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8 JULY 1931

Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega with Hacienda Inspector on contraband patrol.

Lieut Gale and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for and arrived Corinto Finca.

Lieut Downey and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca on police patrol. Returned to Corinto Finca.

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

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for and arrived San Isidro.

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

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Navarro.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa on police patrol along the Jinotega road. Returned to Matagalpa.

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

Las Lajas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Las Lajas for and arrived Matagalpa.

Guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa (CA) from Darrio.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol returned to Matagalpa with Inspector of Hacienda from contraband patrol.

9 JULY 1931

Lieut Clark, Lieut Martinez and Daraili (NA) guardia patrol had contact with a group of bandits about three miles northeast of Guayucali. Bandit casualties one killed and three wounded. No guardia casualties. The guardia captured one revolver and miscellaneous articles.

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

Lieut Kipp and Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Palacaguina for and arrived Condega.

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Captain Kelly, Lieut Truesdale and combined Jicaro-Quilali (NA) guardia patrol cleared Apali for and arrived Jicaro.

Captain Brauer, Lieut Kipp and Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Condega for and arrived Palacaguina.

Limay (NA) guardia patrol cleared Limay for Achuapa and returned to Limay.

Lieut Centeno and Moropotente (NA) guardia patrol arrived Esteli from Moropotente.

Lieut Munoz, Lieut Wysaski and Telpaneca (NA) guardia patrol returned to Telpaneca on July 6. Destroyed a bandit camp southwest of Pericon. Shot one bandit who ran from camp. Captured nine cutachas, red and black hat bands and miscellaneous articles.

Lieut Gale and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca on police patrol and returned to Corinto Finca.

Lieut Cramer and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca on police mission and returned to Corinto Finca.

Lieut Atha cleared San Ramon (CA) for and arrived Matagalpa.

Las Lajas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for Las Lajas.

Esquipulas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Esquipulas for and arrived Matagalpa.

#### 10 JULY 1931

Guardia patrol returned to San Antonio from Chinandega.

Captain E. A. Craig, Department Commander, returned to Chinandega from temporary duty in Corinto.

Lieut Schuler and Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for finca south of Chinandega. Returned with two prisoners.

Guardia from Telica arrived Leon with 1 prisoner. Returned to Telica after delivering prisoner.

Lieut Stevens and Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to Comarca de Chacra Seca.

Lieut Truesdale and Quilali (NA) guardia patrol cleared Jicaro for Quilali. Patrol arrived.

Lieut Bilbrey and San Juan de Telpaneca (NA) guardia patrol cleared Apali for San Juan. Patrol arrived.

Lieut Wesz and Santa Maria (NA) guardia patrol cleared Ocotal for Santa Maria via Macuelizo.

Lieut Griffith and Telpaneca (NA) guardia patrol cleared Ocotal for Telpaneca.

Lieut Zamora and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo for Rosario. Returned to Pueblo Nuevo with seven prisoners, members of local cattle thief group.

Lieut Rourk and Apali (NA) guardia patrol cleared Apali from police mission.

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

Dipilto (NA) guardia patrol cleared Dipilto for vicinity of S. Fabian ranch to lay ambush for smugglers.

Lieut Livermore and Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for vicinity of Canas. Returned, no evidence of bandits in area covered.

Lieut Centeno and Moropotente (NA) guardia patrol cleared Esteli for Moropotente.

Captain Arnett, Captain Burwell and Esteli (NA) guardia patrol cleared for Moropotente and returned to Esteli.

Captain Small, Lieut Lee, Lieut Saenz and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for aviation field. Lieut Saenz cleared for Managua by plane. Lieut Torrez arrived from Managua by plane. Captain Small, Lieut Lee, Lieut Torrez and guardia patrol returned to Jinotega.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia, with civil prisoner, cleared Matagalpa for and arrived Barrio.

Lieut Frye and Las Camelias (CA) guardia arrived Jinotega from Las Camelias.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for San Isidro.

Cuatro Esquinas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Cuatro Esquinas for and arrived Matagalpa.

Guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa (CA) from Navarro.

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

11 JULY 1931

Guardia patrols from Department of Chontales returned to Javali Mine and La Libertad after having covered Cerro Chato, Kuringuas, Timuli, Carca Grande, Tagua and Huzo areas. Report Rio Grande very high and unable to cross. No bandit information.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon, on patrol to outskirts of town, in attempt to capture milk robbers. Returned, unable to locate any.

Lieut Stevens and Leon guardia patrol returned to from Comarca de Chacra Seca. Captured 4 criminals, 1 pistol and two cutting weapons.

Lieut Castrillo and Leon guardia cleared on patrol to outskirts of town. Returned, no incidents to report.

