

JONES, ELIAS HENRY (1883 - 1942), administrator and author

Name: Elias Henry Jones
Date of birth: 1883
Date of death: 1942
Spouse: Mair Olwen Jones (née Evans)
Parent: Annie Jones (née Walker)
Parent: Henry Jones
Gender: Male
Occupation: administrator and author
Area of activity: Literature and Writing; Public and Social Service, Civil Administration
Author: Emyr Gwynne Jones

Born at Aberystwyth 21 September 1883, eldest son of **Sir Henry Jones** and Annie (Walker). He was educated at Glasgow High School, Glasgow University, the University of Grenoble and Balliol College, Oxford, where he proceeded M.A. After being called to the Bar, he passed the Indian Civil Service administrative grade examinations, and in 1905 went to serve in Burma. He retired in 1922 as Financial Commissioner, settled in Bangor, north Wales, and for the next ten years was actively interested in the movement for international peace and in Welsh education. From 1927 to 1933 he was editor of *The Welsh Outlook*. In 1933 he was appointed registrar of the University College of North Wales, a post which he held until his death on 22 December 1942.

E.H. Jones is best known as the author of *The Road to Endor*, the classic account of a cunning escape in World War I. Jones joined the Indian Army as a private soldier and was commissioned just before he was taken prisoner by the Turks after the fall of Kut-el-Amara. He then survived a march of 700 miles to Yozgad, during which one in every seven of the prisoners died, and he was in captivity for three years before he and a comrade, feigning madness, were repatriated only a fortnight before the Armistice. The book was reprinted seventeen times and then ran into three editions.

He married in 1913 Mair Olwen, the youngest daughter of **Dr Griffith Evans** of Brynkynallt, Bangor.

Author

Emyr Gwynne Jones, (1911 - 1972)

Sources

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