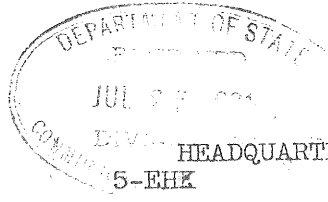


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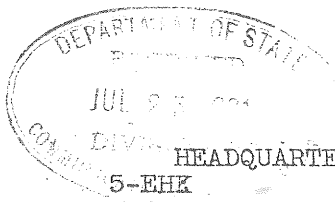
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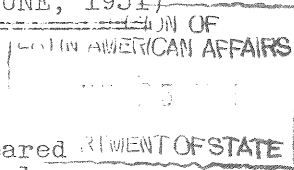
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Lieut Stevens, Lieut Cuadra and guardia detachment cleared Leon for El Jicaral to establish guardia post there.

Guardia patrol cleared Leon for Rota after delivering civil prisoners to Leon.

Guardia patrol from La Paz Centro arrived Leon with civil prisoner . Returned to La Paz Centro.

Lieut Berueffy and Somoto (NA) guardia patrol cleared Somoto for vicinity of San Luis and returned to Somoto. Minor sub-jefe Justo Blanco and group of five reported, by natives, to have been in that vicinity.

Lieut Bilbrey, Lieut Jackson and guardia patrol cleared Apali for San Juan de Telpaneca (N A). Patrol arrived.

Captain Kelly, Lieut Vogel and guardia patrol cleared Apali (NA) for Jicaró.

Lieut Moreia and guardia patrol cleared Esteli (NA) for San Francisco via Limay. Patrol arrived.

La Trinidad (NA) guardia patrol cleared La Trinidad for Esteli.

Lieut Stanko and Pataste (NA) guardia patrol cleared Limay for Pueblo Nuevo escorting pack train of 67 mules with Red Cross supplies.

Limay (NA) guardia patrol cleared Achuapa escorting cargo train with red Cross supplies en route north.

Lieut Ramirez and guardia patrol cleared San Francisco (NA) for Limay. Patrol arrived.

Lieut Zavala and guardia patrol cleared Esteli (NA) for La Trinidad. Patrol arrived.

Lieut Hamas and Condega (NA) guardia patrol cleared Condega for and arrived Pueblo Nuevo. Returned with Lieut Sandino.

Lieut Trosper and Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for and arrived Ocotal. Returned to Totogalpa.

Lieut Prieb and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for aviation field. Lieuts Cramer and Uriza arrived by plane from Managua. Lieuts Cramer, Prieb, Uriza and guardia patrol returned to Jinotega.

Colonel J. C. Smith, Captain M. Cox and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol arrived Jinotega from San Rafael.

Lieut Barillas and guardia patrol arrived San Rafael (CA) from La Concordia. Picked up Lieut Escobar and cleared for La Concordia.

Captain Kelly and Jicaro (NA) guardia patrol cleared Jicaro for and arrived Apali. Returned to Jicaro.

Lieut Vogel and guardia patrol cleared Jicaro (NA) for and arrived Jalapa.

Lieut Bell and guardia patrol cleared Limay (NA) for Achuapa.

Lieut Moreira and guardia patrol cleared Limay (NA) for San Francisco.

Lieut Livermore and Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for Cuje.

Lieut Barillas and Escobar and La Concordia (CA) guardia patrol cleared La Concordia on reconnaissance mission to the north and west.

San Ramon (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Ramon for and arrived Matagalpa.

Guardia patrol cleared Esquipulas (CA) for La Pineda.

Lieut Rittman and guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa (CA) from La Fundadora.

The District Commander, Yali (CA) reports no recent bandit activities. On the evening of June 5th, a recruit guardia, whose home is near Yali, received word from a friend that there was to be held a fiesta in the house of one Beatrice Gutierrez, two leagues west of Yali, and that several bandits and bad men were to be present. Lieut Matamoros and a Yali guardia patrol cleared in a heavy rain at 8.30 p.m. Patrol arrived at the house and while trying to surround it, four men ran out and, when ordered to halt, continued to run. The guardia opened fire and one man, Francisco Rodriguez Falcon, a known bandit, was killed. The rest escaped in the heavy rain. Falcon was a member of the Hernandez group and is credited with the killing of two men last year. He was armed with a cutacha. His cousin, Lorenzo Falcon, armed with a krag rifle, made his escape. The patrol searched all houses and found five cutachas. In one house was found 50 tortillas and a can of cooked meat. All of this took place in Quebrada Arriba, about one and one half leagues from Yali.

Lieut Clark and Daraili (NA) guardia patrol cleared Daraili for Guayucali.

Lieut Stanko and Pataste (NA) guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo for Pataste.

Lieut Klein and Yalaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo with 38 cargo mules of Red Cross supplies, for Yalaguina. Patrol arrived.

Lieut Titsworth and guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo (NA) with 20 cargo mules of red Cross supplies, for Palacaguina.

Lieut Bell and Limay (NA) guardia patrol, escorting 20 cargo mules with Red Cross supplies, cleared Achuapa for Limay.

Lieut Jackson and guardia patrol cleared Jicaro (NA) for and arrived Apali.

Lieut Brater, Lieut Kipp and Yalaguine (NA) guardia patrol cleared Palacaguina for Cuje. Returned with 5 prisoners.

Lieut Rodriguez and guardia patrol cleared Ocotal (NA) for and arrived Yalaguina.

Lieut Griffith and guardia patrol cleared Telpaneca (NA) for Cuje. Patrol returned to Telpaneca.

Lieut Rodriguez and Ocotal (NA) guardia patrol, escorting 38 cargo mules with Red Cross supplies, cleared Yalaguina and arrived Ocotal.

Lieut Stevens and guardia patrol returned to Leon from El Jicaral after having established a post there. Area patrolled reported quiet.

Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for Santa Rosa and El Relijo roads. Returned to Chinandega, reported all quiet.

Lieut Livermore and Totogalpa (N A) guardia patrol had contact with a group of 20 under Blas Gonzalez on the Totogalpa trail about one and one half miles west and north of Cuje. No guardia casualties. One bandit killed and several wounded. The guardia captured 1 revolver, quantity of ammunition, cutachas and miscellaneous articles.

Lieut Ashbrook and Sajonia (CA) guardia patrol with one civil prisoner arrived Corinto Finca. Cleared there for return to Sajonia.

Lieut Pittman and guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for La Fundadora.

Lieut Zepeda and guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa (CA) from Managua.

Captain Power, Lieutenant McGhee and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol were attacked in Embocaderos by a large group of bandits, as yet jefe unknown, at about 2.00 p.m. Reports indicate Captain Power, Lieut McGhee and three guardia missing and believed killed. Two other guardias wounded. Survivors state that the two officers mentioned were killed in fight lasting two hours. The

guardia exhausted all of its ammunition. No data yet on complete details. Later reports state the guardia fought gallantly for two hours until all ammunition was exhausted. Bodies of the two officers and one guardia later recovered.