Lieut G. Saenz, (MA) reported to Leon for Duty.

Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for Santa Rosa and El Relijo road district.

Another patrol cleared Chinandega for San Benito and Le Quinto Roads.

A third Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for El Viejo and El Tempisque road.

The four Chinandega guardia patrols returned to Chinandega with one prisoner, 4 cutchas and ten other cutting weapons.

Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for La Guana and vicinity.

Lieut Shick and Jalapa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Apali for and arrived Jicaro July 10. Cleared Jicaro July 11 for Jalapa, patrol arrived.

Lieut Welsz and Santa Maria (NA) guardia patrol arrived Santa Maria from Ocotal via Macuelizo.

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

Dipilto (NA) guardia patrol returned to Dipilto from vicinity of S Fabian ranch where an ambush for smugglers was laid. Nothing to report.

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

Lieut Hamas, Lieut Sandino, Lieut Zamora and guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo (N.) for Ocotal. Joined at Yalaguina by Lieut Kipp and Palacaguina patrol. Patrol arrived.

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

Lieut Palacio and Jalapa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Jalapa on police mission and returned to Jalapa.

Lieut Matamoras and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared for halfway to San Rafael. Lieut Hall and San Rafael guardia patrol cleared for Tomatoya, halfway to Jinotega. Patrols met. Lieut Matamoras joined San Rafael patrol and returned with it to San Rafael. Jinotega guardia returned to Jinotega.

Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol returned to Jinotega with Inspector of Hacienda from contraband patrol.

Lieut Ashbrook and Sajonia (CA) guardia patrol arrived Jinotega with four civil prisoners. Returned to Sajonia after delivering prisoners.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for and arrived San Dionisio.

Navarro (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for Navarro.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Cuatro Esquinas.

Algovia (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for Algovia.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Las Alajas.

12 JULY 1931

Lieut Diaz and Macuelizo (NA) guardia patrol cleared Macuelizo for Amatillo; returned, nothing to report.

Lieut Tropper and Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for and arrived Ocotal. Patrol returned to Totogalpa.

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

Lieut Berueffy and Somoto (NA) guardia cleared Ocotal for and arrived Somoto.

Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for vicinity south west of Apali Ranch to investigate report of cattle thieves. Returned, nothing to report.

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

Lieut Cuadra and guardia patrol cleared Esteli (NA) for Limay.

La Trinidad (NA) guardia patrol cleared La Trinidad for San Nicolas.

Two Leon guardia patrols cleared Leon to patrol the outskirts north of the city and the outskirts south of the city. Both patrols returned; nothing to report.

Lieut Dumas reported Chinandega from Chichigalpa with three prisoners.

Chinandega guardia patrol returned to Chinandega from La Guana and San Marques and vicinity. Report all quiet.

Lieut Frye and Las Camelias (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for Las Camelias.

Lieut Hall, Lieut Matamoros and San Rafael (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Rafael for La Concordia. Patrol arrived. Lieut Hall, Lieut Alexander and San Rafael guardia cleared La Concordia for and arrived San Rafael.

Guardia patrol cleared San Dionisio (CA) for and arrived Esquipulas.

Guardia patrol cleared San Ramon (CA) for and arrived Matagalpa. Returned to San Ramon.

Las Lajas (CA) guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa from Las Lajas.

Muy Muy (CA) guardia patrol cleared Muy Muy for La Pineda on police mission.

San Isidro (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Isidro for and arrived Sebaco.

Guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa (CA) from Navarro.

13 JULY 1931

Captain Inman, Lieut Stephenson, Lieut Montenegro and Puerto Cabezas (EA) guardia patrol cleared Puerto Cabezas via the U.S.A. SACRAMENTO, at midnight for Cape Gracias. From Cape Gracias the patrol cleared up river to Waspook to meet a group of bandits moving from Casas Viejas to Wanks via Waspook.

Lieut McDonald and Juigalpa (Dept. Chontales) guardia patrol pursuing a group of bandits north of Santo Domingo. Lieut Tercero and a patrol at La Libertad. Lieut Krebs at Boaco with scouting patrols out. These patrols in connection with bandit activities in Department of Chontales.

Lieut Schuler, Lieut Miller and Chinandega guardia Patrol cleared Chinandega for El Viejo in search of Contraband. Made one arrest and returned to Chinandega.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon for eastern outskirts of town in search of milk robbers. Returned with one suspect.

Lieut Spencer cleared Leon for Corinto en route to the U.S.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to Comarcas las Castillas and Hato Grande. Returned to Leon with three civil prisoners, one captured rifle and one cutting weapon.

Captain Brauer, Lieut Klein and Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Palacaguina on combat mission to Rio Grande. Returned with one prisoner.

