

29th Reports for Duty, Sir!

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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The 29th Infantry Brigade moved onto this historic post yesterday, unflustered by an emotional farewell ceremony

20,000 Go To Active Service

WASHINGTON (UPI) — More than 20,000 civilian Reservists yesterday reported for up to two years of active military duty under the first callup that included foot soldiers and sailors since the Berlin crisis in 1961.

The men reporting to begin their tours are the main contingent of 24,550 Reserves called up April 11 who were given 30 days to settle their civilian affairs.

When their mobilization was announced, Defense Secretary Clark Clifford reported that about 10,000 of the men would be sent to Vietnam. The remainder would be used to build up forces within the United States.

The Pentagon said most of them would report sometime during the day to their regular weekly drill sites.

The Army said most of its called 13,633 National Guardsmen and 6,401 Army Reservists would not reach mobilization points until May 20.

The main mobilization points are Ft. Carson, Colo.; Ft. Campbell, Ky.; Ft. Hood, Tex.; Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; and Ft. Benning, Ga.

In addition to the Army units, the Navy will get 1,028 Reservists under the call and the Air Force will get 2,238. The Air Force excused some 1,250 men originally called because their support functions were not needed.

An additional 3,600 Reservists called up on an individual basis will be reporting for active duty over the next several weeks.

The callup of ground units and Navy Reservists was the first since President John F. Kennedy mobilized 148,000 during the confrontation that led to the construction of the Berlin Wall in 1961.

There have been other callups of Air Reservists since then; first, a mobilization during the Cuban missile crisis in the fall of 1962 and the recall of 14,787 just after North Korea's seizure of the USS Pueblo Jan. 23.

and a peace demonstration.

The citizen-soldiers of the National Guard brigade and the Army Reserve 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry, were called to active duty April 11.

Yesterday they reported for duty, attended the ceremony at Ft. DeRussy and moved here by truck convoy. They immediately began a settling-in period that will last the rest of the week.

They took over Quadrangles B, C and D hard by the Foote Gate to Schofield.

Men unloaded personal gear into lockers on the second and third floors. Company clerks set up orderly rooms and command offices on the ground floors.

The quads will be the men's home for an indefinite period.

The buildings date back to the 1920s. But they show few scars of the boots of hundreds of thousands of troops who have used them, of the Dec. 7, 1941, machine-gun strafing or of the continued assault of the tropic elements.

Many of the troops arrived here still wearing the leis they had received from friends and relatives at the Ft. DeRussy farewell ceremony.

Only a few were aware of the peace demonstrators' sit-down attempt to block the convoy's exit from DeRussy. There was good-natured kidding about the group headed by Dr. Oliver Lee of the University of Hawaii that tried to pass out antiwar literature at Ft. Ruger.

The trucks taking the men from Ruger to DeRussy for the ceremony moved too fast past the pickets at Monsarrat and Kalakaua Avenues for the troops to read many of the antiwar signs.

An estimated 4,000 friends and relatives made a giant, half-moon frame for the troops in green battle fatigues at the farewell ceremony at Ft. DeRussy's Kuroua Field.

Supreme Court Justice Kazuhisa Abe stood with his daughter-in-law to watch his son, Pvt. Clyde Abe, march off to active duty.

Rep. Robert S. Taira was on hand to see off his son, Dennis, a University of Hawaii senior.

"He took his examinations early so he could go with his outfit, Company A of the Support Battalion," Taira said. "I hope he didn't flunk."

Maj. Gen. Edgar C. Doleman, U.S. Army Pacific deputy commander, Maj. Gen. Benjamin J. Webster, State adjutant general, and Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell and Gov.

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Decked with leis and with at least one guitar, foreground, brigade troops arrive at Schofield.



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Infantry say aloha to their mothers, children and wives at Ft. DeRussy ceremony.

Those who must stay behind smile to hide their tears as men of 29th Brigade and 100th

Schofield Is Home Now

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John A. Burns bid formal alohas to the men.

Just a trace of a breeze justified the flags and company guidons.

"Your ready acceptance of this obligation to serve when called is in the highest tradition of the citizen-soldier," Webster said.

"I salute you and will await your return to your civilian duties."

"Again the people of Honolulu are brought very close to the front lines as our Guard and Reserve are called," said Blaisdell.

