

30 October, 1930.

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Dipilto (NA) guardia patrol cleared for and arrived in Ocote

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1 November 1930

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Lieut. Hardin and La Paz Centro (WA) Guardia cleared for Santa Rosa. Returned to home station, having patrolled La Ceiba, Santa Rosa and Amatitan areas. Nothing to report.

Leon (WA) Guardia detachment returned from patrol. Captured one shotgun.

Lieut. Sims and Matagalpa (CA) Guardia patrolled halfway to Jinotega with Lieut. Matamoras.

El Viejo (WA) Guardia patrolled to Chinandega and returned.

Guardia from El Tempisque (WA) patrolled to Chinandega and returned.

Chinandega (WA) Guardia detachment cleared for El Rocio for special duty in connection with elections.

A Guardia detachment sent from Leon (WA) to Chichigalpa for special temporary duty in connection with elections.

La Paz Centro (WA) Guardia returned from patrol to La Presa. Nothing to report.

Matagalpa (CA) Guardia returned from patrol of Aranjuez area.

Lieut. Matamoras and Guardia reported to Matagalpa (CA) from Navarro.

Lieut. Miller, Lieut. Curry, USMC, and Marine patrol cleared Apali (NA) for Tolpaneca. Patrol arrived.

Lieut. Tavern, USMC, and Marine patrol cleared Ocotal (NA) for Tolpaneca.

Colonel Denig, Major Hunt, Lieut. Torres and Lieut. Buchlein and Ocotal (NA) Guardia patrol cleared Ciudad Antigua, after contact, for Carbonal.

Lieut. Balance, USMC, and Marine patrol cleared Ocotal (NA) with Lieut. Kobey of Electoral Mission for Palaeaguina via Totogalpa and Yalaguina. Captain Williams and Somoto Guardia patrol cleared for Totogalpa to meet Lieut. Kobey. Captain Williams, Lieut. Kobey and Guardia cleared Totogalpa and arrived in Somoto.

Somoto (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for vicinity southwest of Savanas via San Lucas, Lieut. Kobey and another member of Electoral Mission accompanying patrol to San Lucas.

Lieut. Cobb and La Trinidad (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for San Nicolas for duty in connection with elections.

Lieut. Belle and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for Yalaguina. Met Marine patrol from Condega at Yalaguina. Received supplies and returned to Pueblo Nuevo.

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El Viejo (WA) Guardia patrolled to Chinandega and returned.

Guardia from El Tempisque (WA) patrolled to Chinandega and returned.

Chinandega (WA) Guardia detachment cleared for El Recolejo for special duty in connection with elections.

A Guardia detachment sent from Leon (WA) to Chichigalpa for special temporary duty in connection with elections.

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Lieut. Bello and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for Yalaguina. Met Marine patrol from Condega at Yalaguina. Received supplies and returned to Pueblo Nuevo.

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Lieut. Lovenski and Guardia patrol from Telpaneeca (NM) cleared for Pericoch (El Silencio area).

Lieut. Pilcher and Jinotega (OL) Guardia cleared for Meliway patrol to Matagalpa. Returned with Lieut. Matamoros.

Lieut. Rittman, Lieut. Barrilas and Guardia from Yali (OL) cleared for Achotales, La Pavona and Las Vegas. Patrol returned to Yali. Reported area quiet and no information of any bandit activities.

Matagalpa (OL) Guardia cleared for a two-day patrol of Apante, Juncapa, Juncapa Arriba and Las Tijas areas. Patrol returned Nov. 3. Reported all quiet.

Another Matagalpa (OL) patrol cleared for patrol of Llano Grande, Palacilla, Piedras de Agua and Guacaguaci areas. Patrol returned; reported all quiet.

A third Matagalpa (OL) Guardia detachment cleared to patrol Molina Norte, La Fundadora, Aran Juez, Harmonia and La Cuesta areas. Patrol returned; reported all quiet.

2 November 1930

The Guardia post at San Rafael del Norte (OL) was fired on at 6 a.m. No casualties. Two patrols cleared in pursuit but could not gain contact.

Leon (WL) Guardia detachment returned from patrol of vicinity. Captured two bandits, one shotgun and one cutacha.