Lieut Titsworth and guardia patrol, escorting Red Cross supplies, arrived Palacaguina (NA) from Pueblo Nuevo. Patrol returned to Pueblo Nuevo.

15 JUNE 1931

Guardia patrol arrived Leon from Rota with one civil prisoner. Returned to Rota.

Lieut Dumas and guardia patrol cleared San Antonio for El Pavon district to investigate reports of armed group in vicinity. Returned, no reliable information gained.

Lieut Johnson and Jalapa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Jalapa for Totacasinte.

Lieut Klein and Yalaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Yalaguina for and arrived Palacaguina.

Limay (NA) guardia patrol, escorting red cross supplies cleared Limay for halfway to Pueblo Nuevo.

Dipilto (NA) guardia patrol cleared Dipilto for and arrived Ocotal.

Lieut Clark and Daraili (NA) guardia patrol returned to Daraili from Guayucali; nothing to report.

Lieut Truesdale and Quilali (NA) guardia patrol cleared Quilali for and arrived San Juan de Telpaneca.

Lieut Brauer and Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol, escorting Red Cross supplies, cleared Palacaguina for and arrived Telpaneca.

Esteli (NA) guardia patrol, cleared Esteli for and arrived La Trinidad.

Lieut Ramirez and guardia patrol cleared Limay (NA) for San Francisco.

Lieut Hutchcroft and guardia patrol cleared El Sauce (NA) for and arrived esteli.

Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for El Tigre mountain on police mission. Returned to Totogalpa with one prisoner.

Lieut Sandino and Condega (NA) guardia patrol cleared Condega on police mission. Returned with 1 prisoner, 1 revolver, 2 shotguns, 3 cutachas and twenty pounds of tobacco.

Captain Davies, Lieut Zamora and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo for halfway to Limay; returned, escorting Red Cross supplies.

Lieut Truesdale and Quilali (NA) guardia patrol cleared San Juan de Telpaneca for Quilali.

Dipilto (NA) guardia patrol cleared Ocotal for and arrived Dipilto.

Limay (NA) guardia patrol cleared Limay for Esteli.

El Sauce (NA) guardia patrol cleared El Sauce, with Red Cross supplies, for Achuapa.

Lieut Zamora and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) guardia patrol, escorting Red Cross supplies, cleared Pueblo Nuevo for half way to Yalaguina. Met Yalaguina patrol and then returned to Pueblo Nuevo.

Lieut Brauer, Lieut Griffith and guardia patrol cleared Telpaneca for and arrived Palacaguina (NA).

Limay (NA) guardia patrol cleared for Achuapa and returned to Limay escorting Red Cross supplies.

Guardia patrol arrived Esteli (NA) from Limay.

Lieut Ramirez and guardia patrol arrived Somotillo (NA) from San Francisco.

Lieut Griffin, Lieut Gale and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared on combat mission to the north.

Lieut Cramer, Lieut Rizo and Lieut Saenz and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for Corinto Finca.

Lieut Prieb and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for aviation field. Returned to Jinotega.

Lieut Rittman and La Fundadora (CA) guardia patrol arrived Jinotega from La Fundadora. Cleared Jinotega for La Fundadora.

Lieut Alexander, Lieut Matamoras and guardia patrol cleared Jinotega (CA) for and arrived San Rafael.

Lieut Griffin, Lieut Lee, Lieut Lill, Lieut Gale, Lieut Lopez and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol arrived Jinotega from Embocaderos; patrol brought in the bodies of Captain Power, Lieut McGhee and Raso Talavera #4100, killed in contact on 15 June, 1931 (Contact appears in this letter under June 14 instead of 15).

Lieut Gutierrez and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca at 9.40 p.m. for Embocaderos on combat mission. This patrol cleared after hearing of Captain Power's contact and that he and Lieut McGhee had been killed.

Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca for Hechosa to bring in two wounded guardia from Embocaderos contact.

Lieut Ashbrook and guardia patrol arrived ; Corinto Finca (CA) from Jajonia.

Lieut Cramer, Lieut Ashbrook and guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca (CA) on combat patrol to the Peña Blanca area.

Lieut Uriza and Jinotega guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for halfway to Matagalpa. Matagalpa guardia patrol cleared for halfway to Jinotega. Patrols met, Lieut Uriza joined Matagalpa patrol and cleared for Matagalpa. Jinotega patrol returned to home station.

Guardia patrol arrived Jinotega (CA) from Las Camelias.

Lieut Alexander, Lieut Matamoras and guardia patrol cleared San Rafael (CA) for and arrived Jinotega.

Lieut Lee, Lieut Lill, Lieut Lopez and Central area roving guardia patrol cleared on combat mission to Embocaderos.

Lieut Matamoras and guardia patrol cleared Yali (CA) for and arrived San Rafael.

Lieut Barillas, Lieut Escobar and guardia patrol arrived La Concordia from combat patrol. Covered the areas Cuis canal, El Salto, Porterillas, AguaFria, La Pita, La Majada, Rinconada, Las Quebradas, El Zapote, Las Cuevas, La Guanabana, Isiqui, Le Chaguite, Colon, Namanji, Suni and Grandilla. No contacts and no information. Patrol cleared for San Rafael. Arrived San Rafael. Lieut Barillas and guardia patrol cleared San Rafael for and arrived La Concordia.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for Milina Sur on police mission.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for San Isidro (CA) Returned to Matagalpa.

Lieut Elliott cleared San Isidro (CA) for and arrived Sebaco. Cleared Sebaco and arrived San Isidro.

Muy Muy (CA) guardia patrol cleared Muy Muy to the north on police mission. Returned to Muy Muy.

Muy Muy (CA) guardia patrol cleared Muy Muy for Mal Paso and returned to Muy Muy.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Consuelo.

Lieut Ekberg and guardia patrol cleared La Pineda (CA) and arrived Muy Muy.

16 JUNE 1931

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to El Gancho de la Rosa near La Ceiba area. Patrol returned to Leon. Reports area quiet and no unusual incidents.

Lieut Schuler and Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for Chichigalpa from where he cleared, with additional guardia, for area north and northeast of Chichigalpa-Poseltega.

Lieut Johnson and Jalapa (NA) guardia returned from patrolling vicinity of Totacasinte. Area along the border reported quiet. Picked up information that General Ferrera and Honduran rebels were reported in vicinity of Danli, Honduras.

Lieut Bryson and Yali (CA) guardia patrol cleared on combat patrol to the Las Nubes area. Patrol returned, having covered the areas El Tigre, Bijagual, Las Nubes, San Carlos and Somotete. No contacts and no information.

C5ptain Mixson, Lieut Escobar and San Rafael (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Rafael on combat patrol to the northward.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for Navarro and Algovia.

Lieut Ariza, and Lieut Zepeda cleared Matagalpa (CA) for and arrived Muy Muy.

Muy Muy (CA) guardia patrol cleared for halfway to Matagalpa. Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared for halfway to Muy Muy. Patrols met and each returned to regular stations.

Lieut Ekberg and guardia patrol cleared Muy Muy (CA) for La Pineda.

