

## SIMMELBAUER Karl Pius (1848 - )<sup>1</sup> Budweis (CZ)

## **Biography**

(Karl) Pius SIMMELBAUER was born in 1848 in Budweis (presently Czech Republic). He became a *Maschinenmeister*.

In 1875 he married Barbara BERGH of Diekirch and the couple settled in Luxembourg-Bonnevoie, where SIMMELBAUER worked probably for the "Wilhelm-Luxemburg-Eisenbahngesellschaft", first as a *Schlosser* and later as a *Maschinenführer*.

Around 1890 he moved to Montigny-les-Metz to become *Werkmeister* in the local *Eisenbahnwerkstätte*. In parallel to his regular job he set up an atelier for manufacturing protective glasses for industrial workers. In 1893 SIMMELBAUER's protective glasses received the first price in a competition organised by the *Association des industriels de France*.<sup>2</sup>

In February 1893 he created the company "K.P. Simmelbauer & Cie" in Metz for manufacturing *Schutzbrillen* and *Schutzmasken*.

In 1895 the company took part in the *Jubiläumstellung des Großherzoglichen Ackerbauvereins* in Diekirch and obtained a silver medal for its *Schutzbrillen*.

It is not known when and where SIMMELBAUER died.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FamilySearch database (G5DK-VKY)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Journal des débats politiques et littéraires, 5 April 1893, pages 1-2