

Wives of Guardsmen Greet Callup Bravely

Some of the women were shocked, others accepted the situation with little surprise, and some seemed to have expected it.

They are the Hawaii National Guard wives, whose husbands have been called upon active service.

"How does a wife react? We are expecting our first baby. We just moved to a new home," said Mrs. Robert S. Bonnell whose husband was recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Reserves.

"I'm not pleased about it, but I guess these things have been done. I am pleased Dep. Matsunaga is trying to do something about it."

Her husband, a teacher at Nanakuli High School, put in two years active duty. He and his wife just bought a home.

"I try to be patriotic and all, but it is hard at this

point. I was really surprised," Mrs. Bonnell said.

Bonnell is platoon leader for Company A, 442nd Infantry, 100th Battalion.

"I wasn't surprised, not at all. We had talked about it a lot," said Mrs. John E. Aiona Jr., whose husband is a lieutenant colonel and commander of the 29th Brigade Support Battalion of the National Guards.

Aiona works full-time for the National Guard. He is in charge of civilian personnel.

"He goes on trips all the time. My father was in the service, so this won't mean too much. It isn't too much of a change at all," Mrs. Aiona said.

The Aionas have four children. He has been in the National Guard for 22 years.

Capt. James E. Doole Jr. is Dean of the Senior Class at Punahou. He is also commander of the 29th Aviation

Co. of the Hawaii National Guard.

"Naturally I was a little surprised when I heard," Mrs. Doole said. "I tried not to think about it. I work, so I tried to keep busy."

Mrs. Doole manages a small shop in the Reef Hotel. The Dooles have three teenage children.

"I think it is harder on people with smaller children," she said.

"I was shocked. I didn't realize it was going to be so soon," Mrs. James B. Respicio said. She said she "had a feeling" it might happen.

Her husband, a first lieutenant, has been in the National Guard for 13 years. He is with Company A, First Battalion, 299th Infantry.

The Respicios have three children. "He has been away before, so it won't be too bad. My family is nearby," Mrs. Respicio said.

"After reading the paper prior to the call-up, I anticipated something like this would happen," Mrs. Ralph E. Faufata said.

Capt. Faufata is Company C Commander, 29th Support Battalion.

"We have four children. If he does go away, I guess it will affect them," Mrs. Faufata said.