Lieut Schmierer cleared Dario (CA) for and arrived Terrabona. Cleared Terrabona and returned to damio.

Lieut Navarette and guardia patrol cleared Esquipulas (CA) for and arrived San Dionisio. Returned to Esquipulas.

- 17 JUNE 1931 -

Captain Elmore and apali (NA) GUARDIA CLEARED Apali on police patrol.

Lieut Smith, Lieut Mendoza, Lieut Centeno and Esteli (N¹) guardia patrol cleared Esteli for Miraflores and Moropotente on combat mission.

Captain McQueen and Limay (NA) guardia cleared Limay on police patrol . Patrol returned.

Guardia patrol cleared Esteli (N A) for La Trinidad.

Captain Burwell, Lieut Klein and Yalaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Yalaguina and arrived Totogalpa.

Lieut Trosper and Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for Yalaguina and returned to Totogalpa.

Captain Davies and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) guardia patrol, escorting Red Cross supplies, cleared Pueblo Nuevo for halfway to Palacaguina. Lieut Kipp and Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Palacaguina for halfway to Pueblo Nuevo. Patrols met. Palacaguina patrol cleared with Red Cross supplies for and arrived Palacaguina. Pueblo Nuevo patrol returned to home station.

Lieut Klien and Yalaguina (NA) guardia patrol, escorting Red Cross supplies, cleared Totogalpa and arrived Ocotal.

Lieut Berueffy and Somoto (NA) guardia patrol cleared Somoto for vicinity of Cañas. Returned, nothing to report

Lieut Johnson and Jalapa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Jalapa for and arrived Apali.

Lieut Satterfield, Lieut Bilbrey and San Juan de Telpanco
(NA) guardia patrol cleared San Juan for and arrived Apali.

Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Palacaguina for
vicinity of Palacaguina on police mission.

Lieut Sardino and Condega (N A) guardia patrol cleared
Condega for vicinity west of San Andres. Patrol returned.

El Sauce (NA) guardia patrol returned to El Sauce from
Achuapa.

Lieut Schuler and Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chich-
igalpa for EL Pavon, San Francisco, Limon, El Bacceto and
San Ramon.

Major Webb, Department Commander of Leon, and Lieut Makus
cleared Leon for La Paz Centro. Returned to Leon.

Lieut Castrillo and Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on
patrol to Comarch de Abangezca. Patrol returned to Leon with
two civil prisoners.

Lieut Prieb and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared for
aviation field. Returned to Jinotega with 16 civil prisoners
used incarrying bodies to aviation field.

Captain Rea, Captain Scholtessand, Jinotega (CA) guardia
patrol with 16 civil prisoners carrying the bodies of Captain
Power and Lieut McGhee cleared Jinotega for aviation field.

Lieut Griffin, Lieut Lee, Lieut Gale and Jinotega (CA)
guardia patrol cleared on combat mission to the north.

Lieut Gutierrez and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol with
1 wounded guardia, cleared for and arrived Jinotega.

Lieut Matamoras and guardia patrol cleared San Rafael
for and arrived La Concordia.

Lieut Barillas and guardia patrol cleared La Concordia (CA)
for and arrived San Rafael.

Consuelo (CA) guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa from Consuelo.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Cuatros Esquinas.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared to patrol road to Muy
Muy and returned to Matagalpa.

Guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa from Navarro and Algovia.

18 JUNE 1931

Lieut Schuler and Chinandega guardia patrol returned to
Chichigalpa. Confiscated 4 shotguns and 1 cutacha. Reports
area patrolled quiet.

Lieut Stevens and Leon guardia patrol, accompanied by
Director of Police and his Secretary, cleared Leon on patrol
to Telica to hold an investigation. Patrol returned to Leon
no incidents to report.

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

NOTES FROM DEPARTMENT OF MANAGUA AND CARAZO FOR THE
MONTH OF MAY 1931.

1st.

Lieut. Hoyle cleared Jinotepe on patrol to Santa Teresa, San Marcos and Diriamba.

2nd.

Guardia patrol with three inspectors of Hacienda, on patrol to El Apante, El Cammen and El Tular. Found one shotgun, no prisoners.

3rd and 4th.

Lieut. Gardner from Managua to Tipitapa and El Carmen on patrol. Returned, nothing to report..

5th.

Lieut. Gardner to San Rafael del Sur and returned. Nothing to report.

Jinotepe Guardia patrol, with 1 inspector of Hacienda and three Jueces de Mesta, to El Chinal, Peña Blanca, La Piñuela and Vera Cruz. Captured two thieves.

8th and 9th.

Lieut. Gardner to Hacienda sections via Ticuantepe, El Carmen and San Rafael del Sur. Confiscated 4 shotguns and 10 cutachas. From Managua to Las Cuchillas. Confiscated 1 shotgun. Jinotepe Guardia patrol, with two inspectors of hacienda, to El Carmen and Dulce Nombre.

10th.

Jinotepe Guardia patrol, with Director of Police and two inspectors of hacienda, to Santa Teresa to investigate killing of Municipal guardia.

12th.

Jinotepe guardia patrol to Guiste and La Trinidad in search of cattle thieves. Found nothing. Lieut. Hoyle, Lieut. Gardner and guardia to Santa Teresita. Jinotepe guardia patrol to El Aguacate after cattle thieves.

13th, 14th and 16th.

Lieut. Gardner and guardia patrol from Managua to Santo Domingo. Confiscated two pistols. Lieut. Gardner from Managua to Las Banderas. Confiscated 1 pistol. Managua guardia patrol to Casa Colorada to patrol during the week end.

20th.

Lieut. Gardner and Managua guardia patrol to Sabana Grande and return.

20th and 21st.

Jinotepe guardia patrol, with one inspector of hacienda and 1 Juez de Mesta, to La Conquista, Astillero, Ochomogo and way points on four day patrol. Captured 4 shotguns. Jinotepe guardia patrol to Santa Cruz.

23rd.

Lieut. Gardner and guardia patrol to Casa Colorada. Patrolled that area and returned to Managua. Confiscated six cutachas.

28th, 29th and 30th.

Jinotepe guardia patrol to La Boquita. Returned with one prisoner. Jinotepe guardia patrol to El Aguacate after cattle thieves. Returned, nothing to report. Jinotepe guardia patrol, with one inspector of hacienda, to La Pita. Jinotepe guardia, with two inspectors of hacienda to Masatepe. Jinotepe guardia patrol to El Sol after cattle thieves; found nothing. Lieut. Gardner and Managua guardia patrol to La Cuchilla over week end.

31st.

Captain Maynard, Department Commander, to Las Maderas to investigate wounding of telegraph operator. Returned to Managua with one prisoner and 1 confiscated pistol.

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NOTES FROM EASTERN AREA
MAY, 1931.

Lieut. Riowe arrived Bluefields from Rama. Lieut. Benson and Puerto Cabezas guardia patrol to Yacal and return.

5th.

