

BEFORE SUPREME COURT THIRD TIME

Damage Suit Against County of Hawaii Up Again

For the third time since its inception, the suit of Kumazo Matsumura against the County of Hawaii has come before the Supreme Court. This time it is up on a bill of exceptions on the merits of the case, judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$7500 having been awarded in the Circuit Court.

In his original complaint Matsumura claimed that his store, goods and dwelling were destroyed by a landslide due to the diversion of the water of a flume by county laborers working on the roads. He asked for damages in the sum of \$15,000, and after the case had twice been before the Supreme Court on questions of law, he got judgment in the Circuit Court for half what he claimed. Now the County has appealed.

FORD WRITES OF PLANS.

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in the Clark booklet. Moreover, Mr. Clark has contracted for annual page advertisements in several leading magazines, and I think I can promise that a cut of surf riding at Waikiki will adorn a portion of these pages, so that our Outrigger Club offers this year to Hawaii at least \$10,000 of free advertising to the world.

I am arranging with Travel Magazine for a handsome color cover for the June number, showing some of our boys coming in on their surf boards, which will be an illustrated account of Keemehomeha Day in Hawaii.

Calkins' Weekly has for publication a series of "Outrigger" pictures and an article on surfboarding at Waikiki, so you see we are doing our part to attract outsiders to come to Hawaii, summer or winter, although I dwell on it chiefly as a summer resort, a great holiday place for athletes, college boys and those who can get away for the three months of summer.

I presume that you know of Mr. Clark's donation of cups. He will do more. I called at Pain's fireworks headquarters recently and shall bring back with me samples of many colored fire sticks for use on surfboards at night. They burn five minutes each. The colored sticks are but a dollar a dozen, but the magnesium sticks that give a glare brighter than sunlight are 60 cents each. This, to my mind, solves the problem of successful display of surfboarding at night.

Everyone I speak to about the proposed Polynesian Olympia enthusiasts. Young David Walker, son of Iriabon Walker, may run over with me to help promote this. He sees great possibilities. When I first knew young Walker he was 26 years old, editor of the Cosmopolitan, and drew a salary of \$25,000. Now he owns or controls several magazines and is one of the moving spirits in the new Travel Club, of which I shall write you later, for its its destiny. I believe, will be closely allied with plans for Hawaii.

We have our first banquet at Columbia University next week, but more of that later.

By the way, I have come into possession of 100 subscriptions to Travel Magazine. They are worth \$1.50 each, and I wish to place them at the disposal of the Outrigger Club. How would it do to offer a free subscription for a year to each new member coming in after May 1, either to the Club or the Auxiliary? Or, if the subscriptions are taken separately, let the amounts go to our building fund. I am getting up some souvenir cards for the Club that will advertise Hawaii and demonstrate how easily and cheaply a New Yorker may get to our grounds and surfboards. I will present a number for use of the Auxiliary. I find that everyone is easily interested in surfboarding, so let us keep the most unique aquatic sport in the whole world in such shape that we may never need feel ashamed of its exhibition before strangers.

I have promised to obtain for sev-

eral well-known lecturers moving pictures of our Outrigger Club sports. I hope, therefore, to bring with me the best motion picture and color slide artist in America, Edward H. Kemp, and his wife, who is a well-known lecturer in this country and in Europe. I wish them to make many slides and moving pictures and show these in splendid color in a series of entertainments for the benefit of the Outrigger Club. Kemp is in touch with every famous lecturer in this country and abroad, and his slides are much sought after. He may visit Australia and New Zealand after Hawaii and show the pictures he has taken in Hawaii throughout the Antipodes, while duplicates will be sent back to America.

After discussing with the magazine and others the idea of a Polynesian Olympia to be held in Hawaii in the summer of 1912 or 1913, I am about ready to make another trip around the Pacific, secure energies and at the same time complete the arrangements for Pacific Ocean promotion work in America and Europe. I will also look out for the best places for Clark's round the Pacific cruise to visit. It would mean a wonderful move in transportation matters on the Pacific, with Hawaii as the hub.

By the way, speaking of transportation problems. For many years Thom, Cook & Sons controlled the passenger traffic between New York and Bermuda, running but one boat every ten days, whereby they stifled competition and kept the return rate up to \$50, a splendid thing for Cook. Recently, however, an American concern has put on a fast (20 knot) steamer that makes a round trip every week and has cut the excursion first class down to \$20. The Cook concern met the cut, and so great is the rush, after months of

experiment, that the old company has had to put extra boats in commission, and instead of one half-filled boat leaving New York three times a month we have three crowded boats a week, everyone is making money, and Bermuda has come into her own at last. It is in hopes that the little ripple the Outrigger Club has sent out may grow into a billow the size of a Polynesian Olympia, that I am working. If we can bring about results for Hawaii that have been accomplished for Bermuda by competition in transportation, I feel that the Outrigger Club was not founded in vain, and I believe that a Polynesian Olympia held in Hawaii would attract so many visitors that better and cheaper service would be inaugurated, and in this belief I am encouraged by men who expect to conduct excursions to Honolulu, and others who will organize a cross-continent motor race in connection with the opening of the proposed Polynesian Olympia in Hawaii. Let us build up and use the Outrigger Club for the benefit of Hawaii.

Yours sincerely,

A. H. FORD.

William Heath Davis, an uncle of Mrs. J. A. King of Honolulu, and granduncle of Robert Davis King, William Heath Davis King, Samuel William King (now a cadet at the Annapolis Naval Academy), Daniel King and Helen King, and formerly a resident of Honolulu, died at Hayward, California, on April 29. He was born here in 1822 but early moved to the mainland, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Mrs. H. W. Kinney, wife of Editor Kinney of the Hilo Tribune, will leave tomorrow in the Manna Kea. She will be accompanied by her two children.

Gustave Pabst,

brewer, recently offered a prize of \$1000 for the best letter on the subject of temperance or Prohibition. That the letter was to be in the articles published in the POLITAN MAGAZINE himself and the Rev. Alexander and that the prize would be for the best brief, logical whether it sustained the side of Pabst or the Rev. Dr. Alison.

The prize-winning letter from among thousands by a consisting of Messrs. Nathaniel Arthur Brisbane, was written by Pabst's arguments in favor of temperance and against prohibition.

That the youth of the land should rely upon their strength of character into a straight-jacket to make up for character was the substance of her argument.

The moderate drinking of good beer for the weak and the well.

In Honolulu its important that