

Doctorate (Honorary)

Tracy Hall



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MYRENE RICH BREWER

Myrene Rich Brewer was born in Ogden, Utah. She graduated from Ogden High School, received a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Michigan, and attended numerous summer sessions at Weber State College.

While technically not a graduate of Weber State College, Mrs. Brewer literally grew up on the old campus which abutted the Rich family residence. A strong supporter of Weber State activities and events, Mrs. Brewer and her family have made significant contributions to the Dee Events Center fund drive and other academic programs of the College. She was recently presented the Nurturing Hand Award at the WSC Families Alive Conference in recognition of community services and family support.

She married Joseph West Brewer in 1928 and helped organize and direct the J.W. Brewer Tire Company. She has served as Chairman of the Board since her husband's death in 1971.

Mrs. Brewer is one of the original members of the Dee Hospital Volunteers as well as the McKay-Dee Foundation. She was one of its vice presidents.

She served five years as Republican National Committeewoman from Utah and has been an enthusiastic worker for the American Cancer Society on Weber County and state boards.

During World War II, Mrs. Brewer was active with the American Red Cross, distributing clothing and help to the needy.

She was a member of the Ogden Development Committee, where she served as vice chairman and was vice chairman of the League for Better Government in Ogden.

She has served her church as a missionary to the Houston, Texas area.

She is the mother of four sons and two daughters.



DR. HOWARD TRACY HALL

The first man to produce an artificial diamond, Dr. Howard Tracy Hall, has also received world-wide recognition for the development of high pressure-high temperature apparatus. One of his latest machines, the Tetrahedral X-Ray Diffraction Press, produces pressures of 3,000,000 pounds simultaneously with pressures of 10,000 degrees. Simulating conditions inside the earth and stars, Dr. Hall and his associates have been able to create dozens of new substances unknown to nature.

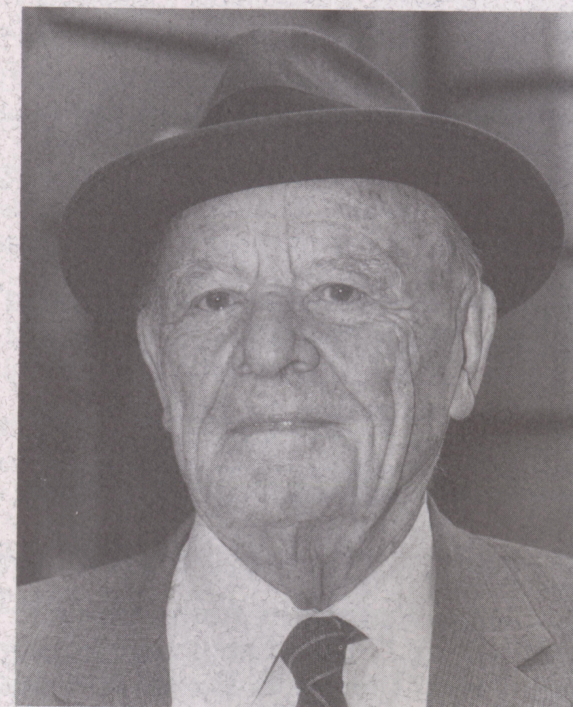
Dr. Hall was born and raised in Ogden, Utah, the son of Howard and Florence Tracy Hall. He was educated in Ogden schools and began his college career at Weber College, graduating in 1939. Dr. Hall graduated from the University of Utah with a B.S. degree in 1942 and received a M.S. degree in 1943. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944-46 and received his Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from the U. of U. in 1948 and served as a research associate at the General Electric Research Laboratory in Schenectady, New York, until 1955.

After producing the first man-made diamond in 1954, Dr. Hall accepted the position of Director of Research in addition to duties as Professor of Chemistry at Brigham Young University.

Honorary positions held include membership on the editorial board of "The Review of Scientific Instruments" and "Inorganic Chemistry." He is past chairman of the Salt Lake section of the American Chemical Society and past president of the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters.

Dr. Hall was an Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Research Fellow and has received numerous awards from institutes, societies, corporations, foundations, etc. He has been widely consulted by various industrial and governmental organizations and is a member of a number of professional societies. He has had numerous papers published and holds many scientific patents.

He is married to the former Ida Rose Langford and is the father of seven children.



HERBERT B. MAW

Herbert B. Maw was born March 11, 1893, in Ogden in the Territory of Deseret. He is three years older than the state of Utah.

Mr. Maw attended public grade schools in Ogden and later in Salt Lake City where he enrolled at the Latter-day Saints High School.

He continued his education at the University of Utah. Mr. Maw had wished to become a surgeon, but high laboratory fees forced him to give up that ambition and he turned to law. He received his LL.B. degree in 1916 from Northwestern University and in June of that year opened a private practice in Utah. During the year, he also taught at the Latter-day Saints High School.

With the advent of World War I, Mr. Maw entered military service as one of three LDS chaplains to serve in that war.

Returning to Salt Lake City in 1919, he resumed his law practice and continued teaching.

In 1927, he was elected to the Utah State Senate and soon became president of that body. During this same time, he was also a professor of public speaking and political science at the University of Utah.

He was elected as governor of the state in 1940 and during his first term enacted legislation for reorganizing and streamlining Utah government. He also reorganized Utah's major utility company to minimize external control of state business. Through his efforts, U.S. Geneva Steel Works in Orem was also established.

He was a member of the Council of State Governments, the Utah Bar Association, Sigma Chi and the National Committee against Nazi Persecution and Extermination of the Jews. He has been called "one of the best public speakers in the United States."

His biography, "Adventures in Life," was published in 1978.

*Herbert B. Maw
President*