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Captain Healey and Yali (CA) Guardia returned from patrol.

Captain Fricke and Navarro (CA) Guardia patrolled to Matagalpa.

Matagalpa (CA) Guardia with Hacienda Inspector and three prisoners reported to Matagalpa from patrol of Las Cumplidas and Las Escaleros area.

Lieut. Montenegro and Guardia patrol cleared Navarro (CA) for La Constancia.

Navarro (CA) Guardia cleared for patrol to La Isla, El Roblar and vicinity. Returned to Navarro.

Captain Fricke and Navarro (CA) Guardia patrolled to La Corona, Las Lajas, La Paconcia and La Constancia on Nov. 25.

Lieut. Chenoweth and Navarro (CA) Guardia cleared for La Isla and Algovia.

Lieut. Manning and La Concordia (CA) Guardia cleared for and arrived at San Rafael. This patrol then cleared with Lieut. Matamoros for La Concordia.

Captain Power and San Rafael (CA) Guardia returned from combat patrol.

San Rafael (CA) Guardia patrol cleared for Suni to capture a civil prisoner. Returned, mission accomplished.

Lieut. Cobb and La Trinidad (NA) Guardia cleared for Esteli.

Lieut. Reed and El Sauce (NA) Guardia cleared for Santa Lucia to investigate report of bandits.

Lieut. Levonski and Telpaneca (NA) Guardia cleared patrol for Telpaneca.

Lieut. Ramirez and Villa Nueva (NA) Guardia patrol arrived in Villa Nueva from Somotillo.

Lieut. Walery, Lieut. Bowen and Jalapa (NA) Guardia patrol cleared Jicaro for Jalapa. Patrol arrived.

Captain Carlson, Lieut. Ross and Guardia patrol cleared Jicaro (NA) for Apali. Arrived at Apali. Lieut. Ross and this patrol returned to Jicaro.

Lieut. McGorkle and Somoto (NA) Guardia patrol returned to Somoto.

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Lieut. Livermore and San Juan de Telpaneca (NA) Guardia patrol cleared Jicaro for Apali. Arrived at Apali and cleared for Suscallon.

Captain Davies and Telpaneca (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for Palacaguina via Cuje and arrived:

Captain McQueen and Somotillo (NA) Guardia cleared for Santo Tomas to investigate a report of an armed group operating in that vicinity.

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Lieut. Cobb and La Trinidad (NA) Guardia arrived in Estel

Lieut. Ross and Quilali (NA) Guardia cleared Jicaro for Quilali.

Lieut. Bollo and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia cleared Condoga and arrived in Pueblo Nuevo.

Lieut. Reed and El Sauce (NA) Guardia returned from patrol to San Lucas, San Antonio and Sabana Grande.

Captain McQueen and Somotillo (NA) Guardia returned from patrol to vicinity of Jicaro, District of Somotillo, Las Hustales and Santo Tomas. Nothing to report.

Lieut. Livermore and San Juan de Telpaneca (NA) Guardia returned from patrol.

Captain Fellers and Santa Maria (NA) Guardia cleared Santa Maria and arrived at Somoto.

A Guardia detachment cleared Palacaguina (NA) and arrived at Condoga.

A Guardia detachment arrived in Chinandega (W.) from Puente Real.

Chichigalpa (W.) Guardia patrol cleared for Valle de las Mayorgas on an investigation mission.

Captain Davies and Telpaneca (NA) Guardia returned from patrol.

Captain Fuller, Lieut. Lee and Central revolving patrol returned to Jinotega from combat mission.

Lieut. Manning and La Concordia (CA) Guardia cleared Tujiali on combat mission.

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Valle de las Zapatas (WA) Guardia patrol arrived in L... with one prisoner. Returned to home station after delivering prisoner.

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Telica (NA) Guardia patrol returned from patrol to Las Portillos. Nothing to report.

Chinandega (NA) Guardia returned from patrol to Fuente Real

Lieut. Flippe and Chichigalpa (NA) Guardia cleared for Posoltega and San Antonio. Returned to Chichigalpa.

