# JONES, PERCY (1891 - 1922), boxer

Name: Percy Jones
Date of birth: 1891
Date of death: 1922
Gender: Male
Occupation: boxer

Area of activity: Sports and Leisure Pursuits

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Born 24 December 1891, at Treherbert, Rhondda, he was a contemporary of Jimmy Wilde and a protégé of James Driscoll. Jones became British and World flyweight champion on 26 January 1914 when he defeated Bill Ladbury the holder of the title. This success carried with it the Lonsdale Belt. Jones further established himself as world champion by successfully defending his title against Eugene Crique, the flyweight champion of France and of Europe. Jones worked in the mines at Treherbert and Forth and later became a 'striker' at the Lady Windsor Colliery, Ynys-hir. During the 1914-18 War, he served in France with the Welsh 'Bantams' and was badly wounded. His injuries led to severe blood-poisoning which caused him to be invalided out of the Army. He was now crippled for life, and eventually died 25 December 1922.

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