"We feel pride in their readiness and their courage. Our aloha means more than farewell. It carries the deeper Hawaiian meaning as a prayer for your protection and return."

"God bless you, and good luck."

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for Isle Citizen-Soldiers

There were tears on the cheeks of men and women alike.

Brig. Gen. Frederick A. Schaefer III, the 29th commander, and Col. Clyde W. Woods Jr., the deputy com-

mander, watched troops unload on the Quad B lawn, then moved to Hickam Air Force Base to greet troops arriving by airlift from the Neighbor Islands.

"Most of this week will be the business of getting set-

outfage, brushing up on their various courses.

"The general will talk to each battalion commander.

"Next week we'll get to range firing to qualify on the M-14 rifle and basic unit and tactical training."

So Long, Civvies; Hello, Fatigues

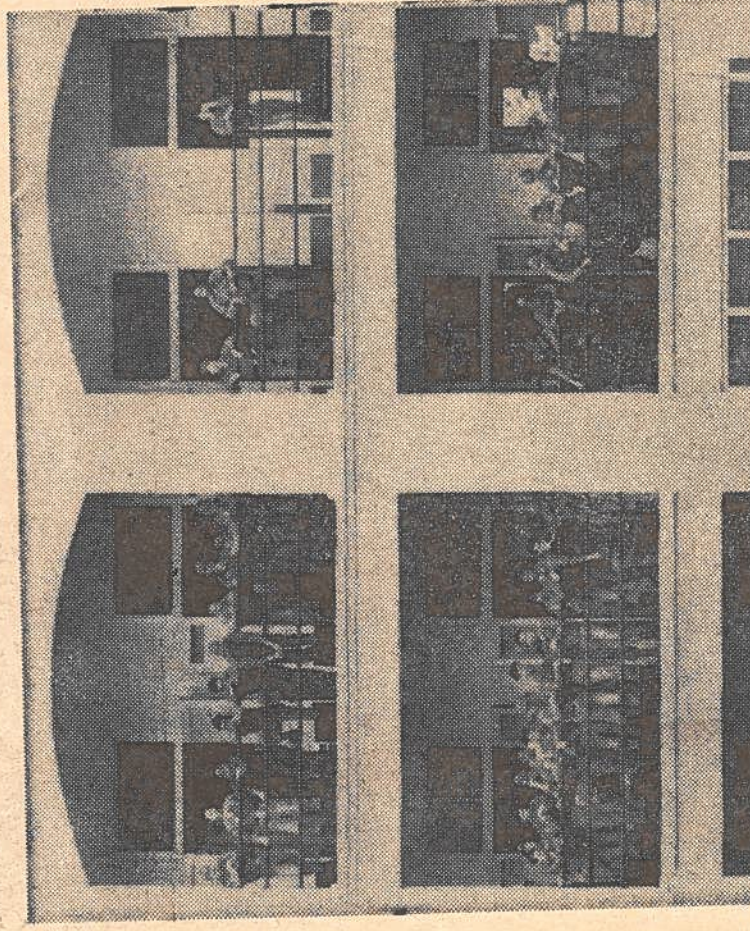
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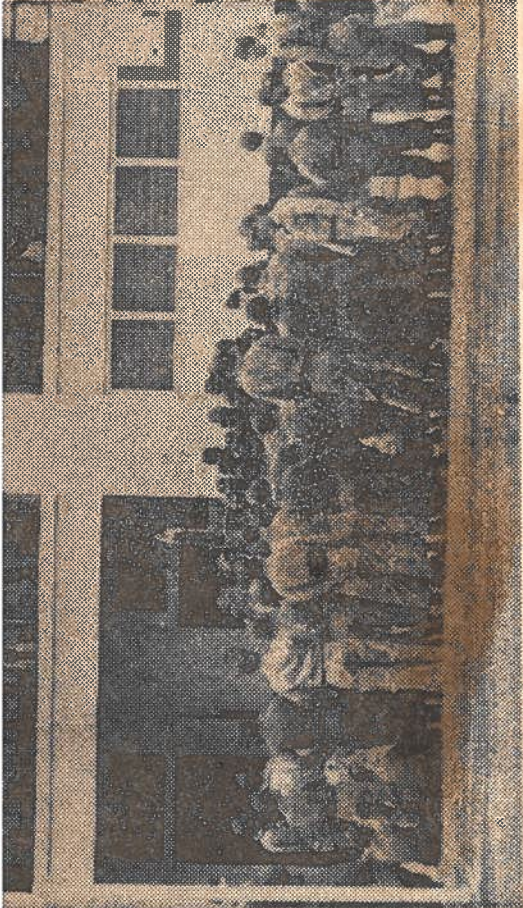
Pfc. Robert H. Maxey found a way to make certain he was on time at 6 a.m. yesterday when he told civilian life goodbye and became a full-time soldier.