Guardia patrol from Quezalguaque (WL) arrived in Leon and cleared for home station.

La Paz Centro (WL) Guardia arrived in Leon with a civil prisoner.

Guardia detachment from La Paz Centro (WL) cleared for patrol to Momotombo.

Another detachment from La Paz Centro (WL) cleared for patrol to La Presa.

A Guardia detachment from Leon (WL) was sent to Chichigalpa for Election day duty.

A Guardia patrol arrived in Leon (WL) from Quezalguaque with two civil prisoners. Delivered prisoners and returned to Quezalguaque.

Lieut. Tavern, USMC, and Marine patrol arrived at Telpaneeca (NM) and cleared for Amucayan and vicinity. Patrol returned to Telpaneeca.

Captain Pefley, Lieut. Livermore, Lieut. Gomez and San Juan de Telpaneeca Guardia patrol cleared for Telpaneeca escorting voter and arrived in Telpaneeca.

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Colonel Donig, Major Hunt, Lieut. Torres, Lieut. Bouchlein and Ocotel (NL) Guardia patrol arrived in Tolpaneca having covered trails from Ciudad Antigua through Loma Verde-Carbonal-Santo Domingo and Tolpaneca.

Lieut. Curry, USMC, and Marine patrol cleared from Tolpaneca (NL) for San Francisco and vicinity. Patrol returned to Tolpaneca.

Lieut. Wulbern, USMC, and Marine patrol from Condega (NL) cleared with Ensign High of Electoral Mission for Pueblo Nuevo. Patrol returned to Condega.

Somoto (NL) Guardia patrol returned from southwestern Sogovia.

Lieut. Brauer and Palacaguina (NL) Guardia patrol cleared for and arrived in Condega.

Lieut. Balance, USMC, and Marine patrol arrived in Palacaguina. Cleared there and arrived in Ocotel via Totogalpa.

Chinandega (WL) Guardia detachment cleared for El Viejo for special temporary duty in connection with Elections. Returned to Chinandega, duty completed.

Another Guardia detachment from Chinandega (WL) cleared for El Realejo for special temporary duty in connection with elections. Returned to Chinandega, duty completed.

Lieut. Barrilas and Yali (CL) patrol cleared for Achotales, La Pavona and direction of Las Vegas. Patrol returned to Yali.

3 November 1930

La Paz Centro (WL) Guardia returned from patrol to Momotombo. Nothing to report.

The following messages were received:

CO Totogalpa reports: Elections went off smoothly. No trouble.

CO Condega reports: Elections over. All quiet.

CO Somoto reports: Day passed quietly in area around Somoto. San Lucas reports all quiet in that area.

CO Palacaguina reports: Elections passed quietly in this vicinity.

CO Pueblo Nuevo reports: Elections have closed here. Day passed without event. Scarcely any drunkenness noted. Appears to have been some 800 votes cast in Pueblo Nuevo from 0800 to 1000. Captain Balce patrolled to west of town. Lieut. Bello and patrol made a circuit east of town. All quiet.

Area Commander, Western Area, reports: Towns in Western Area orderly and quiet during elections.

Captain Carlson, Lieut. Walery and Guardia patrol from Jalapa (NL) arrived in Jicaro. The patrol destroyed a total of eight bandit camps and fourteen houses containing evidence of giving assistance to bandits. Captured considerable correspondence, Springfield and Krag ammunition, dynamite and bomb

Detonators. Patrolled area Los Encinos, Mina America-Murra-California-then south on zig zag course to Chipote. Then south and west over Chipoton side, north along ridge west of Rio Murra and Santa Rosa. Most important camp destroyed located west side, south slope of Chipote. Consisted of 4 permanent buildings and 8 new ones. Group reported to have left camp on Oct. 27 with 25 animals, leaving two women to care for camp. They fled on approach of patrol. Made contact with one who was wounded. Camp was well stocked with food supplies.

