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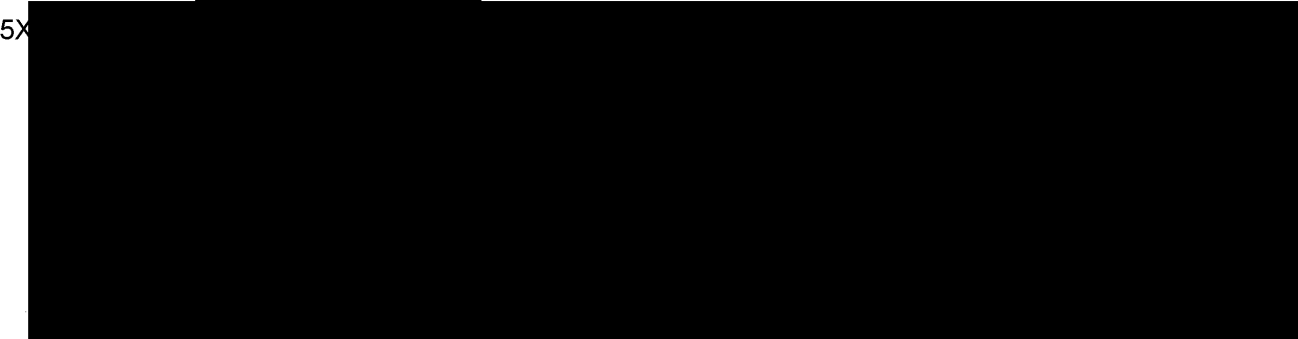
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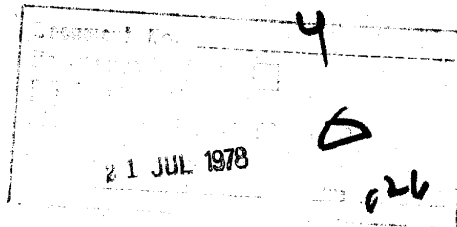
1. The airfield is approximately 15 km south of Kuibyshev (53°12'N/50°09'E) Kuibyshev Oblast, between the Volga River and the double-track railroad line leading from Kuibyshev to Penza (53°12'N/45°01'E), approximately 4 km north of Kryash (53°08'N/50°06'E). The Kuibyshev-Kryash road runs just west of the field. The level airfield, approximately 3 km square, was surrounded by fields. There were no concrete runways or taxiways. \*
2. About 8 to 10 small hangars were on the northern edge of the field. Nearby there were small barracks buildings. \*\*
3. The field was occupied by about 50 to 60 biplanes. Local flights and individual parachute jumps were made. \*\*\*

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The airfield is exactly 3 km south of Kryash, not to the north. The road connecting Kuibyshev, Kryash, and Preobrazhenka (53°06'N/50°08'E) runs just west of the field. The Kuibyshev-Penza railroad line passes the airfield farther to the west. See USAF Target Complex Chart of Kuibyshev, O165-9998-100 and Mosaic USAF Target Complex Mosaic Series 25, O165-9998-4-25 M. The reported size of 3x3 km is approximately correct.

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- \*\* The information is received for the first time.
- \*\*\* The occupation by biplanes, which indicates that a pilot school for beginners was stationed at the field, contradicts a previous report, according to which fighters were allegedly stationed at the field during the same period of observation.



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