Colonel Wynn, Area Commander, airplane reconnaissance patrol to Logtown, Saclin, landing for inspection of post at Cape Gracias and returned to Puerto Cabezas. Returned to Bluefields.

7th.

Lieut. Stephenson and Puerto Cabezas guardia on patrol to Yacal and return.

8th.

Guardia patrol and civicos cleared Neptune Mine for Musawas on special mission. (Returned on 13th).

10th.

Lieut. Stephenson and Puerto Cabezas guardia patrol to Louisiana Farm and return. Pay day guard for Bragman Bluff Lumber Co.

11th.

Captain Inman and Puerto Cabezas guardia patrol to Kipla Farm and return. Pay day guard for Bragman Bluff Lumber Co.

18th.

Captain Riden, Area Surgeon, cleared Bluefields via barge for inspection of the District of El Gallo on the Rio Grande. Returned May 23.

Lieut. Gaitan and guardia detachment arrived Bluefields from Managua. Cleared for and arrived Puerto Cabezas for duty.

25th.

Captain Inman and Puerto Cabezas guardia patrol to Louisiana Farm as pay day guard for Bragman Bluff Lumber Co. Lieut. Curcey and guardia detachment established post at Kipla Farm. Lieut. Stephenson and guardia detachment established post at Moss Farm.

26th.

Lieut. Simmer and Lieut. Gaitan on inspection trip from Puerto Cabezas to newly established post at Kipla Farm, Moss Farm and Toledo Wye and returned to Puerto Cabezas.

27th.

Colonel Wynn, Area Commander, to Rama, for inspection of Headquarters District of Siquia and returned to Bluefields.

MILITARY SITUATION : There is no evidence of the actual presence of bandit elements in this area, but it is believed that they are encamped in the vicinity of Bocay.

ECONOMIC SITUATION : There are reasons to believe that business conditions are slightly improved in Bluefields. An agent of a British firm in this city states that he has obtained at least seven thousand dollars worth of orders during the period.

WEATHER : Increased rain storms, with total precipitation of fifteen inches during period.

CONDITIONS OF ROADS AND TRAILS : Poor. Rains have done considerable damage to the new construction work of Rama-Managua highway. The Pearl Lagoon Canal work has stopped.

LA CRUZ AND EL GALLO : Lieut. Stone inspected Rio Grande Bar on May 6, Lieut. Stone and guardia patrolled to Tumarin and Rio Grande on May 19. Lieut. Stone and guardia patrol inspected Rio Prinzapolka on May 23.

PUNTA GORDA : Weekly patrols up and down the river. All quiet.

EL RAMA : Patrols covered Rios Escondido, Rama, Siquia and Mico weekly. All quiet.

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The following is reported by Colonel Smith, Area Commander of the Central Area, as received from the District Commander, Yali:

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS : Conditions remain about the same. The corn and beans sent here by the Jefe Politico are being issued to the poor and needy in the presence of a guardia officer. These issues take place each Wednesday and Sunday. Supplies were issued

to about one hundred and twenty five people the last issue. Although doled out in small quantities it is sufficient to tide the people over until their crops are ready. The people are very profuse in their thanks, as it will prevent a great number from starving..

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Colonel Smith reports a great increase in the number of acres of crops planted has been noticed in the area todate. All crops are reported to be growing fast. These crops consist of corn, beans and potatoes.

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The following letter from the Chief of Police, Jinotega, to the Area Commander, reporting the distribution of American Red Cross supplies to the poor, is quoted:

Guardia Nacional Barracks, Jinotega, Nic.
14 June 1931.

From: The Chief of Police.
To : The Area Commander, Central Area.

Subject: Distribution of food supplies shipped to Jinotega
By the American Red Cross for the poor.

1. On or about May 20, 1931, the Jefe Politico, Department of Jinotega, received from the American Red Cross ten thousand pounds of beans and four thousand one hundred twenty-five pounds of corn for distribution to the poor in this department.

2. On 23 May 1931, the Jefe Politico, appointed a committee consisting of himself, the Alcalde don Pedro J. Lopez, Liberal member, don Pio Palma, conservative member, and Lieutenant William A. Lee, G.N.de Nic.

3. The committee made the following distribution of the beans and corn received, viz:

	Beans	Corn
Jinotega	51 sacks	11 sacks
San Rafael del Norte	15 sacks	3 sacks
Yali	20 sacks	6 sacks
La Concordia	14 sacks	5 sacks

4. The committee assisted by local Guardia, distributed the beans and corn allotted to Jinotega to six hundred families within the area bounded on the north by monocotal, on the south by Carneta; on the east by Laguna, and on the west by Santa Barbara. Each family received a total of ten pounds of beans and corn mixed. The distribution in Jinotega covered a period of five days.

5. Beans and corn shipped to the towns listed above were accompanied with a letter from the Jefe Politico requesting that the same procedure in the distribution be followed as conducted by the committee in Jinotega. Guardia in each town assisted the local officials in the distribution.

----- /s/ M. COX -----

Report of patrol made by Colonel J. C. Smith, Area Commander of Central Area and Captain M. Cox, with Jinotega guardia, is quoted as follows:

GUARDIA NACIONAL BARRACKS, Jinotega, Nic.
14 June 1931.

From: Captain M. Cox, G.N.
To : The Area Commander, Central Area.

Subject: Patrol, report of.

Reference: GO. #190-1929.

1. An inspection patrol consisting of the Area Commander, myself, and 16 enlisted cleared Jinotega at 0810 9 June 1931.

9 June 1931.

0810 Cleared Jinotega for San Rafael del Norte.
1235 Arrived San Rafael del Norte.

10 June 1931.

0750 Cleared San Rafael del Norte for Yali.
1200 Arrived Yali.

11 June 1931.

0905 Cleared Yali for La Concordia.
1215 Arrived La Concordia.
1605 Cleared La Concordia for San Rafael del Norte.
1740 Arrived San Rafael del Norte.

12 June 1931.

0815 Cleared San Rafael del Norte for Jinotega.
1235 Arrived Jinotega.

2. GUARDIA EQUIPMENT: 1 BAR; 1 TSMG; 1 RGD; 15 Rifles Krag; 2 Colt Automatics cal. 45; 1300 rds. amm. Krag cal. 30; 212 rds. cal. 45. amm.; 220 rds. cal. 30 for Model 1903 rifle, and 10 rifle grenades.

3. Roads and trails were good. Discipline of the Guardia satisfactory. No bandit information received. Area covered by this patrol appeared very quiet and considerable cultivation was noted.

----- /s/ M. COX -----

The following report covers patrol made by Captain A. R. Bourne, Lieut. W. F. Pulver and Navarro guardia from May 31 to June 4, 1931:

GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA,
DISTRICT OF NAVARRO,
8 June 1931.

From: The District Commander.
To : The Department Commander.

Subject: Patrol report.

1. From information received from Licut. Salvador Montenegro at the sub-station of Cuatro-Esquinas, on the afternoon of 30 May 1931, that groups of from 20 to 30 bandits were operating in the North Carretera and North Guasaca areas, gathering food in small quantities from the Indians, a patrol consisting of myself and Lieutenant W.F. Pulver with 20 enlisted cleared on 31 May at 0700 for Guasaca.