Captain Pefley, Lieut. Livernore and Lieut. Gomez and Guardia patrol from San Juan de Telpaneca enroute from Telpaneca had contact with a bandit group of about fifty, Jefe unknown. Bandits had prepared a position and opened fire on the leading elements of the Guardia patrol. Cabo Victor Gutierrez, No. 128, Guardia Nacional, was killed in the first burst of fire. One bandit killed and at least five wounded. Contact lasted 5 minutes. Bandits had a Lewis machine gun and a Thompson sub-calibre gun. The bandits were driven from their position, Lieutenants Livernore and Gomez conducting a brilliant frontal and flank attack. Bandits scattered in all directions and contact could not be regained. Captain Pefley and his patrol were escorting San Juan citizens to their homes after having voted in Telpaneca.

La Paz Centro (VA) Guardia detachment cleared on Nov. 2, 1930, for seacoast below Nagarote. Returned Nov. 3, 1930, from Copaltepe with two prisoners.

Lieut. Miller, Lieut. Curry, USMC, and Marine patrol cleared Telpaneca (NA) and arrived in Apali.

Lieut. Barker, Guardia detachment and members of electoral mission evacuated Totogalpa (NA), cleared for and arrived in Ocotal.

Lieut. Cobb and La Trinidad (NA) Guardia returned from election duty at San Nicolas.

Lieut. Torres and Linay (NA) Guardia cleared Limay with members of electoral mission and arrived in Esteli.

Esteli (NA) Guardia patrol cleared on a special police mission to Santule and Cassica area.

Lieut. Kobey and members of Electoral Mission arrived in Somoto (NA) from San Lucas.

Lieut. McGorkle, Somoto (NA) Guardia and members of Electoral Mission arrived in Somoto.

Lieut. Brauer and Palacaguina (NA) Guardia cleared Condoga and arrived in Palacaguina.

Captain Bales and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia cleared with Ensign High and members of Electoral Mission for Condoga and arrived. Captain Bales and his detachment returned to Pueblo Nuevo.

Lieut. Kobey and members of Electoral Mission cleared Somoto and arrived in Ocotal.

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Colonel Donig, Major Hunt, Lieut. Torres, Lieut. Buehlein and Ocotal (NA) Guardia patrol cleared Telpaneca for Ocotal via San Francisco, Ciudad Antigua and Salanaji. Arrived in Ocotal.

Telpaneca (NA) reports Election Day passed quietly. A few bombs were heard from the direction of Palacaguina; evidently fired in effort to scare voters away from the polls.

Esteli (NA) reports from all districts indicate quiet Election Day.

Lieut. Montenegro and San Rafael (C-) Guardia cleared for halfway to Jinotega. Returned to San Rafael with Captain Power.

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Dipilto (NA) Guardia patrol returned to Dipilto from Ocotal.

Captain Carlson, Lieut. Walery and Jalapa (NA) Guardia cleared Jicaro for and arrived in Jalapa.

Lieut. Broderick and Ocotal (NA) Guardia cleared on combat mission to San Fernando and vicinity.

Lieut. Tavern, USMC, and Marine patrol and members of Electoral Mission cleared Telpaneca and arrived in Ocotal.

Lieut. Bruaer and Palacaguina (NA) Guardia with members of Electoral Mission cleared Palacaguina and arrived in Ocotal.

Guardia detachment returned to Chinandega (VA) from Conseguna from special temporary duty in connection with Elections.

El Viejo (VA) Guardia cleared for El Tempisque on patrol.

Lieut. Hardin and Guardia cleared La Paz Centro (VA) on patrol.

Major Miller, Lieut. Delgadillo and Jinotega (CA) Guardia cleared for Las Camelias and surrounding area.

Captain Healey, Lieut. Barrilas, and San Rafael (CA) Guardia cleared La Concordia for San Rafael with members of Electoral Mission. Patrol arrived.

Esquipulas (CA) Guardia cleared for Cinta Verde on police mission.

Matagalpa (CA) Guardia returned from Palcala with members of electoral mission and one prisoner.

Guardia patrol returned to Matagalpa from Sabana Grande (CA) with members of Electoral mission.

Dario (CA) Guardia cleared for Sabana de Piedra on police mission.

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Lieut. McGorkle, Lieut. Titsworth and Somoto (NA) Guardia cleared Somoto and arrived in Ocotal.

Lieut. Coffman, Lieut. Gomez and Jicaro (NA) Guardia cleared San Juan de Telpaneca and arrived in Jicaro.

