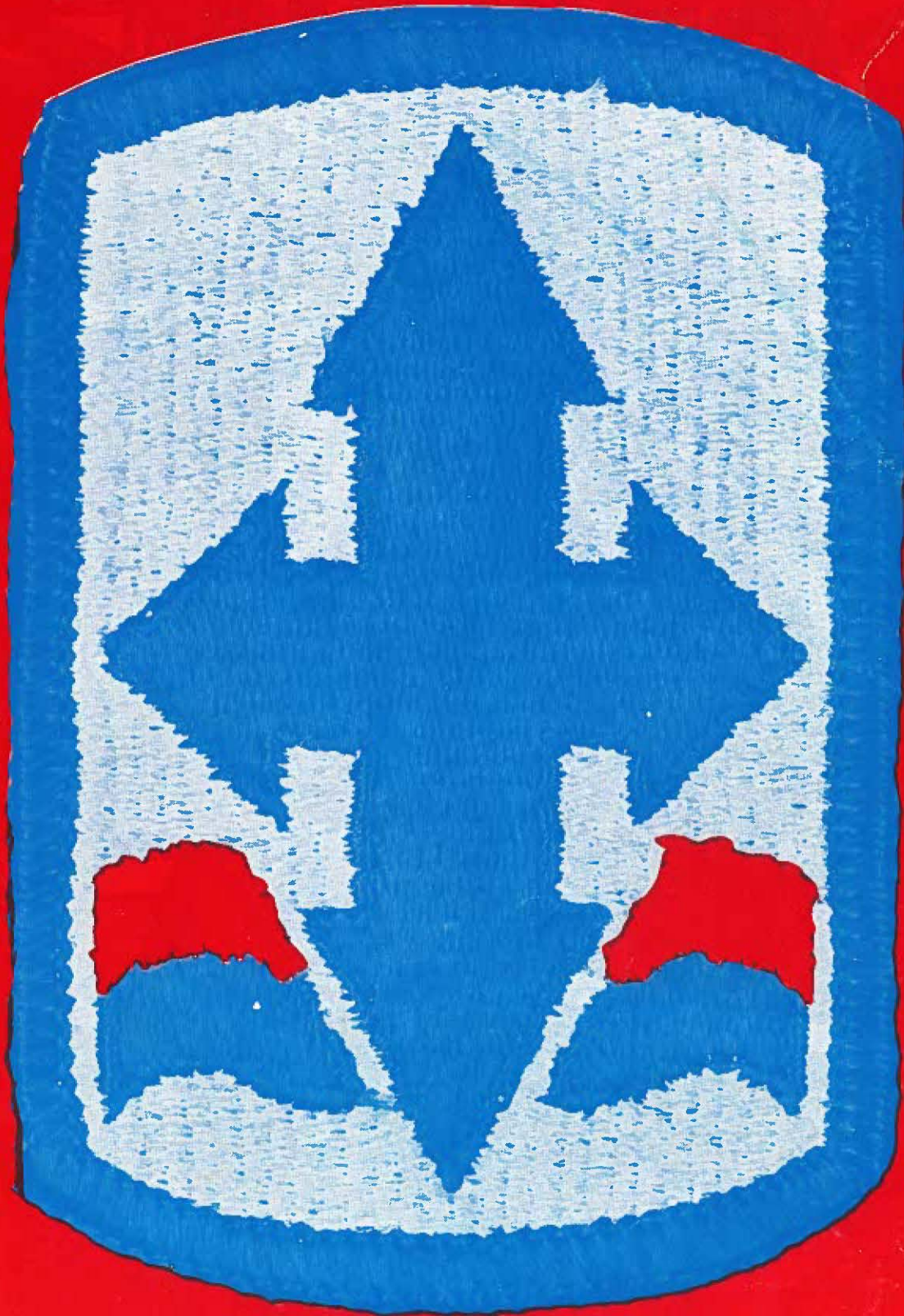


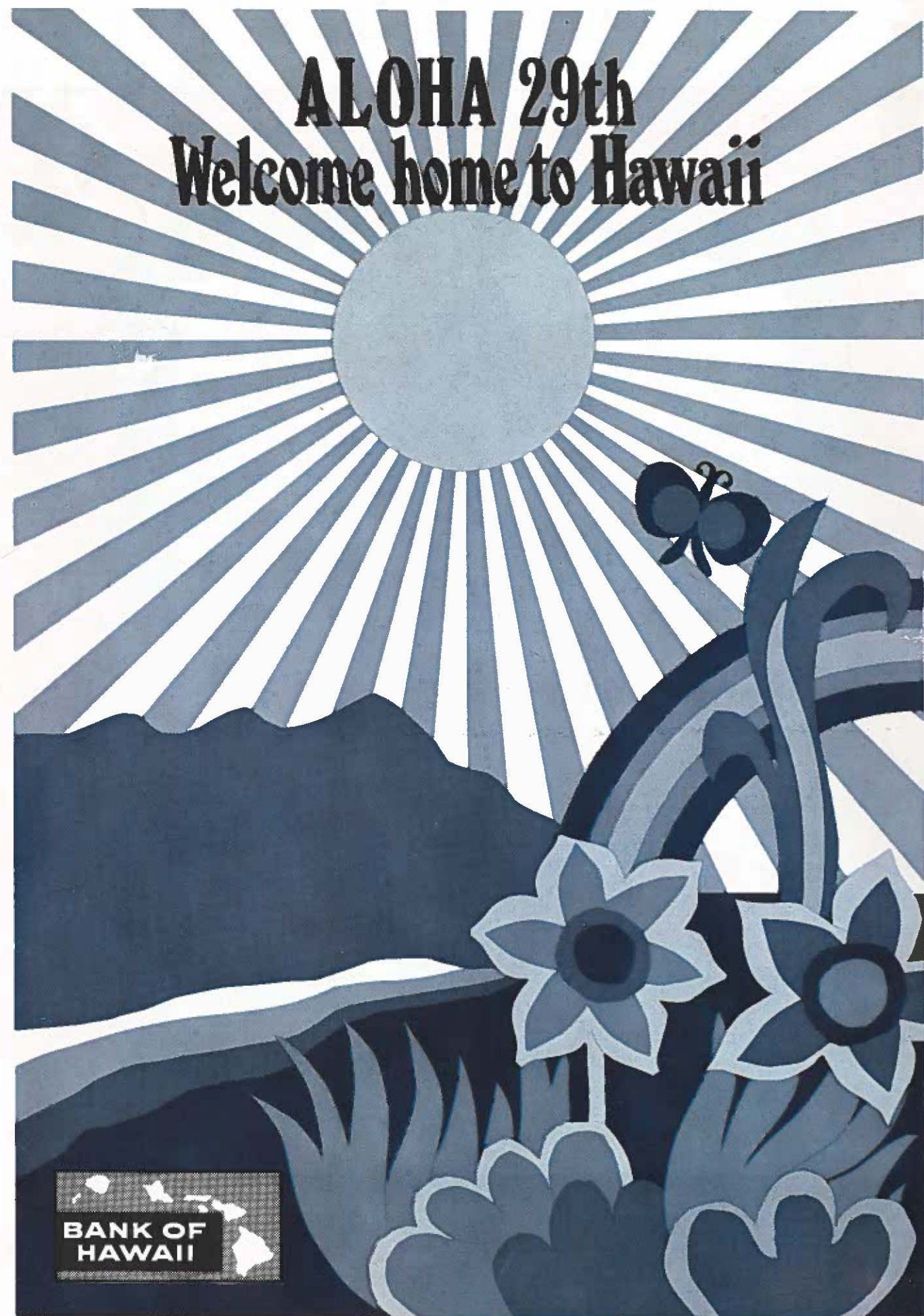
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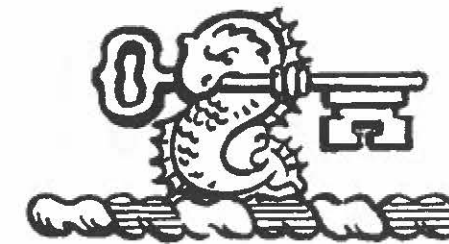
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ON THE COVER: The Shoulder Insignia of the 29th Infantry Brigade. This issue of the Hawaii Guardsman, commemorates the return of the 29th after having spent a year and a half on active duty. (Cover photo by Keith Tsubata)

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THE 29th R TURNS HOME

On May 13, 1968 "Hawaii's Own" 29th Infantry Brigade stood at attention on Kuroda Field at Fort De Russy and was activated into the regular Army.

Now, one and a half years later the Brigade is on its way home. Called originally for 24 months, the Guardmen's and Reservist's active duty time was later shortened to 19 months and a demobilization day of December 12, 1969 was announced.

Much has happened over the past year and a half. The story of the 29th has been one of change. Former civilian soldiers have become professionals, hundreds of original 29ers have gone to help fight the war in Vietnam and in their place new men from all over the United States have come to fill the ranks. 19 former 29th Brigade members have fallen in the service of their country, 11 in combat.

The 29th's activation was the first for a Hawaii Army National Guard Unit in 28 years. On October 15, 1940; 1,700 men of the Hawaii National Guard were activated and like the 29th reported to Schofield Barracks. They were responding to the orders of President Franklin D. Roosevelt who was anticipating involvement in World War II.

First word of the 29th's activation came on April 11, when the Department of Defense announced that 24,500 National Guardsmen and Re-

servist's would be called. On May 13, detouring past Vietnam War protestors the Brigade formed at Fort De Russy and after an emotional farewell ceremony moved out for Schofield Barracks. Even at so solemn an occasion a bit of humor emerged because of a protestor carrying a sign reading "should Jesus go." The men laughed for in the ranks was 1LT, now Captain; Jesus Perry, the Aide to Brigadier General Frederick A. Schaefer III, the brigade commander. Jesus went.

Other units of the 29th held ceremonies on neighbor islands. Troop E, 19th Cavalry was honored at armories in Wahiawa, Waialua and WaiPIO. The 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry held its "Aloha" ceremony in Hilo as did some members of the 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry. The famous "Go For Broke" outfit was assigned to the brigade on activation.