Lieut Delgadillo and San Juan de Telpaneca (NA) guardia patrol cleared San Juan on combat mission to vicinity of Baryal and point on trail between Baryal and Las Cruces. Returned, nothing to report.

Lieut Zamora, Lieut Sandino and guardia patrol cleared Ocotal (NA) for Pueblo Nuevo and Condega.

Lieut Diaz and Macuelizo (NA) guardia patrol arrived Ocotal from Macuelizo. Cleared Ocotal for Macuelizo.

Lieut Brown and Palacaguina (NA) guardia patrol cleared Palacaguina for vicinity of Rio Abajao on combat mission.

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

Lieut Stanley and Jicaro (NA) guardia patrol cleared Jicaro for and arrived Quilali.

Lieut Gale and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca for halfway to Jinotega. Lieut Gutierrez and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for halfway to Corinto Finca. Patrols met; lieut Gutierrez joined Corinto Finca patrol and cleared with it for Corinto Finca. Jinotega patrol returned to home station.

Las Lajas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa for Las Lajas.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Navarro.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa, with Inspector of Hacienda, on contraband patrol.

Lieut Navarette and Esquipulas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Esquipulas for Cina Verde and returned to Esquipulas.

Lieut Ekberg and La Pineda (CA) guardia patrol cleared La Pineda for and arrived Muy Muy. Cleared Muy Muy and returned to La Pineda.

San Isidro (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Isidro for and arrived Sebaco.

#### 14 JULY 1931

Chinandega guardia patrol cleared Chinandega for El Relijo and vicinity to investigate a criminal case. Returned with one prisoner, two shotguns and one cutacha.

Lieut Stevens, Lieut Spart and Leon guardia cleared Leon on patrol to Abangazca area to investigate recent robberies. Returned to Leon with five civil prisoners.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to southern outskirts of town. Patrol returned and reported area quiet.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to northern outskirts of town. Patrol returned, nothing to report.

Lieut Vogel and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo for halfway to Potaste.

Lieut Sandino and Condega (NA) guardia patrol cleared Pueblo Nuevo for Condega.

Lieut Bell and Limay (NA) guardia patrol returned to Limay from Achuapa.

La Trinidad (NA) guardia patrol returned to La Trinidad from San Nicolas.

Captain Arnett, Captain Burwell and Esteli (NA) guardia patrol cleared Esteli for La Trinidad.

Lieut Berueffy and Somoto (NA) guardia patrol cleared Somoto for and arrived Totogalpa. Patrol cleared for Somoto.

Lieut Brown and Yalaguina (NA) guardia patrol returned to Yalaguina with one prisoner.

Lieut Klein and Yalaguina (NA) guardia patrol returned to Yalaguina from Palacaguina.

Lieut Lee, Lieut Lopez and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega for aviation field. Captain Rosecrans arrived by plane from Managua. Captain Rosecrans, Lieut Lopez and patrol returned to Jinotega. Lieut Lee cleared for Managua by plane.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Algovia.

Guardia patrol cleared Matagalpa (CA) for Buena Vista.

Lieut Elliott and San Isidro (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Isidro on police mission to Quebrada Seca and returned to San Isidro .

Lieut Schmierer and Dario (CA) guardia patrol cleared Dario on police mission to Casas Viejas and returned to Dario.

Muy Muy (CA) guardia patrol cleared Muy Muy for Mal Paso on police mission. Returned to Muy Muy.

Captain Bourne and Navarro (CA) guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa from Navarro.

Guardia patrol arrived Matagalpa (CA) from Cuatro Esquinas.

#### 15 JULY 1931

Lieut Blanco and Santa Maria (NA) guardia patrol cleared Santa Maria for and arrived Ocotal.

Lieut Livermore, Lieut Berueffy and Totogalpa (NA) guardia patrol cleared Totogalpa for and arrived Ocotal. Returned to Totogalpa.

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

Captain Arnett, Captain Burwell and Esteli (NA) Guardia patrol cleared La Trinidad for and arrived Esteli.

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

Captain Holdahl and Somoto (NA) guardia patrol returned to Somoto from vicinity of Cacao and Tierra Blanca. Nothing to report.



Lieut Gedney, Lieut Delgadillo and San Juan de Telpaneca (NA) guardia patrol cleared San Juan for Quilali.

Lieut Stanko and guardia patrol returned to Condega from combat mission. Nothing to report.

Lieut Sándino and Condega (NA) guardia patrol cleared Condega for halfway to Pueblo Nuevo. Captain Davies and Pueblo Nuevo guardia patrol cleared for halfway to Condega. Patrols met. Each returned to home station.