Lieut. Klein and Dipilto (NA) Guardia cleared Dipilto and arrived in Ocotal. Lieut. Klein, Lieut. Dickey and Dipilto Guardia cleared Ocotal for Dipilto.

Captain Healey, Captain Maynard and San Rafael (CA) Guardia cleared with members of Electoral Mission and arrived in Jinotega.

Captain Power and San Rafael (CA) Guardia cleared on combat patrol. Returned, having patrolled to westward of Jinotega road to point south of San Gabriel and returned via Jinotega-San Rafael road.

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Lieut. Kerns and Matagalpa (CA) Guardia cleared for Matiguas, and Muy Muy on combat patrol.

Lieut. White and Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Matiguas.

Captain Puller, Lieut. Lee and Central Area roving patrol cleared Jinotega to operate along Rio Tuma in connection with recent attack on Matiguas.

Captain Fricko and Navarro (CA) Guardia patrol cleared to operate along Rio Tuma. This movement to interfere with bandit operations after the Matiguas affair.

Lieut. Wulborn, USMC, and Marine patrol cleared Condega (NA) and arrived in Ocotal.

Lieut. Brauer and Palacaguina (NA) Guardia cleared Ocotal and arrived in Yalaguina. Met a patrol from Pueblo Nuevo, turned over papers to it and returned to Palacaguina.

Captain Bales and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia cleared for Yalaguina to meet Palacaguina patrol. Carried out its mission and returned to Pueblo Nuevo.

Lieut. Ross, Lieut. Forsyth and Guardia patrol cleared San Juan de Telpaneca (NA) and arrived in Apali.

Colonel Donig, Major Hunt, Lieut. McGorkle, Lieut. Titsworth and Somoto (NA) Guardia patrol cleared Ocotal and arrived in Somoto. The Northern Area Commander and the Executive Officer joined this patrol after having received information affecting the Somoto post and which necessitated the immediate return of the patrol to its home station.

Esquipulas (CA) Guardia patrol returned from Cinto Verde area with two prisoners.

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Captain Stafford, Commanding the Department of Matagalpa (CA) cleared with Matagalpa Guardia patrol and one civil prisoner for halfway to Jinotega.

Lieut. Pulver cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Sobaco and San Isidro.

Lieut. White, Lieut. Sims and Matagalpa (CA) Guardia patrolled to San Ramon and returned.

Terrabona (CA) Guardia cleared for patrol of La Pronta and El Balsoma areas.

7 November 1930

No news received for this date.

8 November 1930

Lieut. Withers, Lieut. Martin and the Guardias comprising the garrisons at Suina, Huaní and San Pedro in Prinzapolca, Eastern Area, arrived in Bluefields. The three posts mentioned have been discontinued.

PERSONNEL NOTES

The Jefe Director, Major General D.C. McDougal, cleared Managua on Nov. 3, 1930, by plane for Ocotal and Jinotega.

Colonel C.B. Matthews, Colonel G.D. Halo and Captain E.G. Huaco represented the Guardia at the inauguration of the San Juan de ~~Ortiz~~ Oriente-Granada road opening on Nov. 1, 1930.

Captain E.H. Craig, Commanding the Department of Chinandega, cleared on Nov. 1, 1930, for El Tempisque to inspect. Returned to Department Headquarters, inspection completed.

Lieut. F.H. Williams returned to Managua by plane from Ocotal on Nov. 3, 1930, after spending several days there on duty.

Lieut. Christy cleared Chichigalpa for San Antonio and Posoltega on inspection. Returned to Chichigalpa, Nov. 2, 1930.

Captain S.B. O'Neill, Commanding the Department of Granada and Masaya, registered at Guardia Headquarters on November 6, 1930. Returned to Granada same day.

Captain G.F. Good, stationed in Ocotal, arrived Managua by plane on November 6, 1930, for special temporary duty. Returned to Ocotal by plane on Nov. 7, 1930.

Captain E.H. Craig, proceeded to Leon on Nov. 4, 1930, and returned to Leon.

Captain R. Arnett cleared Leon for La Paz Centro and Nagerote on an inspection trip. Returned to La Paz Centro with Lieut. Hardin.