On Maui 300 men were given an "Aloha" by some 2,000 friends and relatives. All units met at Schofield Barracks and started molding the previously scattered organization into one.

Brigadier General Frederick A. Schaefer III and his staff and the battalion commanders faced an awesome task. Training started on the run. M-14 rifles replaced the M-1's, full equipment was supplied and special sophisticated weaponry was on the way.

Troop E, 19th Cavalry was almost immediately issued the M-551 Sheri-

dan Armored Reconnaissance Airborne Assault Vehicle and the 227th Engineer Company, received the Armored Vehicle Launch Bridge and the Combat Engineer Vehicle. The former is an extension bridge mounted on a tank chassis and the latter is a tank like vehicle combining the firepower of the Shelliegh Missile with usefulness of a bulldozer and crane.

All troops underwent weapons qualification during the first weeks. Quads, largely disused since the departure of the 25th Infantry Division had to be made livable. So when not

training housekeeping was the order of the day. Yards were cleaned and landscaping projects popped up everywhere.

By the end of May things were settled enough to send 71 men back to the mainland for Army basic and advanced training. These men had only recently joined the brigade and had not taken their required military training before activation.

In late May, 15 reservists of the 277th Military Intelligence Detachment arrived from their home station in Arizona and 135 men of the 40th Aviation Company arrived and were assigned to Headquarters, U.S. Army, Hawaii. Later they became a part of the 29th.

On May 31, a critical question for the 29th began to rise. The first rumblings on the fate of the 29th began to be heard. And for the first time the word "levy" received attention.

"They have been told that after 90 days from May 13 the personnel of the brigade could be subject to personnel levies depending on critical MOS shortages in the Army," announced Major Charles M. Wills Jr., the 29th's information officer.

So the 90 days of intensive training began. Individual training, then squad, platoon, company and battalion level exercises. Jungle warfare training staged at East Range on Schofield Barracks was begun and the brigade began to develop into a combat ready organization.

By mid-June the brigade had adopted a new shoulder patch, the well known red, white and blue "Crossroad of the Pacific" insignia. Brigade units began participating in off-duty activities. The Post Exchanges were doing volume business, the brigade was involved in post softball leagues and with the inactivation of the 4th Brigade, 6th Infantry Division, the 29th became the dominant unit at Schofield Barracks.

June 16 was Father's Day and the 29th Brigade took their families and friends to Schofield for a look. Dads showed their kids Army equipment and junior ate lunch in an Army mess hall.

July, 1968 was an active month for the 29th. The first "filler," Specialist Four Joel Lucia, arrived and was assigned to the 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry as a medic. Following Lu-

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M DAY IN HAWAII

cia, 419 men from Ohio flew in on a Braniff charter flight from Fort Knox, Kentucky, most were assigned to the 100th Battalion. Next 71 men from the inactivated 4th Brigade joined the 29th.

"A steady stream of the men will



NOT SINCE WORLD WAR II (Hawaii State Archives photo)

be joining the brigade from this point on," Brigadier General Schaefer said. The new men were mostly Individual Ready Reservists assigned to Army Control Groups. They represented almost every state. Some came from as far away as Puerto Rico.

In early July three graduates of the Hawaii National Guard Officer Candidate School were commissioned. Howard M. Oshiro, Allen T. Masuda, and Nelson J. Kahue, all of the 100th Battalion, had rushed and squeezed to complete their OCS training pro-



TRAINING ON THE RUN

gram prior to activation.

By mid-July Troop E, 19th Cavalry was ready to move out for the Pohakuloa Training Area on the Big Island for live fire training with their Sheridans. The first unit of the brigade to utilize the lava flats for live fire exercises, the cavalymen were to be followed by all or part of every unit in the brigade.

By the end of July training was being conducted at the battalion level. Units of 800 men or more were practicing teamwork and tactics in the Koolaus.

The coming of August was heralded by a visit of General William C. Westmoreland, Army Chief of Staff. He watched 29ers during field training exercises. Shortly after his visit his boss, Secretary of the Army Stanley Resor, visited the brigade.

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FILLERS ARRIVE

In early August the 1st Battalion, 487th Artillery, then commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Francis A. I. Bowers, moved to Pohakuloa as the men of the 29th Support Battalion and the 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry moved out to fight a stubborn brush fire near the Pupukea Boy Scout Camp on northern Oahu.

Late August brought the first levies of reassignment with about twenty 29ers receiving order for Vietnam duty. On August 19 the 40th Aviation Company was attached to the brigade from Headquarters, U.S. Army, Hawaii, and at the end of August the news breaks that a two and a half ton truck has crashed on Saddle Road at Pohakuloa and 23 men are injured.

The 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, originally from the Big Island, returned there for training in September. The unit commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Fred Koehnen saw firepower demonstrations staged by the Air Force and concentrated on long range patrolling and battalion tactics.

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OFF TO POHAKULOA

Back at Schofield Barracks the brigade stepped up jungle training and it was announced that most of the 29th's officers would be sent to the war zone within six months. In mid-October the 227th Engineers moved out for Pohakuloa. They repaired roads, installed pipelines, painted huts and rebuilt and repaired quarters, at the Big Island installation.

November brought the beginning of the 29th's final examination. Originally scheduled for only 90 days intensive training, the brigade received 180 days. After six months of hard charging the 29th was ready to show what it had accomplished. A full scale operation was started. Pretending the brigade was part of a division slated to attack a beachhead in Korea, the logistical stages of the brigade's Field Training Exercise was begun.

Holed up in the "Mongoose Hilton," a bunker buried below the pineapple fields of central Oahu, the brigade and battalion staffs planned their steps on maps. Called "Map Maneuver," every detail of an actual operation was considered. Finally by the first of December, with the planning done the troops played out the remainder of the attack problem in the Koolaus. During the exercise the word was received that the National



TIME OUT FOR CHOW

Guardsmen's period of 24 months active duty had been reduced to 19 months and they would be released by December 15, 1969.

Immediately after the FTX, Brigadier General Schaefer announced that he had received orders for duty in Vietnam. His date of departure was January 9.

Christmas time came and hundreds of mainland soldiers were granted leaves for home. Locally the units held Christmas parties and the traditional Christmas dinner was served in the mess halls. Prior to Christmas the 29th collected \$2,700 to provide Christmas parties, and cash gifts for the Puunene Children's Home on Maui and the Kauikeolani Children's Hospital in Honolulu. Brigade volunteers donned Santa costumes and others served as helpers in staging Christmas festivities for the youngsters.

After Christmas it was announced that Brigadier General James K. Terry was to become the new commander of the 29th. He arrived February 21 and formally took command February 24 from Colonel Clyde W. Woods Jr., who had acted as brigade commander since the departure of General Schaefer.

The 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry was sent to Pohakuloa in mid-January for their training stint on the lava flats. At the end of January, Lieutenant Colonel Francis A. I. Bowers was promoted to full colonel and assigned at bridge headquarters. Meanwhile more and more levies kept arriving for the 29th and large numbers of men were on their way to Vietnam monthly.

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Congressmen, Generals, Families and Friends—

ALL VIPS— VISIT THE BRIGADE

... 29th BRIGADE Photos by Keith
A. Tsubata

The reenlistment rate in the 29th had always been high. This fact was highlighted in mid-February when Major General Roy Lassetter Jr., commanding general of U.S. Army, Hawaii swore in a large group of 29th Brigade personnel and presented the brigade with all three of U.S. Army, Hawaii's reenlistment trophies.

Also about this time the brigade received somber news. Its first former member had been killed in Vietnam. The man killed had been a "filler" from the mainland and had only been with the brigade for several months, but it still hurt.

February, "Zeros" appeared into the skies over Schofield Barracks turning back the clock more than 27 years. The filming of "Tora, Tora, Tora" afforded brigade troops a chance to become movie stars or at least ... extras.

And in later February the U.S. Army, Hawaii volleyball team with 11 of its 12 players from the 29th Brigade traveled to Korea and won the U.S. Army Pacific championships.

Amid "Aloha" and greeting luncheons and dinners for the 29th's new commander, the brigade scheduled a Command Post Exercise March 25. In this three day exercise brigade and battalion staffs set up in the field at East Range to test field command procedures and communications.

The results of the 1969 Honolulu Area Combined Federal Campaign, a sort of federal United Fund, were announced about this time. The 29th Brigade was shown to be the largest single contributor. Its total was \$35,864.65 for an average gift of \$9.59 per man.

March 29, Colonel Clyde Woods, then deputy commander of the 29th, and about 40 men from the recon platoon of the 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry traveled to Molokai to march in the Prince Kuhio Day celebration parade. These men largely were from Molokai as was their troop commander, Major Benjamin Manuel.

For Easter many units in the 29th staged Easter egg hunts for their families and picnics on Schofield Barracks. Some units held open houses and field days for their families and guests.

Meanwhile more men from the brigade were headed for Vietnam and by the beginning of May most original officers of the 29th had been ordered to Vietnam as General Schaefer had predicted some six months earlier.

Toward the end of April, Major General Benjamin Webster, Adjutant General of the State of Hawaii and overall commander of the 29th before and after activation into federal service visited Schofield Barracks to check on the personal status of the brigade.

With its first anniversary on active duty just around the corner the brigade kept rolling without a halt. Again helping the Kauaikeolani Children's Hospital the brigade provided

25 volunteers to help with the decorations and heavy work involved in the benefit supper held at the Henry Damon Estate. That same day Brigadier General Terry presented Mrs. Anthony C. S. Tam Sing with her husband's posthumous Army Commendation Medal. First Sergeant Tam Sing of Headquarters Company, 29th Brigade was killed November 4 while working on a landscaping project in his company area. He was the first member of the 29th to be killed while on active duty.

In late June the brigade found itself the principal participant in a full-scale joint Army-Air Force training maneuver called "Lepper Lapin II." For two weeks, from the 15th to the 30th of June, the brigade cut its way through the dense undergrowth in the Waiakea Forest Area and trudged the lava flats and "puu" at the Army's Pohakuloa Training Area on the Big Island. The result was a successfully completed training exercise leaving each of its 2,800 participants better able to handle themselves and their jobs in a combat situation.

