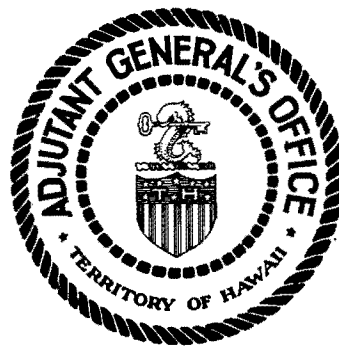


ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
ADJUTANT GENERAL  
OF THE  
TERRITORY OF HAWAII  
JULY 1, 1926 - JUNE 30, 1927



TERRITORY OF HAWAII  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
HONOLULU

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August 1, 1927.

Honorable Wallace R. Farrington  
Governor of the Territory of Hawaii  
Honolulu, T. H.

Your Excellency:

1. As directed in the Governor's letter of May 25, 1927, I have the honor to submit to the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, and Commander-in-Chief of the Hawaii National Guard, the following report on the operations of the Military Department and of the Hawaii National Guard for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927:

ORGANIZATION

2. The Hawaii National Guard is organized under the provisions of the National Defense Act (and amendments thereto) of the United States Congress and the Revised Laws of the Territory of Hawaii. The numbers of personnel and organizations, the kinds and types of such units and their locations throughout the Territory, are as prescribed by the Secretary of War, through the Militia Bureau of the War Department.

3. For the first time in the history of this Department since the Hawaii National Guard was reorganized in 1919 (it having previously been disbanded when called into the service of the United States during the World War), the Guard is now completely organized and recruited to the strength as authorized by the Militia Bureau, War Department. Many important changes have occurred within the organization during this fiscal year, particularly during the last six months. On January 1, 1927, through authority from the Chief, Militia Bureau, the 299th Infantry was organized as a complete regiment (less 3rd Battalion). New companies were organized and extended Federal Recognition and we now have two well-balanced regiments, the 298th and 299th Infantries (each less 3rd Battalion) and certain organizations of the Staff Corps and Departments of these Headquarters.

4. The present numerical National Guard allotment to these Islands as authorized by the Militia Bureau in letter dated January 20, 1927 is 1727 (101 officers, 2 warrant officers, and 1624 enlisted men), of the following organizations:

Headquarters of the Hawaii National Guard:  
 Adjutant General's Department  
 Judge Advocate General's Department  
 Inspector General, H. N. G. (Additional  
 Infantry Officer)  
 Quartermaster Corps  
 Ordnance Department  
 Medical Department  
 28 Companies of Infantry  
 2 Medical Detachments

5. The present organizations of the Hawaii National Guard, with their stations and personnel, are as follows:

ORGANIZATION	STATION	OFFICERS	WARRANT OFFICER	ENLISTED MEN
Staff Corps & Departments	Honolulu	8	-	19
Inspector General, H. N. G.	"	1	-	-
Total Headquarters, H. N. G.		9	-	19
Headquarters, 298th Infantry	Honolulu	6	-	-
Headquarters Co., 298th Inf.	"	1	-	64
Service Company, 298th Inf.	"	4	1	67
Howitzer Company, 298th Inf.	"	2	-	57
Medical Dept. Detach., 298th Inf.	"	5	-	27
Total Regimental Hdqrs. & Special Units		18	1	215
<u>1st Battalion, 298th Infantry</u>				
Headquarters & Hdqrs. Co.	Honolulu	3	-	25
Company "A"	"	3	-	63
Company "B"	"	3	-	70
Company "C"	"	2	-	65
Company "D"	Aiea, Oahu	3	-	66
Total 1st Battalion		14	-	289
<u>2nd Battalion, 298th Infantry</u>				
Headquarters & Hdqrs. Co.	Honolulu	3	-	37
Company "E"	"	3	-	62
Company "F"	"	3	-	66
Company "G"	Waipahu, Oahu	3	-	62
Company "H"	Honolulu	3	-	58
Total 2nd Battalion		15	-	285
GRAND TOTAL, 298TH INFANTRY		47	1	789

