

	<p>NO. 6 RESERVE BRIGADE ARTILLERY WAR DIARY BISCOT CAMP, LUTON DECEMBER 1917</p>
Dec 1	<p>2nd Lt. W.R. BISHOP Sth. Midland Bde R.F.A having joined for duty was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>200 Details arrived from 67th Divisional Artillery Canterbury and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. LAIDLOW, 1st South Midland Brigade R.F.A. was posted to 72nd Divisional Artillery and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 3	<p>Lieut. C.E.H. PINKERTON 4th London (How) Bde/. R.F.A joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 4	<p>20 Horses L.D. were transferred to Remount Depot Swaythling and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>20 Mules L.D. arrived from Remount Depot Ormsirk and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. T.A.C. JONES 2nd London Bde. R.F.A. joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>A draft of 2 Bombardiers, 58 Gunners, 3 Signallers and 2 Fitters proceeded to France</p> <p>10 Mules L.D. were transferred to Remount Depot Swaythling and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 5	<p>2nd Lt. D.N. FINDLAY, 2nd Scottish Horse having joined the Brigade on probation pending transfer is taken on the strength</p> <p>The undermentioned Officers proceeded Overseas to France and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Lieut. W.E. BROWN R.F.A. (T)</p> <p>2nd Lt. H.H. McGRATH R.F.A. (T)</p> <p>“ W.W. BROWN</p> <p>“ S.S. ALLEN</p> <p>“ R. HENDERSON</p> <p>“ H.S. BUCK</p> <p>2ND Lt. J.C. CORNELIUS R.F.A. (S.R.)</p> <p>“ C.H. BARKER</p> <p>“ H.L.H. DILLON “</p>

	<p>112 Details arrived from 67th Divisional Arty. and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>13 Signallers arrived from 346th and 348th Brigade R.F.A. and were taken on strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Horse L.D. No. 135 was transferred to North Midland Veterinary Hospital, London Road, Luton and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 7	<p>Major P. JOHNS R.F.A. (T) having been posted to 326th Brigade R.F.A. (65th Division) Kildare is struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>90 Details arrived from Ripon and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. C.P. MONK, 2ND Lon. Brigade R.F.A. joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 8	<p>Horse L.D. No. 174 was transferred to North Midland Veterinary Hospital, London Road, Luton and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 10	<p>20 Horses, L.D. were transferred to Remount Depot Swaythling and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Horse No. 570 L.D. was transferred to North Midland Veterinary London Road, Luton and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Lieut. A.H. WARNER, 419th Battery R.F.A. (T) Herne Bay, joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>30 Recruits joined from No. 4 Depot R.F.A. Woolwich and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 11	<p>Horses R.No.13 and L.D. No. 697 were transferred to North Midland Veterinary Hospital, London Road, Luton and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Captain P.H. GIBBINS, 3rd London Brigade R.F.A. (T) joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 12	<p>110 L.D. Horses arrived from Shirehampton Remount Depot and were taken on the strength of the Brigade.</p> <p>Lieut. A.F. BOURDAS M.C., 7th London Bde. R.F.A. (T) joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>10 L.D. Mules were transferred to Remount Depot Swaythling and were struck off the strength of the Bde.</p>
Dec 13	<p>17 Recruits joined from No. 4. Depot, R.F.A Woolwich and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 14	<p>30 L.D. Horses arrived from Remount Depot Market Harboro.</p>

Dec 14	<p>The undermentioned Officers proceeded Overseas to France and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. G.H. GOODENOUGH R.F.A. (T)</p> <p>2nd Lt. H.N. SNODGRASS R.F.A. (S.R)</p> <p>“ J. WHITLEY</p> <p>“ W.D. WILLIAMS</p> <p>“ H.H. SPURR</p> <p>“ W. SUNDERLAND</p> <p>“ A.E. WATKINS</p> <p>“ H.C. WILLIAMSON</p> <p>“ J.R. WALKER “ “</p>
Dec 16	<p>The undermentioned Officers of the R.F.A Special Reserve having joined the Brigade were taken on the strength</p> <p>2nd Lt. C.E.W. JONES</p> <p>“ R.S. MORRIS</p> <p>“ W.. RETTIE</p> <p>“ S.R.K. REAKES</p> <p>“ R.W. THOMAS</p> <p>2nd Lt. J.H.G. SADDINGTON, 1st Lon. Bde. R.F.A. joined for duty and was taken on strength</p> <p>2nd Lt. A.H.L. WALTERS 5th Lon. Bde. R.F.A. joined for duty and was taken on strength</p> <p>A draft of 1 Corporal, 1 Bombardier, 95 Gunners and 7 Drivers proceeded Overseas to France. Total 104</p>
Dec 19	<p>The undermentioned Officers proceeded Overseas to France</p> <p>2nd Lt. F. STADWOOD R.F.A. (T.F.)</p> <p>“ N.A. WISE</p> <p>“ C. VAGG</p> <p>“ H. WRIGHT</p> <p>“ A.F. HUGGINS “ “</p> <p>2ND Lt. A.G. TOBIAS R.F.A. (S.R.)</p> <p>“ G.S. DAVIDSON</p> <p>“ F.W. HUDD</p> <p>“ H.F. DARBY “ “</p> <p>20 L.D. Horses transferred to Remount Depot, Swaythling</p> <p>Lieut. E. BARTON R.F.A. was transferred for duty with Ministry of Munitions and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 20	<p>2nd Lt. H. MARSH 1st Lon. Bde R.F.A. was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>