As the 29th Brigade returned from its exercise on the Big Island almost immediately it was given another substantial mission. According to General Terry, the mission of the 29th for the months of July and August was to support the arrival and settling in of the 9th Infantry Division.

Toward this end, each unit of the 29th was assigned one or more corresponding units of the 9th for "sponsorship" purposes. Sponsoring is a broad term meaning, "Do everything you can to help" and that's what the 29th did.

During the month of July General Ralph E. Haines, Commander in Chief, U.S. Army, Pacific announced the reassignment of three general officers.

Major General Benjamin Stenberg, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 at USARPAC became Commanding General U.S. Army, Hawaii, replacing Major General Roy Lassetter Jr. who retired.

Brigadier General James K. Terry, Commanding General of the 29th Brigade replaced General Stenberg at the Fort Shafter Headquarters.

At this time it was also announced that Brigadier General Frederick A. Schaefer III former commander of the 29th, when it was mobilized in 1968, would return from Vietnam where he was an assistant division commander with the 4th Division, to be assistant division commander of the 9th Division at Schofield Barracks. However, before General Schaefer returned from Vietnam the 9th Division was deactivated, he was then reassigned as the Commander of the 29th Brigade replacing COL Harold H. Lee who had been named Commander of the 29th after Brigadier General Terry's reassignment.

The month of October found the 29th Brigade participating in a variety of field training exercises. The 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry was air lifted to Hilo to conduct training exercises and on 14 October the 29th moved in its entirety to the Kahuku and Dillingham training areas for a three day FTX. This was to be the last time that 29th Brigade would conduct a training exercise as a brigade.

After it was announced that the Brigade would be deactivated on December 12th, with official deactivation ceremonies being held at Schofield Barracks on December 6th, the Brigade spent their remaining days preparing for their deactivation.

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It is with deep regret that the deaths of the following personnel of the 29th Infantry Brigade, Hawaii Army National Guard, mobilized on 13 May 1968, are announced. The Hawaii National Guard mourns the loss of these loyal members who served their country with distinction and honor.

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PFC Earl C. M. Au Hoy—Co A 1st Bn 299th Inf
SP4 John S. Otake—Co A 1st Bn 299th Inf
PFC Glenn T. Shibata—Gnd Survl & Hv Mort Plat
HHC 2d Bn 299th Inf
SFC Edward L. Loo, Jr.—Co C 2d Bn 299th Inf
PFC Michael S. Nakashima—HHC 29th Inf Bde
SP4 Roger R. Pangen—Trp E 19th CAV
SGT Gaylord K. DeFries—Co B 1st Bn 299th Inf
SP4 Walter D. Drowne—Co C (—) 1st Bn 299th Inf
1LT John K. Kauhahiao—Co C (—) 2d Bn 299th Inf
SP4 Alberto Milar, Jr.—HHC (—) 2d Bn 299th Inf
SGT Wilfredo B. Andrada—Co B 2d Bn 299th Inf

Non-Combat Deaths

1SG Anthony C. S. Tam Sing—HHC 29th Inf Bde
SP4 Norman K. Hayashi—Co C 29th Spt Bn
SP4 Rudy Aquino—Co B (—) 1st Bn 299th Inf
PFC Robert H. Kawamoto—Btry A 1st Bn 487th Arty
1SG Joseph Harvest—Co A 29th Bn
PFC Dennis R. Penis—Co A (—) 2d Bn 299th Inf
SSG Allen K. Matsumoto—HHC 29th Inf Bde
SP4 David S. Laamea—Co B 1st Bn 299th Inf
SP4 Frank T. Longakit—Co A 2d Bn 299th Inf



BENJAMIN J. WEBSTER
Adjutant General

WELCOME HOME

This issue is, quite naturally, primarily devoted to a big "Welcome Home" to our members of the 29th Infantry Brigade. As I have written in the past, they can all be certain that we are delighted to see them return. During September, I was fortunate enough to make a trip to Vietnam and, although it was a rather quick trip with only three days in country, I was most pleased with the arrangements made and with the fact that I was able to see almost 200 of our men. It was a rewarding experience for me and I received the answer I expected from the commanders I talked to, namely, that our members were performing outstandingly. They have congratulations, admiration and appreciation from us all.

I must, because of its importance, turn from the 29th Infantry Brigade and comment on the recent announcement concerning the deactivation of the 298th Artillery Group. This is an action which is difficult for us to take. We have, as I write, 537 full-time technician employees in the Nike missile unit program. They and the drill status members have performed and continue to

perform their mission in an outstanding manner. We cannot hope to place more than a handful of full-time employees in other comparable fulltime positions in the Hawaii National Guard. This means that many loyal and dedicated members may be forced to seek employment elsewhere and will have to face the many problems which such uprooting and change entail. The problems they face are magnified by the fact that many of the skills they have so diligently mastered are not readily transferable to civilian skills. We will hope that the phase down, when it comes, will be a gradual one but we will, in any event, do all we can to assist each member in meeting his new challenge.

When this issue of The Hawaii Guardsman is distributed, I will have completed three years as your Adjutant General. In spite of the problems, the anguish over the 29th Infantry Brigade members killed and wounded, and the uncertainties of the future, you should all know that the privilege of commanding a fine group of men is one that I am deeply honored to have. I offer Season's Greetings to all of you and your families.

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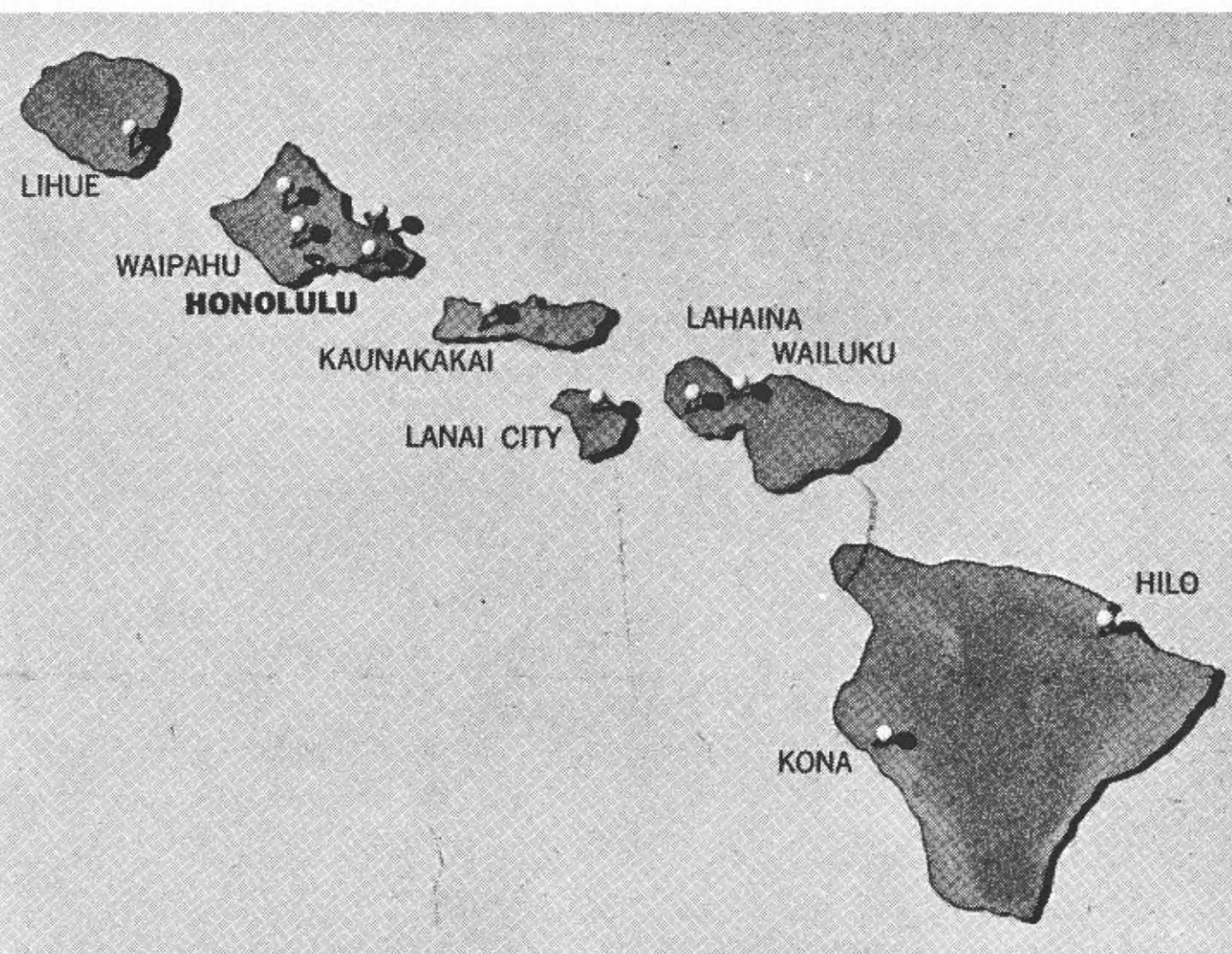
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MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR JOHN A. BURNS
ALL HAWAII NATIONAL GUARDSMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES

1969

It is with the greatest pleasure that, again this holiday season, I extend to you Christmas greetings and the thanks of the people of Hawaii for your service to our State in the vital role of peacetime defense.

By your sacrifice of time and effort, you have contributed most substantially to the sense of security that is vital to the progress of any society and for the happiness of all individuals. As your Commander-in-Chief, I am most deeply appreciative of your service, and I am proud of your high capabilities as trained Guardsmen.

Especially, I extend an expression of gratitude to the families of the Guardsmen, whose patience and understanding has perhaps been a more difficult contribution than that of the Guardsmen, themselves. Such understanding could only be motivated by a full comprehension of vital nature of the duty involved, by the knowledge that your sons, husbands and fathers are doing what they can to give us security.

It is a very particular pleasure to welcome back to Hawaii those Guardsmen who have returned home from arduous and dangerous duty abroad. To them goes our highest commendation for unusual sacrifice in service of our Nation.