2. OPERATIONS:

31 May 1931.

0700 cleared Navarro for Guasaca, arrived 1600 at hacienda of Enrique Zons, where camp was made for the night. Here we learned that 8 days before a group of 20 men under Daniel Hernandez was in the Northern Carretera, La Guata areas making dulce and robbing all the Indians of pigs, cows and horses. "They cleaned them out". That after they have left in direction of Cerro Verde.

1 June 1931.

Remained in camp, gathering information from various jucces de Mesta and other persons who were known by Mr. Zons. Could gain nothing substantial to work on, but decided to clear and investigate point known as Peña Blanca (Garcia).

2 June 1931.

0700 cleared Guasaca and arrived at Peña Blanca (Garcia) where camp was made at house of "Chico" Rodriguez. Here we learned after some very careful questioning, that the bandits (about 60) had passed through his place about a month and a half ago. Outside of this the man knew absolutely nothing. As nothing could be gained here, it was decided to return by way of Cerro Verde.

3 June 1931.

0700 cleared for the south west and about 1000 reached vicinity of Cerro Verde. Here nothing could be learned so the patrol cleared for the hacienda La Claire. Arrived at 1600 and made camp. At La Claire information regarding group of 60 that had passed month and a half ago was verified. Nothing was known about recent bandit activities..

4 June 1931.

0700 cleared for Navarro and arrived at 1600.

NOTES:

I believe it impracticable to operate in this area with less than 20 men. The patrol that accomplishes anything in that area must be prepared to remain out at least 15 days. There is not a scrap of food available anywhere north of Guasaca of Carretera. For a patrol of 20 men four good pack animals would be needed to carry rations enough for this period. I have not the animals necessary for these operations, having only five in Navarro which are overworked at present with the work of the district. My animals being all out hauling supplies, it was necessary when I cleared on patrol to commandeer two from the hacienda. The hacienda, however, with great foresight, have now moved all their extra animals to a distant potrero.

Before I cleared here on 31 Mat 1931, I believed that the "Bachachos" might have a camp somewhere near Cerro Verde. I am now of the opinion that they are somewhere in the Bocay area. Had the original plan been carried out, that of having a combat post at Guasaca, operations against these groups would have been facilitated greatly.

To substantiate my belief regarding the possible camp in the area Cua-Bocaycito and the head waters of the Bocay, I received today from Mr. Enrique Zons, in Guasaca, the following:

"That on 6 June 1931, 10 bandits arrived at the property of Aliu, near Juan Palma, in La Tronca, they carried off everything eatable including a cargo bull and some pigs and cows. They very kindly informed the owner that they were a foraging party from the main group of 100 which was in Bijagua (near Cacao). The main group was later seen at the junction of the Bocay-Carretera trails. So it is not known if they went to Bocay or to Carretera. Due to the fact that the Juez de Mesta of Tuma Arriba came here this morning and reported all quiet, leads me to believe that they went to Bocay.

Upon receipt of the above, which I do not believe merits sending out a patrol from here, I am transmitting it to the Department as a sample of the kind of "Dope" we get. There was no information about the arms of this group nor as to whom their jefe might be.

A great many of the Indians have left carretera and Guasaca and gone near the Guardia protection. This in a way is a good thing as these foraging parties may have to be sent further south for food and when they are we can operate from here with some chance of contact.

----- /s/ A. R. BOURNE -----

Report of patrol made by Lieut. E. Matamoros and Yali guardia patrol on June 6, 1931, follows:

GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA,
Yali, Nicaragua,
6 June 1931.

From: Sub-Teate. Ernesto Matamoros, G.N.
To : Area Commander, Central Area.
Via : Company Commander, Company "B", Yali, Nic.

Subject: Report of a patrol made on June 6th, from 8:00
am. to 5:50 pm. 6/6/31.

1. Due to information received that in the place called "Quebrada Arriba", about two leagues south of Yali, in a fiesta taking place at the house of Beatriz Gutierrez, a certain group of bandits would be gathered there; I cleared with my patrol for that place to investigate.

The patrol was composed of the following members:

Sub-Teate. E. Matamoros, G.N.	Cabo Manguia, Aquilino	# 2393
Raso Alvarado, Jose	# 524 Raso Castro, Andres	4162
Davila, Pedro	3816 Galan, Napoleon	1301
Gurdian, Juan	4363 Gutierrez, Serapio	4393
Quintero, Juan	4286 Sequeira, Marcelino	4010
Ubada, Ignacio	4232	

2. We cleared Yali at 2000 approaching the mentioned place at about 2400, when we were at about 1000 yards from the village we heard some music which I directed to stop so that I could deploy my men, and could observe and organize for action. I sent five men under Cabo Munguia to circle the place by the right flank and I with the remainder to the left flank.

3. In advancing upon the village a group of men ran out toward the opposite side and the patrol opened fire.

4. In the search of the field we found the body of one of the fugitives armed with a cutacha, this was recognized as Francisco R. Falcon, who was a member of the patrol of Rosalio Herrera as per the information given out by some of the people present at the scene. They also informed us that the fugitives were five men armed with cutachas, one of them well known by the name of Concepcion Ochoa, who was armed with a Krag rifle.

5. The conduct observed by the members of this patrol was excellent. The articles captured to the bandits were the following: 5 cutachas, large quantity of foodstuff which was distributed.

The patrol has no incident and returned to its home station at 4:50 am. 6 June 1931.

/s/ Ernesto Matamoros,
2nd Lt. G.N.

Report of contact by Licut. Livernore and Totogalpa guardia patrol with a group of bandits in vicinity of Cuje follows:

GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA
DISTRITO DE TOTOGALPA,
15 June 1931.

From: District Commander.
To : Area Commander, Northern Area, Ocotal, Nic..

Subject: Report of contact at Cuje.

1. On 31 June 31, cleared a patrol as per orders of Area Commander for Cuje 201-363.

The patrol consisted of the following Officer and enlisted:

2nd Lt Livernore E. L.		Raso Martinez V., act. Cabo # 933	
Raso Acevedo A.	# 2995	" Aguilar N.	1405
Blandon M.	4206	Cubillo R.	1685
Caceres A.	4204	Cano L.	5834
Guzman J.	3316	Garache M.	1955
Gonzalez B.	4189	Gonzalez J.	4133
Lainez L.	4191	Olivas J.	4177
Perez D.	4192.		

2. Upon arrival at Cuje secured information that a group of about twenty under Blas Gonzalez had been robbing cattle in that District; patrol then cleared in the direction of where the group had last been seen. After the patrol had reached the top of a large mountain, discovered that another patrol had gone ahead of us.