Captain Craig, Lieut. Schuler and Chinandega (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for San Benito and vicinity to gain contact with an armed group of 15 reported operating in that area. Returned after patrol; nothing to report.

Lieut. Krebs, Lieut. Mercer, Rivas Guardia and a detail of Hacienda Guards cleared Rivas to reinforce Sapon and Cardenas in connection with reported threatened uprising.

Lieut. Klein and Dipilto (NA) Guardia cleared for patrol to Achuapa vicinity to investigate a report.

Lieut. McGerkle and Somoto (NA) Guardia cleared for vicinity of Yalaguina.

Captain Bales and Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia cleared for Palacaguina via Condoga. Arrived at Palacaguina.

Lieut. Stuart and Las Camelias (CA) Guardia arrived at Jinotega.

San Rafael (CA) Guardia cleared for La Concordia.

Lieut. Thompson and Guardia cleared for Muy Muy (CA) and arrived.

Esquipulas (CA) Guardia patrol cleared for Cinta Verde. Returned.

Dario (CA) Guardia cleared for Palo de Agua on patrol. Another Dario patrol cleared for Las Maderas.

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La Paz Centro (NA) Guardia cleared for Momotombo on patrol. Returned with two prisoners.

Another patrol cleared La Paz Centro (NA) for Los Rios. Returned; nothing to report.

Lieut. Cobb and La Trinidad (NA) Guardia returned from Esteli.

Captain McQueen, Lieut. Lammers and Somotillo (NA) Guardia cleared for and arrived at Villa Nueva.

Lieut. McDonald and Esteli (NA) Guardia cleared on police mission to Villa Nueva and San Pedro Cipresses. Returned to Esteli.

Lieut. Barker and Condoga (NA) Guardia cleared on combat mission.

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Lieut. Walery and Jalpa (NA) Guardia cleared for Mirra and vicinity on combat mission.

Lieut. Klein and Dipilto (NA) Guardia patrol arrived at Ocotal. Investigated area in vicinity of Achuapa, District of Dipilto. Nothing to report. Patrol returned to Dipilto.

Lieut. McGorkle and Somoto (NA) Guardia returned from patrol.

Captain Davies and Telpaneca (NL) Guardia cleared for San Juan de Telpaneca. Patrol arrived.

Captain Fellers and Santa Maria (NL) Guardia cleared Somoto for and arrived at Ocotal.

Captain Bales, Lieut. Brauer and combined Pueblo Nuevo and Palaeaguina (NL) Guardia patrol cleared on combat mission.

Lieut. Colvert and San Francisco (NL) Guardia patrol arrived at Somotillo. Returned to San Francisco.

Captain Schwerin, Lieut. Stuart and Corinto Fines (CA) Guardia patrol cleared for Corinto Fines.

Captain Power, Lieut. Matamoras and San Rafael (CA) Guardia cleared on combat mission.

Colonel Smith, Captain Maynard, Lieut. Lynch and Guardia cleared San Rafael (CA) for and arrived at Yali.

Lieut. Navarette and Matagalpa (CA) Guardia cleared for Jumaigin to investigate bandit reports.

Lieut. Pennington and Lieut. Sims cleared Matagalpa for San Ramon for inspection. Returned to Matagalpa.

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Lieut. Hardin and La Paz Centro (W-) Guardia cleared for El Cacao. Returned; nothing to report.

Another La Paz Centro (WA) patrol cleared for La Presa. Returned to home station; nothing to report.

Captain Kolly and Jicaro (NL) Guardia cleared for Las Cruces on combat mission.

Esteli reports: Native mail carrier, enroute Ocotal to Esteli, reported to Guardia in Esteli that his mail was robbed near finca La Florida, north of Blandon, by an armed group dressed in khaki. After robbery, group departed towards San Joaquin. Mail carrier claimed that bandit conversation indicated the group was part of Ortez band. Lieut. Smith, Lieut. Cobb and Esteli Guardia cleared with mail carrier to investigate and pursue.

El Sauco (NA) Guardia cleared for San Antonio, 25 miles south of El Sauco to investigate a reported group of 8 armed bandits operating in that vicinity.