Lieut Stanley, Lieut Covington and guardia patrol cleared Quilali (NA) guar for Jicaro.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to northern outskirts of city, in an attempt to prevent milk robberies.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to southern outskirts of city, in an attempt to prevent milk robberies.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to eastern outskirts of city, in an attempt to prevent milk robberies.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon on patrol to western outskirts of city, in an attempt to prevent milk robberies.

Four Leon guardia patrols returned to Leon from the North, south, east and west of city after guarding against milk cart robberies.

Lieut Castrillo cleared Leon for Nagarote on temporary duty.

Captain Craig cleared Chinandega for El Viejo on monthly inspection. Returned to Chinandega.

Lieut Striebinger and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jino ega for halfway to Matagalpa. Lieut Slattery and Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol cleared for halfway to Jinotega. Patrols met and each returned to home station.

Captain Griffin, Lieut Rizo and Jinotega (CA) guardia patrol cleared Jinotega on combat mission.

Lieut Gutierrez and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared Corinto Finca on police mission.. Patrol returned to Corinto Finca.

Lieut Gale, Lieut Downey and Corinto Finca (CA) guardia patrol cleared for San Nicolas to investigate report of bandits in that vicinity. Patrol returned, unable to obtain any definite information. Received a report that a group under Hernandez had passed through Bonatillo, destination unknown.

Lieut Matamoras and La Concordia (CA) guardia patrol cleared La Condordia for and arrived San Rafael. Cleared San Rafael for La Concordia and arrived.

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

Lieut Navaretto and Esquipulas (CA) guardia patrol cleared Esquipulas for and arrived La Pinoda. Patrol returned to Esquipulas.

Lieut Elliott and San Isidro (CA) guardia patrol cleared San Isidro for and arrived Sebaco. Cleared Sebaco and returned to San Isidro.

Matagalpa (CA) guardia patrol, with Inspector of Hacienda, returned to Matagalpa from contraband patrol.

Muy Muy (CA) guardia patrol cleared Muy Muy for and arrived La Pineda. Returned to Muy Muy.

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Lieut Tercero and Juigalpa (Dept.Chontales) guardia patrol arrived Juigalpa from combat mission.

Lieut McDonald and Juigalpa (Dept.Chontales) guardia patrol cleared La Libertad for Juigalpa.

Another Juigalpa (Dept.Chontales) guardia patrol continuing patrol of area east of Acoyapa.

Boaco (Dept.Chontales) guardia patrol patrolling to east of Boaco.

A guardia patrol cleared Jocota (Dept.Chontales) for Comalapa with eight prisoners.

Four Leon guardia patrols cleared Leon to patrol the North, South, east and West outskirts of town in search of milk robbers. Returned to Leon; no results.

Lieut Castrillo returned to Leon from temporary duty in Nagarote.

Leon guardia patrol cleared Leon en patrol to Comarca de Abangazca.

#### NOTES FROM THE POLICE STATION

During the month of June of this year, the Police Co. had 18 men for discharge. Of this number four were discharged with the recommendation that they were not suitable for re-enlistment, while of the remaining fourteen, thirteen were re-enlisted and one extended for one year. All of which goes to show that the life of a policeman has its advantages.

The Policia Urbana have been increased to fourteen men by the addition of four on the first of the month. It is hoped that this number will again be increased on the first of July.

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

The following is a copy of a telegram sent to the President of Nicaragua by the Honorable Señor Jose Francisco Moncada, Jefe Politico of Nueva Segovia, during his recent visit to the District of Totogalpa:

" Totogalpa, Nicaragua.

Telegram to the Comandante General,  
Presidential House,  
To the Minister of Gobernacion,  
Managua, Nicaragua.

I have arrived in this town in company of the Area Commander, Northern Area, Colonel Hunt, and have seen a wonderful spectacle of tranquility and peace. Lieutenant Livermore, Jefe of the Guardia in this town, had prepared a review of more than 600 men, many of whom had been members of the groups of bandits under Ortez and Umanzor. Notwithstanding that it goes slow, is being established in a definite manner as it is proved by this demonstration of sympathy and willingness of the people in favor of the Government. I incited the people to continue cultivating their love for peace, order and law, as they are the only sources of richness which might enlarge our country. Lieutenant Livermore has made of this town not only a military post, but also a diplomatic post, the bandits by and by becoming good citizens. The people awoke this day shouting "vivas" with enthusiasm for the President of the Republic the Guardia Nacional and for Colonel Hunt - Respectfully - Jose Francisco Moncada, Jefe Politico of Nueva Segovia."

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The following are extracts from the "MONTHLY RECORD OF EVENTS" of the Central Area, Commanded by Colonel J.C.Smith, G.N., for the month of June, 1931:

GENERAL STATE OF TERRITORY OCCUPIED: Unsettled due to banditry. The group that took part in the contact at Embocaderos were evidently in search of clothing and food and came from the north. All reports indicate that this group split up after the contact and returned north.