Dec 21	<p>20 L.D. Horse arrived from Remount Depot Market Harborough and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Lieut. J. LOW, 2ND Wessex Brigade, R.F.A. proceeded Overseas and was struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Lieut. B.B. CLARKE, 3rd London Bde R.F.A. was transferred for duty with Ministry of Munitions and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 22	<p>8 Riding, 8 L.D. and 1 H.D. Horses were transferred to the North Midland Veterinary Hospital London Road and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 23	<p>The undermentioned Officers proceeded Overseas and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. W.C. RATTRAY R.A.F. S.R. “ F. WRIGHT “ “ “ T.N. BESSUNGER “ P.W. M. QUICKE “ S.F. PRYKE “ “</p> <p>2nd Lt. C.P. MONK R.A.F. T.F.</p> <p>Mule No. 113 was transferred to North Midland Veterinary Hospital, London Road, Luton and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 24	<p>10 L.D. Mules were transferred to Remounts Luton, and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
	<p>Royal Greetings Xmas 1917</p> <p><i>“I send to all ranks of the Navy and Army my hearty Good Wishes for Christmas and the New Year. I realise your hardships, patiently and cheerfully borne and rejoice in the successes you have won so nobly. The Nation stands faithful to its pledges, resolute to fulfil them. May God bless your efforts and give you victory.</i></p> <p><i>Christmas thoughts are with the wounded Sailors and Soldiers. We know by personal experience with what patience and cheerfulness their suffering is borne.</i></p> <p><i>We wish all a speedy restoration to health, a restful Christmastide and brighter days to come.”</i></p>
Dec 26	<p>Lieut. G. WEIR, 6th London Bde. R.F.A. joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>
Dec 27	<p>20 L.D. Horses and 6 L.D. Mules were transferred to Remount Depot, Swaythling and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. J.H. CHEW, 7th London Brigade R.F.A. reported for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p>

Dec 27	<p>The undermentioned Officers reported for duty from No. 3. R.F.A Officers' Cadet School, Weedon and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. J.B.I. BELLAIRS 1st London Bde. R.F.A " H.P. CHILVER "</p> <p>2nd Lt. S.I. DOORMAN 3rd London Bde R.F.A.</p> <p>2nd Lt. A.H. FREAKES 6th London. Bde. R.F.A</p> <p>2nd Lt. R.S. CREED 1st Sth Mid. Bde R.F.A.</p>
	<p>Xmas Entertainments etc.</p> <p>The Commandant wishes to express his appreciation of the excellent arrangements made by Lieut. WILSON P.R.I. for the Xmas dinners and of his energy and zeal for the comfort of the Men.</p> <p>To the success of the Xmas dinners, the skill and ability of Sergeant McCONNELL (Sergeant cook) largely contributed</p> <p>The arrangements for the Entertainments on Christmas Day were admirably made by Lieut. HOWELL Hon. Sec. Entertainments Committee and carried out to the entire satisfaction of all.</p>
Dec 28	<p>Draft No. 44 comprising of 3 Sergeants, 2 Corporals, 3 Bombardiers, 112 Gunners, 50 Drivers, and 2 Fitters proceeded Overseas to France. Total 172</p> <p>The undermentioned Officers joined for duty and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Major J.G.G. THOMPSON R.F.A.</p> <p>Lieut. F.H. COBBOLD R.F.A.</p> <p>2nd Lt. R.A. WEISS, 3rd London Brigade, R.F.A. joined for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. H.P. EDMUNDS, 1st Wessex Brigade, R.F.A. was transferred to Anti-Aircraft Depot, Abbeywood and struck off the strength of the Brigade</p>
	<p>Discipline</p> <p>The Commandant wishes to express his appreciation of the exemplary behaviour of the men of this Brigade during Christmas Week.</p>
Dec 29	<p>The undermentioned Officers proceeded Overseas to France and were struck off the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>2nd Lt. T.A. DRISCOLL R.F.A. S.R.</p>

	<p>“ J.J. DALY “ L.C. HOPKINS</p> <p>2ND Lt. W.E. CLARKE R.F.A. T.F.</p> <p>2nd Lt. F.S. MILLER R.F.A. S.R. “ J. CARR “ G.F. HALLETT “ “ “ J.P. LOCK “ “</p> <p>2nd Lt. W.F. LAWRENCE R.F.A. T.F. “ C.V. PERRIN “ A.G. BALLARD “ “</p>
Dec 31	<p>2nd Lt. A.W. LAXTON, 3/1st S. Midland Bde R.F.A. reported for duty and was taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>The undermentioned Officers reported for duty from No. 1 R.T.H. Cadet School, St. Johns Wood, and were taken on the strength of the Brigade</p> <p>Lieut. A.S. FOWLER “ F.A. MITCHELL R.F.A.</p> <p>Lieut W.N. ORCHARD Special Reserve “ C.U. PRITTICK “ J. ELLIOT “</p>
	<p>The following casualties occurred amongst the Horses and Mules of the Brigade during the month of December 1917</p> <p>Horses 160 Joined 104 Transferred Leaving a total of 461</p> <p>Mules 20 Joined 37 Transferred Leaving a total of 20</p>