



SAME OLD ARMY—Spec. 4 Herman Casco of Kahului, Maui, peels potatoes at Schofield Barracks today. He was one of 4,000 Guardsmen and Army Reservists called to active duty yesterday. Despite thousands of gadgets, from odor detectors to missiles, the Army still has need for potato peelers, Casco found out. Story on the troops at Schofield today on page A-11. — Photo by Warren Roll.

You're in the Army now, bruddah

'Look alive' and 'Look busy'

By Lyle Nelson
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"Grab those mops, take this broom, hang up your cap, look alive, look busy," the sergeant barked, his pointed jaw stuck out.

Those were a few of the commands S. Sgt. William M. Keahi, rattled off in a few minutes today at Schofield Barracks Hawaii's citizen soldiers were hard at work. The first task was putting their new home in order.

Keahi has charge of 17 "new" soldiers of Headquarters Company, Communications Battalion of the 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry of the 29th Brigade.

"The call-up is good for the boys," said Keahi, relaxing later in his barren orderly room that needs furniture. "When I tell them to work, they jump. But I have to push them," he said.

Nine years

Keahi has been with the 100th for nine years. Before that he had 10 years with the

National Guard's 298th Artillery, a missile outfit.

Today he's a sergeant in the 100th, a much-decorated organization on active duty for the first time in 22 years.

In World War II the outfit had a glorious combat history.

Except for a few scattered Caucasian officers the 100th and 442nd were strictly Americans of Japanese Ancestry.

The 100th, which joined the 29th in yesterday's call-up, is now of mixed ancestry and Keahi's troops are about three-fourths AJA's.

Keahi's men are in charge of field radios, telephone lines and other communications gear.

After checking into Schofield yesterday noon, following call-up ceremonies at Ft. DeRussy, the men spent the day getting their sleeping quarters squared away.

Up at 4:30 a.m.

This morning reveille was at 4:30 a.m. Spec. 4 Eliseo Agor of Ho-

nolulu, who works for Keahi, said:

"First we fixed our bunks and then we went outside for a quarter mile run around the barracks. It was about 5 and the beginning of daylight.

"Breakfast at 6:30 consisted of eggs, sausage and cereal.

"Then we had formation outside Quad D and then started on work details," he said.

Lower men in the ranks grabbed mops and there were men walking mops all over Schofield this morning. Others had brooms.

Fifteen sat on the lawn inside the quadrangle pulling weeds.

Peeling potatoes

Another 15 were peeling potatoes, a tradition that probably goes back before George Washington.

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And after the Armed Forces Day parade Saturday morning at 11 most of the 4,000 men in the call-up will be free to return home for the weekend a spokesman for the 29th said.

Meanwhile officers last night were free to go home.

Agor said many of the men in the barracks before supper spent the time polishing their boots and talking about the busy day that had started at about 5 a.m. at either Ft. Ruger or Ft. De Russy for most of them.

After supper many men

telephoned their families.

One telephone at the barracks where Keahi's men are located was out of order but it didn't take the communications specialists long to fix the dial and make it work.

Agor said many men went to the beer hall on the base for the evening.

Agor himself spent the evening giving two men hair cuts.

"I learned it from watching my father," he said.

Agor was tired after a long day and went to bed at 10 even though lights didn't go out for another hour.

"I suppose I talked in my sleep," he laughed.

One popular topic in the barracks last night, he said, was yesterday morning's war dissenters who tried to block the army caravan as it moved from DeRussy along Kalia Road on the way to Schofield.

