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Water (South side) Hosts }
 Eagle waiters }
 Turkey Hosts }

Eagle Host } 1
 Berry waiter }
 Berry Hosts }
 Turkey waiters }

i'ckatcima' l' later on = Fox

i'ckatc' = Fox a'ckatc' =

or Oj. also.

n'ckulä näl'ya'ö'iga = Spirit of Fire

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nunägi' ä' ta' cigna' ciga' =

he looks with his face close to the smoke hole.

me' tegimiyagi' used only in feasts

ä' naga'mudci' he was singing.

nä'gasmudci' singers.

Elks Hosts }
 Bears waiters } ✓

Raccoons Hosts }
 Buffaloes^{1st choice} waiters } ✓

Bears Hosts }
 Wolves waiters } ✓

Buffalo Hosts }
 Thunder waiters } ✓

Wolf Hosts }
 Fox waiters } ✓

Thunder Host }
 Bear^{2nd choice} or Wolf^{1st} both }
 allowed. }
 2 part, take Fox. }

Fox Hosts }
 Raccoon waiters } ✓

Man Host }
 Buffalo^{2nd choice} waiters }
 Wolf^{1st} }
 2nd choice }

over

South side

North

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Wata

Elk

few left

Eagle

Bear

2

Bunny

Wolf

Turkey

Fox

Raccoon

mostly all gone.

Beaver

~~Bear~~

Bat

Tree

Kick

Ock -

If a man names his child must
be his side, his gun. If the woman, with
man's permission, "names" the child, her
father or maternal uncle, will be the side,
gun of the name.

Center,

The waiters

Man

must be of
the Hart's side.

Buffalo

Thunder

Wind about all gone.
But all dead.

supposed the later. Some K some T, any
way they want. But Hart

wind Hart

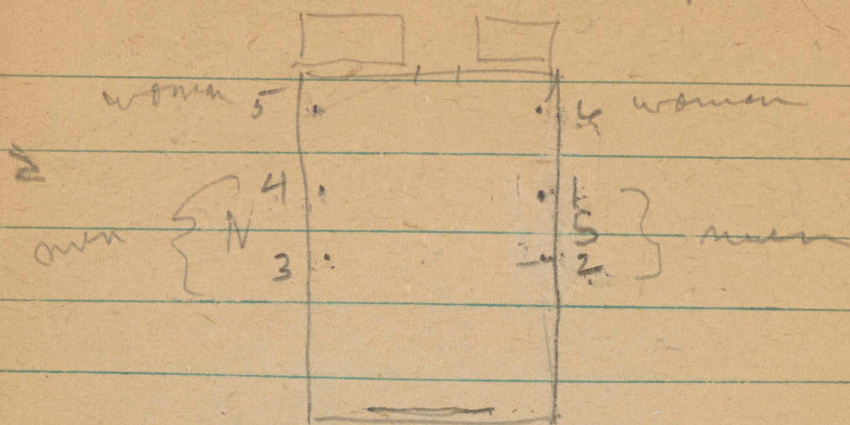
Raccoon, Fox,

Man & choice 3 waiters.
Buffalo

Wolf, Bear just
as it comes.

E South Side w.
Diagram 1

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Water Chail d^W be named -

On West Water gens people as before -

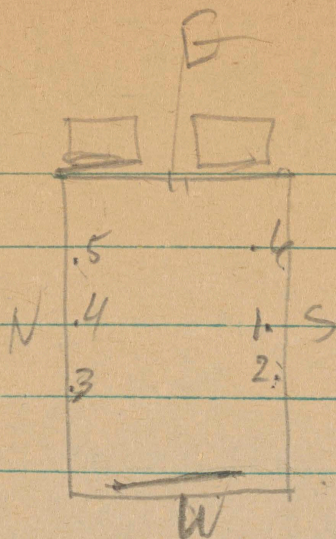
- 1 Eagle 2 ^{Tree row} ~~Bear~~ 3. Bear (Elk ^{second choice})
4 Elk (H Bear, 2nd choice) 5. Elk (Bear 2^d choice) 6. Eagle (2nd choice (Tree)).

Other in cases other 5 on south side fail -
water: Eagles.

Water should be 1^W diagram

South Side
Eagle

4



Should be
2nd diagram

Eagle child to be named

Eagle goes on the West.

