of a survey, or pretended survey, of the
Panoche Grande Grant, so-called?

Answer.—I did.

Interrogatory 6th.—Please state when, and at whose request,
you made it, and all the particulars in regard to the making of
it.

Answer.—I made it in September, 1862, under the order of E.
F. Beale, the Surveyor-General. I made it from the field notes
made it out of office hours, and as extra work, and was paid
for it by William McCarrahan.
Interrogatory 7th.—Please state any further facts within your
knowledge in connection with this map or plat and said survey.
Answer.—In examining the field notes of survey from which I
compiled this plat, I found that one-half of the corners of the ex-
terior boundaries of said grant had not been established by the
Deputy Surveyor on the ground, and for this reason I wrote in
pencil on the map, when finished, my remarks to that effect, and
advised that the surveys should not be approved. I then handed
the plan to Mr. William McFarren, who submitted the same
to Mr. Beale for inspection. Mr. Beale overruled my objections,
and on the eleventh (11th) day of September, 1862, approved the
plat and survey.
Interrogatory 8th.—Have you any knowledge as to the time oc-
cupied in making said survey; and if so, please state it?
Answer.—From the field notes of said survey, on file in the
United States Surveyor-General’s office, I see that the survey was
made between the 24th and 28th days of July, 1862.
Given under my hand, at the city and county of San Francisco,
State of California, this thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1862.
A. D. GRIMWOOD,
U. S. Commissioner District of California.
1875

Hunt's Hotel, Corner of Washington and Montgomery

1876

Rudolph Korwin Piotrowski lived on 550 Stevenson in 1876

1877

rattlesnake infested Mount Diablo, which Sienkiewicz visited with Captain Kazimierz Bielawski in May 1877 mentioning it later as "a trip of several days, very pleasant, joyful and full of various things." The visit included a stop at the Strentzel estate in Martinez. (Modjeska was in SF in 1877.)
We were less fortunate trying to locate some places in Sebastopol, California, a town where Sienkiewicz lived in ... which Sienkiewicz visited with Captain Kazimierz Bielawski in May 1877, mentioning it later as "a trip of several days, very ...

27 June 1897, SF Chronicle
Recalls Modjeska stay in SF with Kazimierz Bielawski in 1877

Mme. Modjeska came up from Southern California to San Francisco, and taking up her abode with a Polish nobleman, Mr. Bielawski, who has been for many years a resident of this city, she began the study of the English language, and finally made her debut in "Adrienne Lecouvreur," with what success we already know.
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 people. The Polish residents of this city celebrated the anniversary of the Polish Revolution of 1630 by a grand banquet at the Willow Home, on Eighteenth street. Captain K. K. Piotrowski, formerly Com. missioner of Emigration of this State, presided. The ball was appropriately decorated with Polish and Aueronian flags. After the bill of fare, which was an elegant one, including many national dishes, had been duly served, the entertainment was furthered by a variety of music and dancing. The speeches were also made by Captain U. Bielawski, Dr. W. Pawlicki, Captain F. Lesser, Mr. T. Horain, La Borne, and others. Mr. Joseph Pander, the poet of the evening, read an exquisite poem composed by him for the occasion, describing the battles and the heroes of the Revolution. One of the features of the evening was the speech of Mr. E. S. Salomon, one of the invited guests, in which some of the most interesting events of that memorable revolution were recalled.

1879

Mr. Bielawski, deputy in the Land Office, stated that the surveys were defective. In the case of old Spanish grants there are instances in which they have suddenly grown to very much more than their former size. How this increase was effected is not known.

1880 Census Record, 1615 Clay St., San Francisco
Worked for Surveyor General’s Office as a Draughtsman (Servant: Agnes Kirby from England)

December 1880 letter from Bielawski to John Strentzel, M.D.

1882 Palace Hotel
banquet tendered to Mr. A. A. Sargent

September 1883 letter from Bielawski to Helena Modjeska
http://www.polishclubsf.org/BielawskiLetterToModjeska.pdf
Polish Celebration.

Last Sunday afternoon and evening the Polish Society of California held, at No. 2935 Mission street, a meeting and banquet in commemoration of the revolution of the Poles in 1863 against the Czar of Russia. B. Laski, a participant of the memorable struggle, was called to the chair, and several speeches and toasts were given. Captain Caspar Bieclawski and Messrs. Zychlinski, Malonanski, Teophil Stroynski, L. Pawlicki, A. Bednawski and Joseph Pandler responded to different toasts, and the evening was passed in a pleasant discussion of the history of the Polish nation.

Otis Webb to C. Bielawski, lot 40x56, NE. line Second st., 57.6 NW. of Mission, $1.
C. Bielawski to Geo. A. Low, same, $19,500.
### 1885: Civil Service Register

**U.S., Register of Civil, Military, and Naval Service, 1863-1959 for C. Bielawski**

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### 1886

- Bielawski, Casimir...
- 71 Austria, Draughtsman 2814 California...
- May 26, '87, S.F Cal., U.S. Dist.