ORGANIZATION	STATION	OFFICERS	WARRANT ENLISTED	
			OFFICER	MEN
Headquarters, 299th Infantry	Hilo, Hawaii	2	-	-
Headquarters, Co., 299th Inf.	" "	2	-	68
Service Co., 299th Inf.	" "	4	1	57
How. Co., 299th Inf.	Honolulu, Hawaii	3	-	60
Med. Dept. Detach., 299th Inf.	Hilo, Hawaii	4	-	32
Total Regimental Hdqrs. & Special Units		<u>15</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>217</u>

1st Battalion, 299th Infantry

Headquarters & Hdqrs. Co.	Wailuku, Maui	2	-	19
Company "A"	Lahaina, Maui	3	-	62
Company "B"	Wailuku, Maui	1	-	62
Company "C"	Paia, Maui	3	-	61
Company "D"	Wailuku, Maui	3	-	62
Total 1st Battalion		<u>12</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>266</u>

2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry

Headquarters	Hilo, Hawaii	1	-	-
Headquarters Company	Hakalau, Hawaii	2	-	26
Company "E"	Papaikou, Hawaii	3	-	61
Company "F"	Hilo, Hawaii	3	-	64
Company "G"	Olaa, Hawaii	3	-	64
Company "H"	Hilo, Hawaii	3	-	69
Total 2nd Battalion		<u>15</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>284</u>

GRAND TOTAL, 299TH INFANTRY

42	1	767
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Reserve Officers and Enlisted Men	9	-	100
State Officers	5	-	-
Unassigned List Officers	6	-	-
Total Reserve Officers, etc.	<u>20</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100</u>

R E C A P I T U L A T I O N

Staff Corps and Departments	Officers	9	Warrant Officers	0	Enlisted Men	19
298th Infantry	"	47	"	1	"	789
299th Infantry	"	42	"	1	"	767
Reserve Officers, etc.	"	20	"	0	"	100
TOTAL HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD	"	<u>118</u>	"	<u>2</u>	"	<u>1675</u>
			Commissioned Officers			118
			Warrant Officers			2
			GRAND TOTAL			<u>1795</u>

6. The following changes in organizations have transpired during the year:

a. New units organized and Federal recognition extended:

Headquarters, 299th Infantry, Hilo, Hawaii, January 1, 1927

Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, Wailuku, Maui, May 2, 1927

Headquarters Co., 1st Bn., 299th Infantry, Wailuku, Maui, organized and inspected for Federal recognition on June 3, 1927. Notification granting Federal recognition not yet received.

Company "B", 299th Infantry, Wailuku, Maui, December 30, 1926.

b. Organizations disbanded and Federal recognition withdrawn: None.

NOTE: - Service Company, 299th Infantry, Paauilo, Hawaii, disbanded for the purpose of reorganization at Hilo, Hawaii.

c. Changes of station or location of units:

See subparagraph d. below.

d. Reorganization of units:

Company "L", 299th Infantry, Honokaa, Hawaii, converted into Headquarters Company, 299th Infantry, and station changed to Hilo, Hawaii, on January 1, 1927.

Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 298th Infantry, Paauilo, Hawaii, converted into Service Company, 299th Infantry, with station at Paauilo, Hawaii, on January 1, 1927. On February 4, 1927 station of this organization changed to Hilo, Hawaii.

Company "I", 298th Infantry, Honomu, Hawaii, converted into Howitzer Company, 299th Infantry, on January 1, 1927. Station remains unchanged.

Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 298th Infantry, Honomu, Hawaii, redesignated as Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, and station changed to Hilo, Hawaii, on January 1, 1927.

Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hakalau, Hawaii, redesignated as Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, on January 1, 1927. Station remains unchanged.

6. (Continued)

d. Reorganization of units (Continued)

Company "M", 298th Infantry, Hilo, Hawaii, redesignated as Company "H", 299th Infantry, on January 1, 1927. Station remains unchanged.

e. A net gain for the year of 4 new units.