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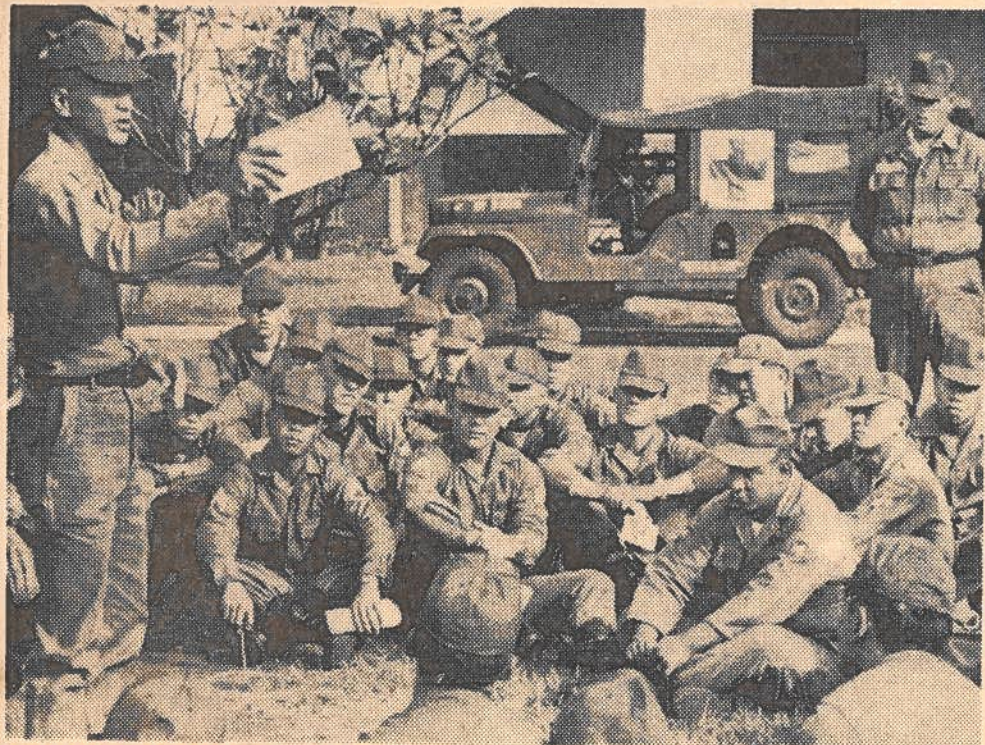
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OLD ARMY GAME—This unidentified soldier of the 29th Brigade has learned what the old Army phrase "Hurry up and wait" means. Hawaii's Army National Guard went on active duty yesterday for the first time in 28 years. This scene was outside Quad E at Schofield Barracks where the Guard's 487th Artillery is quartered.

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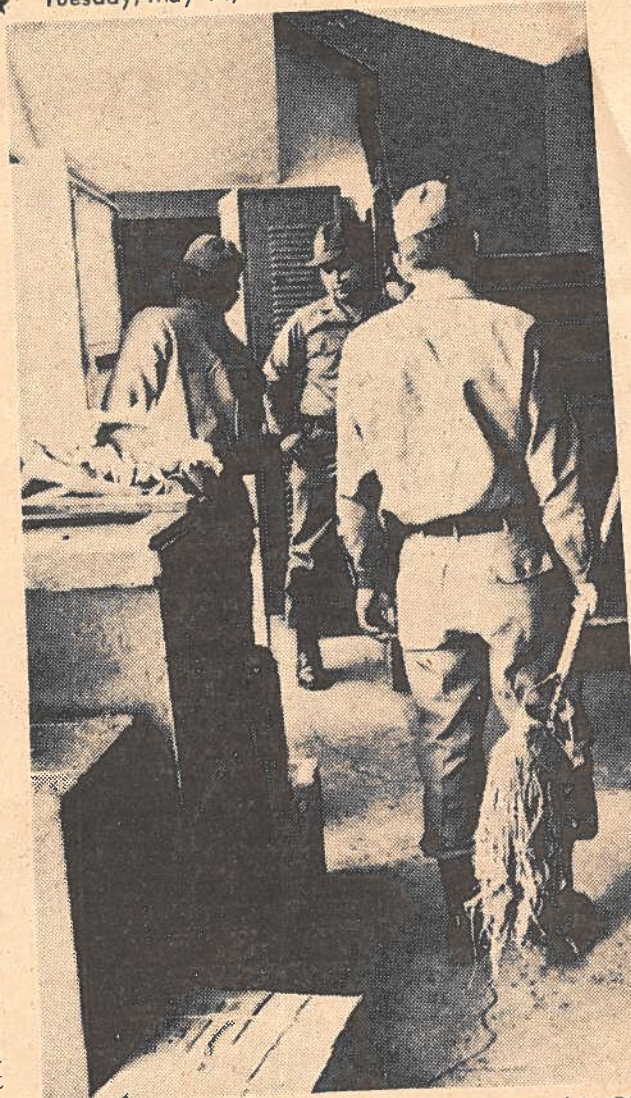
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