

Hawaii's New Soldiers Parade

The men of Hawaii who were called up for the national defense strutted their stuff yesterday before an Armed Forces Day crowd of more than 6,000 at Schofield Barracks.

The 3,300 men of the 29th Infantry Brigade and the 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry, were reviewed by Gov. John A. Burns in a full-dress parade, their first public appearance since coming on active duty with the Army Monday.

Five battalions, headed by the 29th's new commander, Brig. Gen. Frederick A. Schaefer III, made their debut under the hot sun at Schofield's Lightning Field, which was ringed with a throng of family members and other Armed Forces Day visitors to the post.

The troops were clad in khaki uniforms and carried their newly-issued M-14 rifles. Some wore the powder blue scarves of the infantry; others sported artillery red.

Six 105-millimeter howitzers of the brigade's 1st Battalion, 487th Artillery, kicked off the parade with a 19-gun salute to the Governor.

The review, which came off with smart precision, nonetheless had a few Island touches. The 264th Army Band played "Hawaii Pono," the State anthem, and "Red Hibiscus," the Hawaiianized version of an old Army marching song which has become a theme song of sorts for the brigade.

A helicopter fly-by at the end of the parade was capped by a chopper which bore a large green-and-white sign, "Aloha, 29th Infantry Brigade."

Brig. Gen. Francis Takemoto, the former brigade commander who was unable to bring his unit on active duty because of Army age restrictions, was on hand to see his former charges on parade.

Also there to review the units were Honolulu Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell; Lt. Gen. Edgar C. Doleman, Pacific

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Youngster has crow's-nest view as 29th Brigade passes in review.

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Paul Tominaga, 4, meets a 'copter.

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Army deputy commander; Maj. Gen. Benjamin Webster, State Adjutant General; and Maj. Gen. Roy Lasseter, U.S. Army, Hawaii commander.

After the parade, the new soldiers were released to spend the weekend with their families.

Their first week was spent getting settled in their new quarters at Schofield, and they begin their first real training day tomorrow with qualification firing on the new M-14s.

Later this month, Hawaii's Guardsmen and Reservists will be joined by elements of the 29th located in California. Large groups of the

Mainland soldiers are due here on May 22 and 27, according to Army spokesmen.

Yesterday's parade was obviously the most popular attraction at Schofield's large Armed Forces Day program. Traffic was backed up at the Macomb Gate of the post long before the 11 a.m. review, and parking within the base was at a premium.

Throughout the morning and afternoon, visitors had an opportunity to view displays and demonstrations of aircraft, weapons and equipment put on by other Army and Air Force elements based at Schofield Barracks.

ROTC drill teams from many of Oahu's high schools also paraded for the visitors during the afternoon.