There were two trails running parallels and were about 15 ft. distance apart. The point of patrol under Raso Martinez, heard voices and discovered that a bandit patrol was approaching us on the other trail. Bandits were talking about Patria and Liberty por el Pais. Martinez sent a runner to me and stated that a bandit patrol was coming. Guardia were ordered to deploy in ambush position, and when the bandits were abreast they discovered our presence, fired at us and ran in the brush. Guardia immediately opened fire, killing

the bandit outright and wounding several others. Guardia followed the bandits but were unable to regain contact on account of the heavy brush, but believe that the Telaneca patrol hit them again as shots were heard in that direction.. Bandits evidently thought that because a Guardia patrol had gone ahead of us there were no Guardias in that district and it was safe for them to travel.

3. Bandits were armed with rifles, pistols and cutachas.
4. Guardias were armed with 1 BAR, 1 STMG, 1 RG and Rifles.
5. Guardia casualties None.
Bandit casualties 1 killed
Several wounded.

6. Captured: 1 pistol Colt 38 S. serviceable, cutachas, ammunition 38 cal. Krag 30. and hats, etc.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS: It is recommended that Raso Martinez Ventura # 933 be cited for alertness and good judgement, for he kept the men under him from talking and sent a runner to me letting me know that a bandit group were approaching us. If the men had been talking and making noise on the trail, patrol would never have been able to gain contact with the group.

/s/ Edw. L. Livernore,
2nd Lt., G.N.

The following report covers patrol made by Lieut. E. Diaz M., G.N., and Macuelizo guardia on June 14. The endorsement of the District Commander is also quoted:

GUARDIA NACIONAL Macuelizo, N.S., Nic.,
14 June 1931.

From: Sub-Tnte. Ernesto Diaz M., G.N.
To : Area Commander, Northern Area.
Via : District Commander.

Subject: Patrol report.

1. On 14 June 1931 I cleared Macuelizo at 8:00 am. with a patrol of ten enlisted men, passed over El Recuerdo and headed for Amatillo, inquiring into the houses in search of information, and we continued up to Marimacho, when we arrived La Palma we set a fire the house of the well known bandits Ventura Rodriguez Jimenez, and Bartolo Cruz Rodriguez. Captured one cutacha. We followed our way up to Los Limones, which is an abandoned house serving actually as bandit camp deserted. We searched for people and after some inquiries we found the house of the well known bandits Felipe Raudales and Higinio Espinosa. Captured one cutacha and one stolen mare, and a lot of cattle hides of the Pastor Lovo's cattle which I guess belong to the hacienda "San Luis" which was ransacked about 15 days ago. In my return to Macuelizo I captured the two mentioned bandits. Once in the jail, Higinio Espinosa stated as follows: that 15 days ago the bandits were at his home, it is to say, the same day when hacienda San Luis was ransacked (be observed that the house of Espinosa is the same of Raudales), and it

is my understanding that these two men were present with the bandits in the hacienda San Luis.

/s/ Ernesto Diaz M.,
Sub-Inte. G.N.de Nic.

First Endorsement
GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA, Masuclizo, N.S., Nic.,
14 June 1931.

From: Commanding Officer.
To : Area Commander, Northern Area.

1. Forwarded.
2. The cowhides have been recognized by the brands as property of Pastor Lazo. I believe they are part of the loot from San Luis.
3. Attention is called to the fact that this was Sub-Inte. Diaz's first patrol. He is an excellent patrol leader.

/s/ J. H. Broderick.

The following is an extract from the daily "REPORT OF AIR MISSION", Aircraft Squadrons, 2nd Brigade, U.S. Marines, Managua, Nicaragua for June 16, 1931, and illustrates the splendid service rendered by the air forces and its close co-operation with ground patrols:

" 2. Two O-U-1 airplanes, Major Mitchell, pilot, with Gy-Sgt. Cole, observer, and Lieut. Becker, pilot, with Gy-Sgt. Carey, observer, took off Managua and carried out a reconnaissance and liaison mission to the Jinotega areas and return.

0840 - Managua: Took off.

0855 - Jinotega: Land. Hold up by bad weather.

Received report that five patrols were working toward Ebocaderos area: two from Jinotega, one from San Rafael, one from Corinto Finca and one from Navarro.

1115 - Jinotega: Took off.

1130 - Ebocaderos: Found Jinotega patrol camped.

Panels AV-KC-FK meaning: "Find bandits north", arrow pointed north. Panels CX-CC-111, also displayed, meaning: "three died yesterday". Dropped message asking if bodies of officers recovered. Reply: "Yes". Patrol displayed panel, "no further need of you". Patrol led area to north of Ebocaderos for about four miles, and area to east and west. Country outside of this area was dense jungle where even the ground could not be seen. Discovered seven new bandit shacks, and quantities of old ones. Bandits apparently have been living in area for some time. Fired several bursts into shacks but no bandits seen. Jinotega reported that bandits at Ebocaderos were clad in khaki uniforms.

1215 - Returned to Ebocaderos and picked up patrol.

Dropped message, telling them what we had seen.

1230 - Jinotega: Made drop advising them about recovery of bodies of officers, and giving them information about bandits shacks near Ebocaderos.

1315 - Managua: Landed airborne.

The following report, with Plates I and II, covers the contact of Lieut. Power, Lieut. McGhee and Corinto Finca Guardia at Embocaderos on June 15, 1931:

HEADQUARTERS, CENTRAL AREA,
GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA, JINOTEGA, NIC.,

18 June 1931.

FROM: The Area Commander.
TO: The Jefe Director, Guardia Nacional, Managua.
SUBJECT: Report of contact at Embocaderos on June 15.

1. The following account of the contact at Embocaderos is compiled from the accounts of the following eye-witnesses:

Raso Luis Garcia Perez, #4323 (wounded)
Raso Pedro Joaquin Maradiaga, #43251
(wounded)
Jose Valdivia (Owner of the house)
Amador Montenegro (an intelligent reliable citizen, a civico of Jinotega, who was a bandit prisoner)

and Lieut. Robert L. Griffin, G.N., Lieut. William A. Lee, G.N. and Lieut. Policarpo Gutierrez, G.N., all of whom inspected the scene of action and made oral reports.

2. The guardia patrol, consisting of Captain Lester E. Power, Lieutenant William H. McGhee and fifteen enlisted men, cleared Corinto Finca on combat patrol at 09515 for Embocaderos, Las Cuchillas and Peña Blanca areas. The patrol reached the house of Jose Valdivia at about 2.00 p.m., where it stopped and began to prepare food. The house was open to the south and partly boarded with one inch pine boards on other sides, has a tile roof, lies on ground generally sloping from north to south. The house is lower than the surrounding country.