NATIVITY

7. The nativity of the Guard at June 30, 1927 is here shown:

Hawaiians.....	465
Portuguese.....	207
Japanese.....	200
Part Hawaiians.....	180
Chinese.....	150
Filipinos.....	129
Porto Ricans.....	121
Americans (white).....	116
Koreans.....	27
Spaniards.....	16
Germans.....	13
English.....	12
Irish.....	11
Scotch.....	6
Russians.....	4
Samoans.....	3
Indians.....	2
Negroes.....	2
Swiss.....	2
Belgians.....	1
Danish.....	1
Hungarians.....	1
Greeks.....	1
Italians.....	1
Mexicans.....	1
Polish.....	1
Alsations.....	1
Swedes.....	1

(Note: - Reserve Officers are not included in above)

Of the Part-Hawaiians there are 10 different kinds, as follows:

American-Hawaiian		Chinese-Hawaiian	
Portuguese	"	Scotch	"
British	"	Spanish	"
Porto Rican	"	Japanese	"
French	"	German	"

8. The following changes in personnel transpired during the year July 1, 1926, and June 30, 1927:

OFFICERS

G A I N S

By new appointments..... 23  
 TOTAL GAINS..... 23

L O S S E S

Resigned from active list..... 4  
 Resigned from Unassigned List..... 5  
 Resigned from State appointments..... 2  
 TOTAL LOSSES..... 11

A net gain of 12 officers for the fiscal year 1926-1927

CHANGES IN STATUS

Transferred to Unassigned List from active list..... 8  
 Transferred to N. G. Reserve from active list..... 1  
 Promoted to higher grades.....19

WARRANT OFFICERS

G A I N S

By new appointments..... 1  
 TOTAL GAINS..... 1

ENLISTED MEN

G A I N S

New enlistments.....777  
 Restored to duty from desertion..... 5  
 TOTAL GAINS.....782

L O S S E S

Discharged account removal of residence.....376  
 Discharged per expiration of term of service 79  
 Dropped as deserters..... 29  
 Discharged account disbandment of organiza-  
 tion..... 20  
 Discharged account business interference.... 16  
 Discharged to accept commission in H. N. G.. 14  
 Discharged account conviction by civil  
 authorities..... 13

FORWARDED 547

ENLISTED MEN

L O S S E S

Brought forward.....	547
Died.....	8
Disch. acct. disability not in line of duty..	1
Disch. proceedings Board of Officers, as Undersirable.....	1
Disch. to accept appointment as Warrant Off..	1
Disch. to enter Annapolis Naval Academy.....	1
Disch. to enter West Point Academy.....	<u>1</u>
TOTAL LOSSES.....	560

A net gain of 222 enlisted men during the fiscal year  
1926-1927.

CHANGES IN STATUS

Transferred from active duty to National Guard Reserve..	100
Transferred from National Guard Reserve to active duty..	1
No. of men who have reenlisted.....	101

	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>W. O.</u>	<u>ENL. MEN</u>
Strength June 30, 1927	"118"	2	"1675"
Strength June 30, 1926	"106"	1	1463
Gain for fiscal year	12	1	222

"Includes Reserve, etc.

ARMORY DRILLS AND SCHOOLS

9. Owing to the shortage of Federal Funds, we were authorized by the War Department to have only 48 assemblies for drill during this fiscal year. The attendance, instruction and morale at these drills were excellent and the results obtained were very gratifying to these Headquarters. Some features of our armory drills show an improvement over past years and on a whole it is hardly possible for a National Guard organization to show any great advancement from year to year owing to the large turn-over in personnel and particularly in that of trained officers.

The matter of instruction, attendance and satisfactory results obtained from armory schools was most pronounced during this year. A new system of schools for officers and noncommissioned officers was inaugurated and through excellent assistance in instruction from officers of the Regular Army, the knowledge gained by the student is considered very valuable. For the first time we adopted the Army Correspondence Courses as our basis for school instruction and this selection has proven most fortunate. From our experiences during this past year it should be the policy for our school years in the future to comprise the term of not more than six months instead of endeavoring to carry on schools for the entire year.