Mahalo. Mele Kalikimaka e Hauoli Makahiki Hou.

John A. Burns

298th CELEBRATES 10th ANNIVERSARY

By CPT ALVIN KORT

In 1 May 1969, the 298th Artillery Group quietly observed its Tenth Anniversary in Air Defense. Actually, like many aged but attractive movie actresses, the 298th is older than most would suspect. The Group traces its history back to January, 1893, when it was constituted and organized as the 1st Regiment, National Guard of Hawaii.

In June, 1918, the regiment was federalized and redesignated as the 1st Hawaiian Infantry Regiment. After the World War I Armistice, the regiment was demobilized at Fort Shafter, Hawaii. August 1923 again saw the regiment being redesignated. This time as the 298th Infantry Regiment. The 298th continued to train and serve the nation as Guardsmen until October 1940, when the regiment was mobilized by order of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

World War II saw the regiment serving in the Central Pacific, primarily as occupation and rear area security troops. In April 1945, the 298th was inactivated and returned to the Hawaii National Guard. In August 1946, the 298th was joined by the 483d Field Artillery Battalion. Activated in 1944, the 483d participated in the Western Pacific, Leyte and Ryukyuan Islands campaigns, making an assault landing on the island of Tinian. In September 1955, the 483d was redesignated as the 158th AAA Bn (90mm), becoming the first Hawaii Guard unit to receive an air defense mission. One year later, the 298th Infantry was split with its elements forming the 297th and 298th AAA Bns, the 368th AAA Operational Detachment and HHB,

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TWO MEMBERS OF BTRY C'S LAUNCHER PLATOON perform maintenance checks on a Nike-Hercules Missile and Launcher.

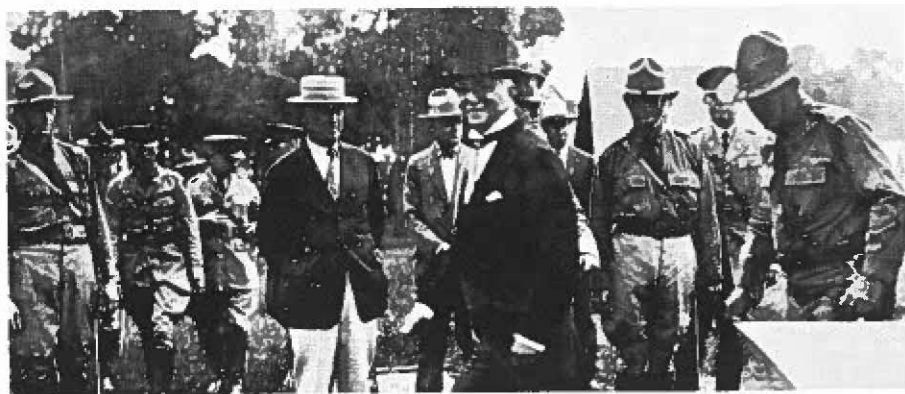
298th AAA Gp. These units were equipped with the radar-controlled rapid firing 90mm anti-aircraft gun.

During the period January through May 1959, the Anti-aircraft Artillery units of the Hawaii National Guard were reorganized into the 298th Artillery Group. From May through December 1959, Group units underwent Overseas Package Training at

Fort Bliss, Texas and became the first Nike-Hercules equipped National Guard units to become operational, on-site in early 1960. Still another reorganization was in the making. In 1965, the 1st Missile Battalion lost its Headquarters Battery, but gained the three firing batteries from the 2d Missile Battalion. The 2d Battalion was then disbanded. Today, the Group is comprised of a Group Headquarters Battery and the 1st Battalion which has two double batteries and two single batteries.

Maintaining an around-the-clock air defense mission since 1960, the Group developed the proficiency and professionalism of its 564 civilian technicians and close to 230 drill-status personnel. Its success was evident in 1967 when Group units returned to McGregor Guided Missile Range, New Mexico after a six year absence, to their annual Short Notice Annual Practice (SNAP). The Group SNAP average score exceeded those of Regular Army and CONUS-based National Guard units. In 1968, the Group repeated its 1967 performance. Battery A tied for second place nationally with a score of 98.1%. Thus far in 1969, the Group units are repeating the performance of the previous two years. Battery A scored a 97.8% and is in third place nationally.

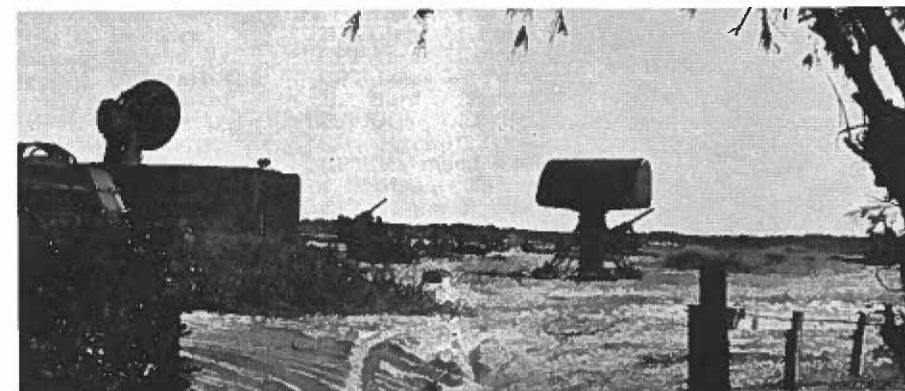
'On 28 October 1969 the Department of Defense announced a planned "phase-out" of the 298th Artillery Group by 30 June 1970. Thus, will the 298th end 11½ years of service to State and Nation; 11½ years of providing, together with the 154th Fighter Group, the Air Defense of the State of Hawaii.



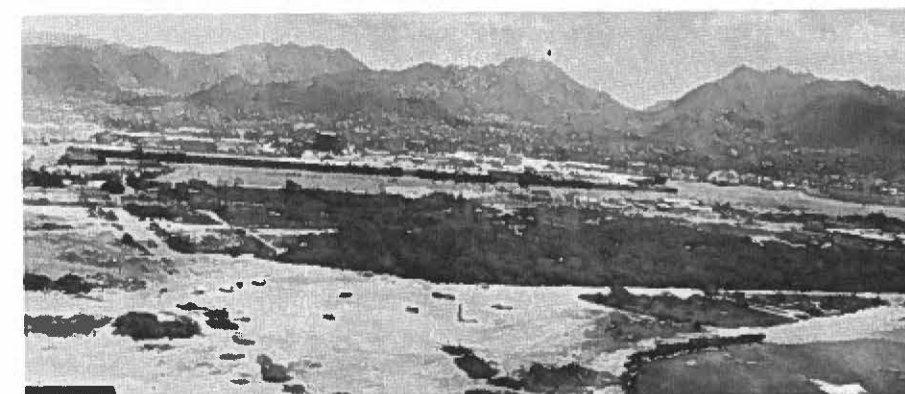
GOVERNOR WALLACE RIDER FARRINGTON is shown inspecting the members of the 298th Infantry during Governor's Day ceremonies held at Schofield Barracks in 1927.



THE 298TH AAA BATTALION during summer camp at Dillingham Field sometime in the late '50s.



DURING THE '50s the 298th was equipped with radar-controlled rapid firing 90mm anti-aircraft guns.



TEMPORARY SITE—This was the 298th's first site at Rainbow Island in 1959. This was a temporary site and the units later moved into permanent locations at Waialua, Kahuku, Waimanalo, and Ewa.



FIRST ASP—CPT Rosario N. Daguic (now Major), CO, Btry D, 1st Missile Bn, 298th Arty places a decal on the scoreboard at site 26, McGregor Missile Range after completing the unit's first Annual Service Practice in November 1960.



SP5 SIEGFRIED R. AZVEDO stands guard at Btry C's IFC area.

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News From the 150th

By CAPT JAMES KURITA
Hoku Award Goes to TSGT Kauahi
Technical Sergeant Melvin Kauahi has won the 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron's Hoku Award for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 1970. The award is presented each quarter to the airman most outstanding in his performance of military duties, initiative, leadership and attitude; for self improvement efforts as well as efforts towards improving the unit; and finally for motivation, loyalty, interest and participation.

In the letter of recommendation by his officer-in-charge, First Lieutenant George I. Koga, on the matter of TSGT Kauahi's attitude towards his duties, it states, "You can expect him to take action on the things that need to be done without waiting to be told. His interest and deep loyalty makes him a valuable asset to the organization."

TSGT Kauahi was selected for his dedicated and diligent efforts towards improving and maintaining an efficient Maintenance Quality Control and Maintenance Control functions in the 150th. Sergeant Kauahi is a past "Honor Graduate" of the Air National Guard's Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at McGhee-Tyson AFB, Tennessee, and has been with the 150th since August 16, 1962. He now resides in Kekaha with his wife, Ethel, and a son, Kendall.

2ND LT Ellis Graduates With Honor

Second Lieutenant Wayne R. Ellis has received the distinction of "Honor Graduate" from the Weapons Controller School at Tyndall AFB, Florida. To accomplish this, Lt Ellis had to maintain a high level of performance, throughout the Manual Weapons Controller Course. He was graded on daily radar-scope performance, academic tests and detailed evaluations of intercept control procedures.

Outstanding student Ellis was best

described by the commander of the 3625th Technical Training Squadron at Tyndall AFB when he wrote in a letter to Lieutenant Colonel DeWitt C. Bye, Commander of the 150th, "Lt Ellis exhibited a thorough knowledge of current tactics and techniques and an exceptional capability as a weapons controller."

Lt Ellis is a drill status controller and is employed by Hale Kauai as the assistant manager of the firm. He is a graduate of Punahou and Drury College in Missouri and now resides in Lihue with his wife, Martha.

Prior to accepting a commission in the Hawaii Air National Guard, Ellis was the recipient of the 150th ACW Squadron's Hoku Hou for being the outstanding airman for Fiscal Year 1968.



2nd Lt WAYNE R. ELLIS—Honor Graduate.