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SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1886.

A POLISH CELEBRATION.

Anniversary of the War of Independence of Thirty.

The outbreak of the Polish war of independence of 1830-31 was yesterday celebrated in this city under the auspices of the Polish society. At 11 o'clock in the morning a solemn requiem mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's Church for the repose of the souls of the departed Polish patriots, during the war, 1830. Fr. Salwinski pronounced a sermon in Polish, for the benefit of a number of his countrymen, who had assembled in the church to participate in the ceremony.

"The members of the Polish nation," said Mr. Wroblewski, "remarking that with dignity, they will always be ready to serve and shed their blood for the freedom of their country. Of this I am the last amongst all Germans. In this it is many other heroic efforts, to the proof, that Germans have not brought to the verge of despair by the heroic struggle for the freedom of their country, and that the Polish nation will never amplify the pride of its nation.

Sides of HARES.

At the last meeting of the Hare Society, de Burrel's hare was shown by Mr. A. D. Burrel, with a length of 38 inches. Mr. Burrel's hare was shown by Mr. A. D. Burrel, with a length of 38 inches. Mr. Burrell's hare was shown by Mr. A. D. Burrell, with a length of 38 inches. Mr. Burrell's hare was shown by Mr. A. D. Burrel, with a length of 38 inches.

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Antique Lace Curtains!
Kazimierz Bielawski, Józef Paudler, Aleksander Bednawski (veteran), Łucas Kryński (2925 Mission)

1888
Brown, Bannister
Bielawski, Casimir
Austria
Draughtsman
2344 California
May 26, 1857, S.F. Cal., U.S. Dist.

1890
Name: Casimir Bielawski
Location: r. 2302 1/2 California
Business Name: U. S. Surveyor General's Office
Occupation: draughtsman
Year: 1890
City: San Francisco
State: CA

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Department of the Interior,
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,
Office of U. S. Surveyor General,
For the District of California,

San Francisco, April 25th, 1892

John Muir Esq.

Dear Sir,

I beg to be excused for not keeping my appointment yesterday. From the wet streets, the sky overcast with threatening clouds and the wind blowing from the South West, prognosticating a rainy day, I stayed home, and can assure of having felt very sorry indeed, when at about midnight the rising sun by his warm rays dispelled the clouds as if by enchantment, and made of yesterday a day inviting pleasant excursions.

But as delayed pleasure is not an abandoned one, my wife and myself will have the consolation of surprising our Alhambra friends on one of the Sundays in the next future.

With our best respects to your ladies and yourself. I remain respectfully yours,

L. Brandowski

Letter to John Muir
1894  Death of Marie Bielawski

BIELAWSKI — In this city, November 19, 1894, Maria, beloved wife of Captain Casimer Biele- 
awski, a native of England, aged 65 years.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral TO-MORROW (Wednesday) at 10 o'clock A. M. from her late residence, 2302 ½ California street, near Web- 
ster. Interment Cypress Lawn Cemetery. **

SEE NEXT PAGE
San Francisco Nov. 29, 1894

Mr. John Muir
Dear Sir:

Receive my best thanks for your book published about "The Mountains of California," presented to me.

The deeply thought observations about their formation, and the masterly description of the beauties of nature contained therein, form a fit and very interesting sequel to the series of "Pictoresque California" published previously under your editorship.

With kindest regards to all my friends in Alhambra valley. I remain respectfully yours.

C. Bekauski

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Holt-Atherton Special Collections

Letter to John Muir
The following well-known Slavonian residents have been chosen to act as vice-presidents: John Ivancevich, N. Barovich, I. Cleck, I. Slavich, Marco Rabasa, Marco Malovoz, Dr. Joseph Prosek, Joseph Korbel, F. Lastinka, Captain Bielawski, Luca Janevich, Z. V. Muzina, J. Kucich, J. Vostrovsky, P. Atunovich, Marco Glubetich, N. Milic, Dr. Pawlicki, V. Smajder, Huzo Fisher, Dono Mengola, T. V. Tacich, F. Truhlar, A. Gecan, Boza Radovich, N. Planich.

Among those present were the following: Dr. W. Pawlicki, Captain Bielawski, Colonel and Mrs. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Holaday, Mrs. Wray, Mrs. E. Martin, Mrs. F. Donahue, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tevis, Colonel L. P. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Jewett, Mr. and Mrs. Payen, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. de Young, Mrs. W. Pawlicki, Dr. and Mrs. Cushing, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan, the Russian Consul-General, Mrs. John Cornig, Sir Henry Hayman and many others. Mine de Kontski was assisted in receiving the distinguished guests by Mrs. H. Jewett and Mrs. W. Pawlicki.

