

EVANS, HENRY WILLIAM (1840 - 1919), labour leader and author in U.S.A.;

Name: Henry William Evans

Date of birth: 1840

Date of death: 1919

Gender: Male

Occupation: labour leader and author

Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Politics, Government and Political Movements; Religion

Author: Robert (Bob) Owen

Born 2 April 1840 in Pwll-y-glaw, Cwmavon, Glamorganshire. After receiving some education at Pen-y-cae, Pontrhyd-y-fen, he went to work in a coal-mine. In 1860 he moved to Aberdare, where he began to preach with the Congregationalists, became a public lecturer, a labour leader, and an advocate of prohibition. He emigrated to Pennsylvania, U.S.A., in July 1864, and settled in Pittston, becoming a tiller of the soil; but afterwards became a miners' leader. In 1867, with a colleague, he started *Baner America*, which, ten years later, was absorbed by *Y Drych*. He contributed to various journals on political, economic, financial, and labour topics and, in 1901, published *The Millennium of Money*, of which a Welsh version, *Milflwyddiant Arian*, was published the same year. He was a candidate for county office several times; he also promoted eisteddfodau at Pittston between 1864 and 1873. He died 29 May 1919.

Author

Robert (Bob) Owen, (1885 - 1962)

Sources

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