Schools for officers, noncommissioned officers and company clerks were held once a week throughout the Territory.

The training and experience gained by those attending Regular Army Schools on the Mainland are proving of material benefit to the entire organization. The following number attended such schools during the year:

The General Staff and Command School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 3 months' course, 1 officer.

Company Officers' Course, The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, 3 months' course, 2 officers.

Communications Course, The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, 3 25/30 months' course, 1 noncommissioned officer.

Medical School, Field Officers' Course, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, 1 1/2 months' course, 1 officer.

In addition to the above, 19 officers from the Island of Oahu, 14 from the Island of Hawaii, and 7 from the Island of Maui, a total of 40 officers, attended a 4-day School of Instruction for Captains and Lieutenants held on their respective islands.

10. The following encampments for field instruction were held during the year:

Schofield Barracks, Oahu, T. H., August 14, 1926 to August 28, 1926, both dates inclusive.

ORGANIZATION	OFFICERS	WARRANT OFFICERS	ENLISTED MEN
Headquarters, 298th Inf., Honolulu	7	0	0
Headquarters, 1st Bn., 298th Inf., Honolulu	1	0	0
Headquarters, 2nd Bn., 298th Inf., Honolulu	1	0	0
A. G. D., S. S. C. & D., Honolulu	2	0	0
J. A. G. D., S. S. C. & D., Honolulu	1	0	0
I. G. D., S. S. C. & D., Honolulu	1	0	0
Med. Dept., S. S. C. & D., Honolulu	1	0	2
Q. M. C., S. S. C. & D., Honolulu	3	0	17
Headquarters Co., 298th Inf., Honolulu	2	0	60
Hq. Co., 1st Bn., 298th Inf., Honolulu	1	0	19
Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., 298th Inf., Honolulu	2	0	17
Service Co., 298th Inf., Honolulu	4	1	52
Howitzer Co., 298th Inf., Honolulu	3	0	43
Med. Dept. Detach., 298th Inf., Honolulu	1	0	18
Company "A", 298th Inf., Honolulu	1	0	44
Company "B", 298th Inf., Honolulu	3	0	60
FORWARDED	34	1	332

ORGANIZATION	OFFICERS	WARRANT OFFICERS	ENLISTED MEN
BROUGHT FORWARD	34	1	332
Company "C", 298th Inf., Honolulu	2	0	39
Company "E", 298th Inf., Honolulu	3	0	38
Company "F", 298th Inf., Honolulu	3	0	43
Company "G", 298th Inf., Waipahu, Oahu	3	0	52
Company "H", 298th Inf., Honolulu	3	0	39
	<u>48</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>543</u>
			48
			1
Total present.....			<u>592</u>

Punchbowl Target Range, Honolulu, T. H., September 11, 1926 to September 25, 1926, both dates inclusive.

ORGANIZATION	OFFICERS	ENLISTED MEN
Company "D", 298th Inf., Aiea, Oahu	3	65
		<u>3</u>
Total present.....		68

Hilo, Hawaii, T. H., September 25, 1926 to October 9, 1926 both dates inclusive.

ORGANIZATION	OFFICERS	ENLISTED MEN
Headquarters, 3rd Bn., 298th Inf., Honoumuli	1	0
Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., 298th Inf., Paauilo	1	11
Company "I", 298th Inf., Honoumuli	3	48
Company "M", 298th Inf., Hilo	3	49
Hq. Co., 3rd Bn., 299th Inf., Hakalau	1	17
Company "E", 299th Inf., Papaikou	3	60
Company "F", 299th Inf., Hilo	2	40
Company "G", 299th Inf., Olaa	2	45
Company "L", 299th Inf., Honokaa	3	52
Med. Dept. Detach., 299th Inf., Hilo	2	18
	<u>21</u>	<u>340</u>
		21
Total present.....		<u>361</u>

(In addition to the 361, two Reserve officers were attached to this camp for training).

Wailuku, Maui, T. H., October 16, 1926 to October 30, 1926 both dates inclusive.