1895

Bielawski and Ladislaus (Wladyslaw) Borejko/Boreiko at same address, 1895 - 1898

1896 Kazimierz Bielawski living with Wladyslaw Borejko

Boreiko Wladislaw, office 338 Pine, r. 2302½ California
Polish Society of California. Organized January, 1873. Objects—Social, literary, free intercourse with native land and all Polish societies; also assisting those in need and in case of sickness, to which end there has been organized lately a section of mutual aid, under special rules, etc. Forms also a group or branch of the "Polish National Alliance" in the United States of America (headquarters at Chicago, III.), which is founded upon a federative system of individual societies, being assemblies or associations whose aim is to develop morally and materially the Polish element in the United States by establishing for that purpose institutions founded on the principle of the Catholic Church; also guardianship over the Polish emigration, etc. Polish Society of California meets on the first Sunday of each month at 3 Polk street. As group of the Polish Alliance, meets every third Sunday of each month. Officers—Captain C. Bielawski, President; Andrew Kopankiewicz, Vice-President; Ignatz Kolaska, Secretary and Librarian; Gustav Hellman, Treasurer.

Madame Helene Modjeska, the actress, charming as ever, slender, graceful, fair and slow-speaking, is visiting San Francisco. This time she comes as a private personage, accompanied only by her husband, Count Charles Bozenta Chlapowski, and a Polish maid. The trio are the guests of Captain Cassimir Bielawski, 2302½ California street, and will remain but a few days.
Kazimierz: Born March 1813 in Russian-occupied Poland
Lived on 2302 ½ California St.
87 years of age
Widowed Banker

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1901

![Bielawski Casimir, r. 2302\(\frac{1}{2}\) California]

1903

![Bielawski Casimir, r. 2302\(\frac{1}{2}\) California]

1904 directory

![Bileskie Caswell, r 2302\(\frac{1}{2}\) California]

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**GUILD OF ARTS AND CRAFTS AT ST. FRANCIS [ARTICLE]**
San Francisco Call 7 December 1905
... P.' Nellson, Maurice del. Mue, Maynard Dixon, Madame Junosza, Florence. Butler, May/ MottSmith Cunningham, Frances Soule ...

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**SMART SET [ARTICLE]**
San Francisco Call 11 November 1905
... that are prevailing, the pastels and tapestries of Mme. Junosza attracting much attention at the Occidental Hotel, as are ...
Artists, Their Work and Coming Exhibitions [ARTICLE+ILLUSTRATION]
San Francisco Call 16 October 1904
... Tuesday Madame B. de Areales and Madame I. de Junosza, two charming women fresh from the ateliers of Paris, ...

AUTOISTS DEFY RULE OF SPEED [ARTICLE]
San Francisco Call 3 March 1906
... Madame Junosza, 1119 Van Nee 3 avenue, informed the Commissioners by ...

Brave Showing of Western Artists [ARTICLE+ILLUSTRATION]
San Francisco Call 2 April 1905
Among the portraitists Sandona, Greenbaum, Ada Romcr Shawhan, Madame Junosza and Evelyn Almond Withrow are showing some interesting things. ...

THE "KNOCKER" IN EVIDENCE AT LOCAL ART EXHIBITS [ARTICLE+ILLUSTRATION]
San Francisco Call 23 October 1904
Areales' and Madame J. de Junosza's pictures at Philomath Hall on Monday and Tuesday was ...

1905: In January of 1905, he was living with his housekeeper and artist Josephine (de) Junosza

Pawlicki letter to Count Bożena Chlapowski
http://www.PolishClubSF.org/28PawlickiToKarol.pdf;

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Name: Capt Casimir Bielawski
Birth Date: 27 Feb 1815
Death Date: 3 Mar 1905
Cemetery: Cypress Lawn Memorial Park
Burial Place: Colma, San Mateo County, California
Died **8 March 1905** as per newspaper obit below

Published 9 March 1905 (making the death date **8 March**) “arrived in Calif. in 1853”
BUILDING OF AUSTRIAN
FORTRESSES IS DEAD.

Captain Casimir Bielawski Dies at
His Home on California
Street.

Captain Casimir Bielawski, who as an
Austrian military engineer, won fame by
building noted forts more than half a
century ago, died yesterday morning at
his home, at 2302½ California street. He
had passed his ninetieth birthday. Gas-
tritis was the cause of death.

Bielawski superintended the construc-
tion of a famous fort at Venice in 1844,
when that portion of Italy was under
Austrian rule. He also directed the
building of the Mantua fortress, as well
as several other Austrian strongholds.
He witnessed the massacre at Galicia
in 1846, and as a result of the relentless
saying was turned against those at the
head of his native land. He secured
leave of absence, visited France and
England, and when the Austrian Gov-
ernment began to press him to return
into service he came to the United
States.