1. Water. 2. Tree. 3. Bear. 4. Elk. 5. Elk.
to water.

Should be 2d diagram.

Waiters: Tree

5

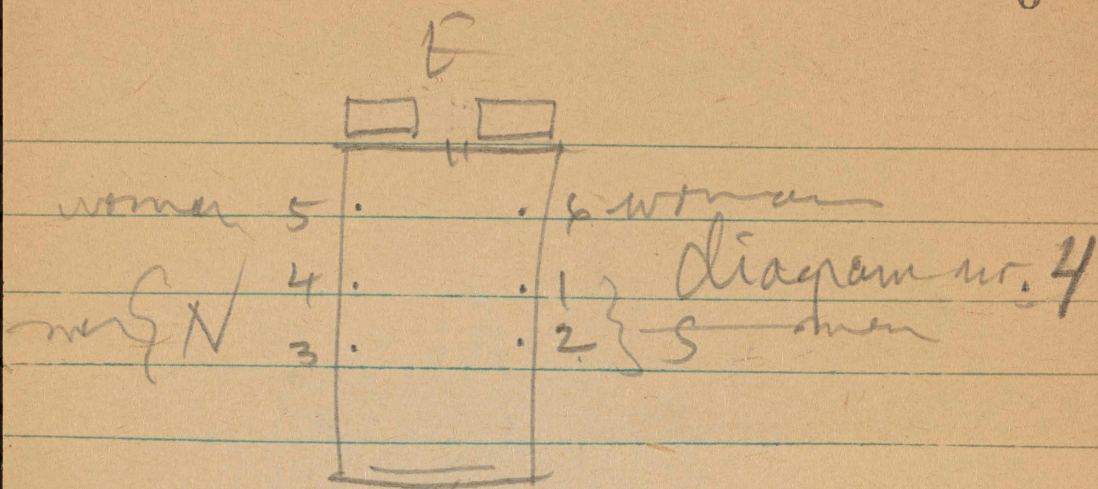


✓

- 6 water

South Side

6



Bury child to be named.

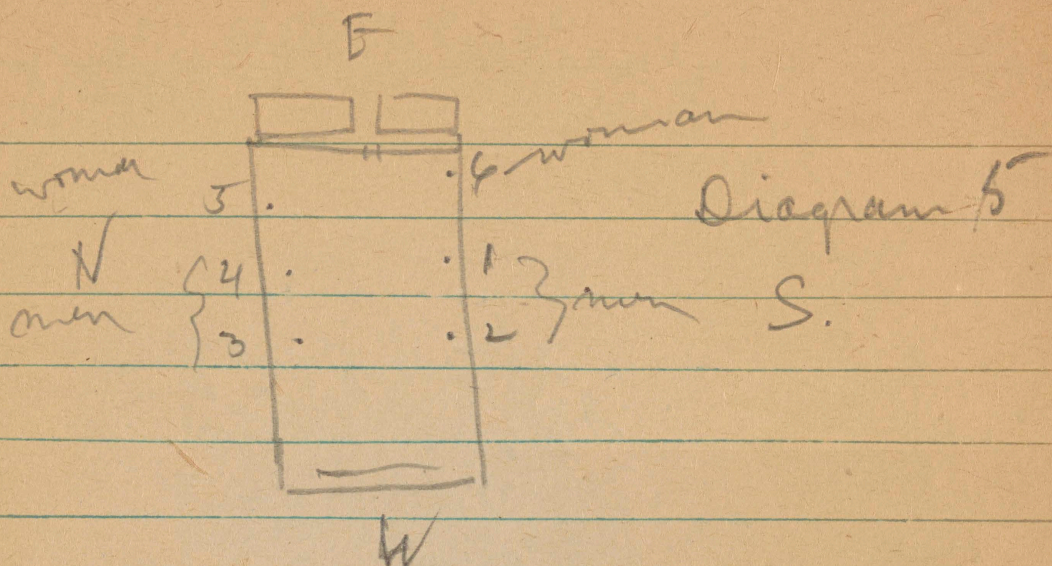
Bury guns on the west.

