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-----oO- 27 JULY 1932 -oO-----

Captain Yost, Lieut Bilbrey and ten enlisted cleared Ocotal for Yalaguina. Arrived.

Lieuts Kipp and Gutierrez, twelve enlisted and four civicos cleared Jicaro on combat mission. Returned. Nothing to report.

Lieuts Ragsdale and Montenegro, seventeen enlisted and seventeen civicos cleared Jalapa on combat mission.

Sgt Mayorga and nine other enlisted cleared Totogalpa for Ocotal. Arrived.

Lieut Blanco and seven enlisted arrived Macuelizo from Santa Maria. Lieut Blanco and fourteen enlisted and one civico cleared on combat mission.

-----oO- 28 JULY 1932 -oO-----

Lieut Livermore and Telpaneca patrol had contact with bandit group of twenty five, Jefe Melgara, morning of July 28 at (233-359). Guardia attacked camp. Captured flag, cutachas, hat bands and several bombs. Bandit casualties one killed, one wounded. No Guardia casualties. Patrol pursued bandits and regained contact later in day in another camp. Attacked camp and scattered bandits in all directions. Captured one shot-gun, two guitars, six cutachas, one bull and many miscellaneous articles. Bandit casualties one killed. No Guardia casualties. Contact could not be regained. Destroyed camps.

Lieut Montenegro, Lieut Warden (M) and twelve enlisted including four to be transferred cleared Jinotega for half-way to Matagalpa.

Lieut Downey and fourteen enlisted returned Jinotega from San Rafael having left three wounded Guardia at aviation to be taken to Managua by plane.

Lieut Montenegro, Lieut Foster (M) and sixteen enlisted returned Jinotega from half-way to Matagalpa.

Lieut Downey and fourteen enlisted with three wounded Guardias cleared San Rafael for Jinotega.

Lieut Burt and thirteen enlisted cleared Pueblo Nuevo on reconnaissance mission.

Captain Yost, Lieut Lopez and eight enlisted cleared Yalaguina for half-way to Somoto.

Lieut Hammond and nine enlisted cleared Condega for Daraili. Arrived.

Captain Williams and seven enlisted cleared Somoto for half-way to Yalaguina.

Lieuts Hamas and Kipp and twelve enlisted cleared Jicaro on combat mission. Returned.

Captain Williams and eight enlisted arrived Yalaguina, Captain Williams having joined Yalaguina patrol at half-way point.

Captain Yost, Lieut Lopez and six enlisted arrived Somoto, Capt Yost and Lieut Lopez having joined Somoto patrol from half-way point.

Lieuts Kipp and Gutierrez and patrol of twenty enlisted and five civicos cleared Jicaro on combat mission.

Lieut Burt and thirteen enlisted returned Pueblo Nuevo from reconnaissance mission.

Lieuts Price, Mahoney and Cuadra and seventeen enlisted cleared Apali to operate with Lieut Kipp's (Jicaro) patrol in vicinity of Sabana Grande.

Captain Biebush, Lieuts Beans and Gutierrez and twenty two enlisted returned Quilali from combat mission. Patrol was lost for one day attempting to cross Cerro blanco in vicinity of point 237-363. No indication of bandit concentration in that area.

Lieut Garcia (M) and eight enlisted cleared Pueblo Nuevo for half-way to Condega.

Lieuts Kipp and Gutierrez, twenty enlisted and five civicos returned Jicaro from combat mission.

Lieut Stanko, twelve enlisted and three civicos returned Palacaguina from reconnaissance mission.

Lieuts Price, Mahoney and Cuadra and seventeen enlisted returned Apali from combat mission. Nothing to report.

Sgt Madriz and seven other enlisted returned Pueblo Nuevo from half-way to Condega. Lieut Garcia (M) having proceeded with Condega patrol.

Lieut Barquero and twenty enlisted cleared Limay for Achuapa.

Lieuts Hammond and Sandino and eleven enlisted cleared Daraili and arrived Condega.

Lieuts Broderick and Montenegro, forty enlisted and one guide cleared Daraili on combat mission, Lieuts Broderick and Montenegro, thirty enlisted and one civico having arrived Daraili.