Commander and Nine Controllers Receive Combat Readiness Medals

Lt Col DeWitt C. Bye and nine controllers received the Air Force Combat Readiness Medal. The medal is awarded to individuals who remain on a combat ready status for four consecutive years in their career field.

Those officers receiving the award were Lt Col DeWitt C. Bye; Majors Raymond Moriguchi, Robert Konishi, Reginald Doi, Owen Ota, George Kawamura; Captains James Kurita, Ted Burkard, Vincent Nishina and 1st Lt Steven Oka.

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MAHALO AND ALOHA

FIRST MAHALO

To the 29th Infantry Brigade:

Guardsmen, you have performed the ultimate—you have been called and you served our nation honorably. Those of us who remained in National Guard status knew that the call could have been for any of our own units. Some of us even had a desire to march beside you as you went to serve our nation. We monitored your progress closely and watched with intense interest as you overcame your trying transition to federal status. It frustrated us to have heard that your unit integrity was assigned a low priority and we observed your individual assignments to the troubled spots of the earth. Many of your members have made the supreme sacrifice and many others have been wounded. In spite of all the obstacles, you served in the true tradition of the modern day Hawaiian-warrior. For your deep patriotism and honorable service to our nation we are immensely proud of you. As you return to state status, please accept our warmest ALOHA.

SECOND MAHALO

To the Membership of the HNGA:

I feel that the past year of our association has been a very dynamic one. My sincerest mahalo especially to each of our committee/board chairman and members. Your participation and development of ideas into action has been the foundation of meaningful and worthwhile activities. The success of this magazine, the Kauai '69 conference, our past legislative efforts, sponsoring 29th Brigade members and all the many other activities were possible only because you were willing to freely devote your time and energies. Wherever our effort did not realize full success, I am certain that a sound basis has been laid for the future success of these projects. To each of you—MAHALO!

THE BIGGEST MAHALO

To our families: For tolerating our absence each weekend and that two weeks every summer when we desert you to perform our National Guard duties. To you, during this festive season, may your Holidays and each day of the New Year be filled with the SPIRIT OF ALOHA.

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THE IG IS COMING

BY the 117th PI Detachment, HARNG
An "I.G." inspection is an "I.G." inspection, no matter where. And it happens every year.

But no matter how often it happens, the drama and preparation that lead to an "I.G."—a quick lookover by an inspection team from the active army—are back-breaking, nervewracking and fussy.

Sergeants buff and re-buff shelves, file and re-file papers and check and re-check the men in their units—from the polish on their boots to the serial numbers on their dog tags.

More often than not though, the things they worried about most aren't even looked at. But you never know.

"The I.G. (Inspector General) is around to insure that we're up to snuff," says Major Frederick Holck of the G-3 section. "And if you're being looked at really closely," he adds, "you want to be sure that you have your best foot forward."

Sergeant Leroy Akimoto feels that an I.G. inspection is "alright." "It keeps you on your toes, and it's the I.G. that keeps the Army moving." He said, recently.

As aforementioned, I.G.'s are I.G.'s, and the Hawaii Army National Guard's I.G. on the weekend of Oct. 18-19 followed suit.

Anxious staff sergeants followed an inspecting sergeant as he checked footlockers, weapons rooms and financial files.

"Everything's here," said one inspecting sergeant as he looked at a row of Headquarters wall lockers. "Man, you've got everything here but your wife."

SP5 Harold Higashi with the 117th Public Information Detachment, captured this "inspection" routine on film during the October I.G.



CLEAN AS A WHISTLE... but it's a French Horn, being inspected by LTC Chacy R. Eveland Jr. as WO Jules Castro, Commander of the 111th Band, MSG Bill Yuen looks on.



SPIC AND SPAN and ready for the IG, the Mess Section of Headquarters Detachment, HARNG is inspected by SFC Walter Soh, Mess Steward.



EVERYTHING IS IN ITS PLACE as Captain John Stevenson, Commander of Headquarters Detachment, HARNG and SFC Wataru Hamamoto inspect the individual field equipment of the 111th Band.



RECORDS ARE SCRUTINIZED during any inspection and the IG inspection is no different, shown above from left to right are MSG Bill Yuen, LTC Chacy R. Eveland, Jr., LTC August Nascimento, SSGT Charles R. Perry, and WO Jules Castro.

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NEWS FROM THE 154th

Barrels to City and State

The Hawaii Air National Guard's 154th Fighter Group will prepare and donate 150 barrels to the City of Honolulu for use in beaches and parks to help stem the growing trash problem.

The project of supplying barrels to the City and State was initiated by the National Guard in 1960, and to date the Hawaii Air National Guard (HANG) has contributed some 300 barrels for this purpose. It is strictly voluntary and all barrels and materials are donated.

The project is in keeping with the National Guard's policy of assisting the community where practical.
HANG Adds New Squadron

The Hawaii Air National Guard has a new unit as of October 18—the 154th Civil Engineering Flight (CEF) under the command of First Lieutenant Hiram Pang.

The unit was formerly known as Facilities Flight and was a detachment of the 154th Combat Support Squadron. It is now a completely autonomous unit within HANG and recently passed its Federal Recognition Inspection with flying colors.

Pang said he and his men are very

happy over the move, which will give them much more freedom in their mission of providing construction and maintenance for Hickam and the Forward Operating Bases at Bonham Air Force Base (AFB, and Dillingham AFB. The move eliminates a step in the process of clearing any action to be undertaken.

Pang now has 23 in 154th CEF and has a need for 13 more, which he expects to have within three years. The growth will now be easier to accomplish as 154th CEF will have its own Unit Manning Document. Addition of a new man will no longer mean that a slot has been taken away from some other unit within the squadron.

Air Medal to Johnson

Lieutenant Colonel Kurt E. Johnson was awarded the third and fourth Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal in ceremonies following regular monthly Unit Training Assembly (UTA) for HANG in October.

Johnson received the award for meritorious performance of duty with Operation Palace Alert in Vietnam from 31 March to 16 May 1969. Johnson flew active combat missions in South East Asia in the program as have several other HANG pilots.

HANG Summer Camp Set for Spring

HANG will continue the two-week annual field training period in 1970 for the second straight year, but this time it will come in Spring.

Field Training will begin 23 March following the regular March UTA and will continue through 3 April.

Some 1200 members of HANG will take part in the training with detachments at Hickam AFB, Dillingham AFB on Oahu's North Shore, and Bonham AFB on Kauai.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813



November 17, 1969

Guardsmen and Reservists
29th Infantry Brigade
Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Friends and Citizen Soldiers:

I am most pleased to have this opportunity to extend our warmest Aloha and welcome home to you who, in finest traditions of our nation, dropped your civilian pursuits to answer your country's call to arms.

It was not an easy thing, I know. Many of you have families and were already well established in your chosen fields of endeavor. Family ties and professional ties had to be broken often with considerable hardship. But you went; and you are richly deserving of the thanks of this community and of your country.

On behalf of the people of Honolulu, I extend those thanks. Again, Aloha and welcome home.

Sincerely,

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Welcome Home 29th Brigade:

It is an extreme pleasure for me to have been offered an opportunity by The Hawaii Guardman's editor to extend a message welcoming the return of Hawaii's Own 29th for deactivation at Schofield Barracks on December 12, 1969.

It is not only wonderful news to me, but especially so for "Maui's Own" members of the 29th and their loved one who have stood by them so faithfully, to learn that members of the Brigade now serving in Vietnam will return to Hawaii the week of November 22-28 for ceremonies at Schofield.

It was 19 months ago when Maui staged a touching, tremendous turnout at the Kahului Airport for the Maui County units of the 29th Brigade when they were called up to active duty at Schofield Barracks.

Here in the Tri-Isles we plan an even greater "Welcome Home" for deactivation of the Brigade. I have appointed the 29th Brigade's own Captain Abel Kahoonohano to arrange for their local homecoming.

Just as the Administration and Council worked with members of the Maui units and their families to arrange your affairs before departure, our doors will continue to be open to assist you and your families at anytime.

Sincerely yours,

ELMER F. CRAVALHO
MAYOR, COUNTY OF MAUI

Welcome Home 29th Brigade
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PATRICK R. CONSTANTINO
Administrative Assistant

298th

By CPT ALVIN A. F. KORT

The BIG news this issue is the planned "phase-out" of the 298th Arty Gp by 30 June 1970. On 28 October 1969, the Department of Defense announced that the Group will be phased out of its air defense mission by the end of FY 1970. No further instructions pertaining to the proposed phase out have been received from Department of the Army at this time. Although rumors to this effect circulated in September based on stories in the Army Times and The Federal Times, the October announcement came as a shock to most Group personnel. Now, the off-duty conversations range from "Hey! How do your compute severance pay?" to "Has anyone seen any good jobs advertised lately?"

HHB News

The September drill was one to remember as COL John M. Becker presented the NGB Superior Training Award to CPT Richard Kaulukukui, Commanding Officer of HHB, 298th Arty Gp.

October was another memorable month. On the 19th the men of HHB were required to qualify with the M14 rifle. To provide an incentive and stimulate interest, a "Turkey shoot" was held. The overall match winner was SGT Andrew Rabanes, winning a turkey and a case of beer, with a score of 38 out of 42.

On the 22d of October, HHBers assembled at the Flamingo Chuck Wagon. The occasion was a retirement dinner for SSG Fujio Shito, SSG Benjamin Robles and SP5 John Lopez who were retiring after 20 years service to the Hawaii National Guard. SSGs Shito and Robles received Jig Master fishing reels and SP5 Lopez received an electric clock. Congratulations and best wishes are extended to these men on behalf of all members of the 298th Arty Gp.

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ARTILLERY GROUP NEWS

Btry A News

Congratulations to "Alpha" as they brought home the bacon again! During September, Btry A traveled to McGregor Missile Range in New Mexico for their Short Notice Annual Practice (SNAP). Attempting to better their 1968 score of 98.1%, the unit performed with a vengeance. After the dust had cleared, the battery found that they had not quite made their goal but had received a score of 97.8%. This score puts "Alpha" in third place nationally.

