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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Tetbury.	1.12.18.		<p><u>Personnel</u> Lieut, C.L. Felstead struck off strength on being boardd for Australia. <u>General.</u> Officers and Cadets of the Australian Flying Corps will be entitled to wear the "Wings" laid down for Pilot or Observers as the case may be:- (a) on being graded in A.I.F. Orders as Flying Officers. (b) on being graded in A.I.F. Orders as Flight Cadet Pilots or Flight Cadet Observers. The attention of all officers responsible for the working of Mechanical transport vehicles is directed to Army Council instruction No 127 of 1918. They will insure that the individual attention of all Personnel concerned is directed to this instruction. Officers Commanding Units and officers to whom motor vehicles have been personally allotted will be held responsible for seeing that the instructions given are carried out by the driver.</p>	
	2.12.18.		<p><u>Personnel.</u> Lieut P.J. Healy is struck off strength on embarkatin for Australia. <u>General</u> :- Consequent to recent developments the G.O.C. A.I.F. has decided that the following action will be taken forthwith:- (1) Suspension for the present of promotions (a) of Officers and all ranks (except 2/Lieuts) (B) to all Warrant and Non-Commissioned Ranks after the date of receipt of this circular no promotions must be made without the approval of Headquarters A.I.F. (2) No further direct Commissions will be approved. (3) No personnel will be sent to England to attend Cadet Schools. The red leading from Wing Headquarters via St Mary's Church into Church Street Tetbury is placed out of bounds to all mechanical transport. Disciplinary action will be taken in the event of any infringement of this order.</p>	
	3.12.18.		<p><u>Personnel</u>:- Major R.S. DeC Bennett A.A.M.C. from No. 1 Two Squadron Station to D.M.S. A.I.F. Capt. H.C. Fenton A.A.M.C. from A.F.C. Hospital Tetbury to No. 1 Two Squadron Station. Capt. A.E. Morgan 45th Battn A.I.F. proceeded to No. 1 Command Depot Sutton Veny on Command</p>	
	5.12.18.		<p><u>Personnel</u> :- Major W.A. McCloughry D.S.O. M.C. D.F.C. reported from A.F.C. Headquarters ex. No. 4 Squadron B.E.F. Capt. R.G.D. Francis reported from A.F.C. Headquarters ex. No. 3 Squadron B.E.F.</p>	Continued.

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Tetbury.	5.12.18.	Contd.	Five Officers reported R.A.F. and Army Co-Operation School, Winchester, . Capt. R.H. Browning. MC. assumed the duties of Adjutant, 1st. Wing. A.F.C.	
	6.12.18.		<u>Personnel.</u> Major W.A. McCloughry, DSO. MC. DFC. posted to command No. 8 T.S. Under authority granted by H.M. the King, C. in C. awards Distinguished Service Order to Major W.A. McCloughry, MC. DFC. <u>General:-</u> Flying low and stunting over or near towns or other places including the sea shore where people congregate is strictly prohibited.	
	8.12.18		All Cadets on graduating "B" will be commissioned.	
	9.12.18		Approval has been given that men enlisted in one Military district with home or relatives in another may be disembarked and finalised in home or relatives' district if so desired, on the understanding that the Defence Department is not liable for the expense of returning them to the district where enlistment took place.	
	11.12.18.		All Cadets on graduating "B" will report to Staff Officer for Aviation as heretofore to be commissioned. Cadet F. Basse wins Weekly Camera Gun Competition for week ending 8.12.18.	
	12.12.18.		<u>Commissions</u> Attention is drawn to the fact that no permanent/in the R.A.F. have been granted up to the present but Officers of the A.F.C. may apply to their Commanding Officers with the request that if the G.O.C. A.I.F. agrees the applications should be forwarded to the Air Ministry, all such applications are to be forwarded through Wing Headquarters.	
	16.12.18.		Regulations with regard to the submissions of applications for discharge in England from the A.I.F. are circulated, For information and guidance and will be strictly adhered to. Drying Rooms at A.F.C. Stations are not to be used for any other purpose than that for which they are provided.	

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Tetbury.	17.12.18.		Two Officers proceeded to attend South Western Area Instructors' School, Gosport.	
	19.12.18.		No machine is to be taken off the ground without the express permission of a Flight Commander. Officers compiling A.I.F. Demobilisation forms will personally see that each answer is complete and accurate. Disciplinary action will be taken in the event of false or carelessly inaccurate information being shown.	

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