MILITARY SITUATION: During the period preparations were being made to establish a post at Embocaderos. As soon as enough men are available this will be done and it is believed that together with Corinto Finca the area along the Tuma River will be thoroughly cleaned up.

ECONOMIC SITUATION: Continues subnormal. Food staples are very scarce and high. During the last two weeks of this period corn and beans could not be purchased. Reports of people hoarding food by orders of the bandits were investigated and found to be false. It is believed that within a month this situation will be straightened out and staples will again become normal.

WEATHER: Very wet.

FRICITION BETWEEN GUARDIA AND CIVIL POPULATION: None.

POLITICAL SITUATION: Normal.

CONDITION OF ROADS AND TRAILS: Bad. With the continuous rains the roads and trails have become very muddy and the rivers have become very difficult to cross.

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The following are extracts from the "MONTHLY RECORD OF EVENTS" of the Department of Leon, commanded by Major J.W.Webb, G.N., for June, 1931:

GENERAL STATE OF TERRITORY OCCUPIED: Reports were received that there were bandit groups in the vicinity of Santa Rosa and El Jicaral during the month. These reports were investigated by patrols and it was found that there were no groups in that territory. Small groups of thieves operated in the vicinity of Leon during the month.

MILITARY SITUATION: There are no bandit groups operating in the Department of Leon. Small bands of robbers are roaming throughout the vicinity of the city of Leon. The continued operation of robber groups may be expected until the economic conditions improve.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: The economic conditions in the Department continue in a state of depression. Food-stuffs are high in price and scarce. The new crop of corn is rapidly maturing and conditions will improve with its harvest.

RELATION BETWEEN GUARDIA AND CIVIL POPULATION: There is no friction between the Guardia and civil population. The civil attitude is friendly but there is a woeful lack of inclination on the part of the civil population to furnish the Guardia with information. The press attitude is friendly.

POLITICAL SITUATION: There is much activity on the part of the candidates for the office of Alcalde of Leon. The leading candidates are Mr. Jose Padilla Paiz and Mr. Absalon Rojas.

WEATHER: There has been an abundance of rain during the month.

ROADS AND TRAILS: The roads and trails are very muddy and travel over them is slow and difficult. Rivers are running high and their passage after a heavy rain is impossible.

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RECORDS OFFICE  
Colonel L. P. Hunt, G.N., for the month of June 1931:

GENERAL STATE OF TERRITORY OCCUPIED: Has been generally quiet. Very few movements of bandit groups were observed during the past month; bandit activities for the most part being confined to the CUJE and ACHUAPA (Esteli) areas..

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Continue abnormal in the entire area, but in several districts there is considerable improvement over the conditions obtaining during the month of May. Red Cross supplies have been distributed under the supervision of the Guardia, and many districts green corn and beans are now available.

RELATION BETWEEN GUARDIA AND CIVIL POPULATION: Civil attitude towards the Guardia continue excellent. No friction exists between the Guardia personnel and the law abiding civil population.

POLITICAL SITUATION: Quiet.

WEATHER: Frequent heavy rains.

ROADS AND TRAILS: Very muddy. Rivers high.

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The following is reported by Captain R. Arnett, G.N., Commanding the Department of Esteli for the month of June 1931:

Food has been very scarce throughout the Department and the people have been without means to purchase. Officers throughout the Department are daily giving small amounts to the poor to buy food. The Red Cross supplies have arrived and it is a Godsend to them. Reports from the entire department indicate a big crop of corn and beans this year. Harvesting of the crop should start about the end of July.

Red Cross corn was received in El Sauce and the following distribution made of same under the constant scout patrolling of the Guardia who saw that all was delivered without mishap.

Talpanec	148	quintales	corn
Ocotal	62	"	"
Yalaguina	16	"	"
Totogalpa	22	"	"
Pueblo Nuevo	24	"	"
Somoto	44	"	"
San Lucas	14	"	"
El Sauce	7	"	"

Esteli	18	cases	lard	16	sacks	Salt	16	sacks	Rice
La Trinidad	11	"	"	8	"	"	10	"	"
Pueblo Nuevo	8	"	"	"	"	"	8	"	"
Limay	8	"	"	6	"	"	8	"	"
El Sauce	15	"	"	10	"	"	10	"	"
Condoga	10	"	"	28	"	"			

Marine Corps aviation has delivered to the Jefe Politico during the month forty eight sacks of beans. This has also been distributed under the supervision of the Officers of the Department.