October was also a busy month for the men of Btry A. On the 21st, they received a Surety Inspection from USARHAW. The only ratings possible are Satisfactory and Unsatisfactory. The battery was rated Satisfactory in all areas inspected. On the 26th, the battery journeyed to Schofield Barracks' Trimble range to qualify on the M14 rifle and familiarize with the shotgun. The qualification firing went smoothly, but imagine the shock of the men when they stepped off the firing line and found that they were to be shot—with medicine, that is. The Group medical section was at the range to administer necessary inoculations to the men of Btry A. As with the qualification, firing the shots went smoothly and the unit was soon returning to the battery area at Dillingham AFS.

Btry B News

The Guard has often been referred to as a "family." Unlike the Active Army, Guard units are composed of men from the same geographical locations. Btry B is no exception. One family in particular is the Naipo family.

The Naipos have over fifty years of National Guard heritage in their veins. Their heritage dates back to

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1918, when Hiram K. Naipo Sr. enlisted in Co B, 298th Infantry Regiment. Little did he realize that thirty-five years later, he and his seven sons would be proudly serving the Hawaii Army National Guard. In 1953, LTC Hiram K. Naipo was with the Hawaii State Guard. His seven sons joining the Guard in 1953 were: 1LT Hiram K. Naipo Jr., 613 Ordnance Company; PSG Allen L. Naipo, 298th Infantry; SGT Gene K. Naipo, 298th Infantry; SGT Calvin K. Naipo, 298th Infantry; CPL Samuel K. Naipo, 298th Infantry; PVT Merrill K. Naipo, 298th Infantry; and PVT Ollney K. Naipo, 298th Infantry.

Today, three Naipo brothers are still part of the Hawaii Guard and the 298th Arty Gp in particular. MAJ Samuel K. Naipo commands Btry D. PSG Gene Naipo is the Launcher Platoon Sergeant of Btry B. SFC Calvin Naipo is the Missile Assembly Electronic Materiel Chief at Btry B.

The Naipo family is representative of the other family groups in Btry B and other units of the 298th Arty Gp. These family groups with their heritage and pride in the Guard are one of the main reasons for the cohesiveness and Espirit De Corps that has made the 298th Arty Gp the outstanding unit it is.

Btry C News

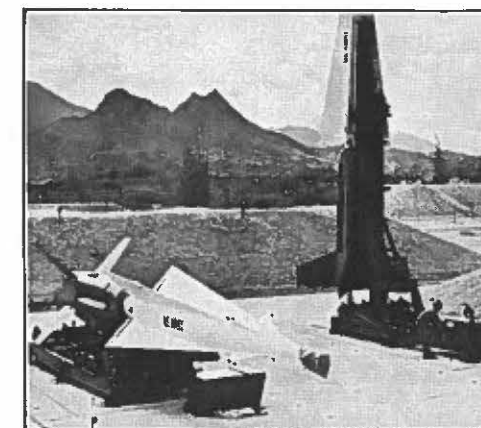
The annual Surety Inspection by

USARHAW was given to Btry C on the 23rd of October. Many manhours were devoted to preparing for the inspection. For almost a week, the men of Btry C cleaned equipment and "Brushed Up" on procedures used in the inspection. Btry C received a Satisfactory rating in all areas. As a result, the battery held an R & R session after work on the 24th at area #5 behind the Bellows Beach Club.

Btry D News

On the 2d of September 1969, while attending a board meeting of the Waipahu Community Association, 1SG Mitsuo Shito received a request for community support for the Waimano Home Homecoming Event for Sunday, 21 September. The requirement was to man 17 carnival-type game booths for the patients and former patients of the home. The request for manpower was given to MAJ Samuel K. Naipo, the Battery Commander.

Without hesitation, the call was sounded to all officers and men of the unit. 1SG Shito was appointed chairman for the project. At 0930 on the 21st, 84 volunteers and wives assembled at the Waimano Home grounds, eager and ready for work. By 1000, the booths were setup and in full operation until the closing time (1400). Despite the rainy weather, the project was a huge success and was enjoyed by all. The project was so enjoyable that Btry D has decided to make it an annual community project.



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November 5, 1969

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE 29th INFANTRY BRIGADE:

The people of Kauai -- your family and friends -- are eagerly anticipating your return.

In retrospect, it seems only a short time ago that we participated in the ceremonies which marked your departure. We realize, though, that the period between then and now has been an arduous one for you and your loved ones at home. Now only a few days separate you from a reunion. Hopefully, it will be a permanent one.

Here at home, there have been only prayers for your safe return. Now that we know it is a reality, we are planning a celebration in your honor. It is our way of saying a heartfelt "thank you" for your sacrifices in behalf of our freedom, and "welcome home".

With personal best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely,

Antone Vidinha, Jr.
ANTONE VIDINHA, JR., MAYOR
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91st GENERAL CONFERENCE

By MAJOR STANLEY LUM

The City of Mobile, Alabama, a city which has witnessed the aegis of the Spaniards, the French, the British, the Confederacy, and the Yankee invaders, was the setting for the 91st General Conference of the National Guard Association of the U.S. The date: 13 October 1969. Gathered there in historic Mobile was an assembly in excess of 2,000 persons, delegates from the 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia. Among those present was a colorful contingent of 18 from Hawaii, headed by COL William "Red" Meyer, and including his gracious wife, Vivian; COLs Eugene Surowiec, Billy Watson, and Edward Yoshimasu; LTCs Paul Goya, Robert Stanek, and Thomas Ito; MAJs Earl Thompson, Paul Phillips, James Lota, Daniel Au, and Ray Moriguchi; CAPTs Larry Mosher, Ken Chong, and Stanley Lum; and S/SGTS Len Cockett and Dave Keohokapu.

A conference of this size has many facets, each of which could be the subject of a report: the business pro-

ceedings; the notable persons present; the key addresses delivered; the special scheduled and the impromptu unscheduled events; the friendly socializing between delegations; the acquaintances gained; the wide walks of life from whence "weekend warriors" come; the unanimity of attitude toward Guard matters; and other things too numerous to mention or to remember. But truly, a general conference, particularly in the National Guard style, is all of these things combined -- a curious blend of friendly, social contacts and serious purpose of mind. And if they add up to one thing, I would characterize that one ingredient as an overwhelming sense of dedication to duty and belief in the righteousness of American ideals.

As a first-time participant in a national conference, I was struck by the array of high ranking officers present, and I use the term "struck" in an almost literal sense. There was rarely a time that I didn't walk past, into, or

HAWAII DELEGATION ADDS COLOR TO CONFERENCE--COL E. M. Yoshimasu, Mrs. Vivian Meyer, COL William Meyer and Lt Col Paul Goya helped to spread Aloha at the 91st General Conference of the NGAUS in Mobile, Alabama.



alongside general officers and full colonels. The conference was a living panorama of who's who in the National Guard and in those agencies of Government close to the Guard.

But, in spite of all the "brass" present, one might still ask: "Were there substantive issues in any of the proceedings? What, if anything, was learned from the conference?" These questions deserve an answer; indeed, they must be answered for, in the current climate, we can ill afford anything short of meaningful discussions. For the Guard, the calendar year began with an ever-broadening surfacing of anti-military sentiment; the burning South Vietnam issue; a juggernaut of an economy displaying evidences of an inflationary spiral; and the advent of a new national Administration, giving rise to uncertainty as to how the policies of that Administration would affect the Guard and conditions of its continued existence.

Thus, the 91st General conference was a time for sober thoughts and serious contemplation of things to come in the months ahead. Though major speakers commended the Guard on its performance when called to active duty, little time was spent on reliving past accomplishments. Instead, attention was directed to making the Guard more effective in the future and, with the address delivered by Maj. Gen. John Finn, Deputy Commanding General for Reserve Forces, Third U. S. Army, we heard the first of a series of what could be termed "possible expectations." The events which have unfolded in the short weeks since the conference adjourned—notably, the reductions in military spending; the official announcements of the closure of Nike Hercules missile sites; and the firm resolve for a deliberate, orderly withdrawal from South Vietnam—have cast these expectations more as "probabilities." Military leaders are already looking to a post-Vietnam era, reflecting, not only a belief in eventual disengagement from the war in Vietnam, but a reshaping of the total military defense posture as well.

We, in the Guard, must plan for our role after Vietnam. We must be prepared to assume new missions. In fact, the assumption of new missions will be critical to the survival of some Guard units. At the same time, it is not enough, nor is it really appropriate—that the Guard merely restate its ability to assume any of the responsibilities of the active services (even though we believe this to be the case). Instead, we must enter intelligently into the process of identifying the additional responsibilities that can be assumed, and we might well begin by concentrating on those things that we can do best; those things that the Guard is uniquely qualified to do. For today, while military defense is important, we must share attention with the priority of other highly important domestic programs. Consequently, more than ever before, we will need to defend our pro-

gram goals and requirements. We can expect that programs will be scrutinized closely at all review levels—at the Bureau level, the Department level, the national level, and in Congress.

It behooves us to be discriminating in our program requirements, for priority judgments will be based on highly selective, and defensible, considerations. Our management abilities will be taxed to their utmost since proportionately less funds will be available.

The critical gap for the Guard will be the period beginning now and ending with our actual disengagement from combat operations in Vietnam, the thought being that it will take a little time before efforts and resources previously devoted to supporting our involvement in Vietnam can be diverted to other program areas. Keeping our faces levels intact until post-Vietnam requirements are established will become increasingly difficult, and it may be necessary to seek solutions which, though adverse to some units, will work to the greater, overall benefit of the Guard. The subsequent closing of missile sites seems to comport with this latter view.

What can we do in this interim period, particularly when the guard must reduce its Basic Military Training Input by 4,000 in the next six months? If I surmise correctly, our recruiting emphasis must shift to prior service personnel so that current manning levels can be maintained. Those units unable to maintain strength will most assuredly be looked to should further curtailment in force levels be directed. We need to give urgent attention to flying safety and reduce the accident rate. We must examine further possibilities for participation in community projects, the first step, it seems, in involving ourselves in domestic problems. Community projects may, hopefully, attract a broader base of support for the National Guard. In addition, there is a trend to limiting military programs in favor of domestic programs, and the immediate years ahead hold promise for the Guard's needing to consider seriously how it can serve a definitive role in the domestic issues which confront the nation. Involvement in community projects is a step in that direction and, to this end, all Guard units are being asked to participate in at least one community project each year.

