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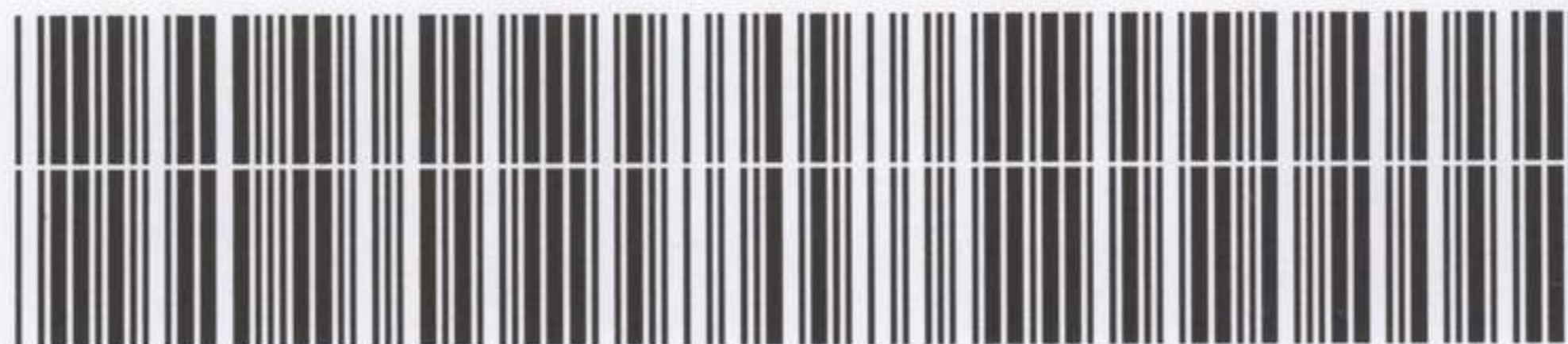
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6<sup>th</sup> A.I.C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Tern Hill	1917			
	Dec.			
	1st		Nothing to report.	
	2nd		Time flown 1 hr. 55 mins.	
	3rd		1/AM E.L. Mayne marched out for overseas. Cpl. B.A. Carey taken on strength. 3 sgts. 4 corps. 11 1/AMs appointed. Time flown 55 mins.	
	4th		Sgt. S. Player marched out to 66 T.S. Yatesbury. 1 Sop. Bomber received from A.R.S. 2 Bristol Scouts from 43 T.S. 2/AMs Rowohl G. and Williams J.H. taken on strength as clerks and 2/AM Mason W.J. as Wireless Operator. Time flown 14 hrs. 40 mns.	
	5th		Capt. J.R. Duigan posted overseas. Cadet Lord marched in from Hospital. Corpl. J.B. Fraser struck off strength. 2/AM Burrows taken on strength. Time flown 23 hrs. 15 mns.	
	6th		2/Lt. A.E. Portlock, RFC killed in aeroplane accident. Time flown 32 hrs. 30 mns.	
	7th		Time flown 20 hrs. 10 mns.	
	8th		Court of Inquiry and Committee of Adjustment assembled at Tern Hill to inquire into the death of and adjust the financial affairs of late 2/Lt. A.E. Portlock. Time flown 21 hrs. 30 mns.	
	9th		Time flown 24 hrs. 10 mns.	
	10th		One acting Corporal appointed, 2/AM Brogan T. admitted to Hospital, Prees Heath. Time flown 11 hrs. 10 mns.	
	11th		Poll on second Reinforcements Referendum taken under 2/Lt. Warnford. Cpl. G. Gregg reported from Wendover. 2/Lt. N.M. Heath posted to 43 T.S. 2/Lt. W.B. Yuille posted to 62nd Squadron. One sop. 2-Seater allotted to A.R.S. One Acting Corporal appointed. Time flown 2 hrs. 50 mns.	
	12th		Time flown 6 hrs. 5 mns.	

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Tern Hill	1917 Dec. 13th		<p>Three Sop. Bombers posted away. 2/Lt. D.G. Scott R.F.C. killed in aeroplane accident whilst stunting on first flight on Camel. Sixteen licensed houses, restaurants, etc. at Shrewsbury placed out of bounds to all troops at Shawbury and Tern Hill. Reason not given in Wing Orders for this action. Time flown 8 hrs. 25 mns.</p>	
	14th		One Mono. Avro written off charge. Time flown 5 hrs. 30 mns.	
	15th		One Bristol Scout written off charge. Time flown 12 hrs. 15 mns.	
	16th		Time flown 11 hrs. 15 mns.	
	17th		Two Officers proceeded to Turnberry, and four other ranks to Castle Bromwich on course of instruction. Time flown 4 hrs. 55 mns.	
	18th		Cadet G. Cox having graduated is appointed Flying Officer. 2/Lt. T.S.O. Dealy is taken on strength, from 45 T.S. RFC. One Gnome Avro allotted to A.R.S. One Sop. Camel written off charge. 2/Lts. G. Jones and C.H. Martin granted permission to wear Pilots Badge. 2/Lt. R.E. Cleary killed as the result of an aeroplane accident. A Committee of Adjustment and Court of Inquiry to sit re same. Time flown 15 hrs. 50 mns.	
	19th		Decided to grant leave to 10% of the troops in the United Kingdom both for Christmas and the New Year. One Bristol Scout allotted to A.R.S. 2/Lt. Grant E.D. granted permission to wear Pilots Badge. Time flown 14 hrs. 45 mns.	
	20th		2/Lt. O.C. Barry granted permission to wear pilots badge. Time flown 17 hrs. 15 mns.	
	21st		One Gnome Avro re-allotted to us from A.R.S. 2/AM <sup>M</sup> oulin F.J. struck off strength, having been in hospital over 30 days. Time flown 10 hrs. 45 mns.	
	22nd		2/Lt. E. Montgomery struck off strength. One Sop. Bomber allotted to 43 T.S. Time flown 11 hrs. 25 mns.	

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Tern Hill	1917 Dec. 23rd		Time flown 10 hrs. 25 mns.	
	24th		Two messages of Greeting received from Their Majesties the King and Queen. One Gnome Avro re-allotted away. One Mono. Avro received by rail. Two men marched out to School of Technical Training, Wendover, for courses of Instruction. Time flown 16 hrs. 10 mns.	
	25th		(Christmas Day). Passed off rather <del>quietly</del> quietly. Very good Christmas Dinner issued to the men. Flying up to Midday only. Time flown 20 hrs.	
	26th		One Sop. Scout received from A.R.S. One Bristol Scout written off charge. Time flown 9 hrs. 20 mns.	
	27th		Wash-out for day. Nothing to report.	
	28th		One Bristol Scout allotted to A.R.S. 3 Sop. Camels received from 25th Wing. 2/Lt. A.C.G. Cameron granted permission to wear pilots badge. Cpl. Gregg struck off strength. 2/AM Sawkins taken on strength. Time flown 3 hrs. 40 mns.	
	29th		2/Lt. F.A. Sobey admitted to Prees Heath Military Hospital, as result of an aeroplane accident. One N.C.O. and one 2/AM marched out on course of instruction. Time flown 7 hrs. 20 mns.	
	30th		Time flown 1 hr. 45 mns.	
	31st		Lieut. G.R. Thompson, and 2/Lt. G.H.M. Potts, taken on strength. Capt. A.W.L. Ellis and four other ranks marched out for courses of Instruction. Old Year passed out very quietly. Not a sound in the Aerodrome. Salso fired at Prees Heath. Time flown 9 hrs. 35 mns.	

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