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29th Brigade to step up training

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Men of the 29th Brigade will step up training next week in preparation for battalion-size training later.

Most of Hawaii's citizen-soldiers will go to rifle range and fire the M-14 rifle.

Battalion training will follow in about three weeks, a brigade spokesman at Schofield Barracks said today.

Yesterday was payday. It came early because the former National Guardsmen and Army reservists had money coming for drills they attended before they were mobilized.

There also was some good news for Neighbor Island soldiers.

They were told they may

apply for government quarters on the base so their families can join them on Oahu.

The first two men from an intelligence detachment from Phoenix, Ariz., arrived here at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday.

They believe some of the wives of the Arizona men will come here later.

An aviation company from California that had been a part of the brigade now will be attached to U.S. Army, Hawaii.

This company will consist mostly of helicopter crews.

Groups of brigade troops went through bayonet practice yesterday without bayonets.

Tomorrow the soldiers will practice for the Armed Forces Day parade that will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Starting next Saturday, the troops will receive information about the war and American policy.

This type of information is routinely given out periodically to servicemen everywhere.