Captain Bielawski arrived in Califor-
nia in 1853. He secured a position in the
Government Land Surveying Office here,
and because of his expert knowledge in
surveying held his position through va-
rious administrations covering forty-five
years. He finally resigned because of old
age. Mrs. Bielawski died about four
years ago and from that time on the
aged military Captain's health failed
rapidly.

PIONEER PASSES FROM THE
RANKS OF REMAINING FEW

Captain Casimir Bielawski, WELL-
Known Citizen, Dies at Ad-
vanced Age.

Captain Casimir Bielawski, a pioneer,
who had for forty-five years been con-
ected in the Surveyor General’s of-
ience in this city, died at his home yester-
day at the age of 90 years.

Captain Bielawski was a civil engi-
neer and did faithful service in the de-
partment of the Surveyor General. He
was a native of Galicia, Poland, and
took an active part in the construction
of some famous forts in Italy. He came
to this country when quite young, com-
ing to San Francisco and establishing
here.

The funeral will take place from his
late residence, 2302½ California street
to-day and the interment will be at
Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

In the field, in commemoration of his services a monument near Los Gatos in Santa Clara
County was given his name, Mt. Bielawski. Bielawski died in San Francisco on March 3,
1905 and was buried in Cypress Lawn Memorial Park, Colma (lot 69, div. 3, sec. C).
Kazimierz Bielawski died in San Francisco at his home, 2302 1/2 California Street, on March 3 (or 8), 1905. He was 90 years old. He is buried at Cypress Lawn Memorial Park in Colma (Section C, Division 3, Lot 69, Grave 11 across the way from the De Young mausoleum). His wife, Maria, died on November 19, 1894, at the age of 65. They are interred side-by-side. The small monument over their graves was erected by the Polish Society of California (Towarzystwo Polaków w Kalifornii).
CAPTAIN CASIMIR BIELAWSKI
BORN IN POLAND FEB. 27, 1815
ARRIVED IN CALIFORNIA 1853
DIED IN SAN FRANCISCO
MARCH 8, 1905
FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH
SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA
TOWARZYSTWO POLAKÓW W
KALIFORNJI 1863
8 March 1905 letter from Dr. Pawlicki to Karol Bożenta Chłapowski, husband of Helena Modjeska:
“At about 5.00 or 6.00 this morning, poor Capt. Bielawski, following a severe stomach haemorrhage, only minutes later gave up the ghost. While his death was expected, his sudden passing has left everyone in shock.”

Published 10 March 1905 (would make his death date 9 March)
Bielawski, Kazimierz  
Cartographer: 1815 - 1905

A captain and engineer in the Austrian Army, Kazimierz Bielawski came to the United States in 1846 from Galicia. He proceeded to California and found employment as a draftsman in the United States Land Office in San Francisco. He remained at this post for over forty years.

He befriended actress Helena Modjeska* when she settled in California. She lived with the elderly Bielawski prior to her American debut.

NOTE: Bielawski was in his 60s in 1876.

In 1861, a 3269 foot-high mountain near Highway 101 in Santa Clara County was named the "Bielawski Mountain." He authored a topographical and railroad map of central California and Nevada, published in 1865.

"came to the USA in 1846"

NOTE: Bielawski was in his 60s in 1876.

Probate records mention: Karol (Charles or Karl) Bielawski and Anton Bielawski; Anton Czarnecki

his former colleague to join the Colorado River Expedition. The actual surveying of the river would be carried out by Casimir Bielawski, a Polish American hydrographer from San Francisco. At Fort Yuma Ives
Captain Casimir Bielawski (1815-1905) did nearly all the surveying of old Spanish grants in California and was considered the greatest authority on real estate titles in that state in the second half of the last century. Helena Modrzejewska says of...

Casimir Bielawski, perhaps the state’s most illustrious cartographer, was born in 1815 and served in the engineering branch of the Austrian Army until the peasant revolt of 1846. He resigned his commission in protest over government...

Casimir Bielawski, who did nearly all the surveying of old Spanish grants in California was considered the greatest authority on real estate titles in that state, and valued for his experience and exceptional honesty. Mount Bielaski in Santa Clara...

A monument was placed on his grave in 1937 through the efforts of the Polish Society of California. Helena Modrzejewska (Modjeska) mentions Bielawski in her memoirs; "He was thoroughly honest: it would have been easy for him to have accumulated a large fortune, but he was unusually scrupulous and never exploited for his own gain the possibilities which his government position gave him." (Memoirs and Impressions of Helena Modjeska, New York, 1910, pp 305-308).
Personal communication:
 Possibly born in, or near, Sokal, in Lwów (once part of Poland)