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First Time For Federal Call Here

The May 13 callup will be the first time the Hawaii National Guard's 29th Infantry has been summoned to active duty by Federal order.

Its parent outfit, the 299th Infantry, however, was activated shortly before the United States became involved in World War II. It saw action at Pearl Harbor.

The unit later was deactivated and merged with the 298th Infantry. Its men saw action in the Pacific and in Europe, some with the 100th Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

After the war, the 299th Infantry was reactivated to serve alongside the 298th Infantry.

In November, 1956, the 298th was reorganized into today's 298th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Group which, with the Hawaii Air Guard, has responsibility for guarding the State's skies.

The 299th Infantry was formed into the State's 29th Infantry Brigade which for the past two years has been part of the Army top-priority Selected Reserve Force.

Hawaii National Guard units have been activated by State order from time to time to assist in periods of natural emergencies, such as tidal wave disasters.

Hawaii Guard units recently have been taking training in anti-riot operations.