1. water 2. Eagle 3. Bear 4. Elk 5. Elk
6. water -

Waiters. Turkey

South side

7



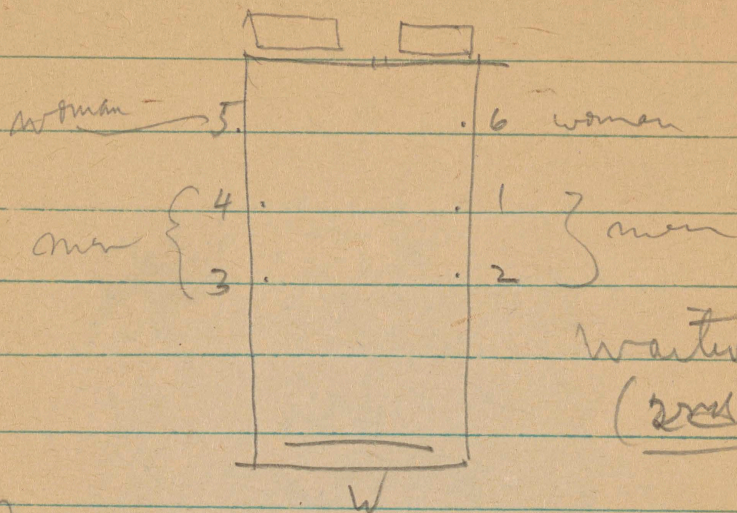
Turkey child to be named
Turkey guns on west.

1 Water 2. Eagle, 3 Bear 4 Elk.
5. Elk. 6 Water.

waiters: ~~Berries~~
Raccoons -

South side Diagram: or 6 Raccoon

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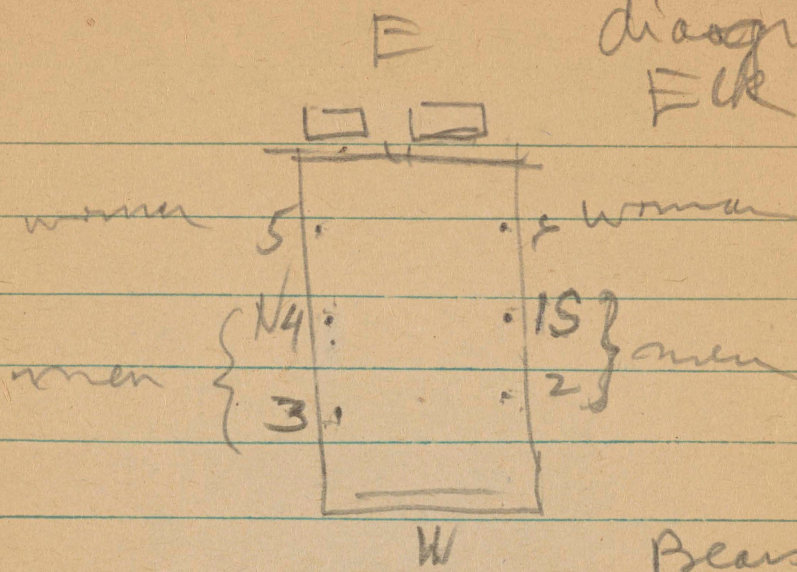


Raccoon gens on westside.

1 water. 2. Eagle. 3. Bear. 4. Elk. 5. Elk
6 water.

North Division
Diagram
Elk

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Bears: waiters

Elk Child to be named

Elk gens on west end.