Captain Power and Guardia patrols from San Rafael (CA) had contact north of La Rica with supply train of Blanton or Peralta group. No Guardia casualties. Bandit casualties unknown. The Guardia captured 10 animals (horses and mules), clothing, food, supplies, salt, tobacco, etc. One bandit scout killed on Dec. 1, 1930, near Pavona.

Captain Healey, Lieut. Barrilas and Yali (CA) Guardia cleared on combat mission.

Colonel Smith, Captain Maynard, Lieut. Lynch and Guardia patrol cleared Yali (CA) for La Concordia. Patrol then cleared for San Rafael and arrived.

Navarro (CA) Guardia patrol cleared for Valley of Elapo. Returned to Navarro.

Lieut. Chenowith and Guardia patrol cleared Navarro (CA) for La Isla. Returned.

Navarro (CA) Guardia patrol cleared for La Corona and San Jose.

Lieut. Montenegro and Navarro (CA) Guardia patrol cleared for Agua Amarillo and Sardinal.

Lieut. Chenowith and Navarro (CA) Guardia cleared for Guapotal and Buena Vista with Captain W.L. Harding and Marine patrol.

Navarro (CA) Guardia patrol to La Isla, El Roblal and Julio Rivas.

Captain Davies and Telpanecc (NA) Guardia patrol cleared from San Juan for Quibuto on combat mission.

Jalapa (NA) Guardia patrol with Lieut. Welery returned to Jalapa. Patrol then cleared with Lieut. Bowen for Murra and vicinity on combat mission.

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Chinandega (WA) Guardia cleared for El Realejo on patrol and returned to Chinandega; nothing to report.

Captain Pefley and San Juan de Telpanecc (NA) Guardia patrol cleared on combat mission.

Pueblo Nuevo (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for Las Llanos. Patrol returned.

Lieut. McGorkle, Lieut. Titsworth and Somoto (NA) Guardia patrol cleared as escorts for officials. Patrol then proceeded to Pueblo Nuevo and arrived.

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Captain Fellers, Lieut. Pattison and Santa Maria (NA) Guardia cleared Ocotal for and arrived at Santa Maria.

Limay (NA) Guardia cleared for Cerec de Piedra to meet congressional party. Returned to Limay.

Lieut. Ramirez and Villa Nueva (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for Esteli via El Sauce. Arrived.

El Sauce (NA) Guardia patrol returned to El Sauce from San Antonio.

A Guardia patrol cleared Esteli (NA) for Limay.

An Esteli (NA) Guardia patrol cleared Esteli for Jicarito on police mission.

Lieut. Smith, Lieut. Cobb and Guardia patrol returned to Esteli (NA) from San Joaquin; nothing to report.

2 December 1930

Lieut. Coffman and Guardia patrol from Quilali (NA) had contact in the El Silencio area west of Chamaste with a group of six bandits who fled. No casualties on either side.

Captain Bales and Guardia patrol from Pueblo Nuevo (NA) destroyed three unoccupied bandit camps in the El Silencio area.

Lieut. Barker and Condega (NA) Guardia patrol arrived in San Juan de Telpaneca. Covered trails from Ojoche, crossed close to El Silencio Mountain and took trail from Ojoche to San Juan. Patrol destroyed two old bandit camps near El Silencio. Lieut. Barker and patrol cleared to continue operating.

Lieut. McGorkle, Lieut. Titsworth and Somoto (NA) patrol cleared for San Juan, northeast of Somoto.

Esteli (NA) Guardia patrol returned to Esteli from Jicarito with 2 prisoners.

Lieut. Reed, Lieut. Ramirez and Guardia cleared El Sauce (NA) for Esteli.

La Trinidad (NA) Guardia patrol cleared with Alcalde on police mission.

Captain Craig, Lieut. Schuler and Chinandega (WA) Guardia cleared for Cosmoapa to investigate the killing of a man and to locate an armed group reported in that vicinity. Returned to Chinandega with nothing to report.

Lieut. Hardin and La Paz Centro (WA) Guardia patrol cleared to patrol roads in that vicinity. Returned and again cleared for Las Sabanetas.