-----oO- 29 JULY 1932 -Oo-----

Lieuts Hughes and Silva and Esteli patrol cleared Esteli and had contact with group of bandits, size and jefe unknown on edge of town on main road to La Trinidad. Bandits fled and patrol pursued. Contact regained about one mile out of town. Contacts lasted about fifteen minutes when bandits were dispersed. Bandits used automatic weapons, rifles and bombs. Bandit casualties unknown. No Guardia casualties.

Lieut Velez with seven enlisted and eighteen auxiliares cleared San Juan de las Pencas for Valle de las Zapatas and arrived. Cleared Valle de las Zapatas for Jicaral and vicinity.

Lieut Sotomayor with ten enlisted cleared Chichigalpa for Posoltega for electoral duty.

Lieut Zavala and Sanchez with fifteen enlisted and five auxiliares arrived Valle de las Zapatas from patrol.

Eight enlisted cleared Matagalpa for Jinotega.

Colonel I. E. Watson, Area Commander Northern Area, and Lieut Foster (I) cleared Matagalpa for Jinotega.

Lieut Leady (R) and six enlisted cleared Consuelo for Navarro.

Six enlisted cleared Matagalpa to repair telegraph line to Sebaco. Returned.

Lieut Warden (M) and four enlisted reported Matagalpa from Jinotega.

Lieuts Vogel and Lopez and sixteen enlisted and one guide cleared Somoto on combat mission.

Lieuts Hughes and Silva and Sixth Combat patrol cleared Esteli for outskirts of town to investigate reports of bandit group. Returned.

Lieuts Price and Mahoney and seventeen enlisted cleared Apali for Las Puertas. Returned. Nothing to report.

Captain Gaspar, Lieut Kloth and sixteen enlisted cleared Esteli on reconnaissance mission. Returned. Nothing to report.

Lieut Beans and twenty-one enlisted cleared Quilali on combat mission. Destination not reported.

Lieut Bilbrey and nine enlisted returned Yalaguina from reconnaissance mission. Patrolled points 135-364, and 139-363. Nothing to report.

Lieut Blanco and seven enlisted arrived Santa Maria from Macuelizo.

Lieuts Vogel and Lopez and sixteen enlisted returned Somoto from patrol. Covered point 172-344 and vicinity. Nothing to report.

Lieut Sinkule, seven enlisted and one civico cleared Condega for Daraili.

1st Sgt Cortez and nine other enlisted cleared Ocotal for Dipilto. Arrived and cleared on reconnaissance mission, to vicinity point 180-408.

Lieut Gutierrez P. and nine enlisted cleared Jinotega for half-way to Matagalpa.

Two electoral Mission Officers and three enlisted cleared Jinotega for half-way to Matagalpa in car.

Lieut Gutierrez P. and nine enlisted returned Jinotega from half-way to Matagalpa, had small contact with a small group of bandits near El Tanque.

Captain Smith, Lieut Lee and thirty enlisted arrived San Rafael from combat patrol.

Captain Small, Lieuts Castillo and Gutierrez R. with four enlisted returned San Rafael from combat patrol.

Captain Monson, Lieuts Grieco, Barillas and Fonseca with fifteen enlisted arrived Corinto Finca from La Fundadora.

Five enlisted arrived La Fundadora from Matagalpa.

Captain Monson, Lieut Grieco, Barillas and Fonseca with fifteen enlisted cleared La Fundadora for Corinto Finca.

-----oO- 30 JULY 1932 -Oo-----

Lieuts Zavala and Sanchez and patrol cleared Las Lechuzas for Valle San Antonio.

Lieut Castrillo, fifteen enlisted returned El Sauce from Punta Rieles after escorting prominent citizens.

Sgt Flores, ten other enlisted and three civicos cleared Condega for half-way to Esteli.

Lieut Sinkule and seven enlisted cleared Daraili for Condega and arrived.

Lieut Beans and twenty enlisted returned Quilali from patrol. Covered Potosi, Guapinol and Las Cruces. Nothing to report.

Lieut Livermore and ten enlisted returned Telpaneca from combat mission via San Juan.

Lieut Ortiz and twenty enlisted cleared Esteli for half-way to Condega. Patrols met at half-way point. Esteli patrol returned.

Lieuts Sinkule and Garcia (M), six enlisted and seven civicos cleared Condega in direction of Daraili to evacuate wounded Guardia, wounded by accidental discharge of rifle. Patrol returned with patient.