1 Water

2 Eagle

3 Wolf

4 Bear

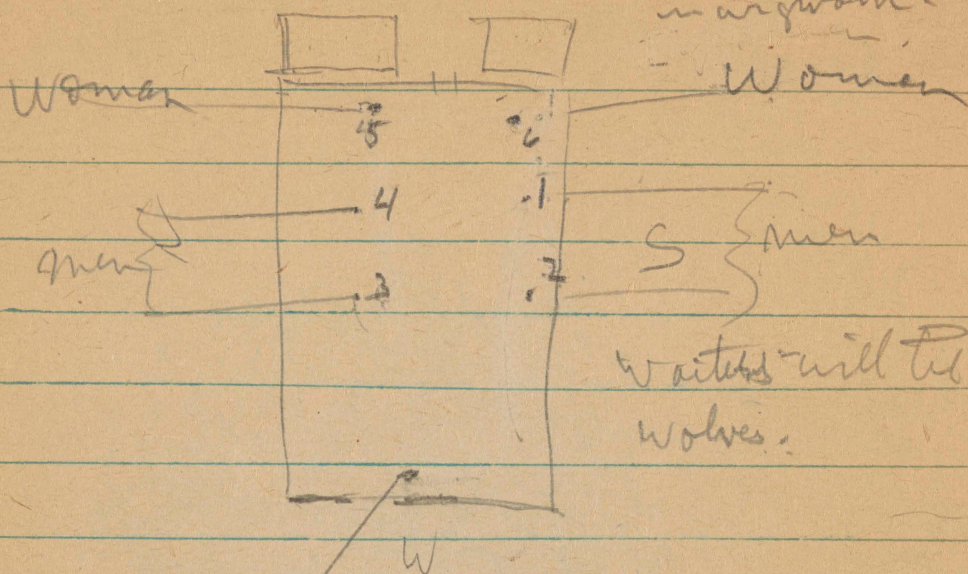
5 Bear

6 Water.

North Side
Diagram no 2 - E

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Summer house
same arrangement
in wigwam.



~~The~~ men & women who belong
to the gens of the child to be named.
Those on the North will be the
North gens & those on the South
will be the South gens.

= Bear gens child to be named.

Then the Bear gens men & women will be
on the west, as many as can be there.

1 Water. 2 Eagle. 3 Wolf. 4 Elk.
5 Elk. 6 Water

[K. + O. cut no figure.]

North

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diagram 2

Bearshild

The named

see diagram several
pages above

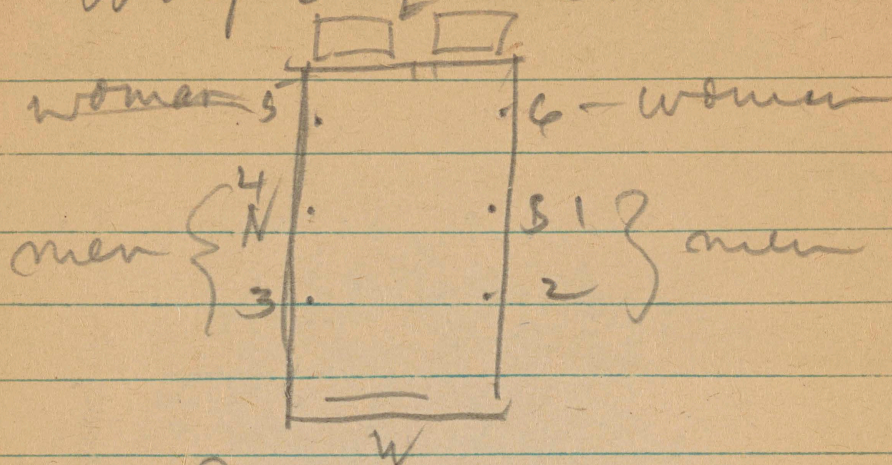
North Side

Waters: Foxes

Diagram 3

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Wolf Child to be named



Wolf pups will be on West end.
See also above,

1 Water

2 Eagle

3 Bear

4 Elk

5 Elk

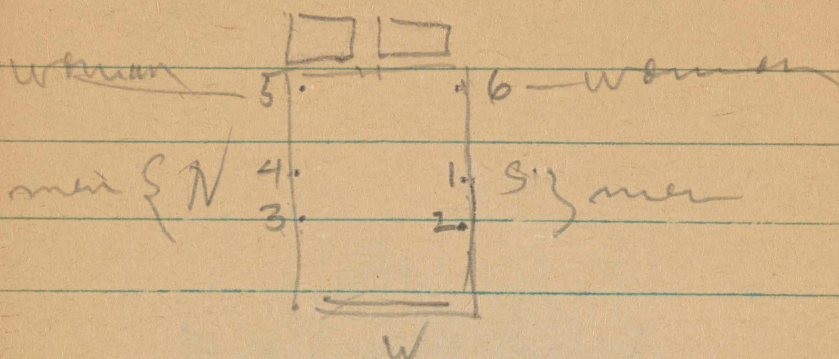
6 Water -

North side

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E

no 3



W old child & named.

Wolf on west.