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The following report covering a patrol made by Licut. Muñoz and Telpaneca guardia, is quoted:

GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA,  
 District of Telpaneca,  
 Telpaneca, Nicaragua.

7 July 1931.

From: E. N. Muñoz, Lt. G.N. de Nic.  
 To : Area Commander.  
 Via : District Commander.

Subject: Patrol report.

Reference: General Order 109-1931.

1. Left Telpaneca with Lt. Wysaski and fifteen enlisted at 07006 on information received from prisoner (Roberto Melgara) proceeded to Achioté; at point 210-363 found and destroyed a bandit camp.

2. Three men were seen to run from patrol upon which we fired killing one Valentin Melgara (known bandit).

3. Captured nine cutachas, shovels, crowbar, red and black hat bands, guitar and two cows.

4. This was Teodoro Polanco's main camp capable of accomodating thirty men.

/s/ E. N. Muñoz,  
 Tnte., G.N. de Nic.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT  
 Headquarters District Commander, Guardia Nacional de Nic.  
 Telpaneca, Nicaragua, 7 July 1931.

From: The District Commander.  
 To : The Area Commander, Guardia Nacional.

1. Forwarded.

2. The captured animals were the property of Pablo Gomez of Casuli and will be returned to him.

/s/ Samuel B. Griffin,  
 Tnte. G.N. de Nic.,  
 Commanding District.

The following report covers a patrol made by Lieut. T.R. Stewart and guardia patrol from Consuelo (CA):

GUARDIA POST EL CONSUELO, DEPARTMENT OF MATAGALPA,  
GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA,  
EL CONSUELO, NICARAGUA.

3 July 1931.

From: Lieut. T.R. Stewart,  
To : The Department Commander, Department of  
Matagalpa, Matagalpa, Nicaragua.  
Via : Post Commander.

Subject: Patrol report.

1. Upon reliable information that the Granados (known bandits in this district) were living in a house that they had constructed well hidden in the mountains in the vicinity of Quebrada Grande, and on orders from the Post Commander, I cleared on patrol at 0530 July 4 with the following enlisted and civilians (Jueces de Mesta of this district):

Sgt Martinez Jose M # 139	Cabo Montano Juan # 1800
R. Belle Daniel I 4254	Raso Rocha Ernestino F 4234
Alvarez Catalino 3270	Blandon Pedro A. 4295
Espinosa Rodolfo 4296	Picado Alejandro 3458
Gaitan Arturo L. 4229	Flores Humberto 1797
Mendoza Marcelo T. 4170	Martinez Jose C. 4202
Morales Anastacio 4486	Chacon Ignacio 3523
Alfaro Damaso 4554	

#### CIVILIANS

Sr. Amado Garcia,  
Crescencio Dormuz  
Jose Maria Gonzalez  
Hipolito Villafranca  
Simon Picado.

Patrol arrived in vicinity of house at 1200. The house was situated on a knoll with woods on either sides and a clearing of some sixty yards at either end. I split the patrol sending the Sergeant with the right wing and myself taking the left, attempting to advance on the house and surrounding it without being seen. The patrol was some forty or fifty yards from the house when a woman from the right side of the house screamed (ya viene la Guardia) when she screamed that a man ran out of the house at the end where I was trying to gain; he was challenged by me and also by some of the guardia but refused to stop. He was wearing a red handkerchief around his neck and it was later discovered a red and black band around his hat. About ten shots were fired before he fell, and just about that time fire was opened on the other side of the house. After the patrol had gained the immediate vicinity of the house my Sergeant reported that two men had attempted to escape and when challenged would not stop, and they opened fire on them, killing both.

There were two women in the vicinity but they refused to talk more than to say that the other three Granados had left that morning, but did not know where they had gone. They also gave the names of the dead as follows: Pedro Granados, who was about eighteen or nineteen years of age, Francisco Granados, about twenty two or three years of age, both wearing red handkerchiefs, and Florentin Gadea, who looked to be in the twenties. I ordered the dead buried and after making a thorough search of the vicinity without finding any traces that a small group had been there as was rumored. The following weapons and articles were captured:

1 Con Con rifle, serviceable but in very bad condition, and loaded with one round.  
1 Escopeta (shotgun), 4 hats, with red and black hat bands.  
5 red handkerchiefs.  
1 Guardia blanket.

Patrol cleared for home station at 1300 arriving at 1500.

/s/ T. R. Stewart,  
2nd Lt. G.N. de Nic.

1st Endorsement.  
Guardia Post El Consuelo, Nicaragua,  
5 July 1931.

Subject: Patrol report of Lt Stewart.

1. Forwarded.

2. The Post Commander wishes to express his appreciations of the excellent way in which the above mentioned Jueces de Mesta of this District are cooperating with the Guardia in the work of clearing the District of bandits.