QUARTERMASTER NOTES

One thousand hats, field, and 120 drums of gasoline (about 6400 gallons) have been recently received from the United States.

Lieut. J.F. Dickoy, who recently joined the Guardia and was assigned to the Quartermaster Department, departed this week for the Northern Area on special temporary duty connected with this Department.

MEDICAL NOTES

Capt. Bach (MC) arrived by plane from Bluefields Nov. 6, 1930. He will go to Ocotal early next week as the relief of Major Baske (MC). Major Baske will be in Managua next week in preparation for his assignment to duty in Leon.

Capt. Miller (MC) was in Managua Friday arranging for his return to the States on Nov. 22nd.

Major Jacobs will, on Nov. 17, turn over the command of the Guardia Nacional General Hospital to Major Boone.

MISCELLANEOUS

Reports received from La Cometa, second of First Sergeant Guillen's contact on Oct. 25th, state that 2 more dead bandits were later found, bringing total to 6. Also that the leader, Concepcion Villogas, was wounded twice.

Information received to the effect that due to the work of the Santa Maria (NA) Guardia, the following sections, after a period of three years, are being repopulated by former residents: Zapotal, Las Brisas, Guayacol, Sipildó, and Agua Caliente. Eleven former residents of the Santa Maria section are returning from Yuca.

A native agents reports as follows: "I spent ten days going around the District of Quilali, talking to the people and they informed me that there were no organized bandit groups in the immediate vicinity. There are several petty thieves who steal cattle and annoy the people. The people stated that they liked Guardia and Marine patrols to come by, because when a patrol was near, their cattle were not lost. The corn and bean crops are good and the people state that the bandits steal part of their crops for food."

On October 10, 1930, Captain Power and a Guardia patrol from San Rafael del Norte (CA) had contact with a group of bandits at El Zapote, Department of Jinotega. (Message reporting this went astray and report of it by letter was received at Guardia Headquarters on Nov. 3, 1930). There were no Guardia casualties. A small quantity of blood was found on the spot where the first Guardia burst of automatic fire struck and two civilians from nearby reported that they had encountered four men shortly after the contact proceeding from the direction where engagement took place and that two of the four were slightly wounded. (Note: This changes total contacts of Central Area for October, 1930, to 2).

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The Jefe Politico and other citizens of Ocotal informed the Area Commander, Northern Area, that a bandit group under Roque Vargas robbed and sacked some houses and mistreated the people of San Fernando on Nov. 3rd. It is now believed that Vargas was the Jefe of the group in Colonel Demig's contact at Ciudad Antigua.

Information received Nov. 6, 1930, indicated that Matiguas, Department of Matagalpa, Central Area, had been attacked at 4:00 p.m., Nov. 5, 1930, by a large group under Pedron Altemiran and Ismael Peralta and that early on Nov. 6, 1930, the town was still surrounded by bandits. Guardia and Marine patrols were rushed to that locality. Marine planes left early on Nov. 6, 1930, with a combat mission. Reports received later indicate bandit force was 200 and that Matiguas had been attacked from all sides. The Guardia garrison of 10 had held the bandits off from 4 p.m., until 10 p.m., five Guardia being missed at that time. The remaining five retreated at 10 p.m., and only after all ammunition was exhausted. These five reached the Muy Muy Guardia post at 1 p.m., next day. Local Judge and natives of Matiguas state the Guardia put up a wonderful fight. The bandits burned the Guardia barracks. Reports state the bandits suffered considerable losses. The Marine planes cleared on Nov. 6, 1930, fifteen minutes after request for their cooperation was made, and their report, upon return to Managua, was the first real details the Guardia had of the attack. Telegraphic reports later from the Central Area verified the information gained by the planes.

The Department Commander, Department of Chinandega, reports the conditions of roads and trails as follows: Automobile transportation to El Tempisque, Nacascolo and Puente Real still impassable; fair for horses and mules.

Reports received on Nov. 7, 1930, state the Matiguas Guardia post is now all accounted for with the exception of one private. If this man turns up it will mean there were no Guardia casualties. Report further states the men expended all their ammunition in defense of the town and then took to the hills. The bandits sacked the town and then left, camping outside on the night of the fifth. One known bandit killed and three known wounded. Others believed killed and wounded but carried away.