

EVANS, Sir DAVID OWEN (1876 - 1945), barrister, industrialist and politician

Name: David Owen Evans
Date of birth: 1876
Date of death: 1945
Spouse: Kate Evans (née Morgan)
Parent: William Evans
Gender: Male
Occupation: barrister, industrialist and politician
Area of activity: Business and Industry; Law; Politics, Government and Political Movements
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Born 5 February 1876 in Penbryn, Cardiganshire, son of William Evans, farmer, and his wife. He was educated at Llandovery College and the Imperial College of Science, London. In 1896 he entered the Civil Service and was attached to the Inland Revenue Department. He married 1899, Kate Morgan. Whilst in the Civil Service he studied law and was called to the Bar at Gray's Inn in 1909. He practised as a barrister and published a book entitled *Law of Old Age Pensions: Finance Act 1909-10*. At the suggestion of Lord Melchett (then Sir Alfred Mond) he joined the Mond Nickel Company, Ltd. in 1916, later becoming Director of this company and a Vice-President of the International Nickel Co. of Canada, Ltd. In 1932, he was elected M.P. (Liberal) for Cardiganshire and he represented that constituency until 1945. He was greatly interested in Welsh institutions and was a member of the Council of the Honourable Society of Cymmrodorion, the National Library of Wales, and the National Museum of Wales. A keen musician and eisteddfodwr, he was president of the Council of the National Eisteddfod during the period when the new Constitution of the Council was adopted. To the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, of which College he was Treasurer, he was a generous benefactor. He was knighted a week before his death on 11 June 1945.

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