ORGANIZATION	OFFICERS	ENLISTED MEN
Company "A", 299th Infantry, Lahaina	3	40
FORWARDED	<u>3</u>	<u>40</u>

ORGANIZATION	OFFICERS	ENLISTED MEN
BROUGHT FORWARD	3	40
Company "C", 299th Inf., Paia	2	42
Company "D", 299th Inf., Wailuku	3	41
	<u>8</u>	<u>123</u>
		8
Total present.....		<u>131</u>

#### R E C A P I T U L A T I O N

Total present at Schofield Camp.....	592
Total present at Punchbowl Camp.....	68
Total present at Hilo Camp.....	361
Total present at Wailuku Camp.....	<u>131</u>
GRAND TOTAL PRESENT AT ALL CAMPS.....	<u>1152</u>

11. Throughout the Territory Guard organizations participated in parades, exercises and ceremonies on the following National Holidays:

Independence Day, July 5, 1926 (This holiday was observed on July 5th on account of the 4th falling on a Sunday)  
 Armistice Day, November 11, 1926  
 Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1927  
 Memorial Day, May 30, 1927

At 7:30 P. M., March 22, 1927 the troops stationed on the Island of Oahu were reviewed by the Territorial Legislature in the Honolulu Armory.

#### TARGET RANGES AND RIFLE PRACTICE

12. Very little material progress was made during the year in rifle practice owing to the lack of target range facilities. This handicap caused by lack of range facilities should not last much longer for the recent session of the Territorial Legislature appropriated funds for the improvement of the Punchbowl Target Range, Honolulu; the establishment of two target ranges on the Island of Maui; and the enlargement and repairs to the target range at Waiakea, Hilo, Hawaii.

The Territory has been authorized to send a team of marksmen to the National Matches to be held at Camp Perry, Ohio, during the months of August and September, this being the first team to attend such Matches since 1924. Through the foresight of the recent session of the Legislature wherein \$1500.00 was appropriated to prepare such rifle team for participation in the Matches, a most creditable shooting organization should represent us at the National Matches this year.

### ARMORIES

13. One of the greatest handicaps now facing the development of our Guard is the lack of suitable armories on the Islands of Maui and Hawaii. Particularly do we need a new and large, modern, fire-proof armory in the City of Hilo and it is most unfortunate that the recent Legislature did not appropriate the necessary funds to commence construction of such a building. Our Territorially owned armories on the Islands of Maui and Hawaii are old and delapidated frame structures and should be replaced with modern, concrete, fire-proof buildings. The present buildings do not warrant the constant enlargement, alterations and repairs necessary to keep them in a usable condition. All armories contain suitable concrete or fire-proof vaults and storerooms for the proper protection and preservation of ordnance material.

The following armories are owned by the Territory of Hawaii:

Honolulu, Oahu (one). Main construction, concrete  
Hilo, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame  
Kohala, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame  
Honomu, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame  
Wailuku, Maui (one). Main construction, frame  
Lahaina, Maui (one). Main construction, frame

The following armories are leased to the Territory:

Aiea, Oahu (one). Main construction, frame  
Olaa, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame  
Honokaa, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame  
(not in use)  
Hakalau, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame

The following armories are loaned to the Territory:

Waipahu, Oahu (one). Main construction, frame  
Paia, Maui (one). Main construction, frame  
Papaikou, Hawaii (one). Main construction, frame

14. During this fiscal year the Hawaii National Guard was not called upon for any active duty but furnished the usual band, guard and saluting batteries on occasions when considered necessary by the Governor.

### FINANCES

15. The allotment of funds from the Federal Government and the appropriations of moneys from the Territorial Legislature in support of the Hawaii National Guard have not kept pace with the expansion of our organization with the results that the personnel in these Headquarters is greatly overworked and their efficiency thereby greatly

impaired, which naturally lowers the morale of the entire organization.