What might the Guard anticipate in the post-Vietnam era? For one thing, new equipment can be released to the Guard as the Vietnam effort is reduced. The influx of new equipment into the Guard inventory will be accompanied by the need for familiarization training. We might expect, too, a revision to the draft laws and implementation of the volunteer army concept, the latter having implications for greater demands on the Guard. The prospects are that with a volunteer army, greater reliance will have to be placed on reserve forces. However, under a volunteer army concept, we stand to lose the draft laws as a recruiting aid, and therein lies a chal-

lenge to the Guard in attempting to meet force levels. Consequently, we will need to examine and develop recruiting and publicity campaigns.

Already there has evolved, in the Air Force planning document, the total force concept wherein concurrent consideration will be given to both regulars and reserves in determining force requirements, equipment, and missions. With continued restraints on Government spending, the lower costs associated with our operations enhance Guard priorities. This, too, is a factor in Air Force planning though, by no means, does it signal any less competition for funds. Overall defense will continue to be a demanding item insofar as fiscal resources are concerned and will only highlight the need for more effective management of programs. We will see, also, a more concerted effort to actively participate in the social climate of the Nation. Earlier, I touched upon our involvement in domestic issues. The volunteer army concept will provide more opportunity for helping in such matters. Revisions to the draft laws will probably result in a young army and, consequently, a young Guard. The accent will be on youth and the Guardsman, because he contributes militarily while still enmeshed in the day-to-day life of a private citizen, is uniquely equipped to view our social problems with a balanced perspective, and must be relied upon to communicate to others in his community the purpose of the military establishment. The Guard can help shape the attitudes of the young and in this way combat the unrest so prevalent in the Nation—an unrest which is prejudicial to order and justice and which now seethes with anti-military sentiments. We can advance the cause of equal opportunity with greater representation of minority group members in our ranks. We have the manpower and the facilities to undertake community projects designed to help ease the misfortunes of the underprivileged.

In the final analysis, I see, in the post-Vietnam era, a maximum of effort to seek ways in which the aims of the military can be translated into action programs which identify more closely with domestic issues. Under the total force concept, the Guard will be a key factor in that effort. We have an important, and possibly more meaningful, role ahead of us.

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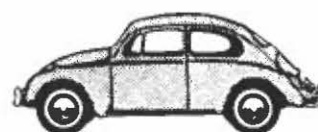
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169th AC&W NEWS

By A1C GREG ING

13th Anniversary

The thirteenth anniversary of the 169th AC&W Squadron was held on October 26th at Paradise Park. Two hundred members and guests of the squadron were present for this memorable occasion.

The night's festivities were initiated with cocktails being served on a lanai overlooking the park, where the sunset and gentle bird cries enhanced the peaceful Manoa Valley surroundings. As the evening progressed, dinner was served with background music of a female vocalist and her accompaniment.

Brigadier General Valentine A. Siefermann, representing the Adjutant General, presented a brief resume of the active role of the Air National Guard in Hawaii, and the major role in air defense performed by this unit, under the "able command" of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Goya.

The final event of the night's program was the drawing of various door-prizes. All-in-all, the night was enjoyed by everyone on the thirteenth anniversary of the "birthday" of the 169th AC&W Squadron.

169th NCO Club

Under the able leadership of President Senior Master Sergeant Joseph R. Tibayan and his executive com-

mittee, the 169th Non-Commissioned Officer Club has planned a very busy and fruitful year.

Events thus far programmed for the year are grounds beautification, fund raising drive, Christmas display, community project, squadron luau, and NCO Club picnic.

Initially, fifty NCOs had shown their interest and joined the club. But a membership drive has increased total membership to 73 (66%). Hopefully, a membership of 100% can be attained in the near future.

Honor Graduate

Recently returned from 30BR-1741A, Weapons Controller (Manual) School at Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida, is Second Lieutenant Jerry M. Matsuda.

LT Matsuda received an Honor Graduate Certificate "for his outstanding performance. He exhibited a thorough knowledge of current tactics and techniques, and an exceptional capability as a weapons controller."

To receive this honor, a graduate must maintain a high level of performance throughout the course. Grades for this course are based on daily radarscope performance, academic tests and detailed evaluation of intercept control procedures.

PROGRESS IN THE 201st

By CAPT DAVID HOWARD

The 201st Receives More Trucks

The 201st Mobile Communications Squadron has had a recent addition of fifty-seven two and one-half ton military tactical vehicles from the manufacturer. The five motor vehicle maintenance air technicians have been augmented by four temporary technicians to clean, service, and prepare these vehicles for use. The trucks are being stored at Building 206 on Lagoon Drive, in Waiawa, Pearl City, and at Battery Selfridge on Hickam AFB.

Telcom Has Its Own Man

Master Sergeant George Hayashi has been assigned the task of being the only air technician in charge of the Telecommunications Section located at Battery Selfridge. The sergeant is responsible for the publication files for radio operators and teletype operators, many with weekly changes. He also prepares training schedules and classes. MSgt Hayashi is the custodian of the Communication Security Account and is responsible for maintenance of all account publications. George was an air technician from 1960 to 1965, working for the 109th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron at Punamano Air Force Station, and at the 150th ACK Squadron at Kokee, Kauai. Prior to accepting this new position with the 201st, he was an employee of the United States Post Office.

Temporary Duty

The First Mobile Communications Group, located in the Philippines, has sent two Navigational Aids repairmen to the 201st to help train their counterparts in the National Guard. These active Air Force men, Staff Sergeant Jack Zickl and Sergeant Dan Sprenger are here in Hawaii on a temporary duty assignment.

TSGT Langsi Back From NCO Academy

Technical Sergeant David P. Lang-

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si, of the 201st's Material Control Section, has returned from the Air National Guard Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at McGhee-Tyson ANG Base, Tennessee. Sergeant Langsi is the first to graduate from this unit.

SSGT Pabingwit Goes to Hilo

Staff Sergeant Buenaventura Pa-

bingwit participated in the last Military Airlift Command support "Leprechaun Laughter" mission. He installed two very high frequency, air to ground radios at General Lyman Field, Hilo, and maintained them for one week. These radios were vital to MAC's recovery of 890 men of the 29th Infantry Brigade as well as 479 tons of cargo from Hilo to Oahu.

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On behalf of the County of Hawaii and all its people, may I express our happiness on your return home. Our pride in your achievement, our relief in your safety, the joy of your family and friends combine to make this an event of great emotional significance for all of us.

However, our feelings of jubilation are tempered by the memory of guardsmen who will not return, who have given their lives in our service and in the defense of the ideals of our nation. Let us not now or forever forget them, or their heartsick family and friends, on this otherwise happy occasion.

Aloha,
Shunichi Kimura
SHUNICHI KIMURA
MAYOR

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LIFE

NCO Association Scholarship

Miss Lorna Y. Ogawa of 95-261 Wailawa Street, Wahiawa, a 1969 graduate of Leilehua High School, has been selected as the recipient of the second annual Hawaii National Guard Non-Commissioned Officers Association Scholarship.

Miss Ogawa was selected over all other applicants because of her record of scholastic achievement and her potential for further academic success.

The Hawaii National Guard Non-Commissioned Officers Association was formed in 1964 and membership is open to all NCOs in the Hawaii Army and Air Guard.

Applicants for the scholarship were limited to the families of Association members.

The scholarship is for one year and may be used at any accredited college or university in the State of Hawaii.

Miss Ogawa is the daughter of TSgt and Mrs. Richard Y. Ogawa. TSgt Ogawa is an air technician working full time for the Hawaii Air Guard at the 154th Supply Squadron.

and NEWS of the HAWAII GUARD

Royal Guard Celebrates Sixth Anniversary

On Sunday, November 16, 36 members of the Hawaii Air National Guard's Royal Guard celebrated their sixth anniversary by performing the traditional "Mounting of the Guard" ceremony at Iolani Palace. All members of the Royal Guard are of Hawaiian or part Hawaiian blood. Today's Royal Guard is patterned after the original Guard which protected the Kings and Queens of the Monarchy. The last King to use the Royal Guard was King David Kalakaua whose birthday coincidentally is the same as that of the Modern Royal Guard, November 16th.

Pair Honored for Service to Guard

Two Hawaii Army National Guardsmen were honored for meritorious service to the Guard at a special awards ceremony, Sunday, November 16th at Fort Ruger.

Receiving Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medals were:

Lieutenant Colonel Roy W. Replogle, of Naalehu on the Big Island, and Chief Warrant Officer Hisashi Kawai, a Punchbowl resident.

LTC Replogle, who has been in the Hawaii Army Guard since 1935, is retiring soon. His most recent Guard position was as Assistant Chief of Staff with Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, HARNG.

In civilian life, Replogle is the industrial relations superintendent of the Hutchinson Sugar Company plant at Naalehu.

Kawai, 43, of 1768 Puowaina Dr., Honolulu, is a fulltime administrative specialist with the Guard's military support section. He's been a member of the Hawaii Army Guard since May, 1950.

HANG Air Tech Bowling League

The Hawaii Air National Guard Air Technicians bowling league completed its fifth season recently and

held an awards banquet at the Hickam NCO Top Three Club. Officers of the league are: President, Ignacio Gabriel; Vice President, Galen Nakahara; OBA Representative, Don Casteneda; and Secretary/Treasurer, David Langsi.



HANG BOWLING LEAGUE George Ginoza one of the participants of the HANG Bowling League shows how it should be done.