He stayed up the night before so he could be sure of being at Ft. Ruger on time.

"I figured it was safer to stay up all night," Maxey explained.

Maxey, who until yesterday worked for his father's automobile agency, was one of thousands of National





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Guardsmen reach their new home—three-story barracks at Schofield.

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Burns compared the troops to the Peace Corps in doing constructive work, contrasted to what he termed the "Geese Corps," that only cackles warnings.

"The Geese Corps is so busy warning us about our loss of freedoms," the Governor said, "that they have little time left to handle the problems they are honking about."

"You carry with you our pride and our hearts."

Four Delta Dagger jet fighters from the 199th Fighter Squadron flew aloft in a salute from their companions in the Hawaii Air National Guard.

The 111th Army band played "Aloha Oe" as thousands of vanda orchids were showered on the men from helicopters. Children quickly darted on the field to fill their hands with the blossoms.

The 30-minute ceremony ended at 9 a.m. The crowd swarmed onto the field, embracing sons and husbands and brothers and sweethearts.

Some walked along as the men marched to the waiting trucks.

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Maxey, who until yesterday worked for his father's automobile agency, was one of more than 4,000 National Guardsmen and Army Reservists who went on active duty at Schofield Barracks in the first Hawaii Guard callup since 1940.

His commanding officer, Capt. Don Marciel, chose Maxey as typical of the 4,000-plus men who made the changeover from civilian to soldier and permitted the Advertiser to follow him during a major portion of his day.

Maxey spent his last night as a civilian as men who face the prospect of going to war always do — with his girl friend.

He and 21-year-old Michele Robertson, a University of Hawaii student and a part-time waitress, went to dinner at Mario's.

Sometime after midnight, Maxey returned to the home of his parents — Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Maxey of 1154 Kaimoku Place — and took care of last-minute packing.

A lot of the day yesterday was spent in standing and waiting — a familiar, if unpopular pastime for military



Army Photos

Moments in a soldier's first day of active duty: Maxey stands in line for chow, unpacks gear in barracks, lugs foot locker upstairs.

When Maxey and his buddies piled off the trucks after their 10:45 a.m. arrival at Schofield's Quadrangle B — dressed in fatigues, camouflaged combat helmets and carrying rifles — they stood at ease while Marciel squared them away on the location of their barracks, the chow hall and the supply rooms.

Then they stood in the first of the uncountable lines they will encounter at Schofield — this one to turn in their weapons.

After that, Maxey saw a good many stairs. At 11:23 a.m. he went up two flights to his barracks to begin lining up bare, rusted bunks in five rows.

The barracks walls were painted with that peculiar shade of green the Army seems to have so much of; strips of white paint hung from the ceiling like tired mobiles.

After the bunks were lined up, they had to be lined up again. The job hadn't been done right the first time. All this took four minutes.

At 11:27, Maxey and company were heading back down the stairs for their duffel bags, which they carried back up to the raucous cry of the ever-present top sergeant: "Grab a bag! Any bag! Move 'em upstairs!"

At 11:30 came another trek down the two flights of stairs — this time for foot lockers. Maxey made two trips in four minutes, perspiring freely.

Some soldiers still were lugging bags up the stairs while the sergeant encouraged them by shouting: "All

right! Get on the ball with them duffel bags!"

After some searching, Maxey found his own bag and managed to switch from the heavy, hot combat helmet to a softer, more comfortable fatigue cap.

Someone yelled, "Chow!" and another line started forming downstairs. The line moved fast; Maxey had eaten and was headed back up the stairs within 15 minutes.

After chow the housekeeping chores began — sweeping, window cleaning, bedding, macking. It would go on through the afternoon, until a sergeant grudgingly expressed his approval.

If all went well, there would be leave for the night — a chance to tell parents and the girl friend about the day.

This morning, after drills and exercises, Maxey will be at work at the Schofield post office, starting his second day as a full-time soldier.