Lieut Schuler with eight enlisted cleared Chinandega for El Viejo to maintain order during Plesbiscite of Liberal Party. Returned. Reported no disorder.

Lieuts Broderick and Montenegro and Condega patrol had contact with bandit group of sixty to eighty at point 234-357 on Rio Coco at 10:00 July 30. Bandit casualties three killed, one wounded. Guardia casualties none. Guardia patrol surprised bandits preparing an ambush at river crossing. Guardia captured small amount ammunition, one boat and few dynamite bombs. Guardia patrol continued across river, found and destroyed large bandit camp at 234-362. Proceeded to point 230-341, found and destroyed other large camp.

Eight enlisted cleared Matagalpa for half-way to Jinotega. Returned.

Six enlisted cleared Navarro for Consuelo. Reported.

Seven enlisted cleared Matagalpa for Aranjuez.

Lieut Leady and five enlisted cleared Navarro for Matagalpa. Reported.

Major Baker and Lieut Favern U.S.M.C. (Electoral Mission) reported Matagalpa from Jinotega.

Captain Monson, Lieut Barillas and Fonseca with fifteen enlisted arrived Jinotega from Corinto Finca.

Captain Small and sixteen enlisted arrived San Rafael from La Concordia.

Captain Small with sixteen enlisted cleared La Concordia for San Rafael.

Captain Monson, Lieut Barillas, Lieut Fonseca with fifteen enlisted cleared Corinto Finca for Jinotega.

Captain Small, Lieut Castillo and twenty-six enlisted cleared Yali on combat patrol for near vicinity La Concordia.

-----oO- 31 JULY 1932 -oO-----

Captain Puller and Corinto Finca patrol had contact with bandit group of fifteen, jefe unknown at 10:00 AM July 31, North of Loma Azul (243-339). Bandit casualties two known killed. No Guardia casualties. Captured one rifle, one shot-gun, three blankets and clothing.

Lieut Hughes, Ortiz and Silva and Sixth Combat Patrol, 35 enlisted cleared Esteli on combat mission.

Captains Williams and Yost and eight enlisted cleared Somoto for Pataste.

Lieuts Price and Mahoney and nine enlisted cleared Apali for Santa Clara on police mission. Returned. Nothing to report.

Sgt Flores, nine other enlisted and three civicos returned Condega from half-way to Esteli, escorting pack train.

Twelve enlisted cleared Sauce for Sabana Grande to insure peaceful plebiscite.

Sauce reports Thomas Blandon with 50 well armed cleared 189-276 night 30 July, for direction of La Trinidad with intentions of burning some houses that city. Information considered reliable.

Lieut Velez and patrol from San Juan de las Pencas arrived Valle Zapatas. Reports all quiet that area.

Cabo Martinez, six enlisted arrived Leon from patrol in Nagarote with three civil prisoners, three revolvers, one rifle, one shot-gun.

Lieut Velez, seven enlisted, eighteen auxiliaries cleared Valle Zapatas for Socorro, San Rafael, La Flor and El Chote on combat mission.

Cabo Rios with four enlisted cleared La Fundadora to repair telegraph line to Matagalpa.

Lieut Rocha with seven enlisted cleared Corinto Finca for Sajonia. Returned.

Captain Smith, Lieut Lee and thirty enlisted Co. "M" cleared Yali on combat mission.

Lieut Snyder and Wriston with thirty enlisted cleared Yali on combat mission.

Cabo Rios with four other enlisted arrived La Fundadora from Matagalpa returned from telegraph line repair patrol.

Lieuts Cramer and Summerfield with twelve enlisted cleared Jinotega for Sajonia via Corinto Finca.

Ist Sgt Velasquez with fourteen other enlisted patrol returned to Matagalpa from combat mission.

Lieut Gumaelius with seven enlisted arrived Matagalpa from Buena Vista.

Lieut Elliott with four enlisted arrived Matagalpa from Muy Muy.

Lieut Martin with seven enlisted cleared San Isidro for Matagalpa and arrived.

Lieut Sandino, six enlisted and one civico arrived Daraili from Condega.

-----oO- 1 AUGUST 1932 -Oo-----

Captain Small, Lieut Muñoz with eight enlisted cleared San Rafael for La Concordia.

