

5-49-42-12-40-19; Shortly after another group followed of 400919-158

63-1-13-13; The next group to arrive was birds from the raft that had previously formed in lake. Their arrival to the resting ground was in this manner. and in such numbers that filled the lake horizon. Their arrival however was of such a periodicity that I could count them accurately. They are: 31-

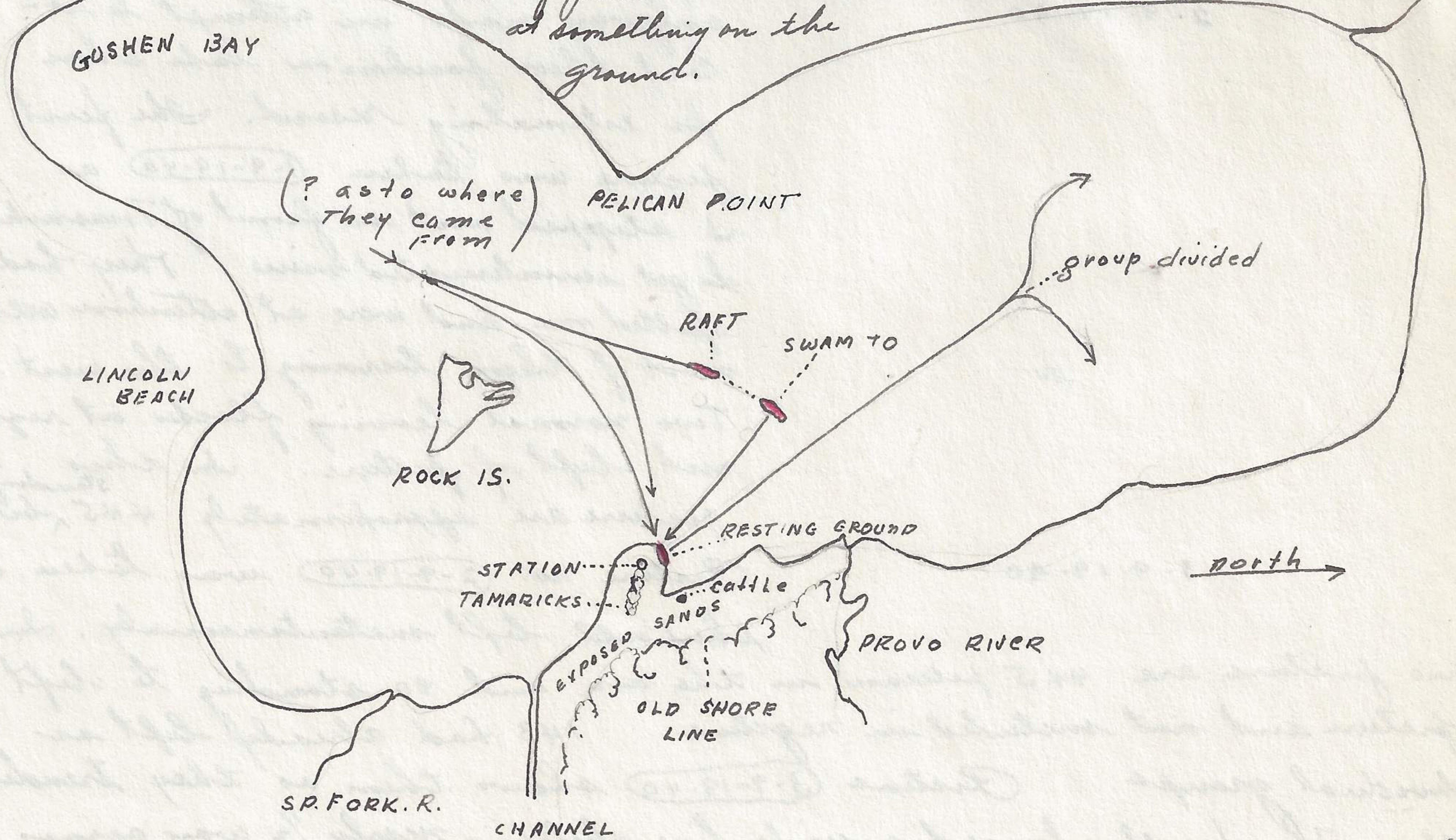
35-160-141-10-15-2-1. A few came later from the S. west and joined group at resting grounds and are: 2-13-7-3-1-.

Could see that others passed north on west side of lake but the mirage effect did not permit a count. Those birds to arrive here then ~~totalled~~ numbered 678 individuals. The second group of 44 birds of initial flight had a cormorant mixed in among line. The pelicans allowed for it in their formation.

Generally speaking the pelicans spaced themselves equivalent to 4-5 lengths of the bird or 9-10 feet. While on resting grounds three vultures flew directly over the pelican group but did not cause any disturbance. not even the slightest concern. Vulture only 20 feet above surface of the ground.

Group of 32 overts flew east by pelicans along shore line. 2 great Blue heron remained near entire stay. Pelicans original position on promontory governed by group of gulls and Curlew.

Pelicans reacted to sun when it first hit them was by ^{some} leaving shore line and waddling landward where they flapped wings and struck a momentary, rigid sandhill Crane act of point outstretched neck with bill downward at something on the ground.



Several orientation and itinerary of flights of this morning. The manner of arriving of the pelican was interesting. They would land and look for a few second but would soon start preening their feathers, especially the neck ones. then shake their body with necks parallel extended. This was generally followed by a yawning with bill held open.