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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Cirencester.	Jan. 15.	-	The Old Vicarage, Thomas St, taken over from 21st Wing, R.F.C. for Temporary Offices, Preparatory to the Formation of 1st Wing, Australian Flying Corps. 2/AM Edwards R.L. reported from A.F.C. Depot, Halton Camp East, Wendover to take up clerical duties.	
-do-	" 16.	-	Q.M.S. Campbell and 1/AM Palmer reported from A.I.F. Headquarters, for duty as Quartermaster and Cook respectively.	
-do-	" 17.	-	Capt. L.P. Fay, M.C. arrived from No. 6 T.S, Tern Hill and took up the duties of Wing Adjutant. 1/AM Carey and 2/AM Dowling (Clerks) and 2/AM Bruce and 2/AM Smith (Batmen), reported from No. 6 T.S. Tern Hill.	
-do-	" 19.	-	Major Sheldon & Capt. Badge-ry arrived from London with Transports. One Crossley Touring Car, Two heavy lorries. Two light Tenders and two Motor Cycles. Seven Motor Transport Drivers and Two Motor Cyclists taken on Headquarters Strength.	
-do-	" 20	-	F/Sgt. Freeman, reported from No. 5 T.S? Shawbury as Transport Sergeant.	
-do-	" 21	-	Capt. Macnaughton, reported from No. 5 T.S. Shawbury, as Bombing Officer.	
-do-	" 22	-	No. 890 1/AM Cherry F.J. reported from Westham Camp, Weymouth, to take up duties as clerk gen. Capt. Fay away at Tetbury to-day on duty.	
-do-	" 26.	-	Col. Reynolds and Capt. Manwell arrived from London to-day 6 p.m. One Officer (Lieut. Freeman) and 65 other Ranks arrived from Wendover 8.30 p.m. Billeted in Old Vicarage.	
-do-	" 28.	-	Lt. Col. Reynolds and Capt. Manwell returned to London to-day. W.O. Jones, Sgt. Schnieder and four other ranks reported to No. 8 T.S. for duty to-day. W.O. Showland and Sergt. Higgins and men attached to No. 7 T.S, moved out to Leighterton to-day and are billeted in Lasboro' House.	

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Cirencester.	Jan. 28.	-	Leighterton, one of the Aerodromes, to be administered by the 1st Wing, A.F.C. Lasborough House, an old English Country Homestead, situated amidst rural Gloucester scenery, taken over temporarily for housing of personnel. The Aerodrome site is high and fairly level. Will eventually make a very fine aerodrome.	
-do-	" 29.	-	Lieut. Johnson reported from Wendover to-day and is taking up duties with No. 7 T.S. at Leighterton. No. 8 T.Squadron personnel working at Tetbury unloading material at Railway Station.	
-do-	" 30.	-	Capt. Fay visited Tetbury to-day. Q.M.S. Campbell & A/Sgt. Edwards, went to Leighterton with rations for 7th T.S. W.O. Heath reported from Depot at Wendover for duty with No. 8 T.S.	
-do-	" 31.	-	Training Squadrons and A.R.S. commenced sending Routine Orders to 1st Wing Headquarters. Stores and Stationery for Wing Headquarters arrived to-day. Wired to O.O. Devonport re Barrack Stores (Telephoned, wire to Gloucester) Capt. Fay interviewed Mr. Fisher, N.A.C.B. relative to formation of canteens.	

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