Following are the funds expended by the Military Department of the Territory for the support of the Hawaii National Guard for this fiscal year ending June 30, 1927:

SALARIES

Adjutant General.....	\$ 3,600.00	
Employees.....	11,166.56	
TOTAL SALARIES		\$14,766.56

EXPENSES

General.....		9,071.37
GRAND TOTAL		\$23,837.93

In addition to the moneys expended by the Territory, the Federal Government, through the War Department, has expended the following sums during this fiscal year for the development of the Hawaii National Guard:

By the Finance Officer, Headquarters  
Hawaiian Department

Transportation National Guard supplies.....	\$ 450.00	
Ordnance repairs & replacement.....	6,013.84	
Ammunition and Pyrotechnics.....	6,174.55	
Miscellaneous supplies: QM, Signal, Eng., and Medical.....	2,292.76	
Replacement articles of uniform.....	5,891.69	
Armory Drill Pay.....	90,012.81	
Stationery for Instructors.....	99.50	
Travel of Regular Army Personnel.....	1,009.35	
Equipment for new units.....	5,011.99	
		\$116,956.49

By the United States Property and  
Disbursing Officer, H. N. G.:

Pay of United States Property & Disbursing Officer.....	\$ 1,200.00	
Maintenance of organization equipment.....	418.75	
Renovation of clothing.....	356.61	
Band music.....	60.00	
Repairs to motor vehicles.....	691.05	
Expenses, Sergeant Instructors.....	3,406.00	
Gasoline.....	43.06	
Caretakers.....	1,200.00	
Expenses, Camps of instruction.....	67,545.13	
		\$ 74,920.60

Your attention is called to the fact that the Federal Government expended \$168,039.16 more than did the Territorial Government for the upkeep of the Hawaii Guardsmen.

16. The following appropriation was passed by the 1927 Territorial Legislature. This money will be available for the biennium commencing July 1, 1927:

National Guard.....		\$ 94,940.00
A. Personal services.....	\$ 56,840.00	
Adjutant General	\$ 10,800.00	
Other personal services.....	<u>46,040.00</u>	
B. Other current expenses.....	21,100.00	
C. Equipment.....	2,000.00	
E. Structures and permanent improvements to land....	13,000.00	
Buildings.....	13,000.00	
G. Capital outlays for rights and obligations.....	2,000.00	
Refunds, awards and indemnities.....	<u>2,000.00</u>	
Total; Military.....		<u>\$ 94,940.00</u>

#### CONCLUSION

17. In summing up the history of the Hawaii National Guard for the fiscal year just closing I would say that marked advancement has been made in organization, that the local military forces are in excellent condition insofar as organization and morale are concerned, but somewhat weak in training owing to the reorganization that has taken place the last six months of this fiscal year.

The problems now facing these Headquarters and for which I pray for the Governor's assistance, can be reduced to but three and are as follows:

a. More personnel in these Headquarters and for janitor services in our various armories.

b. Just and equitable compensation for the present employees in the Military Department.

c. An increase in the allotment of personnel to the Hawaii National Guard from the War Department.

The employees of the Military Department must continue for another two years to work under the unjust handicap of being the most poorly paid workers of the government as the recent legislative session did not appropriate sufficient funds for any salary increases worthy of comment with the exception of The Adjutant General. It is my firm belief that employees of the Military Department who are required to serve continuously with military rank should receive the pay and allowances of officers of similar grades of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, while the civil employees should be on a par with others working for the Territorial Government in like positions. As I have remarked before to His Excellency and reiterate now, the Hawaii National Guard and employees concerned with its operation should be either entirely disbanded or properly supported as any other branch of our government. The United States and these Islands would not be the success they are today but for the unstinted heroic services of our former citizen soldiers and while we believe in the supreme authority of the civil government, our sane-minded citizens well know that such a government as was established by patriots of America must be supported by an adequate National Defense Force and program for its employment.

18. At present the morale of the Hawaii National Guard is exceedingly high and the enthusiasm of its personnel is a source of potential strength to the Territory. The sincere support of Your Excellency and the loyalty and efficiency of its officers are the real source of the present success of the organization.

Respectfully,

(Signed) P. M. Smoot.

P. M. SMOOT,  
Colonel, A. G. D.,  
The Adjutant General.