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- The Brudevka airfield is about 20 km NE of the Moscow town center, on the asphalt road to Yaroslavi (34020'E/56015'N). Runways and taxiways were not observed. Two hangars were at the eastern corner of the field.
- The air force soldiers billeted in the barracks located in the woods east of Frudevka were trucked to and from the airfield.
- Biplanes, single-engine fighters, twin-engine aircraft and gliders were seen parked along the edge of the field. Description of these aircraft; single-engine fighter fitted with in-line engine, two-bladed propeller, straight wings with rounded-off tips, retractable landing goar; single-engine fighter fitted with radial engine, plump fuselage and square wing tips; twin-engine aircraft with in-line engines, four-bladed propeller, single rudder assembly, landing gear retracting rearward and tapering leading edge of wings.
- Winch launching of two gliders of different size, local (lying with biplanes and fighters, formation flying with three to nine aircraft and local flying with twin-engine planes was observed.
- Parachute jumps made individually or in groups of two from three to five captive balloons moored at altitudes from 300 to 1,000 meters were observed daily in the area west of Prudevka. This practice continued all day. parachutists who arrived by truck wore earth-brown uniforms and their knees were protected by rubber.

1 Annex: Location Sketch of Prudevka Airfield

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