About noon the bandit group captured Amador Montenegro in Estrella, about a league to the north. He states that the group numbered two hundred more or less, that he recognized Pedron Altamirano and Pedro Irias. Pedron is well dressed and rides a fine big mule; has high boots, khaki trousers and woolen khaki shirt; wears several gold chains and many gold rings. He carries a Luger pistol and a forty-five revolver. Nothing notable about the dress of Irias. The bandits were not in any kind of uniform; some had hardly any clothes at all. They had four machine guns, "two big ones and two little ones", all had rifles and pouches full of ammunition. At about 2.00 p.m. a big black man in the bandit point came to a hill marked "A" (the bandits were not on the main trail but moving from Los Cedros toward the house of Victor Rodriguez to a place called Escaleros) with a pair of field glasses, saw the guardia pack mules crossing a small rise marked "B". The bandits halted until they saw the guardia come to the house of Jose Valdivia and unload the mules. They then sent a runner for a group which had gone on ahead and made plans to surround the house on three sides. Irias took the left wing and told a man he called "Colonel", a small white man with heavy drooping mustache to take the right wing. Montenegro was with Irias and during the fight laid in a hollow about fifty yards in rear of the bandit line to the east of the house

and could not see any of the fight. About three p.m. the fight started, rifles first, followed immediately by machine guns and lasted until nearly dark. It was so dark when the bandits left that he was enabled to escape. The bandits left in two directions, most of them went back toward Estrella, the remainder going to the southeast. This latter group carried three dead bodies, one of whom was the Colonel who commanded the right wing. (The Jefe Politico of Jimotega states that the man was Daniel Hernandez, a Colonel with Altamirano, known to be the best shot in his army). Another of the dead was "Chino". (This man's name is Juan Zelcaya). He heard the bandits, carrying the body, say they were sorry "Chino" had been killed.

3. When the bandits first opened fire the sentry gave the alarm and the guardias immediately returned the fire, most of them outside the house. "During the height of the combat" Lieutenant McGhee, while firing the Thompson from behind a stone to the north of the house "C" on sketch, was hit in the head by a rifle bullet, went into the house, sat down on a pile of lumber and died. Captain Power went behind a pile of tiles, "D" in sketch, during his pistol--he called for the BAR. It was handed to him but was jammed; he then called for the grenade discharger and was shot in the head as he reached for it; he went into the house, laid on the bed and died in about fifteen minutes. He told the guardia to continue the fight.

4. Private Santiago Talavera, #4100, was mortally wounded while firing through a crack from within the house. He was dragged to some little bushes marked "E" and left there. Private Perez says that he shot from behind a stump and that he saw two dead men in the open. Private Maradiaga says two men were together, one of whom shot Captain Power at about one hundred meters. He shot this man and the other shot him; when he fell his hand fell on Captain Power's pistol and he brought it with him. He afterwards killed a bandit with it when was getting away. Perez was wounded in the leg by a bomb, also had a slight flesh wound from a rifle bullet and could not walk. He lay hidden in the bursh until the bandits left and was found the next morning by a guardia patrol. He heard the bandits say that seven bandits were killed.

5. All accounts agree that the fight started about 3.00 p.m. and lasted till nearly dark.

6. Lieutenant Lee with the first guardia patrol on the ground estimated the bandits at one hundred and fifty men; their line was horseshoe shape and covered more than two hundred yards. In sarching the bushes he found a number of blood spots, and on both trails that the bandits used in leaving, there were trails of blood. He picked up from the bandit line and brought to this office the following cartridge cases by actual count:

826 - Cal.30 Krag and Springfield
32 - Cal. 45
5 - Cal. 38 rifle
5 - Cal. 38 special pistol
5 - Cal. 32 short pistol
11 - Cal. 32/20 pistol

884 - Total

From the vicinity of the house on the ground occupied by the

guardia he picked up a larger quantity by volume of empty of empty cartridge cases but was unable to bring them in due to lack of transportation. As the bandits were in thick brush and the cases were hard to find, particularly the cal. 45 cases, it is safe to say the bandits fired fifteen hundred rounds and hit six guardia in the open at a distance of from fifty to one hundred and fifty yards.

Each guardia who reported in either to Jinotega or to Corinto Finca had an empty cartridge belt. Even the wounded stayed to shoot their last cartridges. Corporal Rivas, who handled the BAR was wounded and unable to carry his weapon, but states that he completely disabled it.

7. The undersigned believes that it is safe to say the bandits lost seven killed, including Colonel Daniel Hernandez, and an unknown number of wounded. The guardia losses:

Dead: Captain Lester E. Power
Lieut. William H. McGhee
Raso Santiago Talavera, #4100
Wounded: Corporal Daniel Gutierrez, # 3529
Corporal Isaac Rivas, #2544
Private Pedro Maradiaga, #3251
Private Luis Perez, #4323

Property captured by bandits:

1 BAR (completely disabled)
12 Magazines, BAR
1 Drum, Thompson
1 Pistol (Lieut. McGhee's)
19 Blankets
1 Aerolane panel and Code cards
1 Dispatch case (Captain Power's)
1 Mule and aparejo
1 Tromblon

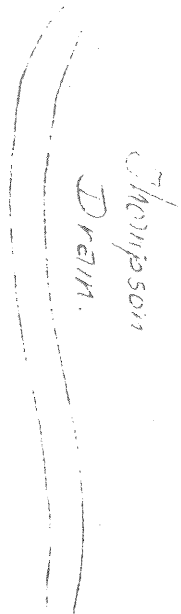
8. Everything indicates that the guardia were attacked by a group of from one hundred and fifty to two hundred bandits under Altamirano and Irias, armed with two Lewis guns and two Sub-Thompsons, who had not been heard of in this neighborhood for nearly six months. That the guardia put up a gallant fight against terrific odds, and with utmost loyalty stuck by their officers until it was known that they were dead and until their ammunition was exhausted. Too high praise cannot be given them for their loyalty and gallantry, especially the old guardia who took cover and coolly shot it out with the bandits.

9. Lieutenant Gutierrez deserves the highest praise for his loyalty and courage in marching at once by night to the scene of action with a patrol of only twelve men.