Leon (WA) Guardia patrol cleared for Los Castillos to effect capture of criminal. Returned to Leon with 1 prisoner and 1 shotgun.

Leon (WA) Guardia patrol cleared for Telica to accompany Telica patrol giving chase to bandits.

3 December 1930

A Guardia patrol reported to Leon (WA) from patrol.

Lieut. Hardin and Guardia patrol cleared La Paz Centro (WA) for El Picacho. Returned with one confiscated shotgun.

Valle de las Zapatas (WA) Guardia patrol cleared for half-way point on El Sauce road to meet patrol from El Sauce and to escort a senator and two deputies from there to Leon.

Lieut. Barker and Condega (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for vicinity of Portal to work south from there.

Dipilto (NA) Guardia patrol returned to Dipilto. Nothing to report.

Lieut. Bateman and Palacaguina (NA) Guardia patrol cleared for La Tuna in pursuit of a group of robbers armed with machetes.

Lieut. Stephenson, Lieut. Pattison and Santa Maria (NA) Guardia cleared for Cerro Maria via Las Robles.

Lieut. McGorkle and Somoto (NA) Guardia returned to Somoto. Reports group of 25, some dressed in khaki, were in San Juan, Western Segovia, on Dec. 1. The group searched all houses and left in easterly direction. Patrol proceeded in direction of Cerro de Tinajita.

Jicaro (NA) Guardia patrolled to Apali and returned.

Lieut. Reed, Lieut. Ramirez and Guardia patrol arrived in Estoli (NA) from El Sauce.

La Trinidad (NA) Guardia patrol cleared with working party to repair road at La Concepcion.

Villa Nueva (NA) Guardia patrol returned to Villa Nueva from police mission on Chinandega road, where they captured 3 men of suspicious character.

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Somoto (NA) Guardia cleared for patrol to San Luis, Segovia. Patrol returned; nothing to report.

Captain Kelly and Jicaro (NA) Guardia patrol arrived in San Juan. Encountered no bandit group and no evidence of any.

Captain Pofley, Captain Davies and Combined San Juan de Tolpaneca and Tolpaneca (NA) Guardia patrols arrived in San Juan. Patrolled south to Esperanza where a bandit camp was found and destroyed.

Villa Nueva (NA) Guardia arrived in Somotillo with three prisoners.

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NOTES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF GR. N. D.

November 1930

Routine visiting patrols between posts were made all during the month.

A Guardia patrol with an Inspector of Hacienda cleared Granada on Nov. 13th for Malacatoya-Panaloya-La Concepcion and Las Cocos. Captured 1 criminal and 1 cutcha. Returned to Granada on Nov. 15th.

A Guardia patrol and an Inspector of Hacienda cleared Granada on Nov. 6th to patrol south side of Mombacho and to investigate report of armed band in vicinity of Agua Agria. Patrolled Diriomo and Nandaimo district and Cerro Mombacho. Reported seeing small group of men near Agua Agria. Group ran on sighting patrol, leaving one Krag Rifle. Patrol returned Granada Nov. 11th.

Lieut. Alexander and Guardia patrol cleared Granada Nov. 18th. Patrolled to Santa Clara-Santa Clarita-El Rosario-Cuarto Esquinas-Tisma-Coyolito-La Seibita-Los Cocos-Panaloya. Returned to Granada Nov. 20th. Reported all of district quiet.

Lieut. Hamis patrolled from Cerro Mombacho on south side of Mombacho mountain over the peak to north side and back to Granada. Patrol was accompanied by 4 officers of the U.S. Engineers, seeking information for geological report in connection with the Canal Survey. Cleared Granada Nov. 22nd, returned Nov. 24th. Reported trails poor. Coffee is being harvested.

Nov. 28th, Lieut. Hamis accompanied two officers of the U.S. Army Engineers to La Laguna Apollo for the purpose of obtaining samples of the water of the lake. The Laguna Apollo is being considered as a possible source for the supply of water for the City of Granada when the Canal is built.