1 Water. 2. Eagle. 3. Bear. 4 Elk.

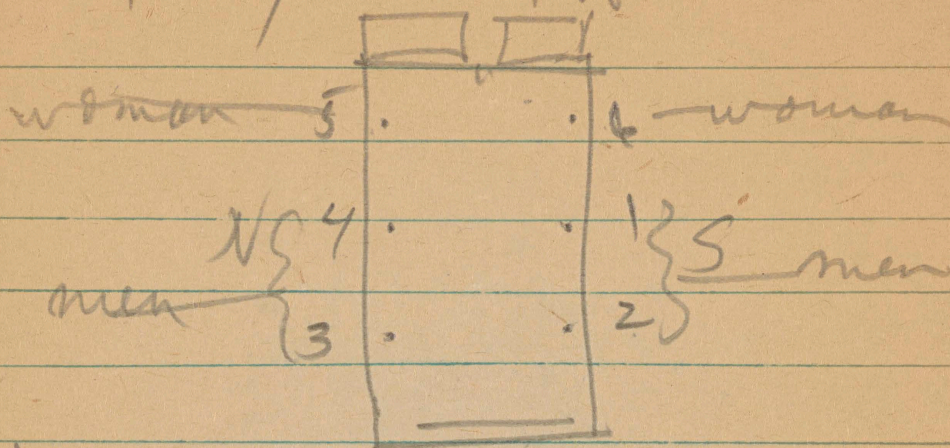
5 Elk 6. Water.

waiter: Rocks.

North side diagram 4

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Fox Child to be named



Foxgens on the end.

1. Water

2. Eagle

3. Bear

4. Elk

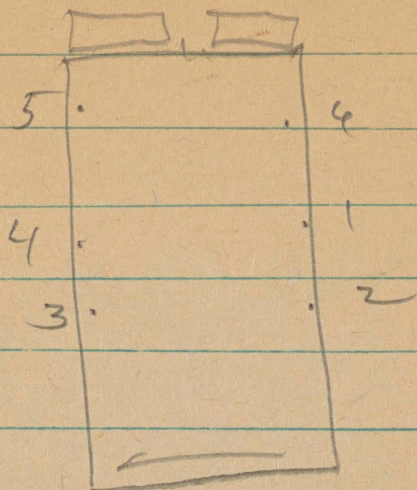
5. Elk

6. Water.

waters:

Beavers.

North side
5 Raccoon child to be named - 15



belong to
South side
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Waters: Thunder (1st choice;
Buffalo 2nd choice.)

1 Water

2 Eagle

3 Bear

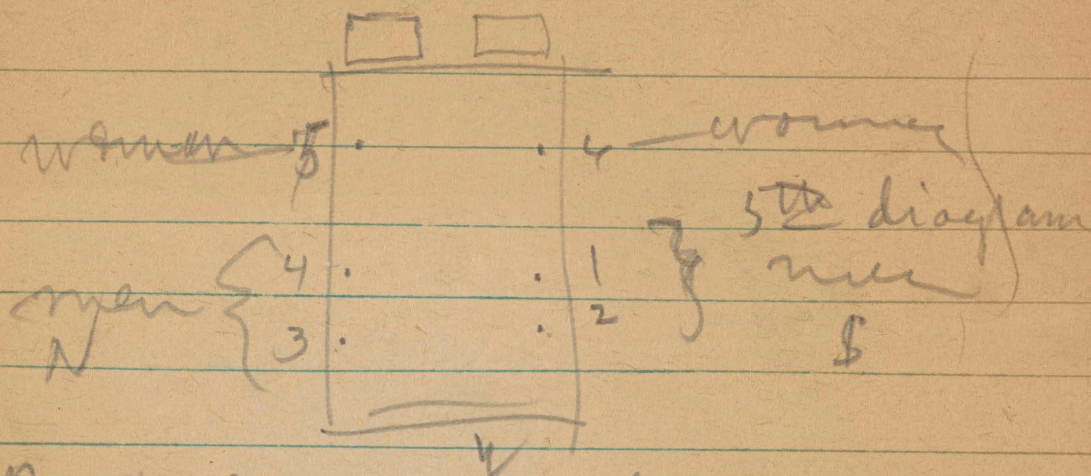
4 Elk

5 Elk

6 Water -

North Side
nr 6 Beaver
B.