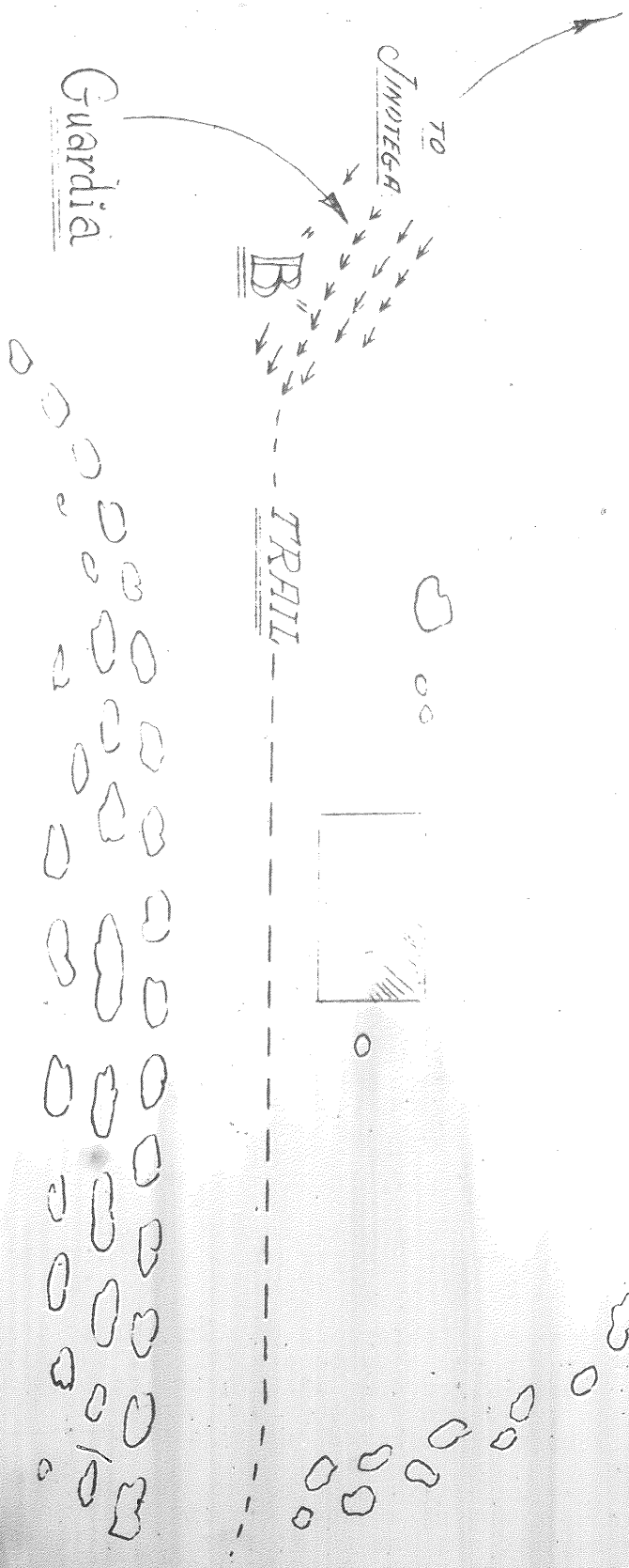
10. Specific recommendations will be made when more exact information is available.

(sgd) Julian C. Smith

PLATE ONE



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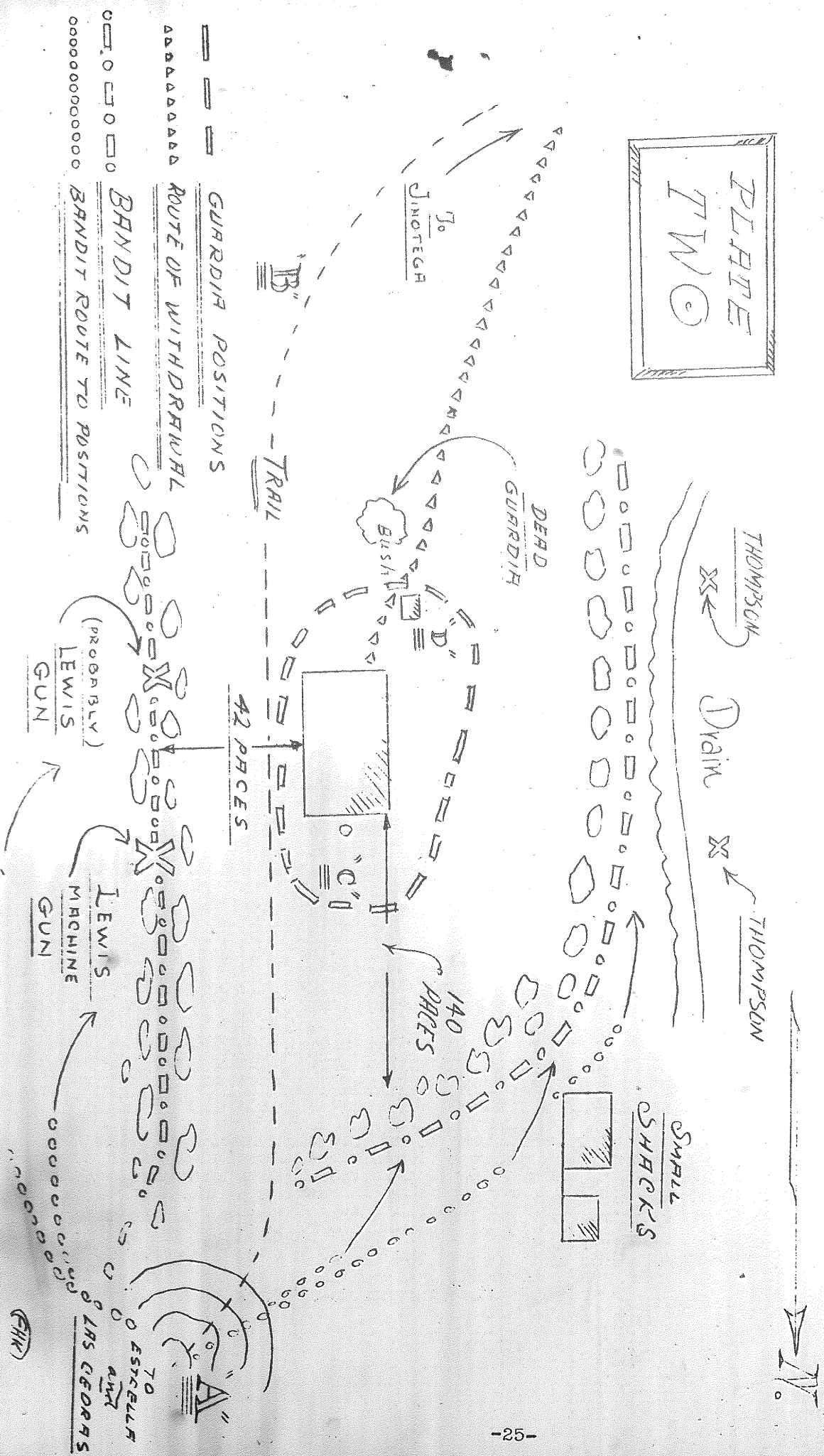
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NOTES FROM THE MANAGUA POLICE

A traffic change which seems to have improved the situation was made effective Monday when Second Street south was made a one way street for east bound traffic, and Central Street was made a one way street for west bound traffic. As the business section of Managua has moved to the east this became a necessity in order to avoid traffic jams, and seems to have brought about the effect desired.

The number of arrests made fell off considerably last week, due in part to the fact that each day houses are becoming more secure through repairs with the consequent greater difficulty in entering.

Licut. Jack Davis has recovered from his sickness and is back on duty at the Station, but to balance matters our new Licut. Cabrera has the fever and is consequently confined to his bunk.

Many of the contracts of enlistment are expiring this month, but the gratifying part of this, is that practically all of the men are ready to re-enlist. Some few with bad records have been discharged with the notation that they are not considered suitable for shipping over.

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P E R S O N N E L

Captain J. H. Smith, Guardia Operations Officer, cleared Managua, by plane, for Ocotal for inspection of communication system of the Segovias. Upon completion of that duty there he will proceed to Jinotega for a similar inspection.

Captain E. E. Larson, formerly commanding the Department of Rivas, cleared for Corinto on June 17 en route to the U. S., duty in the Guardia completed.

Licut. Satterfield arrived Managua by plane from Ocotal on June 18, 1931.