/s/ O. C. Ledbetter.

2nd Endorsement  
Headquarters, Department of Matagalpa, Guardia Nacional.  
Matagalpa, Nicaragua, 8 July 1931.

From: The Department Commander.  
To : The Area Commander, Central Area, Jinotega, Nic.

1. Forwarded. It is desired to commend Lt Stewart for his excellent work in this instance. It is believed the results this patrol will have an excellent effect in the El Consuelo District and may even make the larger groups fearful of crossing the Tuma in that vicinity as they have done heretofore.

/s/ D. A. Stafford.



3rd Endorsement.  
HEADQUARTERS, CENTRAL AREA, GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA,  
Jinotega, Nicaragua, 13 July 1931.

From: The Area Commander, Central Area.  
To : The Jefe Director, Guardia Nacional, Managua.

1. Forwarded. Lieutenant Stewart will be congratulated on his good work by the Area Commander.

Julian C. Smith.

The following is the patrol and contact report of Lieutenants Muñoz and Kipp and combined Telpaneca and Palacaguina guardia patrol on June 29:

GUARDIA NACIONAL DE NICARAGUA,  
District of Telpaneca,  
Telpaneca, Nicaragua.

3 July 1931.

From: E. N. Muñoz, Lt. G.N.de Nic.  
To : Area Commander.  
Via : District Commander.

Subject: Patrol and contact report.

Map : Brauer Map (District of Palacaguina).

Reference: General Order 109-1929.

1. June 25 1931 cleared Telpaneca at 8:00 A.M., with fifteen enlisted to patrol south of this District went through Limon, Tamarindo and arrived at San Andres at 5:30 P.M. where I made camp over night. June 26 left San Andres at 7:00 A.M., went through Linas, Laguna and arrived Daraili at 3.00 P.M. where I camped over night. June 27 left Daraili at 8:30 A.M., went through Santa Rosa, Aguacate, Zapote and Tabacoal where I camped over night. Upon arrival at this last place found one Jose Maria Olivas in the same house that I stayed at, equipped with a cutacha and a service bayonet, also red and black hat band on his hat and credentials from Miguel Angel Orteiz Guillen, who was killed next day June 28, 1931 when he tried to get away from the patrol at river crossing at Valle de Las Iglesias. June 28 left Tabacoal at 7:00 am., went through Valle de Las Iglesias and arrived Palacaguina at 2:00 pm. where I camped overnight. June 29 left Palacaguina at 8.00 am., with combined patrol from said station. Lt Kipp and eight enlisted had contact at Altela with group of twenty (jefe Unanzer) destroyed camp, captured two bombs, three cutachas, correspondence and miscellaneous articles, killed two and wounded several. Returned to Esperanza and camped over night. From here Lt. Kipp went to Palacaguina. June 30 left Esperanza at 7.30 am., went through Cusmaji and Concepcion where I confiscated one shotgun several detonators small quantity of powder ten rounds of Springfield .30 ammunition and red and black hat bands. Captured one Gilberto Muñoz (no relation of mine) arrived at Zapote at 3.30 pm. where I camped over night.

July 1 left Zapote at 6.30 am. and arrived Telpancea at 9:00 am.

/s/ E. N. Muñoz,  
Tnte., G.N. de Nic.

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First Endorsement

From: District Commander.  
To : Area Commander.

1. Forwarded.

2. Acting on information secured from the above named Gilberto Muñoz, Telpancea patrol consisting of Lt Griffith, Lt Muñoz and sixteen enlisted cleared Telpancea at 0700, 2 July for Artola and Cusnaje. Discovered two new bandit camps, and fired on a group estimated at thirty who fled upon the approach of the Guardia.

3. There were no casualties. Believe this to have been the same group that shot up by Lts Kipp and Muñoz on the first and found some bloody rags in this camp.

/s/ Samuel B. Griffith.

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NOTES FROM DEPARTMENT OF MANAGUA AND  
CARAZO.  
JUNE 1931.

1st - Lt Gardner and guardia returned from Casa Colorado; confiscated several arms.

Guardia patrol cleared Managua on patrol to San Diego.

3rd - Captain Maynard, Lieut. Gardner and guardia on patrol to Tipitapa. Returned, nothing to report.

Managua guardia with Inspector of Hacienda, on patrol to El Sol. Captured four fire arms, no prisoners.

4th - Capt. Maynard and Lt Gardner on patrol to Ticuantepe. Returned to Managua. Nothing to report.

5th - Capt. Maynard, Lieut. Gardner to Dirianba, Jinotepo, San Marcos. Returned to Managua. Nothing to report.

