

Percy was born at Sydney in 1890, the son of Henry Edward Croydon and Emma Croydon, nee Lansbury. On 11th August he enlisted in G Company, AN&MEF stating that he was a carpenter and accountant and single, giving his mother at 15 Belmore St, Sydney as his next of kin. He returned from Rabaul on the MATUNGA as an escort for prisoners and was discharged, term expired, on 18th Jan 1915 having completed 161 days service.

On 6th Jan 1916 he joined the AIF as part of the 18th Reinforcements, 4th Battalion and left Sydney on 3rd June aboard the KYARRA, landing in Plymouth on 3rd August. On 24th September he was taken on strength by the 4th Battalion, then in Belgium. On 15th Jan 1917 he was appointed lance corporal and on 15th April he received a gunshot wound to the face and was admitted to the 3rd General Hospital, Tidworth. He was discharged on 7th Jan 1918 and transferred to the training depot from where he returned to Australia, departing the UK on the GAIKA on 17th May 1918 and arriving in Melbourne on 7th July 1918. He was discharged, medically unfit, from the AIF in Sydney on 30th August 1918.

On 22nd Feb 1919 he married Nina Cunningham in St Andrew's, Summer Hill at which time he was an Insurance Inspector. Nina died on 4th October 1925 and Percy married Dora Lillian Donnelly at Chatswood in 1928.

Percy died at Wagga Wagga in 1940 and is buried at the Wagga Wagga Monumental Cemetery.