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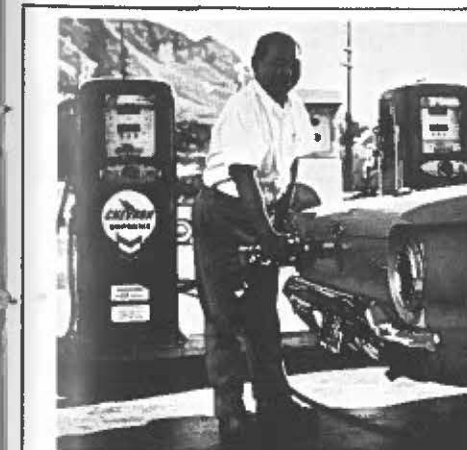
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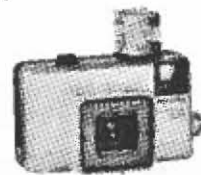
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1969 CANCER CRUSADE

The Hawaii National Guard participated again this year in the American Cancer Society's Residential Campaign. This is the tenth year that the National Guard has participated and according to Lt Col Frank Carlos, Project Officer, "We will do it again next year." This year 400 Army and Air National Guardsmen delivered and picked up 4,000 Cancer Crusade packets in the Honolulu area.

HARNG OCS Best in Nation

The Hawaii Army National Guard Officer Candidate School, commanded by LTC Raymond Oyama, has once again won the coveted U.S. Army Infantry School National Award Trophy. This trophy was presented to the Hawaii delegation earlier this month at the 91st General Conference of the National Guard Association of the United States in Mobile, Alabama.

The trophy was presented to the outstanding State Officer Candidate School (OCS) and was based upon the Hawaii OCS having won the Certificate of Academic Excellence for the 6th Army Area. Hawaii then competed with the winners for each Army Area, for the National Award known as the DOUGHBOY AWARD.

The Hawaii National Guard's Officer Candidate School began its existence in June 1962 and since that time has won the Certificate of Academic Excellence from the 6th Army Area three times; the first time in 1966 and again in 1968 and 1969. The HARNG OCS has also won the DOUGHBOY AWARD from the U.S. Army Infantry School twice, the first being in 1966.

LTC Sugihara Retires

Lieutenant Colonel Masato Sugihara, the Hawaii Army National Guard's senior staff training officer, was honored for 23 years of distin-

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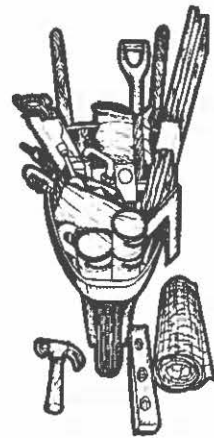
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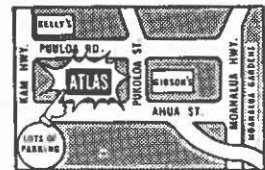
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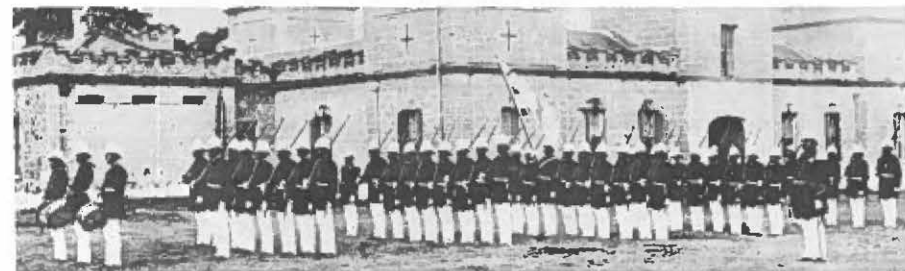
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LTC Sugihara, 57, was presented the Hawaii Guard's Commendation Medal by State Adjutant General Benjamin J. Webster.

He was cited for "dedicated and faithful service during the period Dec. 17, 1946 to Aug. 1, 1969."

Sugihara, who lives at 1716 Skyline Drive, Alewa Heights, is a 1930 McKinley High School graduate and a 1936 graduate of the University of Hawaii.

He began his military career in 1943 with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, but during the war was assigned to duty as an Army Japanese interpreter in India, Burma and Malaya. While serving in India, LTC Sugihara received a field commission.

Following the war (in 1946), LTC Sugihara joined the guard on a part-time basis and resumed his former teaching of vocational agriculture at various Oahu intermediate and high schools. (Including Farrington and Castle High Schools).

In 1964, he joined the Guard as a full-time staff training officer, the post he officially held until his retirement.

Sugihara is an avid orchid grower, one of seven registered parliamentarians in the State of Hawaii and an occasional photographer-golfer.

He has a daughter, Jo Ann, 30, of

Minneapolis, Minn., and a son, William, 26, an Air Force sergeant stationed at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. His wife, Helene, is a 5th grade instructor at Kalihi-Kai Elementary School.



LTC SUGIHARA HAS A NEW BAG . . . after 23 years of service to the National Guard he has retired and gone into the travel business.

12 Receive Their Bars

Twelve island men — eight Army National Guardsmen, two Air Guardsmen and two Army Reservists have

received Federal commissions as 2nd Lieutenants.

The twelve new Lieutenants were members of the State Officer Candidate School's 1968-1969 class.

Six other members of the 18-man (OCS) class received certificates of eligibility, and will be commissioned when there is an officer opening for them to fill.

Recipients of gold Lieutenants' bars were:

Army Guardsmen Leroy K. Chung, Gilbert R. Estores, Charles T. Fredo,

Gary Fujimoto, Chris T. Fukuoka, Clifford T. Kawano, Clarence T. Nishi, and Eugene H. B. Young; Air Guardsmen Gerald V. Erickson, and Ronald T. Tanaka; and Army Reservists Carl M. Sakamoto and Alfred Silva.

Receiving certificates of eligibility were:

Army Guardsmen Jerry K. Cho, Russell E. Eaton, Laurence B. Harding, Wayne H. Mizumoto, and Ronald Shimabukuro; and Army Reservist Kelvin K. Ogata.

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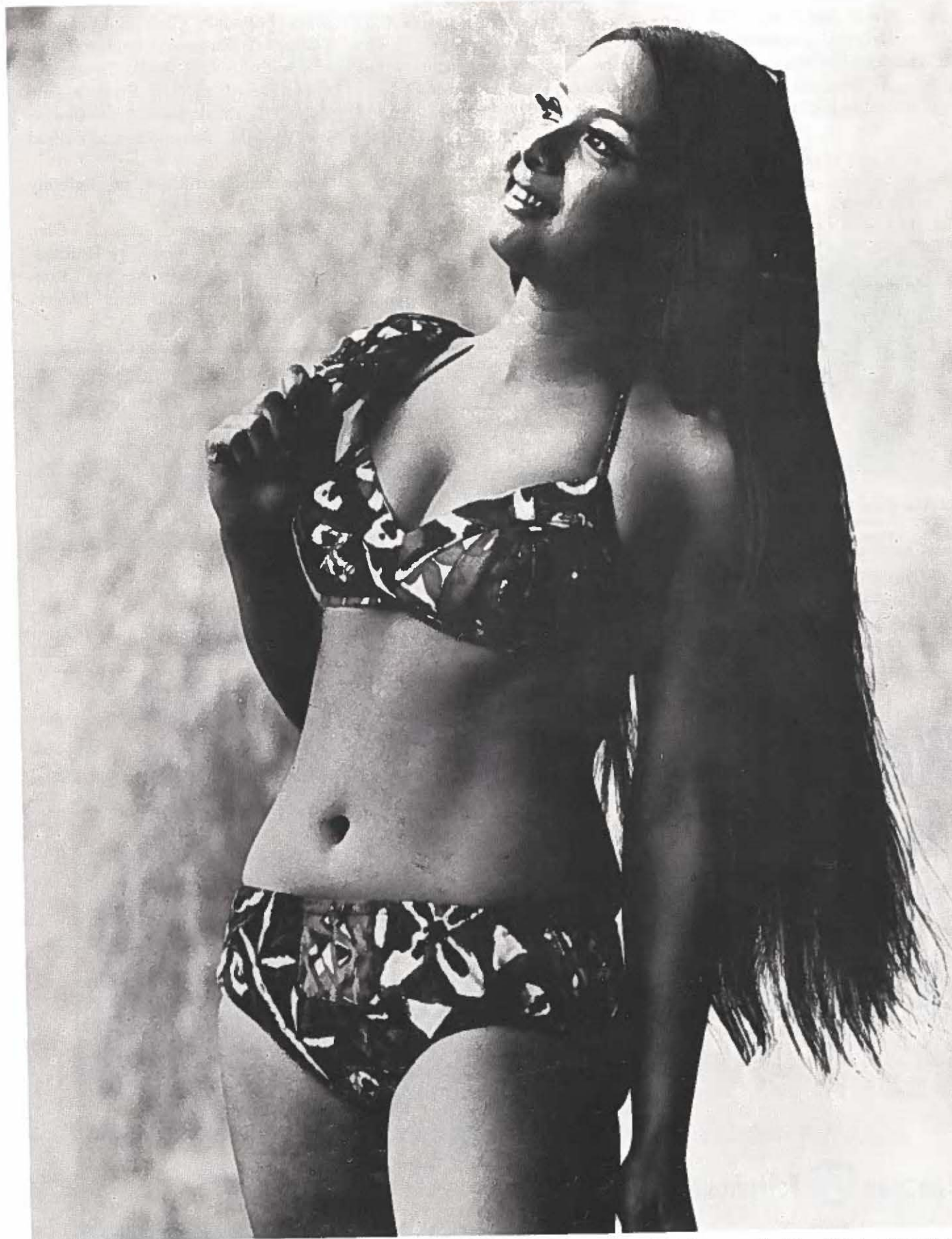
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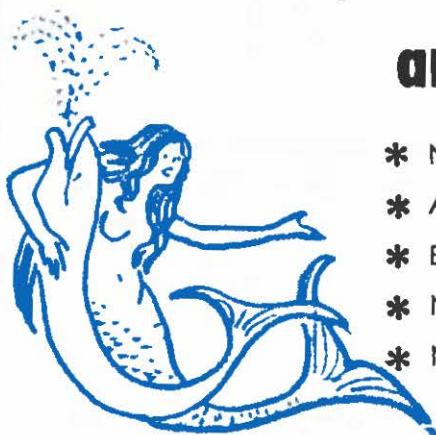
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