Guardia patrol cleared Managua for La Cruz after cattle thieves. Captured two and returned to Managua.

6th - Guardia patrol cleared Managua for La Cruz de San Isidro on police mission.

8th - Capt. Maynard and Lieut. Gardner to San Rafael del Sur. Returned to Managua.

- 9th - Guardia patrol cleared Managua for El Abra in search of firearms. Returned to Managua with one prisoner and two weapons.
- Captain Maynard and Lieut. Gardner to El Carmen. Returned to Managua with one captured weapon.
- 10th - Managua guardia patrol with Hacienda guard to Ochozogo. Captured one firearm and one prisoner.
- Managua guardia on patrol to El Rosario.
- 11th - Managua guardia patrol, with Hacienda Inspector and Juez de Mesta, on patrol to Ochozogo after bandit gang. Captured three.
- Captain Maynard, Lieut. Gardner and Jefe Politico to San Francisco del Caminero. Returned to Managua with one captured rifle.
- Managua guardia patrol to western end of the Department. Returned June 16 having captured 1 rifle, 3 pistols, 7 shotguns and 4 cutachas.
- 12th - Guardia patrol from Carazo, with Juez de Mesta, on patrol to Nandimo in search of arms. Returned nothing to report.
- 13th - Carazo guardia patrol, with Inspector of Hacienda, to Los Trapiches. Captured one prisoner.
- Carazo guardia patrol to La Paz after cattle thieves. Returned, nothing to report.
- Lieut. Gardner cleared Managua for Casa Colorada, Guapinolar and Las Pilas. Returned, nothing to report.
- 16th - Carazo guardia patrol to El Cangrejero. Captured one firearm.
- Lieut. Gardner and Jefe Politico to Comarca La Florida. Returned to Managua with three prisoners and two cutachas.
- 18th - Lieut. Gardner and Managua guardia patrol cleared Managua on patrol to Casa Colorada, San Rafael del Sur, Los Fierros, Masachapa, San Cayetano, El Carmen, Santa Rita, Tragaleguas, Matamor and Los Brasiles. Returned to Managua June 26; made 18 arrests, confiscated two rifles, 7 pistols, 17 shotguns, 17 cutachas, 2 daggers, and one die for making counterfeit, twentyfive cent pieces.
- 29th - Captain Maynard, Lieut. Gardner to Tipitapa, Las Madres and La Concepcion. Returned to Managua. Confiscated 4 cutachas. Brought in 1 prisoner.

Present conditions of patients in Guardia Nacional  
General Hospital, Managua, Nicaragua:

WOUNDED IN ACTION

- # 2981 VALZQUEZ S. Raso Will be granted indefinite furlough.
- # 1720 OCON, H. U. Raso Condition unchanged.
- # 1853 MENDEZ, E. Raso Returned to duty 18 July 1931.
- # 3658 MEDRANO, M.J.C. Cabo Condition unchanged.
- # 2644 LAGUNA, A Raso Will be returned to duty shortly.

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P E R S O N N E L

Captain G. W. Williams arrived Managua by plane from Ocotal on July 13. Cleared Managua by plane July 16 for Ocotal.

Captain A. L. Sims arrived Managua by plane from Ocotal on July 13. Captain Sims commanded the District of Quilali and is enroute to the U.S., duty in Nicaragua completed.

Lieut. J. Hannas, arrived Managua by plane from Ocotal on July 13, on route to the U.S. on leave.

Major S. B. O'Neill, Commanding the Department of Granada and Masaya arrived Managua July 13 on temporary duty.

Lieut. W. E. Lee arrived Managua by plane from Jinotega on July 14.

Lieut. J. E. Manning cleared Managua by plane for Corinto on July 14 on route to the U.S.

Capt. H. E. Rosecrans cleared Managua by plane on July 15 for Jinotega.

Colonel G.D.Hale, Medical Director of the Guardia, cleared Managua by plane on July 16 for Bluefields on route to the U.S. on leave.

Captain W. Elnore cleared Managua on July 16 by plane for Ocotal enroute to his station in Apali.

Lieut. R. G. Crawford returned to Nicaragua on July 16 via the U.S.T. CHATEAU THIERRY and resumed duty at Headquarters. Lieut. Crawford was wounded in the Managua earthquake and has been in the Naval Hospital at San Diego.

Lieut. Harry E. Kipp arrived Managua by plane from Ocotal on 13 July 1931.

Lt. Harry D. Hutchcroft arrived Managua by plane from Ocotal on 7 July 1931.

Lt. E. C. Ross cleared Managua for Corinto on July 14 enroute to the U.S.

Captain J.P. Schwerin returned from leave in the U.S. on July 18. Capt. Schwerin will leave Managua for Bluefields on 20 July 1931.