Captain Small, Lieut Muñoz with eight enlisted arrived La Concordia from San Rafael.

Captain Puller and Corinto Finca patrol arrived San Antonio. Report contact north of Loma azul with bandit group fifteen, jefe unknown, no guardia casualties, two bandits killed. Captured one rifle, one shot-gun and other clothing and equipment.

Seven enlisted, eight auxiliares cleared El Sauce for half-way to Esteli with Esteli Alcalde.

Lieut Sotomayor with ten enlisted returned to Chichigalpa from Posoltega.

Captain Craig and Lieut Hayes, U.S.M.C., on electoral duty, returned to Managua from Chinandega.

Lieuts Sinkule and Garcia (M), eight enlisted and one civico cleared Condega for Palacaguina. Arrived.

Lieut Monterrey, fifteen enlisted and one civilian returned Dipilto from combat mission.

Lieuts Broderick and Montenegro, forty enlisted and one civico arrived Daraili from combat mission.

Lieuts Hughes, Silva and Ortiz and Esteli patrol fired on bandit group at 2000 near point (133-291). Pursued for one hour but could not regain contact.

Lieut Delgadillo and eight enlisted cleared Totogalpa on reconnaissance mission.

Patrol cleared Apali to repair buzzer line and returned.

Lieut Livermore and ten enlisted cleared Telpaneca on police mission to point 204-362. Returned.

-----oO- 2 AUGUST 1932 -Oo-----

1st Sgt Garcia, four other enlisted and ten civicos cleared Esteli for half-way to El Sauce.

1st Sgt Cortez and nine other enlisted cleared Dipilto on reconnaissance mission.

Lieuts Broderick and Montenegro, thirty four enlisted, one civico and one bandit prisoner cleared Daraili for Condega. Patrol, minus prisoner, arrived.

Lieut Delgadillo and patrol returned Totogalpa from patrol.

Lieuts Price and Lichs (R) and ten enlisted cleared Apali to repair buzzer line to Jicaro. Returned. Repairs completed.

Lieut Sinkule and eight enlisted cleared Palacaguina for Condega. Arrived.

Ist Sgt Garcia and patrol returned Esteli from half-way to El Sauce escorting party of civilians.

Lieuts Hughes and Silva and Sixth Combat Patrol arrived La Trinidad from patrol..

Lieuts Zavala, Jarquin and Sanchez with El Sauce patrol had contact with bandit group size and jefe unknown at 2:00 PM, August 2nd at point (183-294), by attacking bandit camp. Casualties of the bandits unknown but indication of several wounded. No Guardia casualties. Camp destroyed.

Lieut Delgadillo and Totogalpa patrol had contact with small bandit group, jefe unknown at Ferrero Grande near Totogalpa on morning August 2. No known casualties. Bandits fled in all directions.

Lieuts Kipp and Gutierrez and Jicaro patrol had contact with small group, jefe Roque Vargas near (243-382), August 2 at 4:00 PM. Bandits fled toward Chipote. Guardia captured food and miscellaneous articles. No known bandit casualties. No Guardia casualties.

Lieut Velez with patrol arrived Valle de las Zapatas from San Louis and San Rafael. Reports all quiet. No bandit information.

Seven enlisted, eight auxiliares returned El Sauce from half-way to Esteli after meeting Esteli patrol.

-----oO- 3 AUGUST 1932 -oO-----

Lieut Zavala and Sanchez, fifteen enlisted, five aux arrived El Sauce with Sauce patrol under Lieuts Sanchez and Jarquin and report combined patrol had contact with small group in camp at 183-294 at 1400. Contact of short duration, bandits scattered in all directions. Due to blood trails believe several bandits wounded. No Guardia casualties. Destroyed bandit camp of three well constructed houses and rock defenses.

Lieut Castrillo, fifteen enlisted cleared El Sauce for Punta Vieles to meet Lieut Frisch.

Lieut Delgadillo with eight enlisted cleared Totogalpa for Somoto.

Lieut Schoning with thirteen enlisted and five armed civilians cleared Telpaneca for Apali.

Lieut Monterrey with seven enlisted cleared Dipilto for Ocotal.

Lieuts Stanko and Garcia with eight enlisted cleared Palacaguina for Pueblo Nuevo.