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Beaver on west
1 water

2 Eagle

Waiters

3 Bear

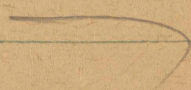
Thunder, 1st choice

4 Elk

Buffalo 2nd "

5 Elk

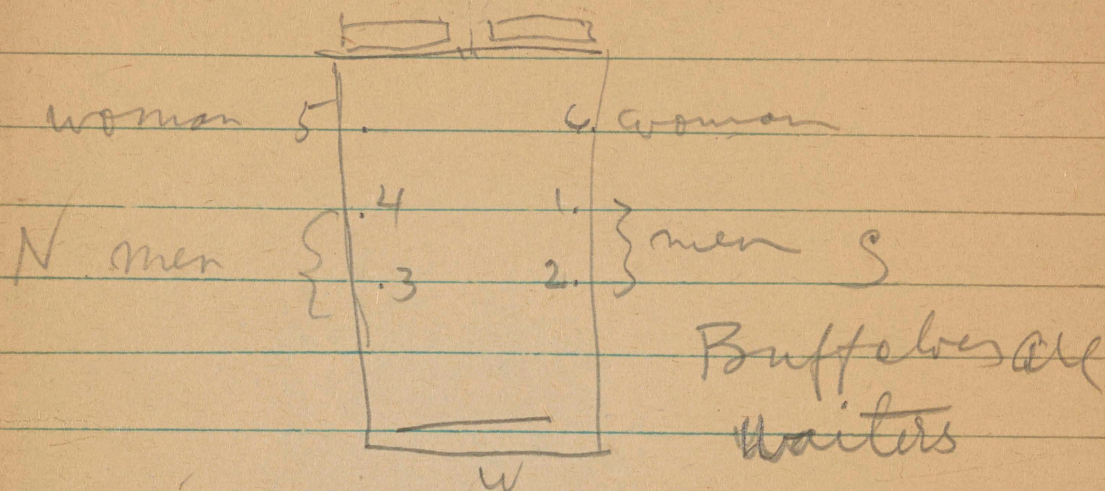
6 water.



E
Center

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Thunder. 1 diagram



Thunder child to be named.

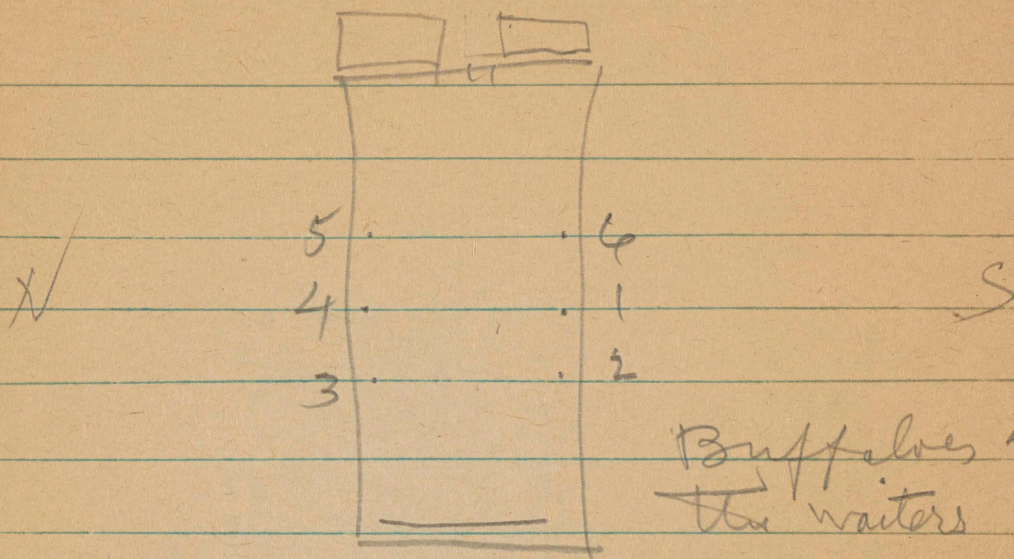
1 Water 2 Eagle 3 Bear 4 Elk
5 Elk 6. water.

Thunder gens on West

Center no 2.

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Thunder gens child to be
E named.



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Thunder gens on West end.

1 Water. 2 Eagle 3 Bear. 4 Elk.
5 Elk. 6 Water.

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