Trails are in fair condition. All are passable for bull carts and animals. Roads are in good condition. Passable for automobiles in most of the Department. They are especially good in the District of Masaya. There are three ways open from Managua to Granada. Managua to Casa Colorado to San Marcos to Masatepe to Niquinohomo to San Juan de Oriente to La Fuentes to Granada. Approximately 70 miles. Good roads, beautiful scenery but some bad grades. Managua to Junction of Tipitapa and Masaya roads to junction of Masaya and Granada roads to San Blas to Granada. Approximately 40 miles. Good road except for four miles from junction of Masaya and Granada roads. This stretch is in fair condition and passable but has not been surfaced. This is the shortest route between the two places. The third route is from Managua to junction of Tipitapa and Masaya roads to Masaya to Niquinohomo and thence the same as route #1. There are other roads being cut to connect with route #1, from Catarina, Diriomo and Diria. The distance from Managua to Granada via route #3 is 50 miles. Persons travelling between Managua and Granada are advised to use route #1 from Managua as the grades between Niquinohomo and Granada are heavy, requiring first gear for some distance, and the approach to Granada is better from the Niquinohomo side. From Granada to Managua the best route to use is route #3 which is the shortest. The road from Granada to Rivas has not been completed but has been surfaced for a distance of 10 miles out of Granada and the right of way is completed to Nandaimo. Distance 16 miles and is now

in fair condition for automobiles. Beyond N. maine, in the direction of Rivas, it is passable but very rough for automobiles. Several cars have succeeded in making the trip during the past week and the road will be in better condition in the next few weeks. Improved trails from Granada to Panaloya are passable for automobiles. Road follows the lake shore to Los Cocos and then veers to the northwest and turns again towards the lake at Panaloya. Travel from Panaloya to Malacatoya is made on horseback.

MISCELLANEOUS

Area Commander, Western Area, reports that six Jueces de Mesta from El Jicral area reported to Department Commander, Leon, for monthly meeting, orders and instructions. Jueces de Mesta and Jefes de Canton of the Department of Leon reported for instructions on Dec. 1, 1930.

Guardia contacts with the bandits were as follows during the month of November, 1930:

Northern Area.....	4
Central Area.....	4
Five Western Area.....	3

~~Five~~ bandits killed and eighteen wounded. The Guardia had four killed and one wounded. The Guardia captured the following bandit property:

Horses.....	4
Saddles.....	1
Bridles.....	1
Bombs.....	5
Pistols.....	1
Dynamite sticks.....	2
Detonators.....	50

and miscellaneous clothing, food supplies and correspondence. Seventeen camps and thirteen houses used by bandits were destroyed by Guardia patrols. No Guardia property was lost in contact.

Upon receipt of information of the Lieut. White-Lieut. Kerns contact and that Lieut. White was wounded, the Area Commander, Central Area, sent Captain Schwerin and a Guardia patrol from Corinto Finca down the Tuma River to render assistance to Lieut. White. Captain Schwerin's patrol report, covering the trip, is quoted herewith:

"Guardia Nacional de Nicaragua,
"Jinotega, 26 November 1930.

"From: The Commanding Officer, Co. "A".
"To: The Area Commander, Central Area.

"Subject: Patrol report.

"Reference: (a) Your letter 11 Nov 30 - Orders.
(b) Kenyon Map of Area.

"2. In obedience to reference (a), which was received at Corinto Finca at 4:30 a.m., 12 November 1930, I cleared that place at 6 a.m., same date, with a patrol consisting of myself, Lieut. Gutierrez and fifteen (15)

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enlisted, on the mission assigned of locating patrol with Lieut. White, wounded.