Lieut Vogel with eleven enlisted and one guide cleared Somoto on patrol.

Lieut Delgadillo with patrol arrived Somoto from patrol.

Lieut Monterrey with patrol arrived Ocotal.

Lieuts Kipp and Gutierrez with patrol returned Jicaró.

Sgt Acevedo with seven other enlisted cleared Santa Maria on patrol.

Lieuts Boswell and Montenegro with eighteen enlisted cleared Jalapa for Apali.

Lieuts Zavala, C. Sanchez, Jarquin and G. Sanchez with Leon and El Sauce patrol arrived El Sauce.

1st Sgt Garcia with ten other enlisted and five civicos cleared Esteli for Chilamatillo.

Lieuts Stancko and Garcia with patrol arrived Pueblo Nuevo.

Lieuts Price and Hays with eighteen enlisted cleared Apali for half-way to Jalapa.

Lieut Schoning with patrol arrived Apali.

Lieut Aleman with twelve enlisted cleared Macuelizo on patrol.

Captain Yost and Lieut Delgadillo with eight enlisted cleared Somoto for Yalaguina.

1st Sgt Garcia with patrol, one prisoner and one dead man returned Esteli.

Lieut Monterrey with patrol cleared Ocotal for Dipilto.

Lieut Stancko with eight enlisted cleared Pueblo Nuevo for Palacaguina.

Sgt Acevedo with patrol returned Santa Maria from patrol.

Captain Yost and Lieut Delgadillo with eight enlisted arrived Yalaguina from patrol.

Lieut Delgadillo with eight enlisted cleared Yalaguina for Totogalpa.

Lieut Monterrey with patrol arrived Dipilto from patrol.

Lieut Delgadillo with patrol arrived Totogalpa from patrol.

-----oO- 4 AUGUST 1932 -Oo-----

Lieut Velez with patrol returned to San Juan de las Pencas from Valle de las Zapatas, El Socorro, El Ocoton, Agua Caliente and Olomega. Reports all quiet. No bandit information.

Lieut Castrillo and patrol returned to El Sauce from Punta Rieles escorting Lieut Frisch and one enlisted.

Lieuts Zavala and Sanchez, fifteen and five auxiliares arrived Las Lechizas from El Sauce, will remain there for few days while investigating report of bandits south-west of La Trinidad.

Lieuts Schuh and Frisch, eight enlisted, eighteen auxiliares cleared El Sauce for Villa Nueva. Both officers and five auxiliares for duty there.

Lieut Jarquin, ten enlisted cleared Sauce for Achuapa for duty. Patrol from Achuapa cleared same time for Las Pilas to escort Lieut Jarquin there.

----- M I S C E L L A N E O U S -----

Information received that three bandits were killed and three wounded in the Hughes and Silva contact one mile of Esteli on July 26.

----- P E R S O N N E L -----

Lieutenant Hodge from Managua to Central Area for duty on 29 July 1932.

Colonel Sheard returned to Managua from inspection trip to Departments of Granada and Rivas on 29 July 1932.

Lieutenant Hoskins in from Central Area for duty Managua on 29 July 1932.

Lieutenant Cody (R) transferred from the Guardia Nacional to the U.S. 30 July 1932.

Captain Bales, Law Officer, GN, transferred from the Guardia Nacional to Electoral Mission on 31 July, 1932.

Lieutenant Stewart from Guardia Nacional to the U.S. on 30 July 1932.

Lieutenant Ashbrook from Managua to Eastern Area for duty on 31 July 1932.

Lieutenant Seiffert from Managua to Bluefields, temporary duty Managua complete. 31 July 1932.

Colonel Sheard cleared Managua by plane for Jinotega on 1 August to assume command of the Central Area.

Colonel Smith appointed Chief of Staff, GN, as of 1 August, 1932.

Colonel Watson relieved of duty AC Central Area to Ocotal on 1 August, 1932, to assume command of Northern Area.

Colonel Cheatham appointed Law Officer, GN, as of 1 August, 1932.

Lieutenant Rutledge from Guardia Nacional to 2d Marine Brigade on 2 August, 1932.

Lieutenant Ledbetter returned to duty from Leave in the U.S. on 3 August, 1932.

THE END