- "2. The patrol moved as follows:
- "Nov. 12: 0600 - Cleared Corinto Finca.
1730 - Arrived TUMA and spent night there.
- "Nov. 13: 1630 - Cleared TUMA.
1230 - Arrived SAL DE NAL (149-235). Not enough boats here so sent runner down TUMA RIVER for two more which arrived at 1700. Spent night here.
- "Nov. 14: 0700 - Cleared SAL DE NAL in five (5) boats on TUMA RIVER, heading east, down river, with destination junction TUL-CACAO RIVERS.
1730 - Camped for night on river (158-235).
- "Nov. 15: 0630 - Cleared camp, continuing on boats down river.
1730 - Arrived S.BALETTI (167-239). Spent night.
- "Nov. 16: 0630 - Cleared S.BALETTI. Proceeded down river to junction of TUL - CACAO RIVERS. Turned south up CACAO RIVER.
1400 - Arrived CACAO (170-237).
1430 - Cleared CACAO.
1900 - Arrived GUAVA (170-234). Spent night.
- "Nov. 17: Remained at GUAVA until 1200 in order to give plane pick up message asking for information as we had been unable to pick up any information as to White's patrol. No planes.
1200 - Cleared GUAVA. Had heard rumors that Lieut. WHITE had died and that patrol under Lieut. Kerns had passed south thru Matiguas enroute to Matagalpa.
1730 - Arrived at COROSO on MUY MUY VILJO - MATIGUALS road (173-227). Spent night. Verified previous information and as mission was ended decided to return to station via MATIGUALS - MUY MUY - MATAGALPA - JINOTEGA.
- "Nov. 18: 0700 - Cleared COROSO.
1700 - Arrived MATIGUALS.
- "Nov. 19: 0800 - Cleared MATIGUALS.
1430 - Arrived MUY MUY.
1500 - Cleared MUY MUY.
1730 - Arrived SAN GERONIMO. Spent night.
- "Nov. 20: 0700 - Cleared SAN GERONIMO.
1530 - Arrived MATAGALPA. Spent night.
- "Nov. 21: 0800 - Cleared MATAGALPA.
1530 - Arrived JINOTEGA.

"3. From the fact that this patrol passed on Nov. 14th, 1930, the first day on the river, the point where Lieutenants White and Kerns had had their contact, it appears that Lieut. Kerns had given the wrong location of his patrol after the wounding of Lieut. White. At this point while make a portage two bandit graves were found; these were not over a week old.

"4. The first place that embarkation can be made on the Tuma River is at Sal do Nal.

"5. On November 18, 1930, while enroute from Coroso to Matiguas we passed a house where the owner was in bed with a gunshot wound which he claimed to have received from plane fire after the bandit attack on Matiguas. His house was also pocked by numerous bullet holes. This man also stated that two men with pack animals, passing at that time, were killed by bomb dropped from plane.

"6. The patrol was armed with two (2) Thompson Sub-Machine guns, one (1) Springfield rifle equipped for rifle grenades, hand grenades and rifles.

"7. The roads and trails were in fair condition.

"8. The planes passed over patrol Nov. 14, 1930, on river; panel displayed in second boat. No other planes observed.

(s) "J.P. SCHWERIN."

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Licut. Christy arrived in Chinandega from Chichigalpa.

Licut. Flippe arrived in Chichigalpa from Chinandega to assume command of that district.

Major F.G. Patchen cleared Leon for La Paz Centro, to make an investigation. Returned to Leon on Nov. 28th.

Captain E.W. Craig inspected El Tempisque on Nov. 30th and returned to Chinandega.

Licut. Hoyle reported to Guardia Headquarters, Managua, for duty from Leon.

Major F.G. Patchen registered at Guardia Headquarters, Managua on Dec. 2nd from Leon.

Licut. Withers and Licut. Gale reported to Jinotega on Nov. 26th for duty.

Captain McAffee cleared Dario Nov. 28th for Terrabona on an inspection.

Captain Holdahl, Licut. Ragsdale, Licut. Kipp, Licut. Hutchcroft, Licut. Bell and Licut. Frye reported to Guardia Headquarters Managua, from Bluefields, for duty.

Colonel C.B. Matthews cleared Managua by plane for Corinto on Dec. 5th.

Colonel J.L. Smith arrived in Managua from Jinotega by plane on Dec. 5th and cleared the same day by plane for Corinto.

Major F.G. Patchen left Managua on Dec. 6th for Corinto enroute to U.S.; tour of duty with Guardia expired.

Major H.F.A. Baske returned from Corinto to Managua, 30 Nov.

Captain Scholtes cleared for Jinotega on 2 Dec.